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Services in February

- 1 9:00 am Morning prayer
6 10:00 am Family Communion
8 9:00 am Morning prayer
13 8:00 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Worship
15 9:00 am Morning prayer
20 10:00 am Family Communion
6:00 pm Cafe Church at Slyne
Church Hall
22 9:00 am Morning prayer
27 10:00 am Family Communion

Services in March

- 1 9:00 am Morning prayer
2 7:30 pm Ash Wednesday Holy
Communion
6 10:00 am Family Communion
8 9:00 am Morning prayer
13 8:00 am Holy Communion
10:00 am Family Worship
15 9:00 am Morning prayer
20 10:00 am Family Communion
6:00 pm Cafe Church at Slyne
Church Hall
22 9:00 am Morning prayer
27 10:00 am Family Communion
29 9:00 am Morning prayer

FEBRUARY

- 6 10am Mrs Barbara Wilkinson
(communion)
13 4:30pm Rev John Gordon
20 10am Rev David Atkinson
27 4:30pm Rev John Gordon

MARCH

- 6 10am Rev John Gordon
(communion)
13 4:30pm Rev John Gordon
20 10am Mr David Normington
27 4:30pm Rev John Gordon.
Mothering Sunday.

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Services in February

- 13 11:30 am Holy Communion
27 11:30 am Morning Prayer

Services in March

- 13 11:30 am Holy Communion
27 11:30 am Morning prayer

From The Registers - Funerals

10 Nov – Janet Rawes, St Wilfrids

23 Dec – Linda McCartney, St Saviour's

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

We will be joining with St Wilfrid's Church for the annual service for The World Day of Prayer, at St Wilfrid's Church, Friday 4th March at 7:30 pm. The service this year has been prepared by the women of Wales, England and Northern Ireland. The theme is "I know the plans I have for you".

NEW 4:30 SERVICES

We will continue to alternate our service times between 10:00am and 4:30pm on Sundays. Please do come and try one of our new afternoon services. They have a different format intended to be informal, fun and very family friendly. A warm welcome is extended to all.

SOUP AND A SONG

Apologies for the delayed start to 'soup and a song', which we had hoped to get running again in January. We decided to postpone because of the Omicron variant. Our new start date is **Tuesday March 8th**. Please book a place, and we look forward to seeing you there!

ST WILFRID'S HALTON

Live streamed services:

We will be continuing to livestream our 10 am Sunday Service and Tuesday Morning prayer service at St Wilfrid's onto 'St Wilfrid's Church of England' Facebook page.

ST WILFRID'S JUNIOR CHURCH

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BIBLE STUDY GROUPS:

Tuesday afternoon group meets at 25 Harrowdale Park, on the first Tuesday of the month at 2:00pm. To find out more, ring Rev'd Helen Leathard on 849495.

Thursday evening group meets on 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 7:30pm on Zoom. Please contact Rev'd Susan for the zoom link. revsusan.seed@btinternet.com.

THE CHURCH IS HERE FOR YOU!

Every week the Churches pray for different streets in Halton and for the village of Aughton.

Wherever you live, please get in contact with Rev'd Susan if you have any pray re-

quests for specific people, places or situations. (Details are kept confidential).

You can also contact Rev'd Susan to discuss having a christening, wedding or funeral at St Saviour's or St Wilfrid's Church. Tel 01524 822128, email revsusan.seed@btinternet.com.

ST WILFRID'S OPEN CHURCH

St Wilfrid's will be open during the day on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10am to 4pm. You are welcome to come and reflect or pray in the peaceful atmosphere of the church building. There will also be leaflets available with information about our beautiful historical church and Viking Cross.



Upcoming Events

Saturday 29th January 2022 – Members Night.

New members welcome to come & join (£10), memberships can be renewed and a members draw will take place – prize money £200

Saturday 26th February - Members draw

Saturday 12th March – Anthony guitarist & vocalist 8pm

Saturday 26th March – Members draw

Please follow us on Facebook – Halton Club.

Happy New Year to all of our customers and thank-you for your support in 2021. We are really looking forward to a busy year at The Red Door Café with numerous events planned including our eagerly awaited “Supper Evenings”.

We will use social media and The Prattle to promote these events. If any of you would like to be contacted directly about these events please let us have your contact details.

We can also cater for private functions, whether this be birthdays, christenings, funerals, baby showers, wedding anniversaries or family get togethers. Please contact us directly to discuss your requirements.

