

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 28 Apr	Drop-In Coffee Morning 10:30 to 12am Tiverton Village Hall, all welcome for a chat and cup of coffee.
Tues 2 May	Plant Hunting in Iran, followed by Plant Sale Tiverton Village Hall 7:30pm
Tues 9 May	Parish Council Annual Meeting 7:30pm Tiverton Village Hall
Tues 23 May	Village Hall AGM, all villagers welcome to attend Tiverton Village Hall 7:30pm
Sun 25 June	TIVERTON VILLAGE DAY 2006

If you want your event listed here, email to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk

TIVERTON VILLAGE DAY 2006

There will be a "Village Day" on SUNDAY 25TH JUNE at the Deeside Ramblers Hockey Club thanks to two very enthusiastic ladies who have volunteered, Jean Toyn Tel: 01829 730 739 and Karen Lamb Tel: 01829 732 206. If you would like to run a stall or an event, either on your own or with a friend, Jean and Karen would like to hear from you!! Please get in touch with any offers of help or just for a chat about the day. Please give your support to your village and get to know the people who live near you.

Maureen Blake Chairman, Tiverton Village Society
(Tel: 01829 733 787 email: blake@tivertoncheshire.freemove.co.uk)

Congratulations!

Our congratulations go to Tiverton builder, Bernard Meredith of Meredith Builders, for gaining an impressive overall winner in the Small Residential category of the Cheshire Built in Quality Awards for the high standard of his workmanship in building 11 Spring Hill, Tarporley. Bernard received the award at the 2006 Award Ceremony on 24 March at Cranage Hall.

Contact details for Meredith Builders can be found on the Parish website

Contributions/Letters

Contributions for the next edition should be addressed to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk or on paper c/o The Old Smithy, Huxley Lane, before the middle of May 2006

TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

April 2006

Chairman's Letter

As we move into Spring, we also draw to the end of another Parish Council Year. There have been lots of achievements that we, as a small parish, can be proud of and we will be reviewing these at the Annual Parish Meeting which takes place on the 9th May in Tiverton Village Hall. All parishioners are very welcome to attend.

Liz Scott, Chairman

Highlights from Parish Council Meeting 14 March

Cheshire County Council have now submitted a brief in order to instruct transport consultants. The remit of the consultants will be to assess the feasibility of re-opening Beeston Station, and £5,000 has been set aside by the County Council, to cover the cost of the study. Whilst the Parish Council are naturally happy that such a positive step forward has been sanctioned, there are reservations that the study will not be sufficiently comprehensive as the budget allowed may be unrealistically low. The Parish Council remain in contact with the County Council with regard to these concerns.

Litter picking: Phyllis Armitage has been collecting large amounts of litter from the roadside, particularly around Bates Mill Lane and the canal. A community litter pick will be arranged when the weather is a little warmer - yellow jackets and picking sticks will be provided. Details will be provided in the next newsletter. Thank you Phyllis for all your efforts..

If in the meantime anyone is aware of a significant amount of rubbish along the verges and hedges, then please call the Community Safety Warden helpline on 01244 402 274. Phyllis has advised that they were extremely helpful and efficient in retrieving fly-tipped rubbish.

Tiverton District Garden Club Spring Show

Our Spring Show was held on Saturday March 25th, and was a success despite the cold weather we have had recently. The Hall was filled with spring flowers, pot plants (including some weird and wonderful cacti), cookery, handicrafts, photographs, floral art and children's work. It was good to see so many Club members and friends enjoying the displays during the afternoon, and chatting over a cup of tea and home-made cakes.

Everyone from the village is welcome to come to our Shows, and also to enter - all classes are Open. We would particularly be pleased to have more entries in the flower arrangement classes, and you don't have to be an expert, as there is a special class for novices.

So, get your seeds sown now, it seems a long way off, but this is the time to start thinking about our Autumn Show on September 2nd. Audrey Povall has Schedules, or come along to our Garden Club meetings in the Hall at 8pm on the first Tuesday of each month.

Recycling News

Paper sacks are provided for the collection of Garden Waste (please see calendar for collection dates). Garden waste can amount to 20% of the total household waste, and its removal from the normal refuse collection will save it being sent to landfill where it will slowly break down causing the release of methane - a harmful Greenhouse Gas. Food waste cannot be accepted with the Garden waste due to legislation concerning food waste after the Foot-and-Mouth outbreak

The sacks are made using extra-strong paper from sustainable forests (where a new tree is planted for every tree cut down) and will break down into compost along with the contents.

The sacks are collected on alternate Thursdays (for dates ring 01244 402477).

The collected Garden Waste is sent to one of two sites. One site in Hapsford composts it and then sells it on. The other site is a farm in Waverton (home of the Crocky Trail) and the Garden Waste is composted and used on the farm, eliminating the need for chemical fertilizers. This also improves water quality as it lessens the seepage into rivers. An additional benefit is that mulching the soil surface helps conserve water, as we are all being urged to do.

Anti-Speeding Campaign- Update

A mobile speed unit was used for a week at the end of January this year.- The results show that we do have a problem with vehicles exceeding the 30 mph limit on Huxley Lane.

The unit was situated at both The Dale and Townfield Lane junctions with Huxley Lane, and recorded vehicle speeds approaching from both directions.

During 18 hours of observations, a total of 904 vehicles were recorded:- of these vehicles, 65 % were exceeding the limit (that is nearly 500 vehicles !).

Of these speeding vehicles 35% were in excess of 35mph, and a further 9 % were in excess of 40mph.

It was disappointing to observe a number of Tiverton residents exceeding the limit- and it highlights the fact that it is not just through traffic that is speeding. We would again ask all residents to take due care when driving through their own village.

The Parish Council have passed this information onto the Cheshire Constabulary, whose traffic division will be following up with speed enforcement on Huxley Lane.

We intend to reinforce our anti-speeding message by using the mobile speed unit again during the coming months.

Many thanks to all those who helped man the unit. -We would like more volunteers to help spread the load- if you can spare a couple of hours to help it would be much appreciated- please contact Bob Pilgrem 730955 for details

Village Hall News

The project to enhance the access to the Village Hall is making good progress. We have now got all the necessary planning permissions and have just heard that WREN will provide the major part of our funding. So things look good for us to think about starting work in July/August. All regular users will be informed as our plans become clearer.

NSPCC Fun Run

NSPCC Sponsored Run: Sat April 23rd. It will start at Beeston Market at 10.00am and is approx 10km. address . We are also holding a fun run on the same day from 10.30am which will be about 5km.

Entry forms can be applied for by e-mailing sandstonerun@yahoo.co.uk or by phone to 01829 732994.