

## COMMUNITY PAGE

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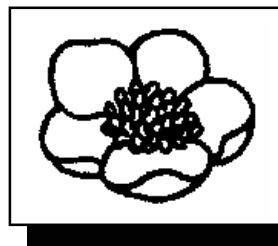
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## CCTV INSTALLATION AT THE VILLAGE HALL

I am sure that many of you will have noticed that some CCTV cameras have recently been installed on the Village Hall. This follows some incidents of damage to property in the area and concern expressed by local residents about youths playing football in the Village Hall car park.

Recently considerable damage (costing approximately £4,500) was caused to play equipment in the Children's Play Area at the other side of the Village Hall by some people, who took pleasure in damaging property and preventing the children, who use the play area, from enjoying the use of some of the play equipment. It was thought that this was done by youths, but attempts to find and prosecute the wrongdoers, even with the full co-operation of the police, have not been successful.

Some time before this, local residents were concerned at youths playing football and causing damage to neighbouring property at the Village Hall car park. This also concerned the Community Association and many steps have been taken to sort out the problem. Local organisations have been involved as have the Community Association, the City Council, the Parish Council, local residents, police, etc. Several meetings have taken place to discuss the options available and actions have been taken as a result of these meetings.

To help with both of these problems, the Parish Council approached the Gowry Panel and applied for a grant towards the installation of CCTV equipment to stop the damage caused to both areas. Siting the cameras on the Village Hall at different positions and pointing in different directions would ensure that both the play area and the car park are covered.

The Parish Council investigated the provision of CCTV cameras, by looking at a system installed at Waverton Village Hall. This has been installed for nearly 2 years, and has been successful in identifying youths causing damage to the Hall there. The installation decided upon for Guilden Sutton, includes the provision of infra-red lights, to avoid the use of floodlights, which would have caused a great deal of disturbance to the local residents living around the car park.

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Several local organisations were approached to help to finance the venture, and the installation has been made possible by the co-operation of these groups. The initial grant came from the City Council, through the Gowry Panel. The Community Association, which owns and maintains the Village Hall, agreed to match the City Council grant, as well as agreeing to house the system, including the cameras, monitor and video unit on the Hall.

Julie, who organised the Party of the Year, last year, to raise money for children's activities in the village, also gave some of this money towards the CCTV installation. The balance of the cost will be funded by the Parish Council.

It is hoped that the co-operation of all these groups to fund this venture, will be successful in providing us with a safer village, and a lot less senseless damage.

#### NEW HALL BOOKING SECRETARY

I mentioned to you in the last edition of the Marigold, that we had a new Booking Secretary. Well unfortunately, it was not to be, and the lady who initially volunteered, gave back word and found she could not do it.

So we are extremely grateful; to Trisha Paterson, who has offered to stand in for the time being to act as temporary Booking Secretary, until a permanent one can be found. Trisha lives at 46 Oaklands, and you can book the Hall by ringing her on 300307. Pick up a booking form at the Hall, fill it in and drop it into Trisha's house.

But, please ring either Trisha or myself if you know of someone, who is prepared to help out for a couple of years for a few hours a week. The Village Hall needs a Booking Secretary, or it would have to close its doors to occasional bookings, such as parties.

Derek Hughes

#### Guilden Sutton Old School House Trust (Registered Charity No. 3088163)

Applications are invited for grants from the above trust to support the education, training or personal development of persons under the age of 25 who have at any time attended as pupils at Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School.

Further information and application forms are available from the Clerk to the Trustees, Dr P O Reid at: 48 Cinder Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7EN. Completed application forms must be returned by 30th April or 31st October for consideration in May or November respectively.