Another project that we will soon be undertaking is the refurbishment and re-opening of our “Courtyard Garden”, outdoor seating area, which will be open in time for the Easter weekend.

As ever our current opening hours are Thursday & Friday 9:00am until 3:00pm and Saturday & Sunday 9:00am until 4:00pm for breakfasts, light lunches, cake, coffee and drinks. We are also now serving all day breakfasts on a Sunday.

The dates for our 2022 Supper Evenings are as follows –

28th January; 11th February; 15th April; 3rd June; 15th July; 2nd September; 28th October; 9th December.

For further information on the Supper Evenings or to discuss a private function please contact us as follows –

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REVERENT REFLECTIONS

Our journey through life can feel very hard at times, and with the high number of Covid cases due to the Omicron variant, it may seem to us that the pandemic will never end. It is often when times are hard that self-doubt creeps in. Sometimes we devalue ourselves because we compare ourselves to others and this leads to low self-esteem, a common problem today especially amongst young people who compare themselves to media images and have the pressures of doing well academically. There has been a sharp rise in mental illness due to the pandemic.

I would like to share these words written by Henri Nouwen who writes that we should always be ourselves:

Often, we want to be somewhere other than where we are, or even to be someone other than who we are. We tend to compare ourselves constantly with others and wonder why we are not as rich, as intelligent, as simple, as generous, or as saintly as they are. Such comparisons make us feel guilty, ashamed, or jealous. It is very important to realise that our vocation is hidden in where we are and who we are. We are unique human beings, each with a call to realise in life what nobody else can, and to realise it in the concrete context of the here and now. We will never find our vocations by trying to figure out whether we are better or worse than others. We are good enough to do what we are called to do. Be yourself!

In the Bible God promises that we are never alone because he is always with us. Isaiah gives us a wonderful message of joy and comfort, "I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you..... you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, Do not fear, for I am with you.

We can also feel assured that however long and hard this journey through the pandemic is, we are not alone, God is with us and eventually we will reach better times.

Rev Susan Seed



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HALTON LIBRARY NEWS

We currently have 2 volunteer opportunities at Halton Library to support local residents with the following:

- **Family History:** This volunteering opportunity involves helping fellow Family History researchers with their investigations, arranged class visits and Family History sessions, allowing more people to be helped in this popular area of research.
- **Digital Champion:** This opportunity would best suit someone who is confident with their digital skills on all general mobile devices and has the ability to share that knowledge with others during guided training sessions.

<https://lancsvp.org.uk/opportunities/halton-library-family-history/>

<https://lancsvp.org.uk/opportunities/digital-champion-halton-library-2/>

Additional information and how to apply can be found on the Lancashire Volun-

teer Partnership website: <https://lancsvp.org.uk/> or ring 01772 416417.

Halton Library is restarting their weekly Storytime (term time only) for pre-school children and their carers. Wednesday morning 9:00 am. All welcome.

MYSPACE, a Creative Activities Group for Girls aged 11-16

We are starting up again, on the last Friday of the month, from Friday 25th February.

We have postponed the start of our group because of the current Covid wave, but can't wait to get going on the last Friday in February. We do fun and interesting art and craft activities, with a relaxed atmosphere, and a break for hot chocolate and biscuits! Crafts we have covered include:- tie dye, paper maché, painting, wire work,

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The group is for girls of any faith or none. Please get in touch if you would like to find out more or to book a place. 7:00-8:30pm on the last Friday of the month (from February 25th).

Mary and Catherine

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HALTON GARDENING GROUP

The Red Door Cafe is proving a very popular venue for village groups to gather and celebrate together with expertly prepared lunches by Elaine and Eric. Halton Gardening Group held their Christmas lunch there, it was thoroughly enjoyed by all and fuelled our Christmas spirit.

Unfortunately one of our supporters died just before Christmas and the group has been supporting his wife (an active member) through this difficult and painful time. It is at times like this that we see

and feel the value of groups and the friendships that evolve over time. This is certainly the case with HGG as much valued contact has been maintained during the past 2 years of the Covid pandemic. Hopefully 2022 will be a year of rebirth and renewal as we move forward with the emerging bulbs and plants benefiting from some much needed fresh air, warmth and increased daylight.

