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#### **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

#### HALTON WITH AUGHTON PARISH COUNCILLORS

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LANCASTER CITY COUNCILLORS Sarah McGowan and James Somerville

#### ST WILFRID'S PARK PLAY AREA

Halton Lune Trust approved a grant of £20,000 for the refurbishment of St. Wilfrid's play area, subject to the Parish Council securing the balance of funding required to enable the project to proceed. The Parish Council is providing funding of £4,000, so grants to cover the remaining balance of £16,000 are being sought.

#### MILL LANF PLAY ARFA

The Parish Council is aware of the state of the Mill Lane play area and is working towards leasing the area from the owner in order to provide a long-term solution.

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROGRESS

The plan was formally submitted to Lancaster City Council at the end of January. Lancaster City Council has begun a final consultation with members of the public before the Neighbourhood Plan can be submitted for examination by an independent

examiner, who will determine if the plan meets certain criteria requirements and standards for the Regulation 16.

Anyone wishing to be involved can view the submitted Neighbourhood Plan and associated documents at https://keepconnected.lancaster.gov.uk/halton-np/ or email any comments to planningpolicy@lancaster.gov.uk or by post to Planning and Housing Strategy Team, Lancaster Town Hall.

The documents are available for viewing during office hours at Lancaster Town Hall and Morecambe Town Hall. Copies can be found locally in the following venues:

- The Centre@Halton, Low Road, Halton, LA2 6NB
- Halton Mill, Mill Lane, Halton, LA2
   6ND
- Aughton Recreation Room, Aughton Road, Aughton, Lancaster, LA2 8LT
- Halton Social Club, Low Road, Halton, LA2 6LZ

• Halton Library, Penny Stone Road, Halton, LA2 6QE

The deadline for comments is 12 noon Monday 28 April 2025.

#### PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

There is still a Parish Councillor position available for anyone who would like to get involved with the local community and help steer decisions. Please contact the Clerk if you are interested.

# NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting is not a formal Parish Council meeting; it provides an informal opportunity for local organisations to provide a report and for any elector of the Parish to speak on any matter of local interest. If

your organisation would like to provide a report, written or verbal, then contact the Clerk.

It will be held at The Centre on Wednesday 14th May 2024 at 7:15pm.

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

There is always an opportunity at meetings for residents to raise issues or questions. The next meetings will be held upstairs in the Centre on the following dates:

- · Wednesday 9th April 7:15pm
- · Wednesday 14th May (immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting).

#### Luke Mills, Parish Clerk

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I would be grateful for any information about the arrival of Evacuees to Halton in 1939 and 1940 from Salford and London.

Where in the village were the Evacuees taken from to their new homes? Thank you. Any help appreciated.

#### **Trevor Green**

Mob: 07709722509.

Email: grumpyteacherrules@yahoo.co.uk

# FREE TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL OPEN DAY

Lancaster Tennis Club in Lune Road (LA1 5QU) is holding a FREE Tennis and Pickleball Open Day for families and adults on Saturday April 12th from 11am to 1pm.

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Any queries please contact Michael on tel: 07523 866116 or email: cartmelltennis@gmail.com now and do check out https://lancastertennis.co.uk/

#### **3 BRIDGES 10K RACE**

The popular 3 Bridges 10k race is back again in 2025 - at 11am on Sunday 13th April. It will start 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.

The entry fee is £21 for members of running clubs (affiliated), £23 for nonmembers and £17 for Lancaster Runners members, with an extra fee for on-line bookings. Entries on the day are £25, or £20 for Lancaster Runners. No refunds once registered.

The race meets UK Athletics Rules, is Certified Accurate and there are prizes for the first 3 men and the first 3 women finishers. It has a flat, fast and scenic route and there will also be a really nice medal for all finishers.