# Guilden Sutton Diary

April - July 2003

## April

1st	7.30 pm	W.I. - "Behind the scenes on a Rhine Cruiser" - Wendy Hermione Twiss
14th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)

## May

6th	7.30 pm	W.I. - Resolutions Evening
14 - 17th	7.45 pm	Guilden Sutton Players - "Pratt of the Argus" (Village Hall)
19th	8.15 pm	Community Association A.G.M.
20th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)

## June

3rd	7.30 pm	W.I. - "Bees & Honey" - Mr R Jennings
16th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
21st	10.30 - 12.30	Toy Sale—Parent & Toddler Group (Marigold Room)

## July

1st	7.30 pm	W.I. - "Diary of a Busy Lady" - Mrs Ruth Taylor
6th	11.59 pm	Copy deadline for August issue of the Marigold
28th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)

## Association Notices and Events

### Lottery Results - November 2002

Prize	No.	Name	Prize	No.	Name
£100	59	Dr L A Hudson	£10	97	E Alsop
£20	27	Mrs K Thistlewood	£10	161	K Emerton
£20	49	Mrs Delaney	£10	61	Mrs W Hollifield
£10	43	T G Tyson	£10	51	R Rahmani-Torkaman

The village lottery is drawn every quarter with proceeds used to help with the running of the Village Hall.

It's only £3.25p per quarter which can be collected or paid by standing order. For further details please contact the promoter.

Lottery Promoter: John Riley, 8 Wood Croft, tel: 300849

### The Marigold - August 2003

If you would like to have news or diary entries for your group placed in the next issue of the Marigold please send your copy to John Beavan, 12 Guilden Green (301015) or email it to john@beavanj.freemove.co.uk by Sunday 6th July.

Please ensure that you meet this deadline, as copy received after this date will not be guaranteed inclusion.

## Clubs and Societies

### Badminton

The badminton players are continuing to enjoy their club nights and we recently welcomed three new visitors, however we still have room for one or two more Senior members. The Junior coaching groups held on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, continue to thrive.

The Junior Christmas tournament results were as follows:

Under 16 winner: James Taylor

Under 16 runner up: Alex Dooley

Under 13 Girls Singles winner: Nia Benson

Under 13 Boys Singles winner: Stuart Wood

Wednesday night winner: Lucy Davies

Wednesday night runner up: Matthew Owen

Robert Henderson is now representing the County as part of the Under 15 squad.

We will be entering juniors in the Chester and District Tournament in April. The dates are as follows:

Sunday April 13th - Under 11 and Under 15 (on 1st January 2003)

Sunday April 27th Under 13 and Under 17 (on 1st January 2003)

Keith Emerton, secretary, tel: 300071



### Indoor Bowls Club

We are now coming to the end of a very enjoyable season with well attended club nights.

We have taken part in the Cheshire Villages Indoor Bowling Tournament and just missed out on qualifying for the quarter finals.

Also we have been holding a pairs competition on club nights, which is now coming to its conclusion.

After a rest during the summer months our members will be back in September.

Prim Whitehouse, tel: 301177.



## Guilden Sutton Pre-School



Preschool meets in the Village Hall during term times and provides all young children with an opportunity to learn in the safety of a well planned environment. The activities offered are exciting and varied ranging from: painting, cut and stick to music, baking and woodwork. All activities are loosely based round a half term theme. We are now looking at large animals and hope to include a visit to a farm.

Some of the older children enjoy visiting the Primary School to choose books from the School library, and we are very grateful for this and other links with the school.

Preschool is open to any child from the age of 2½ years to school age. If you are interested in your child joining in our fun activities, please drop in to visit and complete an application form. Alternatively phone on the mobile number: 07712 111347 (switched on during session time only)

Hazel Crane, tel: 300713

## Parent and Toddler Group

We are a friendly group who meet every Tuesday morning (during term time) 10.30 – 12.00 in the village hall, just ring the bell. We charge £1 per family and all enjoy a drink and biscuit in the middle of the session. We enjoy a wide variety of activities and before the children leave we sit together and sing some songs and nursery rhymes. Baby changing facilities are now available in the disabled toilet.



We are looking for volunteers from the local community who would be interested in giving up 1 hour of their time to help us with refreshments for the parents and children. You don't have to commit to every week, as any added support would be gratefully received. If you are interested then please speak to Helen on 314655.