As the days get longer we wait expectantly for spring to unfold. Those bulbs that were planted in the autumn have shoots poking through to say hello. Let's hope February will be kind and allow our plants to thrive instead of being nipped by the frost or buried under a foot of snow. The snowdrops in the Memorial Garden are up and should be bobbing their heads about; we look forward to them increasing in clumps to provide a larger display in future years. Look out for the crocus planting in the Memorial Garden lawn and the season-

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al bulbs appearing in the Burial ground and other tended spaces.

Our members have had a good rest over winter and look forward to getting the gardening tools out to spruce up any untidy corners and prepare beds for spring planting. Now is the time to peruse the seed catalogues and plan this year's vegetable patch; don't forget to chit your potatoes in preparation for planting on Good Friday. Members will also be sowing seed and raising plants to sell at our annual plant sale on 21st May 2022 on The Centre field. If there are any particular plants you would like us to sell or prepare for you, please let us know and we will do our best to oblige.

During 2022 we aim to complete the restoration of the Memorial Garden, to continue managing the planters, the top 'o' ginnel area, the Low Road sign, the roundabout bus stop, the wildflower patch, the raised beds and the area halfway down the link path leading into Lythe Fell Avenue. We also want to add value to the

Burial ground, which is a very special place for some of the village residents and their families. We plan to organise another picnic – let's hope the weather will be kinder this year – and to take part in any Jubilee events that are currently being planned by others in the village.

We are currently working on a video to showcase our work and have joined up with the Halton Heritage Group and the Community Land Trust to progress some village enhancing projects.

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month and the venue for 15th February and 15th March's meetings is the Mill Seminar room at 9:30am. All welcome.

Monica Williams Chair HGG

Contact details: Secretary Anne Snowden, 07523182617 or haltongardeninggroup@gmail.com



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HALTON SCOUTS NEWS

Well, just when we thought we were getting beyond the worst of the COVID pandemic along comes another highly transmissible strain. So far, although the rules have been tightening up again, we haven't had to stop scouting, in fact, the only real change is that anyone 11 years and over has to wear a face mask when indoors, and although it's inconvenient it's not stopping us meeting.

We were meant to be taking part in a Knight activity in November (a night hike with activities to do on the way around), unfortunately, this was cancelled at the last minute due to not enough teams wanting to take part. We will hopefully be taking the scouts on our own night hike up to Farleton fell instead this term. The scouts were able to do some air rifle shooting as part of their Christmas party in December, and they will hopefully be starting the Youth Proficiency scheme (an air

rifle course for under 18's) this term, now that I have qualified to teach this.

The scouts are currently doing the DIY badge, and the Young leaders in the group have an activity around the village planned for the scouts.

Here's hoping yet again that we don't get any further lockdowns as a result of Omicron, or any other variant strains of COVID.

John

CARDS FIGHTING LONELINESS – A HALTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME CAMPAIGN

In October, we embarked upon a campaign to tackle loneliness in the winter months, where we asked local children to volunteer to create a card for someone in our community, with the intention of brightening their day. At the same time, we asked local residents to nominate someone to receive a card.

During October and November, 39 beautifully uplifting cards were hand delivered and a lot of wonderful conversations were enjoyed, together on their doorstep.

In December, we teamed up with The Red Door Cafe for our 'St Nic for a Neighbour' campaign with the aim to make a difference this Christmas! We specifically requested that children create Christmas cards, but also asked local residents to donate a small gift to accompany the card and to leave this at The Red Door. A staggering 260 Christmas cards were created and an astronomical 120 gifts donated! It was fantastic to see local schools, Beaver / Cub troops and the wider community all come together to support our campaign.

Thanks to everyone's generosity, I had the pleasure of dressing as an elf and hand-delivering 89 cards and gifts to Halton residents, where we shared stories, some happy and some sad tears, but most importantly, a smile. The sur-

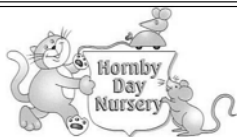
plus cards and gifts were all donated to Age UK's Lancaster branch, for users of their 'Hospital Aftercare' service.

I would like to thank every child that volunteered, every person that donated a gift or nominated a recipient, for their involvement in this campaign. Without you, this wouldn't have been possible.

The campaign has now been adopted in both Caton and Brookhouse and I hope that the concept will soon extend to the wider Lancaster area, spreading kindness much further than the boundaries of LA2!

