



Guilden Sutton Community Association

# marigold

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## CCTV INSTALLATION AT THE VILLAGE HALL

For the last 4 or 5 years the CCTV cameras on the Village Hall have been a feature that we have all become used to. The installation involved the positioning of two cameras at both ends of the Hall, each of which was given its own infra red light to enable it to continue to work in poor light conditions. These were linked to a video recorder and display unit, both locked away in a cupboard inside the Hall.

The original installation followed 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. There was also damage (costing approximately £4,500) caused to play equipment in the Children's Play Area at the other side of the Village Hall. 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, had not been successful.

Many steps had been taken to sort out the problem. Local organisations had been involved as had the Community Association, the City Council, the Parish Council, local residents, police, etc. Several meetings had taken place to discuss the options available and actions had been taken as a result of these meetings.

Fortunately since the equipment was installed, nothing similar to this has occurred, but there have been instances of theft and damage occurring to both property in the Village Hall car park and the play area. To further help to identify and avoid these instances happening, the Parish Council has decided to upgrade the equipment. Cameras and recording equipment have improved considerably in the last few years and the Parish Council wants to take advantage of this improvement.

As happened last time, the Parish Council approached the Gowy Panel for a grant towards the new CCTV equipment, and the Community Association, which owns

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and maintains the Village Hall, also agreed to contribute to the additional costs

The set up will continue as before with cameras sited on the Village Hall roof at opposite ends to ensure that both the play area and the car park are covered. High resolution day/night cameras will be used to view different images of the car park and playground. These will be accompanied by infra red lamps, and a digital recorder, hard disk and colour monitor will be used.

However sophisticated and powerful the equipment that is used, we still rely on the good nature of all the village to make sure that we have a safe environment to allow our families to grow up in. We need the help and support of everyone in the village to maintain the present situation that we enjoy.

The CCTV equipment can only be used to provide additional information when anything goes wrong. We still rely on the members of the village to look after the village.

Derek Hughes

### **Connect2**

The Connect2 programme is an ambitious bid to the Big Lottery Fund, which is offering a grant of up to £50 million for their Living Landmarks: The People's Millions competition. In Chester the project is aimed at extending the current cycle network for everyone, with particular attention to the Greenway currently covering Upton, Newton and Blacon, but with a plan to extend it to Guilden Sutton.

You can help by voting for Connect2.

On line voting opens on Monday 26 November at 9am at:-  
[www.thepeoples50million.org.uk](http://www.thepeoples50million.org.uk)

Telephone voting starts on Friday 7 December at 9am – the numbers will be broadcast on ITV1.

David Norbury

### **The Marigold - April 2008**

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 send it via email it to [john@beavanj.freemove.co.uk](mailto:john@beavanj.freemove.co.uk) by Sunday 9th March. Please ensure that you meet this deadline, as copy received after this date will not be guaranteed inclusion.

# Clubs and Societies

## Guilden Sutton Preschool

During September and October, we have had a variety of activities ranging from baking and bathing a baby to talking to the community police officer, as well as daily activities including painting and singing which enable us to learn through play.

Preschool meets in the Village Hall during term times. We are open to any child from the age of 2½ years to 5 years. Nursery education vouchers are available for 3 and 4 year olds from the term after their 3rd birthday.

We offer a wide range of activities including painting, sand, music, baking, and messy play. All activities are planned to provide each child with an opportunity to develop and learn new skills. Special stepping stone sessions are held for children who will be starting school in the next year which include packed lunches, regular visits to the primary school and PE activities.

Each session at Preschool lasts 3 hours, we are open 38 weeks a year, with similar dates to the Primary School.

If you would like your child to join in our activities, please come and see us or contact us to secure their place.

Hazel Crane (Supervisor)

Preschool mobile: 07804 362888 (switched on session time only)



## Badminton

The badminton season started in September and is progressing well. The Senior turnout has been higher this year and currently there are no Senior vacancies.

