

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

Welcome to the February edition of Tockus Talk. Approximately 120 people currently receive copies each month, mainly by email with paper copies available at village venues.

At this time of year with the unpredictable weather it's good to know about events happening locally within the village.

Please continue to encourage people to sign up by reminding them to email tockustalk@outlook.com to receive a copy. If you know anyone unable to access a copy, please let us know or print a copy for them.

PARISH COUNCIL.....

Large potholes on Rock Lane and other areas within the village have been reported to the Highways team, who have stated these will be dealt with as soon as possible.

Thank you to our three District Councillors for your valued input in also highlighting these issues to the authority.

Dog fouling is still a huge concern in the village. The school have an ongoing issue with dog fouling on the pavement opposite the school gates, which is very unpleasant if brought into school on children's footwear. We understand that there have been 26 people prosecuted recently within the Borough. There are 8 waste bins situated around the village which are emptied regularly. Please pick up after your dog has fouled and dispose of it appropriately. Thank you to the many responsible dog owners.

If you have any issue that you would like to bring to the attention of the PC, please contact myself or any Parish Councillor.

Glynn Woon
Alan Robins
George Swanton
Chris Tobin
Jane Whittam

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday the 11th February 2019, commencing at 6.30 pm in the village hall.

Clerk:
Geraldine Walmsley
01254 701441 /07518122144
e:mail geraldine.walmsley@outlook.com

VILLAGE HALL GROUP....

The next meeting of **The Tockholes Village Hall Group** is Monday 4th March 2019 at 7pm in the Village Hall, all are welcome. Please come along and bring your ideas and offers of support.

The meeting on 14th January was well attended and it was nice to see some new faces.

Bookings for the hall are increasing, both local groups and private hire with many people complimenting the ambiance provided by the tastefully decorated interior. Examples include Amy's Marathon Fund Raising Gin Feast, Gin Evening Presented by Whitworth Gin, a Yoga night and a Children's Cooking Class.

Don't forget to check upcoming events such as Spot On touring "Feral" performance on 30th March on the Tockholes Village facebook page.

If you would like to book the village hall for your group, celebration or event please contact the booking secretary, Chris Tobin on the number below to discuss facilities and availability.

Coming up in Tockholes Diary - February 2019

Tockholes Village Hall

Tuesday 5th - Gardening Club
Wednesday 6th - Tai Chi - 10am - 11am
Thursday 7th - Craft & Chat - 10:30am - 12

Monday 11th - Parish Council Mtg - 7pm
Tuesday 12th - W.I. 7:15pm
Wednesday 13th - Tai Chi - 10am - 11am

Wednesday 20th - Tai Chi - 10 - 11am
Thursday 21st - Craft & Chat - 10:30am - 12
Friday 22nd - Amy's Fundraising Feast - Dinner by Maria 7pm
Saturday 23rd - Whitworth Gin Night by Regan Toner 7:30pm

Wednesday 27th - Tai Chi - 10 - 11am



www.facebook.com/tockholes



For Village Hall events or bookings, please ring 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....

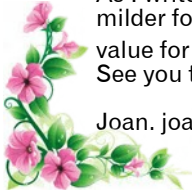
HELLO everyone and welcome to the garden club news.

Thanks to all who supported me last month as I gave my very first "awkward" digital photographic presentation. We had a good club night with a "swop shop" home made cakes and a great raffle. (thanks Carole).

Next month on 5th Feb we have the welcome return of Steve Halliwell who will be giving a presentation entitled:- " Parcevall Hall, A place of refuge" Parcevall Hall and garden are located at Skyreholme near the village of Appletreewick in Wharfedale and comprises a Grade II listed manor house and landscaped gardens.

As I write this there is a covering of snow and ice over the entire village so lets hope that the weather will be a bit milder for our next meeting. Whatever the weather there will be a warm friendly welcome to everyone and is great value for money at £3 members and £4 non members which includes refreshments, we start at 7.30 in the Village Hall. See you there.

Joan. joan.foxx@btinternet.com 07926078769, or 771756



BOOK CLUB....

This months book The Colour of Magic by Terry Pratchett is the first book he has written and the first of the discworld series. The book is set on a world sitting on the backs of four elephants hurtling through space. Rincewind, the wizard, Twoflowers who is a tourist, Death and Hrun a Barbarian on a journey through discworld. The characters are described in detail and there is a lot of humour in the book.

About two thirds of the group had read the book with mixed reviews. Some struggled getting into it and others found it too wordy with complicated names. All agreed it had humour in it. We all said we were glad that we had read one of his novels.