CARDS FIGHTING LONELINESS 'GET TOGETHER'

Our campaign runs October-March and Covid rules permitting, **we will be holding a big get together on 26th March at 14:30-16:30 at The Community Centre in Halton.** Every child volunteer, nominated recipient, nominator and gift donor is invited to join us and celebrate everything that our campaign has



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10:30AM – 1:00PM At Halton United Reformed Church

Places are now available, with the first sessions on Tuesday 8th March. For more information, to book a place, or to join us for a taster session, please contact Barbara 811862 or email barbarastandenjones@hotmail.com

achieved. It will give everyone involved an opportunity to meet each other in person, rather than just being a 'name in a card' or a 'face in a photograph.'

There will be lots of fun activities suitable for all generations and we'll issue name badges to all attendees to break the ice. The cafe will be open selling light refreshments and I may even have a few cakes to be shared on the day. We'd absolutely love you to join us and hope that meaningful relationships will be formed that can be enjoyed all year round.

It would be brilliant to have a great turn out, so if you have had any involvement whatsoever in this campaign, please come along and show your support. I know a number of recipients and volunteers are really keen to meet you!

If you would like to attend, but would need assistance getting to / from The Centre, or if you would like more infor-

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HEARTS OF HALTON WI

On Saturday 20th November 25 ladies from Hearts of Halton WI met for a jolly, the first since before Covid using a very generous donation to our group from the B4RN HALTON Charity, to give our ladies a special treat after a long period of self isolation, for some, and shielding for others. Now fully jabbed we chose the visit Elaine and Eric at the newly refurbished Red Door Café in Halton for a lovely afternoon tea. The warm welcome we got was amazing! A delicious dainty afternoon tea made by Elaine, and served on antique china tiered tea-plates along with china cups and saucers, log fires and glasses of bubbly enjoyed by a group of friends was just the ticket for a cold November afternoon.

Thank you from all of us to the B4RN Committee and The Red Door Café for such a lovely treat.

Jane Mealor
(President)



3 BRIDGES 10K RUNNING RACE

The popular 3 Bridges 10k race is back in its usual spring slot in 2022, **at 11am on Sunday 10th April** starting from the Lancaster & Morecambe Athletic Club clubhouse at Salt Ayre Leisure Centre.

This is always a popular race with runners from all over the north-west taking part, often as a fast preparation for spring marathons and other longer races. It's also very suitable for beginner runners, perhaps moving up from a Parkrun to a longer race.

It remains a well-priced race to enter with the fees being only £12 for members of running clubs and £14 for non-members. An extra £3 is charged for entries on the day. No refunds once registered.

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bio-diversity. The first year has seen a flurry activity to get the project underway, the account of which can be seen on our website www.hermitagefieldcommunitymeadow.com.

We are seeking to appoint two new Trustees with the skills to help us drive the project forward.

It is interesting and rewarding, and sometimes challenging, voluntary work. If you would like to find out more please contact the Chair of Trustees – Erica Sarney telephone 01524 812114.

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UPDATES, PROJECTS, GRANTS, FUND-RAISING & VOLUNTEERING

Plans are continuing to move forward with our external toilet and disability lift project. We're looking for community groups and individuals to get involved and come up with fundraising ideas. Please contact a member of staff with any ideas you may have. Tel: 01524

811316 during office hours Monday - Friday 1-5pm or email: info@haltoncentre.org.

We are always looking for volunteers to help at the Centre in the coffee shop, with luncheon club and events. Please come along and volunteer as a regular, one off, or part time helper. Whatever your expertise we will find you something that will interest you and be of great benefit to the community.

CENTRE NEWS

We are holding a 'moving forward' community meeting on Friday 4th February at 7pm for people to come together and share their ideas of what activities they and their family would like to take part in at the Centre both inside and outside. Lots of people have moved into the village and circumstances have changed for other residents in recent years so we would like to create opportunities for people to meet up and move forward.

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NEW SESSIONS, SESSION NEWS & CHANGES

WI Hearts of Halton have moved to the Centre to meet every third Wednesday of the month;

Square dancing will be recruiting new dancers on February 21st;

Walking Netball will be inside during February. New members welcome;

Depending upon Covid Saturday Salsa nights may be starting again from Easter. More information will follow.