The Junior coaching groups under the direction of Judith Gilmour are running on Monday (6.30 – 8.00pm), Tuesday (7.00 – 8.00pm) and Wednesday (6.30 – 8.00pm) evenings. It is the Clubs intention to encourage the Juniors to enter the Chester and District Tournaments later in the season.



Keith Emerton, Secretary.

## Women's Institute

We have started a new year after our AGM in November, when we celebrated our 69<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Some of our members have been with us for many years. They have many skills amongst them, having been organising Institute events on several levels over many decades. We are always looking for new members to bring in new skills and ideas.

We have a varied programme with many events taking place between our monthly meetings. Several members play darts throughout the winter months, having given the bowling green a rest until next summer. Walks are enjoyed by a small group, while a larger group enjoy visits to the theatre. On 17<sup>th</sup> December a coach is booked to take us to Birkenhead to a Christmas show by BOST (Birkenhead Operatic Society Trust).

Five members heard Ben Fogle speak at the Autumn Council Meeting at Winsford in October. One of our members, Jill Beavan, was asked to give the vote of thanks. Eight members will represent us at the WI Carol Service at Chester Cathedral on 5<sup>th</sup> December. We are taking part in the Group Carol Service at St Bartholomew's Church at Great Barrow on 10<sup>th</sup> December, and have been invited to take part in the Village Carol Service on 20<sup>th</sup> December in the Village Hall.

Our speakers for the next few months are:-

4<sup>th</sup> December – Dr AJP Campbell – Chester Silver

10<sup>th</sup> January – Members annual dinner at Carriages, Tattenhall

5<sup>th</sup> February – Community Sentence (LCSS) Presentation – interactive – Catherine Corbett – Senior Probation Officer, Jenny Harrison JP

4<sup>th</sup> March – A Brief History of Wirral Country Park – slideshow, Mr James Locke

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings. 2008 is a special year for us, our 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Come and join in with our celebrations.

We meet on the first Tuesday in the month in the Marigold room at the village hall.

Ruth Hughes  
President – tel: 300185



## **Parent and Toddler Group**

The Parent and Toddler Group meet every Tuesday morning during term time in the Village Hall between 10.30 and 12.00. We charge £1.20 per family.

Parents, grandparents, childminders are all welcome to join our friendly group which is suitable for babies and children right up to school age.

We have a good selection of toys and play equipment. Our ride on toys are always very popular with the older children. The babies enjoy socialising on the play mat and are able to explore new toys in a safe environment.

Painting, play dough and other craft activities are carried out each week and we all enjoy a drink and a biscuit during the morning session.

Before we go home we all gather around to sing our favourite nursery rhymes and action songs.

The Parent and Toddler Group is a great way to make new friends. Come along next Tuesday and give us a try!

Imogen Brown, tel: 300812

## **Indoor Bowls Club**

Our Indoor Short Mat bowling season has now started at the Village Hall.



We meet every Friday evening 8pm to 10pm when a friendly group of players enjoy a game of bowls, with a little bit of competitive spirit.

We are members of the Cheshire Villages Indoor Bowls League and a team of players will be competing with other clubs over the next few months. We hope this season to eventually come top of the league table.

The club would like to take this opportunity to say a big "thank you" to Mrs Prim Whitehouse who has now retired as our Secretary. Prim carried out her duties for several years with dedication and efficiency...

For further information, please contact Mrs. Sylvia Seager, tel: 314346.

## St John's See and Know Group

The See and Know group meet at the Church hall on Fridays in term time from 1pm until 2.40 pm. **PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME**

We are a group of Mums, Dads, Grandmas and childminders with children from birth to school age. We have been able to welcome a few new members this term and anybody else is always welcome.

We have lots of toys suitable for all ages, sing songs and provide a structured craft activity each week.

Two wonderful Grandmas provide a 'café' service with tea, coffee, juice, toast and buns!

For further information please contact Ruth Dalgarno, tel 303071

## Talkabout

Talkabout has been busy planning the Spring and Summer schedules and although not finalised will include such items as: a talk about the Hospice of the Good Shepherd, a gardening information evening, quiz, BBQ and many more.

