

DIARY DATES FOR MARCH

Details of Church services and events are on p9

Tuesday 5th, time tba. Cock o' Budworth: GB Cricket Club AGM.

Wednesday 6th, 7.30pm. Parish Hall, WI Meeting.

Thursday 7th, 12.00 noon. Comberbach Methodist Church. Lite Bite lunch.

Tuesday 12, 7.30pm. Parish Hall, Garden Club meeting.

Thursday 14th, 8pm. St. Nicholas High School, Greenbank, Northwich. GB Cricket Club indoor net session (weekly).

Monday 18th, 7.00pm. Parish Hall. GB Parish Council meeting. All welcome.

Tuesday 19th, 11.35-12.35am. Outside Parish Hall: mobile library.

Thursday 21st, 12.00 noon. Comberbach Methodist Church. Lite Bite lunch.

Thursday 21st, 6pm. GB Primary School. Family Easter Bingo.

Saturday 23rd, 11.00am. Parish Hall. WI Jumble Sale.

Wednesday 27th, 1.30pm. Parish Church. School's Easter service. All welcome.

Thursday 28th, 12.30pm Spinner & Bergamot. Ladies' lunch.

Sunday 31st, 1.00am. CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1 HOUR



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BUDWORTH BULLETIN

March 2024



**The Annual WI Jumble Sale is to be held
in the Parish Hall on**

Saturday 23rd March at 11.00am

**Goods can be brought to the Parish Hall the day before
(ie Friday) from 4pm and on the Saturday morning
from 9.30am.**

**We are glad of help on the day, especially
from 10.30am onwards**

**We sell good quality clothes, unwanted gifts, outgrown toys
and anything else you consider saleable.**

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try them on.**

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

***Don't forget ! Clocks go forward
on Sunday 31st March***



Mobile Library in Great Budworth

The mobile library stops outside the Parish Hall, Smithy Lane, between 11.35am and 12.35pm on the following Tuesdays in the coming months: 19 March, 9 April, 30 April, 21 May, 11 June, 2 July.



A Home Upgrade Grant scheme



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GREAT BUDWORTH CRICKET CLUB

Despite the seasonally miserable weather, the cricket club is beginning to plan for the new season.

The club AGM will be held at The Cock O'Budworth on Tuesday 5th March.

A series of weekly indoor net sessions at St Nick's High School begins on Thursday 14th March at 8pm.

New or prospective members are welcome to join the regulars for some batting, some bowling & often a bit of talking about it afterwards over a pint!

For further information, including sponsorship opportunities, please contact the club via gbcnewplayers@outlook.com.



Comberbach Methodist Church, Senna Lane, CW9 6BD

Lite Bites on 7th & 21st March



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SCHOOL NEWS

We returned to school as February came to a close and we held some fun activities to mark the extra 'leap' day. Our older children enjoyed an action-packed, if a little wet, residential trip to the Conway Centre, Anglesey before half term, where they experienced canoeing, gorge walking, high ropes, orienteering and lots of team and confidence-building activities.



This month, we welcome back former pupil Vistie Marsden, now a drama graduate, who will be running a series of literacy workshops in preparation for World Book Day on 7th March. This year's theme is 'Read your Way' and is designed to encourage children to read whenever and wherever they like best, as well as the importance of reading together at bedtime. So, all the children will be coming to school in their PJ's and will bring their favourite bedtime story to share. We're also asking them to bring a photo of them reading at home and we will make a collage of Great Budworth's 'Extreme Readers'.

Later in the month, we will be having a second visit from B-Tales, a travelling theatre company who will deliver a play on an Easter theme. Their Christmas production was very popular and we are looking forward to welcoming them back.

Our Foxes class have a trip to the Stockport Air Raid shelters planned this term. They are studying World War 2 as part of their history and literacy topics and have already created some fantastic displays in class. They've been looking at where the school air raid shelters used to be and photos of them being built on what is now the school car park.

Our very popular family Easter Bingo, run by the Friends of the School (FoTS) will be held on Thursday 21st March from 6pm. Please feel free to come along. There will be lots of Easter eggs to win. During Holy week we shall hold our Easter service in church, to which everyone is welcome, on Wednesday 27th March 2024 at 1.30pm, .

Wishing you a very Happy Easter, from everyone at Great Budworth C of E Primary school.

Mrs R. Corradine, Acting Headteacher

Pam Griffin

Nev would like to thank all villagers who have been supportive, sent cards and attended Pam's funeral. This is much appreciated and Pam will be remembered by everyone with love.

