

Dates for your Diary

Thurs 27 July	Drop-In Coffee Morning 10:30 to 12am Meeting Room at back of Tiverton Methodist Chapel, all welcome for a chat and coffee.
Fri 8 Sept	Harvest Thanksgiving Service, 7:30pm Tiverton Methodist Church
Sat 9 Sept	Official re-opening of Tiverton Village Hall: Wine and Nibbles 6:00pm all welcome
Sat 9 Sept	Barn Dance and Social to launch new-look village hall, 8:00pm Tickets available shortly at 732059 or 733520
Tues 12 Sept	Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm Tiverton Village Hall
Sat 11 Nov	Remembrance Service, Tiverton War Memorial 11am, conducted by Rev Ann Kenton

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

TIVERTON VILLAGE DAY 2006

First held as part of our Millennium celebrations, it was conceived as a fun day with children in mind, so all the games were free. Sale of admission programmes, tombola and proceeds from an evening dance helped defray costs. After 5 years of running this event, the time came to hand over the reins to the newly inaugurated Village Society, one outcome of the Tiverton & Tilstone Fearnall Parish Plan. With a change in leadership, Village Day took on a new look. A large marquee housed stalls, insurance against repeating some memorable previous events when our gazebos took off in strong winds.

A grand opening by Councillor Doug Haynes at 12:30pm heralded the aroma of barbecuing, and a colourful assortment of stalls. There was plenty to do for the lively crowds that managed to demolish almost 300 beef burgers in the course of the short afternoon. World Cup football brought a rapid thinning of the crowds shortly before 4pm, despite some excellent weather.

The afternoon was judged a great success much to the relief of the new organising team and Tarporley Community Hospital received a donation of £200. This puts the new Village Society firmly on the map for many villagers. Hopefully they will now feel empowered to think of Village Day 2007; can't start too soon on planning!

TIVERTON & TILSTONE FEARNALL PARISH NEWS

July 2006

Chairman's Letter

Following the resignation of Liz Scott from the Parish Council, I have once again taken over as Chairman. I would like to thank Liz on behalf of all the Council for her efforts and in particular for the way in which she has seen the Parish Plan through to publication. It is now up to the rest of us to implement the actions which led from the Plan. Unfortunately at the moment I am not able to do very much in that area due to the fact that we have no Parish Clerk and I am doing that job as well. You will see an advert for the vacancy later in the Newsletter, so if you wish to help please apply.

We also have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor so if you would like to join the Council please apply for that position which will be advertised on the Parish Notice Board.

It is with great regret that I hear that the Beeston Shop will close on 6 August. Trish and Dave have given their all to make it work but a number of break ins and attempted ones together with debts owed to them have forced them to call it a day. It is not only sad for the locality but for society in general when this sort of rural facility closes.

On a happier note Tiverton Garden Club won the final of the recent Garden Quiz at Rease Heath College against their old adversaries Tattenhall, well done!

Roger Cheshire

Thanks

Eric Wright would like to thank everyone for the good wishes he received on the award of his MBE and for the surprise reception in the village hall on 29 May.

Access for All to Tiverton Village Hall

Changes are afoot at Tiverton Village Hall and work on our access scheme will start on 24 July. So the hall will be closed for 6 weeks whilst the access is improved, and we are then re-opening for the Garden Club Annual Show on 2 Sept with a bit of a celebration of our new access a week later on Sat 9th Sept. All villagers are invited to join with the management committee in celebrating the biggest change to the hall since it was rebuilt in 1984.

As you will know, Tiverton Village Hall provides a centre for activities, both social and educational with a minimum of travel and accessibility to the hall is a key issue, especially for the elderly. Our lack of land and elevation from road to front entrance (over 2m) has represented a real challenge to come up with an appropriate scheme. So after years of researching many options from powered lifts to long serpentine ramps, we have finally settled on an improved steps scheme that will be of great benefit to those who struggle with our current steep steps. Instead of the 7 existing steps, we will be installing 20 steps with a much shallower rise of 10cm, which is less than the roadside curb height, and deep enough (1m) to allow a buggy or wheelchair to rest on each step.

With better summers in prospect, we are thinking more of outdoor activities and part of the project will provide a large, level paved area with improved landscaping for outdoor events. The hall faces south, so the frontage should be a real sun trap during the day.

In looking to the needs of the elderly, we have not forgotten the inside. As the outside work is being carried out, we will be fitting a hearing aid loop to help out with the many speaker events that are hosted by the Village Hall.

All this comes at a price and we have been very fortunate in attracting over £18,000 in funding from the landfill tax money of Waste Recycling Group, distributed by WREN, our major funder, as well as funding from Chester City Council (Rural South Area Committee), the Parish Council and user organisations.

If you want to get a better look at the hall why not come along to our Drop-in Coffee Mornings, 10:30am to 12:00 on the last Thursday of each month, or see the website www.tiverton-cheshire.org.uk/villagehall for more details.

Contributions/Letters

Contributions for the next edition should be addressed to info@tiverton-cheshire.org.uk or on paper c/o Hillhouse, Beeston Brook, before the end of Aug 2006

Harvest Festival at Tiverton Methodist Chapel

A Harvest Festival Service will be held in Tiverton Methodist Church on Friday 8 Sept at 7:30pm. The service will be conducted by our new minister, Rev Ann Kenton, and there will be solos by Mr Roy Craven.

A service is held at Tiverton at 10:45am on the first Sunday of each month. On other Sundays, services are held at Bunbury Methodist Church.

You will be made very welcome at any of these services.

Garden Club News

Members of Tiverton Gardening Club proved they really know their onions after winning a competition against other gardening clubs from all over Cheshire. Jeff and Mary Spooner and Sue Reed, from Beeston, and Christine Pilgrim of Tiverton beat off a strong challenge from Tattenhall Gardening Society, which has won the Cheshire Garden clubs Quiz for the past three years.

The well-supported final at Reaseheath College, Nantwich, followed months of knock-out rounds. Quizmaster and organiser is Derek Jones, a Reaseheath horticulture lecturer who lives in Malpas. The winning team received a genuine Georgian copper kettle.

Nature Notes

Glow worms in Tiverton: a few of these interesting creatures have been spotted by the canal in the short grass. They look like a very small bulb, glowing steadily in the dusk. We'd be interested to hear if you spot any.

PARISH CLERK VACANCY

Part time parish clerk required by Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall Parish Council, to produce agendas, take minutes at Council Meetings (usually 6 per year), follow up action points, receive and deal with correspondence, administer the accounts. This is a salaried position, (approx 3 hours pw @ £7.846/hour) Regular liaison with the Chairman of the Council is also required. Computer literacy and internet connection preferred.

For more information, telephone (01829) 732059