The Parent and Toddler Group will be holding a Toy Sale on Saturday 21st June 10.30 – 12.30 in the Marigold Room at the Village Hall. We are raising funds to help pay for craft equipment, new toys and an outing for the children in the summer. Please donate any unused, or unwanted (but in good condition) toys by calling Judith on 300354. Please feel free to join us on the day. Any goods that are left over will be given to charity.

Your support would be very much appreciated.

The Parent and Toddler Group is a great way to meet people so please come along and join in the fun!

Judith Lathaen

## Party, Party, Party

The fund raising party held at the Rugby Club on November 23rd was another outstanding success.

More than 240 people soaked up the party atmosphere and made it a night to remember. Local band *The Last Resort*, with DJ Rory, provided some great music and played to a packed dance floor throughout the evening.

All expectations for the evening were exceeded when the final total came in at a staggering £1850.

All the following local businesses gave vouchers and free services:-

Hoole Hall Hotel, The Foxcote Inn, Amore Restaurant, 10/16 Brasserie, Dee Sports, Vicars Cross Golf Club, The Gate of India, Deeside Balloons, David Lloyd Club, Marks & Spencer, Safeway and Sainsbury's to name but a few.

The monies raised have been divided into a number of local village causes:-

- £500 - Guilden Sutton Primary School towards purchase of a new TV, DVD, Trolley etc.
- £500 - The Parish Council towards the CCTV system for the village hall and playground.
- £100 - Beavers for new equipment.
- £100 - Brownies towards educational trips.
- £100 - Rainbows to purchase a parachute & mats.
- £100 - Cubs to purchase a new tent for the girls.
- £100 - Junior Club to purchase a football table.
- £100 - Scouts for poles to make bridges, shelters, runways etc.
- £100 - Toddler Group to purchase trains & accessories, a workbench, toolbox, play kettle, play food, dining set, Spiderman costume and batteries.
- £100 - The Duke of Edinburgh Award to purchase maps, compasses and other pieces of equipment plus hiring of tents for the silver expedition.
- £25 - Sunday School (Methodist Church) for Puzzle Activity books.
- £25 - Sunday School (St John the Baptist) for song and music books.

So many causes can benefit from one night of fun. Anyone who wishes to organise the next one please contact me, Julie Proudlove, tel: 300318.

Thank you to all those who made the night another success story.

Julie Proudlove.

### Broadband Internet

I have recently been in contact with several parties to try and significantly increase the awareness of Broadband and how to get it installed in Guilden Sutton/Mickle Trafford. As I write, Chester City Council has launched its web site to get Chester connected and I am in contact with as many organisations as possible (inc Chester City Council, BT and Microsoft) to bring some pressure to bear.

The new Chester website is: <http://www.connectingchester.com/>

As you may know many areas of the country have trigger levels set and once they receive sufficient expressions of interest via their website, then they will install Broadband. Mickle Trafford exchange does not have a trigger level but Chester Council is asking BT to connect exchanges where the number exceeds 100. To date the number registering their interest in Mickle Trafford is 128 and higher than most other Chester areas.

If we were to move 1 mile towards Chester we would now have Broadband [Very fast, instant Internet access - no waiting for pages to appear or long downloading times – PLUS the ability to make and receive phone calls while on line]

I feel an awakening of the campaign should ensure Broadband is soon introduced into our area by getting as many people as possible to register their interest on: -

<http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register/>

There is no obligation once this is done.

Please contact me anytime at [bm.lewin@virgin.net](mailto:bm.lewin@virgin.net). In the meantime I will be working with the Mickle Trafford organiser to promote awareness throughout the area.

Brian Lewin

### [www.guildensutton.org.uk](http://www.guildensutton.org.uk)



Web surfers will know how Guilden Sutton's village website continues to thrive. Recent developments include photo-archives, and service times at local churches. There are links to Chester City and Cheshire County Council "What's On" pages, and hopefully, bus timetables will soon be included.

Our [webmaster@guildensutton.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@guildensutton.org.uk) (ie Danny Fisher, Tel 301398) is keen to implement further development, and welcomes people or organisations sending him information or ideas.