PART-TIME DRIVER WANTED

Malcolm Torrance, known to many in the village, is in need of the services of a car driver for about 6-8 hours a week, payment to be agreed. Someone with a clean licence would be preferred and he/she may use their own car or Malcolm's. Anyone interested should please contact Malcolm on 01606 892295.



Village WhatsApp Group

Deleting Messages and Managing notifications



How to delete messages:

Place a finger over the message you want to delete and hold it there. A popup will appear, giving you various options, including 'Delete', which appears in red text. Tap 'Delete'. The popup will disappear and the text you want to delete will have a blue circle to the left of it with a tick symbol inside it. You'll notice, too, that all the other texts now have empty circles to the left of them. This gives you the option of deleting any other messages you no longer want. Simply select them and, when you've done that, tap on the wastebasket symbol on the bottom left of the screen. Job done!

Muting/Changing the notification sound:

From the main WhatsApp screen (ie showing ALL WhatsApp messages, not just 'Great Budworth Village' messages), click on the 'Settings' icon at the bottom right of the screen (it's like a steering wheel). Tap on 'Notifications'. This takes you to a screen split in two, giving you notification options in respect of individual messages and group messages. You can then change the sound of either notification: in other words, you can have different sounds for an individual message and for one from a group member. Of course, you can also opt to silence them! As you'll see, when you press 'Sound', you have a wide range of sounds from which to choose.

NJ Garden Maintenance

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GARDEN CLUB

The new year started with our AGM in February, with members re-joining and new members enjoying their first taste of the club. Sarah and Ola were on the door to confirm names and take monies. We were pleased to find that 36 people had renewed online, so we really are moving into the 2020s.

Neil Harvey, the treasurer, had all the accounts to show and the club is in a very healthy position, thanks to its continual support by its members and past years' successful events.

Peter Davies had been treasurer since the club's formation in 2000, only retiring four years ago. He was presented with a Life Membership by his successor, Neil (see pic, right) for his work and input over 20 years. Peter was surprised and delighted and gave a spontaneous – and gracious – acceptance speech.



Julie Treharne (pictured below, right) explained all the trips and the holiday on the new Events Card. She has done a remarkable job and we are all excited at the prospect of enjoying these stimulating places to visit. The speakers booked for the year ahead also look amazing.



Following the AGM we had a speaker, Jeff Bates, from Derby, talking about Organic Gardening. He was thanked excellently by Kate Edwell who, like many members, gardens organically. Teas and Valentine cakes were served and there was plenty of hospitality. Kate is pictured with our speaker, left.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 12 March, which will be the last opportunity to pay your subs. for the year.

The speakers on that night are the owners of Hill View Hardy Plants near Bridgnorth in Shropshire. We have seen them on TV's Gardener's World. They are great personalities and will talk about Auriculas. We hope to see you there.

For any information about the club, please contact me in the first instance.

Jean Davies
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ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS

March events and services

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| Sunday 3rd | 8.00am Holy Communion BCP 10.30am All Age Worship |
| Wednesday 6th | 10.30am Holy Communion CW |
| Thursday 7th | 7.00pm Compline for Lent |
| Sunday 10th | 10.30am Mothering Sunday Service 4.00pm Holy Communion |
| Wednesday 13th | 10.00am Craft and natter in the Old School |
| Thursday 14th | 2.00pm Play and Praise 7.00pm Compline for Lent |
| Sunday 17th | 8.00am Holy Communion BCP 10.30am Parish Communion CW 6.30pm Evening Prayer at Arley Chapel |
| Thursday 21st | 7.00pm Compline for Lent |
| Sunday 24th | 10.15am Palm Sunday, with procession with branches from Parish Hall to church 2.30pm Forest Church |
| Wednesday 27th | 10.00am Craft and Natter in the Old School |
| Thursday 28th | 1.30pm School Service in church tbc 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Service of Holy Communion, Stripping of the altar and vigil |
| Friday 29th | 2.00pm Good Friday Service of meditations, reflections. |
| Sunday 31st | Easter Day 8.00am Holy Communion BCP 10.30am Parish Communion CW |



Church Teas 2024

Thank you to everyone who came along to the coffee morning or phoned through to sign up for Church Teas for 2024.

We have about four Sundays left to cover, so if you can help with any of these, or want to know more about it, please speak to Margaret on 07732 324 001 or Maggie on 01565 777262.

Teas commence on Sunday 7th April.



Sad News



and Guy enjoyed being members of Great Budworth Dining Club.

