

TOCKUS 'TALK'

APRIL 2022

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

WELCOME TO THE APRIL EDITION OF TOCKUS TALK

We wish you all a Happy Easter, details of Easter Services are on page 4. Volunteers are needed for the Chapel Cafe on Good Friday so please contact Kathleen or Marion if you can assist in any way. Details are on page 3. Pat & Linda



Tockholes Village Hall Diary

Tuesday 5th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Tuesday 5th - Garden Club 7:30pm
Thursday 7th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Monday 11th - Village Hall Group 6pm
Tuesday 12th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Thursday 14th - Craft Club -10am - 12
Thursday 14th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm
Friday 15th - Chapel Cafe - 1 - 4:30pm

Tuesday 19th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Tuesday 19th - W.I. - 7:15pm
Thursday 21st - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Tuesday 26th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Thursday 28th - Craft Club - 10am - 12
Thursday 28th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

To book the Village Hall contact Chris on 07889 105969

Please take a lateral flow test before attending Village Hall events and observe current COVID guidelines

VILLAGE HALL....

Village Group Report

We look forward to seeing you all at the events taking place 2022

Saturday 19th March 7.30pm a St Patrick Themed Social

Was a very sociable evening. Great fun was had by all with eating, drinking, quiz teams, dance demonstration and lots of laughter.

Good Friday 15th April Coffee Morning held by the Chapel at the Village Hall.

Saturday 7th May Route to the Classics by Irish Singer songwriter Gus Glynn the next in our popular and successful 'Spot On' sourced performance. secure your tickets online.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tockholesvillagehall/t-zeoydr> £8 bring your own food and drink

Sunday 5th June The Big Jubilee Lunch at the Village Hall

Bring a picnic or food and drink for the Jacobs Join. Bake a cake for the Platinum Jubilee Cake competition. Prize for the best crown. Bring photos of previous jubilee celebrations in the village and join in with the games and activities.

Sat 10th September Last Night of the Proms Social Evening. The Proms will be screened live at the village hall. Bring own food and drink.

Please contact tockustalk@outlook.com with any ideas or offers of help for any of these events or come along to the next meeting.

Village Hall Group meeting 6pm Mon 11th April at the Village Hall.

Regular Bookings

Pilates Tues am and Thurs pm

Gardening Club is 7.30pm on the 1st Tues of each month

W.I meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Tues of each month.

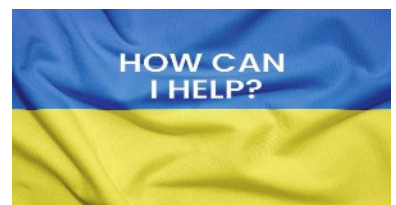
Craft Club 10-12 on 2nd and 4th Thurs of each month.

Public Hire available book via Chris Tobin £30 for 2 hours then £10 per hour up to £50 for 4 hours

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Please send in any messages regarding new groups, adverts or events as soon as possible to ensure inclusion in next month's edition.

If you have any articles for sale or to swap or advertisements for local businesses please let us know so that we can spread the word.



For Village Hall events or bookings, please contact the booking secretary Chris Tobin on 07889 105969
If you have any item of news, comments or advertising you would like to appear in the next issue, please contact Linda Kennish and Pat Willis - email: tockustalk@outlook.com

TOCKHOLES AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB....

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Hello dear gardening friends.

Our speaker and plant expert at this months meeting on Tuesday 5th April is Kelvin Pye from Southport, he can be a little controversial but is hugely interesting. I have enclosed his latest email to me with details of his talk including a list of all the amazing items he will have on sale, so, bring plenty of cash or your favourite credit card.

It is also our AGM (which lasts all of 10 or so mins) so if you want to contribute please get in touch as soon as possible. We will start at 7.30.

I am looking forward to seeing you all, new members are always welcome so do come along and join us.

Thank you, best wishes. Joan.

01254 771756 / 07926078769 <joan.foxx@btinternet.com>



BOOK CLUB....