For further information please contact any of the committee members listed below:

Evelyn .....300107

Val J.....300823

Val C. ....300345

Janet .....316892

Sue .....300581

Date	Subject/Activity
December 12 <sup>th</sup> 2007	Talkabout: Christmas meal .
January 16 <sup>th</sup> 2008	Talkabout: Talk on 'The ethics and philosophies' of the Hospice of the Good Shepherd movement.
February 20 <sup>th</sup> 2008	Talkabout: Virgin cosmetics foot spa evening.
March 19 <sup>th</sup> 2008	Talkabout: A taste of China - themed evening.

## 1st Guilden Sutton Scout Group

Guilden Sutton Scouts meet at 7.30 pm on Fridays in term time in the Methodist Church Hall. Membership is open to boys and girls aged 10 - 14. Activities this term have included an evening at the Crocky Trail, our own version of "The Restaurant" cooking competition, indoor climbing and night orienteering. For November a fire safety course, a kite making session and outdoor wide games are planned.

New members and helpers are always welcome. For more information please contact:

Colin Beresford, tel: 300265  
Jonathan Brown, tel: 300812



## Ladies Morning Badminton

Come along and join us for badminton on Tuesday mornings between 9.15 and 10.15 am at the Village Hall.

All ages are welcome.

Ideal for mums who want some exercise after dropping their children off at school or pre-school.

There is an area for young children to play while mums enjoy a game of badminton and a coffee!

Very informal atmosphere and beginners are most welcome.

For further details contact Sue Graves, tel: 301122



## Village Quiz

Don't forget the Village Quiz next year, which will be held on Saturday 1st March in the Village Hall at 7.45 p.m. Everyone is welcome. You will need a team of 6 people to enter, and tickets are available from Ruth Connolly on 301287.

There is an excellent supper included in the ticket price, a raffle during the quiz, and of course, some excellent prizes for the winners.



## **Sutton Six 10K race and Fun Run**

The Sutton Six 10K was held this year on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. The weather was much better than last year, basically dry if a little on the humid side which is OK unless you want to run quickly! Entries were almost identical to last year at 325, but the better weather meant that more of the early entrants actually turned up so the final tally was 284 finishers. This year the race was again part of the Cheshire county competition scene and was the final race in the Cheshire Grand Prix series. First to complete the 6.25 mile course at the Village Hall was David Norman from Altrincham in a very respectable 31 min 54 secs, just over a minute ahead of Paul Sankey from Liverpool RC. A strong field (again!) of Wilmslow AC men guaranteed them the men's team prize whilst the women's team prize went back to Macclesfield this year. First lady home was Anne Farmer of Macclesfield in a time of 38:03 with her club mate Sarah Harris taking second spot in 38:13. At the other end of the race the last runner home clocked a time of 84:01.

The Fun Run entries this year totalled 58 of whom 53 crossed the finish line. They started off at 12.15 from Hilltop Road, to complete two laps of Oaklands (about 1½ miles) before finishing back at the Village Hall. All finishers were given a medal and many also received a T shirt as well to mark the event. First home was Matthew Gilmour running for Christleton High in a time of 9 min 48 sec narrowly beating Joseph O'Riordan of West Cheshire AC to the line. First in running for Guilden Sutton Primary School was Jack Bailey in a very good time of 11:59, Guilden Sutton Primary being out in force with a total of 13 finishers.

Guilden Sutton Cubs and helpers were again out in force in the Village Hall selling refreshments to runners and their friends before and after the race. Akela (Reza Rahmani-Torkaman) was very pleased with the event, making a significant contribution to the Cubs' funds with a record profit from this year's event.

Thanks go out to the village residents and Community Association members who, together with a large contingent of West Cheshire AC club members, marshalled the course and made the day another great success overall. Thanks also to those who moved their cars for us and the significant numbers of people stationed at various points around the village who just came out to watch, providing support and much needed encouragement for the runners. Grateful thanks for the continuing support given by Mr & Mrs Sandlin of Belle Vue Farm, who again allowed us the use of their field behind the old school for use as a car park, so keeping all the runners cars off the streets. Should anybody have been inspired enough to come and run with us at West Cheshire AC, please contact Richard Batterham. We cater for all abilities in a number of different groups, so if you want to get out and run as part of a group you will be made welcome.

