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The New Warley Lantern

Welcome to the late summer edition of the newsletter.

Firstly, potentially some good news in that the general manager of Thwaites Brewery has advised the Community Association that the Winterburn has had some interior work carried out and should be re-opening in the not-too-distant future.

Since the last edition we have had the 'Warley Walk' which took place on a beautiful sunny day. We hope everyone who took part enjoyed our local countryside and we hope to run this again in the future.

Thanks to everyone who sent in photos of pets and animals for the calendar. We haven't managed to use them all this time but will save them for a future edition.

We have obtained some grant money to tidy up the Paradise Lane and playgrounds area, as far as the school. Anyone who can help please come along on Saturday or Sunday, 24th and 25th August between 10am and 12 noon. Bring any tools you think may be useful!

Save the Date....

GET INVOLVED

We are planning on holding a Barn Dance on 5th October, starting at around 18.30.

We need people to help plan this event - if you are free and have suggestions / able to offer assistance, then please come along to the Maypole on Tuesday 27th August at 18.30. We would love to see you.

Changes to website and email addresses.

We have (finally) changed our online addresses to 'warleyca.org.uk'. Please don't continue to use the old '.co.uk' addresses when contacting us or browsing the website.

The Warley Community Association is run for and by the residents of Warley and is not affiliated to, nor in any way controlled or influenced by any other group, society or organisation

Enjoy Warley's Memorial Garden

The space in the middle of the allotments known as George's garden was unkempt a couple of years ago and work started to tidy it up. The walls needed repairing and the garden needed new plants. A grant was applied for by Warley Allotments Association to improve the garden and buy some plants. We received £500 to spend on the garden, to make it into a garden for the community to enjoy.

Volunteers set to work rebuilding the garden's walls, and the seating area cracks were filled in. Plants, small trees and shrubs were bought and planted. A small bird bath fountain and a bug house have been put in to complete the garden. People have been sitting in this area more now and find it a pleasant place to sit.

Feel free to visit the Memorial Garden, enjoy the surroundings, and sit on the bench. Find it by walking up the track through the allotments from Paradise Lane, or through the gap at the side of the recreation ground.

Its location, using 'what3words', is: gushes.lilac.clinic.

Article by Anita Kershaw

Tackling Speeding in Warley

Warley Community Association has been talking to local police and Calderdale Council representatives about tackling speeding around Warley. We have been told by the police that there may be an opportunity to carry out speed checks later in the year. Speed tubes have been deployed in the past couple of years to assess average speeds on Stock Lane, Warley Town Lane and Windle Royd Lane, however.

We are aware of residents' concerns about the speed of vehicles, especially on Warley Town Lane and around the junction at the west end of Newlands Road, and have been passing this on.

If you drive, please do your bit by staying well under all speed limits, and encourage drivers you know to do the same: remember that they're limits, not targets. This makes a huge difference, especially protecting people who are walking, wheeling and cycling.

If you are concerned about specific speeding, please contact the police using one of the methods detailed at:
'https://www.westyorkshire.police.uk/my-neighbourhood/calderdale/halifax/contacts'

Article by Jools Townend

Warley Christmas Tree Fundraising Appeal

As you may have read on the website or Facebook, Calderdale Council dropped a bombshell on us in July when it announced that they would be providing no funding for Christmas decorations and trees this year, anywhere in the Borough. As many Christmas events such as our own one and the Christmas Eve singing really rely on the tree being there we have, along with a number of other villages and towns,decided to buy the necessary services from the council.

However, we have opted to buy our own tree which will save us £400 on the council price. Also we will not have a 'switching-on' ceremony for the tree lights (good news for many who think it will be good to have the lights on at the same time as the rest of Calderdale rather than a week, or more, later).

We still need to raise about £1300, however, with some money already being promised. There will be donation buckets at the Rushbearing event on 7th September and, if you are buying calendars, please can you add at least £1 to the basic price you pay? We have already chosen the tree (pictured here) - 5m in height. If you would like to donate to this appeal at other times, please drop us an email at 'enquiries@warleyca.org.uk' or phone June (number on back page).

Warley 2025 Calendar

This has now been printed and will be available to purchase at this year's Rushbearing (see Upcoming Events on the back page). We will accept cash or card at Rushbearing. To request one, or more, at any time, please email us with your requirements to 'calendars@warleyca.org.uk'. The cost is £6 plus a suggested minimum £1 donation towards the Christmas Tree appeal (see above).

***Susan Calman** visiting Warley appeared in Episode 3 of her latest Channel 5 series, Great Day Out. She also visited the Piece Hall and other West Yorkshire towns.*

St John the Evangelist Warley & St Hilda Halifax Church at Cote Hill

Letter from the Vicar

Farewell and wishing you all well

It is hard to believe that it is just over 6 years since Aidan and I moved to Warley and I was licensed as Vicar here. It has been a wonderful community to be part of and we have been very happy.

However, I want to announce that I am about to move on, having been appointed as Team Rector of Dewsbury Team Parish based at the Minster. I will be leaving Warley later in August ready to start in early September. Aidan and I wish you all well and will hold a special place in our hearts for the people of Warley.

There have been changes during those 6 years. What was a Benefice with St Hilda's parish has now become the single parish of St John & St Hilda as we joined together with our church building being the St John's church on Windle Royd Lane.

There are about to be further changes at the church following my departure. It has been agreed by the PCC, with the Bishop, that the new Priest in Charge will be shared with Christ Church, Pellon. Conversations have begun about adverts for the new priest which may be going out later this year. We hold this whole process in our prayers.

God bless

Caroline

Upcoming Events

27th August - Planning Meeting for Barn Dance - Maypole @ 18.30.
7th September - Rushbearing - 10.00 @ St John's and 11.00 @ The Maypole. More details @ https://rushbearing.com/this-years-rushbearing/route-schedule/
5th October - Evening Barn Dance at St John's.
8th October - WCA Open Meeting 18.30 @ The Maypole.
10th November - Remembrance Day Service - Village Centre then St John's
26th November - WCA AGM 18.30 @ The Maypole.

Where we have used web addresses in this newsletter, please note that they will be available for quick access on the 'Warley Lantern' page of the website.

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