Last month's book was 'Slow Horses' by Mick Herron. Published in 2010, it's the first in a series of spy novels featuring MI5 agents who, as a consequence of various misdemeanours, have been exiled to Slough House - a long way away from the key players and operations being run out of the main MI5 offices at Regent's Park. These disgraced agents are the 'Slow Horses' of the title, and they spend their time on data analysis and paper chasing until they either retire or resign.

The story revolves around the kidnapping of a young man, whose execution is due to be broadcast online as part of a political statement. However, as the plot unfolds we discover that the kidnapping is not what it seems, and the cynical machinations of MI5's most senior agents are revealed. The slow horses find themselves involved, and must work to ensure that they don't become the scapegoats for an increasingly out of control plot.

The book was enjoyed by most book club members. It was found to be irreverent, funny and entertaining as well as quite suspenseful. Some elements of the storyline were felt to be less convincing, but nevertheless it was fairly well received. Scores for the book ranged between 6 and 9; with the average coming out at 7.5

This month's book is 'Regeneration' by Pat Barker. Nominated for the Booker Prize, it is set in 1917 and tells the story of the treatment of shell shocked soldiers at Craiglockhart War Hospital in Scotland. Among the patients are Siegfried Sassoon and Wilfred Owen, and the book explores the impact of war on a generation of young men through their experiences and treatment.

Next months bookclub meeting is on Tuesday 12th April.

New members welcome please contact Judith Finney on 07969 633997



W.I.....



At our March meeting we collected 20 Easter eggs for the Wish Centre. When I delivered the eggs they were most gratefully received. For many of the children who receive one of these eggs it will be their first ever Easter egg.

We enjoyed a cookery demonstration by Harsha Radia ably assisted by her husband which culminated in delicious bowls of 'Potato with fenugreek & spinach curry' and 'Black-eyed bean curry' served with Jeera rice for us all to enjoy. The aroma of spices that filled the air was intoxicating.

There was much interest in the cookery classes for four people and supper clubs for up to ten people that Harsha hosts in her home.

Take care,
Diane



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PARISH COUNCIL.....

If you have any issues that you would like to bring to the attention of the PC, please contact myself or any of the Parish Council

Alan Robins (Chair)
George Swanton
Chris Tobin
Jane Whittam
Graham Waite
Lee Yarnold



www.facebook.com/tockholes



Judith Finney - Parish Clerk - 07969 633997 - buttermerebuttermerehills@hotmail.co.uk

There has been a problem with litter around Tockholes but luckily we have volunteers in the village who have been litter picking on a regular basis. The Parish Council would like to thank these people for their hard work. Anyone who would like to volunteer should contact Graham Waite.

Councillor Advice Surgeries in Tockholes

Surgeries are being held at the Rock Inn, Tockholes Road on the following dates and times:

Saturday April 16th 12 - 1pm (2022)

Please do not hesitate to go along if you wish to see the councillors about any Council related issue, policy or problem. Alternatively the councillors can be contacted directly:

CLlr Stephanie Brookfield, 3 Haldane Road, Darwen
stephanie.brookfield@blackburn.gov.uk Tel: 07795 087 577

CLlr Dave Smith, 18b Woodbank Avenue, Darwen
david.smith@blackburn.gov.uk Tel: 07812 070 109

CLlr Brian Taylor, 22 Sunnyhurst Lane, Darwen
brian.taylor@blackburn.gov.uk 01254 702204

Darwen West Ward Councillors - working for you all tear round

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS.... TOCKHOLES CRAFT GROUP....

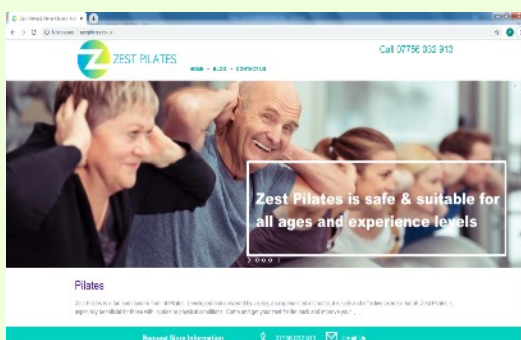
If you enjoy a natter, a brew and want to share your interests of knitting, jewellery, cross stitch, crochet or whatever, you are very welcome to join us at TOCKHOLES VILLAGE HALL between 10 - 12 noon on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month.