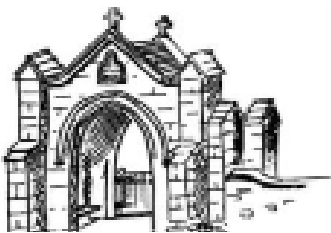
The overall score was 6.

Next month's book is Leading From The Front by Richard Dannott. Next meeting is 12th February.

New members welcome please contact Judith Finney on 07969 633997.



ST. STEPHEN'S....



St Stephen's Church

Parish Priest
The Reverend Nicholas Davis

01254 701360
Parish website
www.stcuthbertwithststephen.org

Services are held on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month at 9.15am, unless otherwise announced. Every-one is welcome, with coffee and juice served after the service, so why not stay and have a chat?

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

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH....



Sunday Services at 2.00 pm. Every Week

1st Sunday in the Month:
Family Friendly Service

3rd Sunday in the Month:
Communion Service

Everybody welcome. Play area available.
Available for weddings & baptisms

Contact Revd. Catherine on 01254 952558



VILLAGE HALL NEWS....



Tai Chi



Tai Chi classes
Tockholes Village Hall
Wednesday Mornings 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
£4.00
Beginners Welcome

If you are interested in 30 minutes of gentle exercise to help with joint flexibility and balance our warm-up is ideal
£2.00

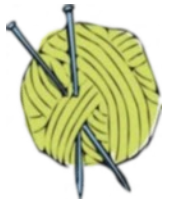
Contact: Lyn 704424 or Judith 771367



TOCKHOLES CHATTY CRAFT GROUP....

The group meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday each month, from 9:30am till 12 noon.

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



PILATES...

Jackie Garner from Mojo Pilates currently holds classes on Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings in the Village Hall. These are currently fully booked but if anyone is interested on classes on other days, please contact her on 07756 032913 to discuss.

AMY'S MARATHON FUNDRAISING FEAST... TOCKHOLES GIN EVENING ...

Gin Feast
Hosted by 'Dinner at Maria's'
Friday 22nd February
Book Now
Click the link for details

<https://www.wefifo.com/event/571140224719420/a-mys-marathon-fundraising-gin-feast>

Whitworth Gin
PRESENTS
GIN EVENING
Tockholes Village Hall
Feb 23 7.30pm
- New Gin Flavours
- Plus Cocktails & Fully Stocked Bar
- Live Music
- Complimentary Nibbles
Prize giveaway for ticket holders
Tickets £5.00
CONTACT REGAN FOR MORE INFO
07468451102
* OVER 18S ONLY
facebook.com/whitworthgin
www.whitworthgin.com

<https://www.whitworthgin.com/>

WI - WOMEN'S INSTITUTE...

Tockholes WI had a novel start to the New Year with 'The Big Conversation' (Speed dating with a Difference) Members were each given a number then directed to one of four tables. A choice of six light-hearted and non-controversial questions were on offer for discussion, this we did for seven minutes then a bell rung and we were directed to another table with other people and a different set of question and so on. The seven minutes flew by all too quickly and we all wished we could have discussed our chosen topic for longer. It was a great opportunity for us to get to know each other a little better and we shall certainly do it again in the future. This was followed by the usual tea and cake.

We have set our programme for the New Year and hope that there is something for everyone.

February Curiosity Corner (A quiz to guess the uses of weird and wonderful utensils and artefacts from the past)

March The Cinnamon Trust

April Resolution Meeting, Northern Clef's work in India and the Magic of India

May Pimp My Bouquet

June Life on the Inside

July Village Treasure Hunt and BBQ

September Betsy the Scullery Maid

October A.G.M.

November Hair to Make You Beautiful

December Christmas Party Night

Look out for further details of each months meeting in the Tockus Talk. Our meetings are on third Tuesday of each month at 7.15 in the Village Hall. Everyone welcome



AND FINALLY....

We would like to feature one village group each month so if you would like to be the first group, please contact us.

Please feedback to tockustalk@outlook.com with comments on the newsletter and send us any articles or items for inclusion in next month's issue by the 15th of the month so that we can provide timely information in the next edition.

And don't forget all we need is an email to tockustalk@outlook.com which states that you give consent for use of your email address for receipt of Tockus Talk and other relevant information if you wish to receive your electronic copy. Many thanks from Pat Willis and Linda Kennish.

COUNCILLOR ADVICE....

Councillor Advice Surgeries in Tockholes

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

Saturday February 15th (2019) 12 - 1pm

Saturday April 20th (2019) 12 - 1pm

Please don't hesitate to go along if you wish to see the councillors about any Council related issue, policy or if you have any queries or problems.

All welcome - no appointment necessary.

Alternatively, please contact the councillors 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: 01254 773470*

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



Icy Woods - courtesy of Bill Allman