

TOCKUS 'TALK'

OCTOBER 2022

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

WELCOME TO THE OCTOBER EDITION OF TOCKUS TALK

Please call in and give your support to the final St Stephen's pop up cafe of the year. The harvest service is on the 2nd .
Dry and tinned goods are being collected by the school and church for Darwen Food Larder.

Your ideas and offers of help for future events will be very welcome as will articles or suggestions you wish to share with readers. Many thanks,

W.I....



Tockholes WI resumed their programme of gatherings on the 20th September with an interesting presentation from Brian Topping a former customs officer who raises money for the charity 'Friends of Frankie'. We also have a social evening at The Royal Arms on Thursday 29th September with a two course meal and entertainment by Mellor Brook Ukelele Band in aid of 'North West Air Ambulance'.



Tockholes WI Summer Party on Thursday 29th September at The Royal Arms with Mellor Brook Ukelele Band raising money for North West Air Ambulance

Our October meeting will be our AGM but visitors are welcome at our November meeting.

Take care,
Diane



Tockholes Village Hall Diary

- Tuesday 4th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
- Tuesday - 4th Garden Club - 7:30pm
- Thursday 6th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm
- Monday 10th - Village Group 6pm
- Tuesday 11th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
- Thursday 13th - Craft Club - 10am - 12
- Thursday 13th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm
- Tuesday 18th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
- Tuesday 18th - W.I. - 7:15pm
- Thursday 20th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm
- Monday 24th - Parish Council 7pm
- Tuesday 25th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
- Thursday 27th - Craft Club - 10am - 12
- Thursday 27th - 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

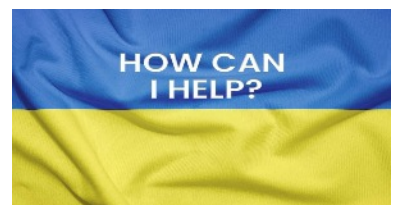
ST. STEPHEN'S POP-UP- CAFÉ 2022 DATES

The café will be open on the second Saturday of October for the final event this year/

October 8th

EVERYONE WELCOME TO OUR BEAUTIFUL SETTING

Please join us for homemade cakes, sandwiches, tea and coffee. Other tasty titbits might be available to tempt the tastebuds.



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

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TOCKHOLES AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB....

Hello dear friends.

Our next meeting on Tuesday 4th October is a talk from Wildlife expert Alex Hubberstey entitled "Conservation, rewilding and Sturgeon".

Alex is a wildlife conservationist and worked with the "Blue Marine Foundation" for a number of years. He studied "Human Geography" at the University of York and is starting a Masters in "Conservation and Biodiversity" in October.

He is a national expert on native Sturgeon species and very knowledgeable on rewilding and terrestrial conservation. He is also a qualified scuba diver.

We start at 7.30 and everyone is welcome, £3 members £4 non members which includes refreshments.

We also have a raffle, plus any excess home grown produce brought by our members is available for the taking.

I have been asked by Mathew Smith of Brighter Blooms to remind you to collect your ordered bulbs from his nursery during his open days from 30th Sept to 2nd October between 10 and 3. He will be selling other items including herbs and spring and summer flowering bulbs, veg and tubers. There will also be a pop up cafe selling tea, coffee and home made cakes for charity.



Best wishes. Joan Chadwick.

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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

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



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Next Parish Council Meeting - 7pm on 24th October 2022

BOOK CLUB....

This month's book was 'Original Sins' by Matt Rowland Hill. Published earlier this year, it is a memoir detailing the author's struggles with addiction.

Raised in a strict Welsh Baptist household, with parents continually in conflict with each other; his attitude to religion was shaped early and his journey from strong beliefs to atheism and part way back again through a spiritual awakening was very interesting. As was the fact that he, and all of his siblings, turned their back on the church.

Through a scholarship he finds his education continuing at Harrow and Oxford, but he never really feels at home and his discomfort with the class disparity that his time at Harrow highlights causes him much discomfort, which is a recurring theme in the book.

The discussion about the book was really interesting - some people hated it, others thought it was well written but the author was 'obnoxious'. One member of the group thought it should be compulsory reading for 16 to 18 year olds, and thought that the book 'isn't meant to be enjoyable'. Everyone felt that they'd had their eyes opened to a lifestyle and sub culture that was completely unfamiliar. And whilst we were uncomfortable with the portrait of the squalor and sordidness surrounding the life of an addict, it painted a very realistic and compulsive picture.

Scores for the book ranged from 5 to 8, with the average coming out at 7.

Next month's book is 'Code Name Helene' by Ariel Lawhon, and the next meeting is Tuesday 11th October.

Judith

New members welcome please contact Judith Finney on 07969 633997



UNITED REFORMED CHURCH....



TOCKHOLES CHAPEL
OPEN FOR WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY
2PM

OUR SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Oct 2nd Children's Service
Led by Rev Lena Talbot

Followed by Tea/Coffee/juice and biscuits

Oct 9th Worship
Led by Rev Michelle Jarman

Oct 16th Service to include Holy Communion and will be led by Mr John East

Oct 23rd Worship
Led by Mr George Grime
Following the Service we will be holding our Annual Members Meeting.

Oct 30th Worship
Led by Mrs Barbara Duxbury.
We will be celebrating All SAINTS DAY (Nov 1st)
With a Light for Lives Service. We will remember all those who have died and stand with those who grieve.
All are welcome to come along and light a candle in memory of loved ones.

ST. STEPHEN'S....



St Stephen's Church

Parish Priest
The Reverend Nicholas Davis

01254 701360
Parish website
www.stcuthbertwithststephen.org

Harvest service, together with baptism, on Sunday 2nd October at 2pm
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.

Along with the school, we are collecting dry and tinned goods for Darwen Food Larder.

St. Stephen's Pop-Up-Café will be open for the last time this year on Saturday, October 7th from 11.00am to 2.00pm

MESSAGES....

Village Group Report

We would like to run another social evening in Oct/Nov Let us know your ideas for this and possible themes for other social evenings.

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

Looking forward to Christmas

Dates for your diary

Fri 2nd Dec Christmas Lights Switch on.

Sat 10th Dec Senior's Party 4-9pm

Sun 11th Dec Junior Party 3-5pm

Village Group meeting 6pm 10th Oct 22 at the Village Hall.

Regular Bookings - PLEASE SEE THE DIARY ON PAGE 1

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.



PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THOUGHT OF THE VARIOUS EVENTS AND SEND IN PHOTOS FOR THE NEXT EDITION

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



If you wish to see the councillors about any Council related issue, policy or problem, the councillors can be contacted directly:

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