CENTRE EVENTS 2022

‘Moving forward’ Community meeting – 4th Feb;

Children’s Nearly New Sale dates – 26th Mar, 18th June, 15th Oct;

Cards fighting loneliness campaign – 26th Mar;

Plant Sale and Craft Fair - 21st May.

See the What’s on pages for contact information of all regular groups, clubs & classes. Individual flyers are available from the Centre.

Visit the Centre @ Halton’s website. <https://www.haltoncentre.org>

Centre Manager: Maureen Richardson:

811316. Email, or pop in one afternoon.

Facebook page: The Centre’s active Facebook page announces events & activities. Keep up to date & ‘like’ the page.

Any queries to Publicity & Marketing Officer, marketing@haltoncentre.org, or to receive regular Centre information newsletter, or sign up at the bottom of home page www.haltoncentre.org. All the above was correct on 7 January.

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THE CENTRE @ HALTON: HALL/ROOM HIRE 811444 or info@haltoncentre.org

WEEKLY EVENTS

Weekdays Mon - Fri:

Preschool: 8am – 5:30pm, 3pm on Fridays
term time Donna 07855
326670 Louise 811811

Mondays:

Outdoor Circuits: 6-7pm 811316
Meditation Group: 7-8:30pm 811013 for
location
American Square Dancing: 7:30-10pm
Carol 811444
5-a-side: 8-9pm Andrew 074434 26458

Tuesdays:

Halton Baby & Toddler Group: 9:30-11am;
pre-book via TicketSource
Knit 'n' Natter, Crafts & Chatter Café:
2-4:30pm free Lyn 811694 M1
Beavers: 5:30–6:30 07960 942082 Scout
Hut
Taekwondo: 6:15--7:15pm Mick
07985125530
Cub Scouts: 6:45–8pm term time Scout
Hut email cubs.1sthalton@gmail.com
Beginners Ballroom & Latin Dancing:
James 07778919689 to book a place
Quiz Night: The Greyhound 811908

Wednesdays:

Storytime: 9:00 (term time only) for pre-
school children and their carers.
Halton Library
Walking Football: 10–11:30am on Field £3.
John 01524 418753

Covid drop in Testing Centre: 1:30-3:30pm
Pilates: 6-7pm 07799068191
Scouts: 6:45-8:30pm 811360 Scout Hut
Walking Netball: 7–8pm on MUGA, inside
when wet. £4 811316

Thursdays:

Circuits: 9:20-9:50am Kate Hill
07793970435 Aughton Village Hall
Pilates: 9:30-10:30am 07799068191
Pilates: 10-10:45am Kate Hill 07793970435
Aughton Village Hall
Ladies Ballet Barre: 11:30am-12:30pm Lisa
07732519317
Samba Espirito (Drumming): 6:45–9:30pm
Karen 07711 262288
Carpet Bowls: 7:30pm Aughton Hall, Tim
07980 573805.

Saturdays:

Lego Club: 10:30-12:45pm Halton Library

Sundays:

Valley Church: 10:30am Chrissie 07428
165505

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Damian 07850 913051

Saturday 10:30-11:30; 3-6 yr olds

Sunday 9-4; (Subject to fixtures)7-14 yr
olds

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FORTNIGHTLY EVENTS

Tuesdays: Lunesdale Camera Club: URC
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55's Luncheon Club Café: 2nd & 4th Fri,
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MONTHLY EVENTS

MONDAYS:

2nd Mon: Halton Reading Group:
9:30-10:30am Sarah 811160

TUESDAYS:

2nd Tues: Soup & a Song: (for those with
memory loss, their carers or friends),
10:30-1:00, Halton URC, High Road.
Please book a place. Barbara 811862

3rd Tues: Gardening Group: Zoom meet-
ings. Contact Anne Snowden, 07523
182617 or
emailhaltongardeninggroup@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAYS:

1st Wed: HCA meeting: 7:30pm 811316

2nd Wed: Parish Council Meeting: 7:15pm
(except August) 07810 356929

3rd Wed: WI (Hearts of Halton): 7:15pm
Jane 812702.

Last Wed: Halton with Aughton Heritage
Group, 7:30 @ URC. Email Haltonwith
aughtonheritagegroup@gmail.com

FRIDAYS:

Last Fri: MySpace: art and craft group for
girls aged 11-16. 7-8:30pm. Halton URC,
High Road. Please book a place - email
rawcliffemary@yahoo.co.uk or
catherine.marshall76@gmail.com.