### Women's Institute

We all enjoyed our annual Dinner at the Cheshire View in January and in February most of our members braved the winter chill to enjoy a very good talk on the miracle plant of Aloe Vera. Our competition was spontaneous when members were asked to give a beauty tip - the response was hilarious. We all went home with wonderful ideas as to how to enhance our beauty treatment.

We are now looking forward to the spring activities. A Coffee Morning has been arranged at Joy Minshull's on Friday the 4th April and a theatre outing to see "Annie" has been arranged on Thursday 10th April in Liverpool.

Our monthly meetings are always well attended due to the fact that we have a very varied and interesting programme for our members to enjoy. For those interested we have a very lively darts and bowls team who compete in local and county competitions also the fit and healthy enjoy walks organised by our energetic Jill Beavan.

The "crafty" ladies are meeting regularly at Ruth Hughes, with the intention of entering their crafts at the Cheshire Show. This is a highly competitive exercise and we do have some very talented ladies who give a lot of time and thought to their entry. We also have some Art members who will be entering their paintings. The Cheshire Show will be held 17th and 18th June.

During the winter months many members and friends have knitted hundreds of squares which have now been made into blankets and have been distributed to various places at home and abroad. The blankets are so colourful and warm and gratefully appreciated by those who receive them. All these activities together with our monthly meetings are designed to suit all our members and to enable them to find fun and friendship amongst each other.

We are always looking for new ideas and new members. We welcome visitors at any of our meetings, which take place at St.John's Church Hall on the first Tuesday in the month at 7.30 p.m.

April 1st.	"Behind the scenes on a Rhine Cruiser"
May 6th.	Resolutions Evening.
June 3rd.	"Bees and Honey"
July 1st.	"Diary of a busy Lady".



For further information please contact Sylvia Seager on 314346.

### Baby Sitting Circle



*Want a night out!  
Babysitting a problem!  
Why not  
Join the village babysitting circle.*

If you would like to join or want to know more about how the system works, please speak with Ruth Connolly (301287) or Helen Russell (300189) or email at [helenhrussell@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:helenhrussell@yahoo.co.uk)

### Guilden Sutton Players

Thank you to all those who supported our production of "Habeas Corpus" last November. It was another extremely successful production, thoroughly enjoyed by cast and audience alike!

Our next production, "Pratt of the Argus", takes place from Wednesday May 14th to Saturday May 17th. So book it into your diary NOW!

John Turner directs and Rob Jones plays the central character, Henry Pratt. The other 49 characters are played by 7 men and 4 women and we're looking forward to the challenge! It is a fast moving comedy, following the beginnings of Henry's career in journalism and set in Yorkshire in the 1950s.

We are always eager to welcome new members. Anybody interested in helping us in any capacity, please contact our chairperson, Robin Norrie, on Chester 332595

Anna Morris.



## Around the Village

### St John the Baptist Church

*Please note that St John's is normally kept open during the day to allow people to come for quiet and to pray.*

### Holy Week & Easter:

Maundy Thursday, 17 April, 7.30pm, Holy Communion  
Good Friday, 18 April, 11am Devotional Service  
Easter Sunday, 20 April, 11am Family Holy Communion

### Confirmation Service with the Bishop of Chester

Sun 4 May, 10.30am (at St Peter's, Plemstall, no service in St John's)

### Normal Service Times:

1st Sunday of month 11.00am Family Service  
2nd Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion  
3rd Sunday 11.00am Morning Praise  
4th Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion (1662)  
5th Sunday 9.30am Holy Communion

### Children & Young People

Sunday Club (3-10s) & Lazars (11-14s)  
meet on 1st, 4th, 5th Sundays in term at 9.30am

15 plus group meets on Sunday evenings at 7.30pm

### Other Enquiries:

For any enquiries concerning the above, or to find out about **baptisms, weddings, fellowship groups, prayer groups, Alpha courses, confirmation, pastoral visits**, or to receive the **parish newsletter**...

**please contact Mark Hart (Vicar), tel. 300306.**