Friends in the village will be sad to learn that Carol Potter died on 12th January following some months of ill health. Carol moved a short time ago to Woodlands Nursing Home, Mobberley, with the help of Guy and her family. The funeral was held on 26th January at Vale Royal Crematorium.

Carol and Guy (pictured) came to live in their bungalow in Westage Lane nearly ten years ago. Carol loved making new friends and she

Ladies' lunch in March

March's lunch will take place on **Thursday 28th at 12.30** at the **Spinner & Bergamot**.

Please contact me if you'd like to join us as I shall need to book a table.

Hazel Forwood (01606 891908).



Sincere thanks to both the GREAT BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL and to the HERITAGE SOCIETY for their generous grants to the Budworth Bulletin. It currently costs over £1,500 a year to produce ten issues of the Bulletin, so these grants are warmly welcomed - as would be any donations from regular contributors!

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The Lostock Ukuleles (pictured below) were a great treat at our 92nd Birthday meeting. They played a fine selection of songs: we sang heartily and sounded really good. The evening ended with tea and delicious cakes.

The Lostock Ukes give all donations they receive to St Luke's Hospice and on the night they collected over £215 (which included the WI donation), so everyone was a winner.



The Birthday celebrations continued later in February with afternoon tea at Davenport's, an Alice in Wonderland themed tea shop in Acton Bridge - and well worth a visit.

The next meeting is on Wednesday 6th March at 7.30pm when Ken Pye will tell

"curious and amazing tales of Liverpool". Ken has a great reputation as a speaker and has an amazing knowledge of Liverpool.

The tea hostesses are Sandra, Shirley and Dorothy and visitors are most welcome.

The other great date on the grand recycling of life's treasures is our annual Jumble Sale on 23rd March. More information on this event is on the front page of this Bulletin.

RAMBLERS

The February ramble was an interesting walk around Northwich, through the parks and along the River Dane. We passed two new children's playgrounds and a new skateboard ramp. It gave us a very different angle on Northwich and an opportunity to see another side of the town. The walk was followed by a superb lunch at Kanya Restaurant which is on the ground floor of the new flats in town called Waters Cross.



BOOK CLUB

The Book club are reading "The Romantic" by William Boyd, a story of the adventures of a 19th century traveller from cradle to grave. I am assured it is a good read.

June Wilkinson

STRETTON YFC TRACTOR RUN



Following its success last year, Stretton Young Farmers held their second Tractor Run on 11th February. They were raising funds for The British Heart Foundation. 108 tractors of varies sizes and ages entered the run. After a spot of breakfast they set off from The Antrobus Arms before heading to Antrobus, Appleton Thorn, Stretton, Hatton, Little Leigh, Barnton, Anderton, Comberbach, Wincham and Pickmere, before heading through Great Budworth. Locals came out in force, lined the streets and supported the cause. The day was topped off with a BBQ and a drink or two back at the pub. Members new and old, as well as the public, all came together and lots of memories were made.

The club raised over £4,000 for The British Heart

Foundation, a familiar charity to us all but one that is very close to the Club's heart. Donations are still being taken and for more information on how to donate please head to Stretton YFC on Facebook. Everyone at Stretton YFC would like to thank all those who donated and supported the event. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Hannah Reade,
Vice-chair, Stretton YFC



Dog Walking

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BIG BOYS' BREAKFAST 2024



Those of us lucky enough to attend this year's Big Boys' Breakfast, on Sunday 4th February, were treated to an unhurried and sumptuous culinary delight. This highly nutritional experience generated an atmosphere of contentment and social well-being to be proud of.

For the benefit of those who were unable to attend, we won't dwell on the generous lashings of black pudding, haggis, kidneys, sausage, eggs, bacon and all the trimmings that they will have missed !

A healthy £500 + profit was made and this will be distributed to local good causes, including St Luke's Hospice, Friends of the School and the Parish Hall.

Again we thank Poplars Farm, of Antrobus, for kindly supplying their wonderful free-range eggs without charge. Massive thanks to all supporters of our village event, all those kind folk who gave donations and all our hard working volunteers. Come again next year and bring your family and friends.

SCHOOL 100 CLUB DRAW

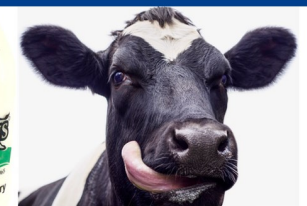
February Winners

1st (£25): Bob Wilkinson

2nd (£10): Guy Potter

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