PILATES...

Message from Jackie Garner: Sessions start at 9:30am & 10:45am. Tuesdays and at 5:30pm & 6:45pm on Thursdays at Tockholes Village Hall (see page 1 TVH diary) in line with COVID restrictions and guidelines.

**PLEASE CONTACT Jackie Garner for details
on 07966 675518 www.mojopilates.co.uk**



CHAPEL CAFE...

TOCKHOLES CHAPEL UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

**MAKE NEW FRIENDS
JOIN IN YOUR COMMUNITY**

**CAN YOU WASH DISHES ?
CAN YOU SERVE TEAS ?
CAN YOU BAKE A CAKE ?
CAN YOU MAKE A FEW
SANDWICHES?**

**We need volunteers to help with our café
1pm – 4.30pm
in the Village Hall on Good Friday**

**Please contact Kathleen on 01254 706489 or
Marion on 01254 772773**

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH....



TOCKHOLES CHAPEL
OPEN FOR WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY 2PM



All Services at 2pm

- April 3rd** This is Specially for Children (of all ages) and will be led by Doreen Goodship After the service everyone is invited to stay and have tea, Coffee, juice and biscuits and a chat.
- April 10th** Leading our Worship Mr George Grime
- April 15th** **GOOD FRIDAY** Chapel will be open from 2pm – 4pm for prayers and reflection.

CAFÉ will be open in the Village Hall from 1pm until 4.30 for refreshments.
- April 17th** **EASTER SUNDAY** Mr George Grime will be leading our service which will include Holy Communion and the decoration of our Easter Cross. This will be left outside Chapel and all are welcome to attach their own flowers.
- April 24th** Our Service will be taken by Danny Wilson

We would be delighted to see more people from the village, old and new. Why not come along and enjoy the warmth of love and friendship. A warm welcome awaits.

All enquiries to our Church Secretary, Mrs Kathleen Knowles 01254 706489

ST. STEPHEN'S....



St Stephen's Church

Parish Priest
 The Reverend Nicholas Davis

01254 701360
 Parish website
www.stcuthbertwithststephen.org

Holy Week and Easter Services

- April 10th Palm Sunday Eucharist 9.15am
- April 12th Stations of the Cross 6.00pm
- April 17th Easter Sunday Eucharist 9.15am

Fr. Nick broadcasts some services live on Facebook, and these can also be accessed later. Details on the parish website.

<https://en-gb.facebook.com/stcuthbertwithststephen/>

Please contact Father Nick to arrange weddings, baptisms, funerals and other occasional services.

VILLAGE EVENTS....



As a small yet unique part of God's Big family, we will inspire and nurture all to become the very best they can be. Opening up the world, we will celebrate our Father's (God's) wondrous, diverse creation. We will all live, love, laugh and learn in the light of Christ.

St. Stephen's C E Primary School, Tockholes

Lent Appeal
 Foodbank UK

Each week please send in anything you are able to. Many thanks from the Ethos and School Councils

Week 1 - 3rd March
 Anything to make a good brew with
 Tea bags/ coffee/sugar/long life milk

Week 2 - 7th March
 Baby week—wipes/food/ cotton wool etc

Week 3 - 14th March
 Start the day with a good breakfast

Week 4 - 21st March
 Toiletries

Week 5 - 28th March
 Treat Week

You are invited to

Coffee Morning in aid of
MIND

On
 Saturday 7th May – 9am – 1pm
 At
 Tockholes Village Hall



Raffle prizes to be won on the day!



£5.00 on the door – unlimited tea/coffee and cake of choice

Let's get together and raise some money for a great cause!