WHAT'S ON DIARY

February

Fri 4 'Moving Forward' 7pm @ The
Centre

Mon 21 Square Dancing beginner
lessons 7:30 at The Centre

March

Sat 26 Children's Nearly New Sale 9-12
Entry £1 [kids free]. The Centre

Sat 26 Cards Fighting Loneliness 'Get
Together' 2:30-4:30 at The
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April

Sun 10 3 Bridges 10k race 11am Salt
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Advance dates for your diary

Craft & Plant Sale; May 21 - The Centre
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Though the club is quiet at the time of writing, by the time you read this the first senior indoor nets will have taken place. Junior indoor nets are sold out and start in early March.

We are still awaiting a decision from the ECB on our grant application to replace the artificial wicket, but we will start mowing the outfield as soon as it is dry enough and work will commence on preparing the club for the season in February.

Bryson Little will lead the First XI in the Premier League in 2022 including two clashes with local rivals Morecambe CC. We will run a second Saturday team and two Sunday teams to add to the T20 team for senior players and around 8 junior teams. Unfortunately the Lancashire Cricket Board have not yet announced dates for their local Core Coach courses so it is unclear when, or even if, we will be able to train all the new coaches we had planned to train. Fingers crossed they get a wriggle on.

Looking forward to the outdoor season senior practices will commence in our excellent outdoor nets as soon as the weather allows, probably late March. Junior registration will take place in late March or early April with junior outdoor sessions starting in mid to late April. With so many games planned in the year it is imperative that we recruit additional volunteers to help run the bar for junior and senior games and for

social events so if anyone would like to be involved in this way, or as a player, coach, supporter or sponsor please contact Mark Drinkall on 07738 252449 or email via: drinks@torrisholmecc.co.uk. Regular updates are available through our website: www.torrisholmecc.co.uk
Regards,

Mark Drinkall,
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THE PRATTLE QUIZ No 48

1. What was the name of the Texan born businessman who's massive fraud collapsed in 2009 robbing many of their savings. He had also bankrolled the largest prize ever for a T20 cricket match?
2. At which English public school are students either King's Scholars or Oppidans?
3. In the classic episode of Fawlty Towers what name did Manuel give to his pet rat?
4. Saul Hudson is the birth name of a famous guitarist, but what is his more commonly used stage name?
5. What name do the people of Poland give to their main seaport? It was known as Danzig under German rule.
6. Who was the head coach of the ill-fated England cricket tour of Australia in 2021/22?
7. Luxembourg is a country in it's own right but which other country has a region called Luxembourg?
8. Abuja is the current capital of Nigeria but which city preceded it as capital, the change took place in 1991?
9. The new variant of Covid is Omicron, the 15th letter of the Greek alphabet. How many letters are there in total?
10. Who currently (8th January 2022) holds the post of First Minister of the Welsh Assembly?
11. Scotsman Peter Wright won the PDC World Darts Championship in early 2022, but what is his nickname?
12. Which American novelist has amongst his most famous works the books White Fang and Call of the Wild?
13. Which actress, part of a very successful acting dynasty, played Dr Nikki Alexander in Silent Witness?
14. Which Italian composer is probably most famous for his film scores including A Fistful of Dollars and The Mission?
15. Tijuana is the westernmost city in which country?
16. Desperate Dan was a long standing character in which comic?
17. How much is the current TV License fee?
18. In the standard Periodic Table which element is at the top of the group which also contains Chlorine and Bromine?
19. Cordelia and Regan are two, who is the third daughter of Shakespeare's King Lear?
20. Introduced in 1994, the RAV4 is a product of which motor manufacturer?

Thanks to our Quiz Master, Mark Drinkall. Answers on Page 30

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CATON CLUBS NEWS

CATON AND BROOKHOUSE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

We held our Christmas party on the 16th of December in the Victoria Institute. It was agreed by the committee to hold the party within the Covid 19 rules, taking regard to the age range of our members. Our members were very disappointed on arrival to find the hall was not decorated - not even a Christmas tree. On enquiry we were told it was the trustee's decision. We would have brought more than our usual table decorations had we known in advance.

However; on the positive side Julia Parker provided us with a lovely home-made hot meal, with sufficient for the heartiest appetite. All finished off with a tempting choice of desserts, thoroughly enjoyed by all of us.

Our club's AGM was held on the 20th of January 2022. The results of the elections to the committee were too late for inclusion in this edition, and will be reported in the next publication.