Richard Batterham Tel: 300107

## Sutton Six Fun Run Results

Place	Time	Name	Team	Category
1	0:09:48	GILMOUR, Matthew	Christleton High	Boys & Men
2	0:09:52	O'RIORDAN, Joseph	West Cheshire AC	Boys & Men
3	0:10:02	BUTLER, James	West Cheshire AC	Boys & Men
4	0:10:02	BUTLER, Alan		Boys & Men
5	0:10:21	EARLEY, Matthew	West Cheshire AC	Boys & Men
6	0:10:46	CRAIG, Thomas	Christleton High	Boys & Men
7	0:10:57	BROWN, Olivia	West Cheshire AC	Girls & Women
8	0:11:01	BAIRD, David		Boys & Men
9	0:11:52	HORNBY, Joe	Ashton Hayes Primary	Boys & Men
10	0:11:59	BAILEY, Jack	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
11	0:12:05	HENRY, Adam	St Saviour's Primary	Boys & Men
12	0:12:13	WILDERSPIN, Joshua	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
13	0:12:25	LUDDEN, Laura	Mountain Lane	Girls & Women
14	0:12:38	SIMPSON, Reilly	St Saviour's Primary	Boys & Men
15	0:13:05	ADAM, Nic	Overleigh St Mary's Primary	Boys & Men
16	0:13:24	BAIRD, Hannah		Girls & Women
17	0:13:27	PRYER, Matthew	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
18	0:13:34	BALDACCHINO, Joseph	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
19	0:13:39	TONKS, Heather	Guilden Sutton Primary	Girls & Women
20	0:13:41	BURNS, Jordan	Lum Head Primary	Boys & Men
21	0:13:43	PICKERING, Sally	West Cheshire AC	Girls & Women
22	0:13:45	PICKERING, Jane	West Cheshire AC	Girls & Women
23	0:13:54	PRYER, Harvey	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
24	0:13:57	CROWE, James	Meadow Primary	Boys & Men
25	0:13:59	HUGHES, Kenneth	Primary	Boys & Men
26	0:14:00	BESLEY, Nicky	Guilden Sutton Primary	Girls & Women
27	0:14:10	GALLAGHER, Luke	Penygelli Coedpoeth	Boys & Men
28	0:14:13	BALDACCHINO, Andrew	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
29	0:14:17	CRAIG, James	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
30	0:14:32	FERREST, Charlotte		Girls & Women
31	0:14:33	GEORGE, Richard		Boys & Men
32	0:14:52	MORRIS, Adam	Gorseley Bank	Boys & Men
33	0:14:52	MORRIS, Trevor		Boys & Men
34	0:15:01	HOPE, Jayne		Girls & Women
35	0:15:05	DAVIES, Kelly		Girls & Women

## Sutton Six Fun Run Results (Continued)

36	0:15:05	SALTER, Macey		Girls & Women
37	0:15:06	DAVIES, Stephen		Boys & Men
38	0:15:07	DALGARNO, Seona		Girls & Women
39	0:15:16	BURNS, Freya	St Bridget's West Kirby	Girls & Women
40	0:15:16	BOWEN, Liz		Girls & Women
41	0:16:05	HUNTINGTON, Jake	St Saviour's Primary	Boys & Men
42	0:16:10	LAMMOND, Toni	St Saviour's Primary	Girls & Women
43	0:16:21	PATTINSON, Harry	Guilden Sutton Primary	Boys & Men
44	0:16:21	DUCKWORTH, Rosie	Guilden Sutton Primary	Girls & Women
45	0:16:31	HUGHES, Remi	St Werburgh & St Columbus Primary	Boys & Men
46	0:16:48	COWELL, Georgia	Pownall Green Primary	Girls & Women
47	0:17:22	FIELDING, Taylor	Lum Head Primary	Boys & Men
48	0:17:23	BURNS, Darren		Boys & Men
49	0:18:01	FOREMAN, Olivia	Guilden Sutton Primary	Girls & Women
50	0:18:10	DAVIES, Anna	Guilden Sutton Primary	Girls & Women
51	0:18:33	COWELL, Emily		Girls & Women
52	0:19:03	SEALEY, Benjamin		Boys & Men
53	0:21:28	BURNS, Eve	St Bridget's West Kirby	Girls & Women