There will be no meeting in February as usual, due to the half term holiday and grand parenting duties.

Our March 17th meeting at 2pm in the Victoria Institute is not to be missed. A talk entitled 'A long walk from Wigan Pier' by Ruth Gibbons. Tea, coffee and cake will be served. Admission at the door £4.

If you were unable to attend the AGM and would like to renew your annual membership for £5.00 and pick up your 2022 programme please call Benita on 771943 for further information.

CATON LEISURE CLUB TALKS IN FEBRUARY

- 7th Norma Williams - Did You Know?
- 14th Speaker to be confirmed
- 21st Denise Nardone - Bookbinding
- 28th Bernard & Jeanette - Holiday Exploits

MARCH

- 7th Christine Workman - Felt Hat Makers in the Lune Valley



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14th David Middleton - Do Superfoods Exist? From a chemist's perspective
 21st Terry Owen - Footballer Firefighter
 28th Emily Burr - My Life at Booths
 Due to unforeseen circumstances on some occasions the speaker may change at short notice. If you would like to hear any of the talks please just turn up on the day at the Victoria Institute, Caton, 10:30-12:30, where you would be most welcome, or call the number below. Cost is Members £1.50, Non members £3.00, Annual membership £5.00.

Chair Based Exercise continue throughout the year every Monday 09:00-10:00.
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HAPPENINGS AT HALTON MILL

MUSIC, POTTERY AND THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY

We're getting back up and running here at The Mill, and hoping for a year filled with events, workshops and socialising. Omicron has meant a slower start than we hoped for, but we do have exhibitions events planned, and some classes have already started. Please keep an eye out for what's happening on our social media, Facebook and Instagram.

RECYCLING

We mentioned last year how Halton Mill is now collecting recycling as part of the Terracycling scheme. We must remind people that unfortunately this does not mean that the very large bins outside the Mill are for public use. [These bins are for Mill use only.](#)

Instead, the green wheelie bin to the right of the main door can be used to collect items that don't generally get recycled, such as crisp packets, part of the Bay Area Recycling. Before bringing anything please go to their website - bayarearecycling.wordpress.com/ - to check what they are taking currently as this changes regularly.

MUSICAL MARCH

We have two contrasting music events in March - both unusual and worth a visit. On the evening of 5 March, Elephant in the Room is presenting their postponed performance, Dream Spaces, which had to be delayed due to illness. This group of musicians explore the world of

dreams, through atmospheric improvised sound, projected still and moving images, and live drawing! Pay as you feel.

Then on the 19 March, we welcome back The Commoners Choir, who are bringing their virtual pub, The Hope & Anger, to venues up and down the country. The two-hour show lives up to its name - full of hope tinged with anger - and is hosted by multi-award-winning comedian, David Eagle of Young 'Uns fame. The Commoners Choir will be performing two sets of their own clever songs, commenting on the world about us and on the things that need changing - all sung with harmony, melody and energy. Their performance will be woven together by David's stand-up comedy routine, with a specially themed 'hope & anger' pub quiz in the interval.

We loved the Choir last time they came, so it should be an amazing, rousing,



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inspiring evening. Please see our website and Facebook for more information and how to book both concerts.

POTTERY AT THE MILL

We are now lucky to have a variety of pottery courses being held at The Mill. With a few spaces left only on his Thursday morning class, Phil's Pottery for beginners classes are back for 2022. On a Monday evening you and your family can join Emily in our Arts and Crafts room for her Family Pottery classes, and new for 2022, Rachel is hosting Hand-building Pottery classes on Saturday mornings. If any of these sound interesting to you please email us at greenelephant@haltonmill.org.uk.

POSTPONED - BUT THEY'LL BE BACK!

Unfortunately, our two new art classes have been postponed until the spring. Both Donna (Oil Painting) and Ingrid (Abstract Art) have taken the decision to delay the start of their classes because of the Omicron outbreak. If you want to be notified when they decide to start, please email us at greenelephant@haltonmill.org.uk.

HALTON AND THE PLANET

Reducing our impact on the environment has always been a key part of our aims at the Mill - both through our own activities and encouraging our tenants and users to do the same. At the end of last year, Green Elephant Cooperative, which runs



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PRATTLE QUIZ ANSWERS

the Mill, decided to declare a Climate and Ecological Emergency. A members' meeting of the Cooperative agreed 'to work towards a just and fair transition to a net-zero emissions future'.