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



You would be amazed how many people look at the Guilden Sutton Village website –one of the biggest groups being people who used to live here, or whose parents did. (I suspect that the biggest group is still people who are considering living here)

Undoubtedly people appear to be attracted to photos of buildings such as the pub and the churches, but many enjoy looking at events which have taken place in the community, both recently and in the distant past, such as in our “Photo Gallery”.

It may be nostalgia, but it never goes out of fashion – if you have any photos which might be suitable why not send them to our webmaster for inclusion on the website.

Who knows, one day your photo may be regarded as a snapshot of Guilden Sutton’s heritage. Examples could be snapshots taken at our Remembrance Day service at the War Memorial, at the Village Quiz or a still from the Village Players.

Danny Fisher  
webmaster@guildensutton.org.uk

# Around the Village

## St John the Baptist Church

### Website

For full details of all our activities and services, including news and notices, visit our church website at: [www.stjohnsguildensutton.org](http://www.stjohnsguildensutton.org)

### Normal Service Times

1st Sunday of month 11am	Family Service in the Village Hall
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of month 9.30am	Holy Communion
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month 11am	Morning Praise
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of month 9.30am	Holy Communion (1662)

*Occasionally time/venue subject to alteration. See Monthly Newsletter or Website for full details.*

### Children & Young People

Sunday Club (4-10s), Lazars (11-14s) meet on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays in term at 9.30am.

15+ group meets on Sunday evenings at 7.30pm. See & Know toddler group meets on Fridays in term in the Church Hall at 1.30pm.

### Christmas Services

Sunday 16 December, 6.30pm	Traditional Carols by Candlelight
Thursday 20 December, 7.30pm	Community Carol Singing <i>in the Village Hall</i>
Sunday 23 December, 4pm	Crib Service, with drama by children & young people <i>in the Village Hall</i>
Monday 24 December 11.30pm	Holy Communion
Tuesday 25 December, 11am	Holy Communion
Sunday 6 January, 11am	Christingle Family Service <i>in the Village Hall</i>

### Other Enquiries

For any enquiries concerning the above, or to find out about **baptisms, weddings, fellowship groups, confirmation, pastoral visits... or to subscribe to the monthly newsletter...**

please contact Mark Hart (Rector), tel. 300306, email: [markhart61@gmail.com](mailto:markhart61@gmail.com)

# Guilden Sutton Diary

**December 2007 - March 2008**

## **Dec**

- 4th 7.30 pm W.I. - "Chester Silver"  
by Dr A J P Campbell (Village Hall)
- 12th Talkabout: Christmas meal
- 17th 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
- 20th 7.30 pm Community Carol Singing (Village Hall)
- 21st Preschool - term ends

## **Jan**

- 7th 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
- 7th Preschool - term starts
- 10th 7.30 pm W.I. - Annual Dinner
- 16th Talkabout - The ethics and philosophies' of the Hospice of the Good Shepherd movement.

## **Feb**

- 4th 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
- 5th 7.30 pm W.I. - "Community Sentence (LCSS) Presentation "  
by Catherine Corbett & Jenny Harrison, JP (Village Hall)
- 8th Preschool - closes for half term
- 17th Talkabout - Virgin cosmetics foot spa evening.
- 18th Preschool - resumes after half term

## **Mar**

- 1st 7.45 pm Village Quiz (Village Hall)
- 3rd 7.30 pm Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
- 4th 7.30 pm W.I. - "Brief History of Wirral Country Park"  
By Mr James Locke (Village Hall)
- 9th 11.59 pm Copy deadline for the next issue of the Marigold
- 19th Talkabout: A taste of China - themed evening.
- 20th Preschool - closes for Easter