We committed to:

- Developing a Climate and Ecological Emergency Plan
- Reducing our collective emissions to net-zero by 2030
- Disclosing our progress on a yearly basis
- Continuing to share our ideas and achievements with others

As we go to press, we are in the process of appointing a student intern from Lancaster University. They will spend 140 hours working out our baseline emissions - what we emit now - and starting to scope where we can reduce emissions and increase biodiversity. The baseline will cover energy, purchasing, cleaning, transport, events, building maintenance, waste and food.

We are also planning to run an environmental project for local children, involving some of the environmental specialists and artists who work from the Mill. We're still developing our ideas but do get in touch if you have a child who might be interested. Alternatively keep an eye on our social media and website.

Alison, Fay and Chris



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THE BIG LUNCH FOR THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

The Parish Council together with HCA are planning to host a "Street Party" on the playing field at the Centre@Halton on either Saturday 4th or Sunday 5th June to encourage villagers "to share friendship, food and fun". Anyone inter-

ested in helping out or has any ideas can contact the Clerk or attend the public meeting on Friday 4th February at the Centre@Halton at 7pm. Suggestions so far include Teddy Bears picnic, sports day, Skatepark Event, bands and entertainment.

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PLAY AREAS AND RECREATION AREA

The plans to improve the Recreation Area and play equipment at St Wilfrid's Park and the Centre are progressing.

- Recreation Area and works to the Centre: The planning application needs to provide a full tree survey and impact assessment, which should be completed in the near future.
- St. Wilfrid's Park: The current plans include a roundabout, balancing and

clambering equipment, bouncy seats, a climbing net, seating and possibly replacement swings.

- The Centre: We hope to install an aerial runway and embankment slide. The total cost of all this is likely to be around £100,000, so the Parish Council will be seeking a Public Works Loan of approximately £50,000 to be paid back over 10 years. The remaining sum will hopefully be covered by a combination of Section 106 money from the Story Homes development and grants.

PRECEPT FOR 2022-23

The precept is the budget provided to the Parish Council via the Council Tax. At the meeting in January, the Parish Council agreed to a precept of £42,937, which

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SQUARE DANCING

Our new dancers who started in September are moving along at a pace and enjoying every minute of it and are all looking forward to our Annual dinner dance at the Golf club in February.

We are delighted to announce that we will be offering classes again for beginners, starting on Mon 21st February with a free taster session. Doors open 7:15pm, dancing starts 7:30pm and finishes at 10pm.

Everyone over 14 is welcome, couples, singles, friends and family.

If you can walk to the beat of the music you can square dance. We will always find you a partner if you are on your own. It's a great way to make new friends, have a laugh, exercise both body and mind and learn something new.

You will find that you'll be so engrossed and having a great time, that all your worries will be left at the doorstep for the whole night.

What have you got to lose? Come along for the free taster session and I'm sure you will have a great time and want to continue with the weekly classes at only £4 per week which included tea or coffee and biscuits. (Please bring your own mug).

The Beginner's classes are for 12-16 weeks depending on how quickly a new dancer picks it up. Then practice will make you more confident.

All we ask, due to Covid 19, is that you have been vaccinated, bring a mug, a mask (not for dancing) and a personal sanitizer, although we have those should you forget and please, if possible, try not to miss the first 12 teaching sessions once you start.

If you cannot join us in February then the next beginner's classes will probably be September. I will keep you up to date in the Prattle.

Contact **Carol Holman on 811444** for any information

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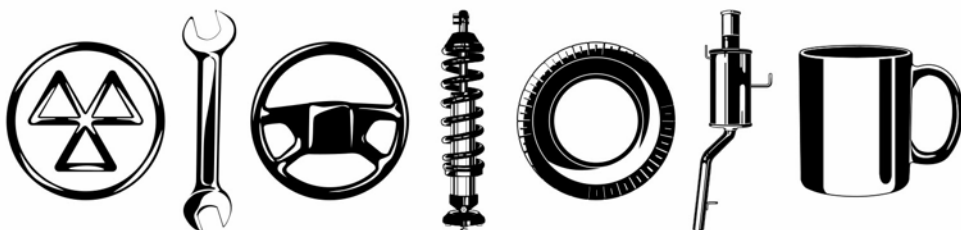
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