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Any queries see https://www.lancaster-race-series.co.uk/contact-us/

#### **HALTON LUNE TRUST**

Future meeting dates this year for Halton Lune Trust are 27 May and 27 October 2025. If anyone has any applications please submit them to secretaryhaltonlunetrust@gmail.com.

Information on grant criteria and applications forms can be found at https://www.haltonlunetrust.org.uk If anyone would like any further information on the work of the trust please contact the secretary on the above email.



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I'm delighted to share that our scheme has received £900 of funding from Halton Lune Trust. £650 will be used to fund our 5th 'Cards Fighting Loneliness' campaign which begins in October 2025 and the remaining £250 will provide trophies, little picker treats and refreshments for our community litter picks. It's a huge relief to secure this funding, which will mean that both campaigns are guaranteed for another year. On behalf of the scheme, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of the trustees at HLT for approving our funding request.

Our June meeting date has yet to be confirmed at the time of this publication going to print, but we hope it will be held at either The Centre or Halton Mill on 11/12th June. Once confirmed, the date will be published on both Halton community Facebook groups, or for more information please email samanthajanehicks@gmail.com

#### LITTER PICKS

As I write this article, we are only a few weeks away from our first family friendly litter pick of the year. Upcoming dates are 26th April, 31st May and 21st June - we meet at 13:00 at the Centre Petanque pitch and all are welcome. There is a slice of cake and a drink for everyone who registers. Please register, no later than midday on Wednesday (the week of the litter pick) by email to samanthajanehicks@gmail. com.

Every 'little' picker has the chance to be awarded the 'star picker' trophy for the month, with the winner getting a trophy to take home. ΑII participants will receive a medal for taking part and can choose a treat from our treat box. Our monthly litter picks are a great opportunity to spend time outdoors whilst improving the local environment for the entire community to enjoy. We hope you can join us at some point this spring / summer!

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# CARDS FIGHTING LONELINESS

With only 4 weeks until the end of our have 4th campaign we had another incredible response! 979 cards and counting, with lots of keepsakes too. This campaign we have been extremely fortunate to receive regular contributions from a number of schools across the district: Scorton, Kirkland and Catterall and Calder Vale St John's of E Primary Schools have contributed well over 400 cards since November! I am hoping to visit Scorton school later this month and am very much looking forward to being able to thank the children in person and show them some of the smiles from our 4th campaign. Dallas Road Primary School in Lancaster have invited families to attend a community craft workshop that I'll be hosting in March too, so I hope to receive a final flurry of cards as we approach our end of campaign event.

#### THE 4TH BIG GET TOGETHER

As this edition of The Prattle drops through your letterbox, I think we'll have just about finished tidying up after the 4th Big Get Together event, which took place at Halton Mill on 29th March. Special thanks to Deb, Aprille, Valerie, Anna, Dawn (all from Hearts of Halton) and to Joanne who kindly agreed to bake for this year's event - Halton's very own 'angels in aprons'!



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This event marks the end of our 4th campaign and I look forward to telling you all about how it went in the next publication. Throughout April I will be delivering а final card to the recipients who were unable to join us at The Mill and the campaign will then take its usual summer break, before October for returning in campaign number 5.

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Five ladies from Hearts of Halton WI attended the Lancashire Annual Meeting at Lytham in March and had a lovely lunch, as well as listening to a variety of speakers. The New Year Resolution of canvassing Government for more local defibrillators and building more public awareness and training was voted upon.

The Branch Meeting on Wednesday 16th April in the Meeting Room at the Centre will host a speaker who has a life's experience in banking. All ladies are welcome to attend; for further information please email Secretaryheartsofhalton@gmail.com.

On 21st May, how to organise and declutter your home will be the topic for the visiting speaker. In the climate of trying to live a more environmentally friendly life, this talk is bound to be very popular.

All the speakers are chosen by the members, so if there is any topic you

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would like to learn more about, come and join us and let us know.

We are planning our summer outing to look round Rochdale Town Hall which has some interesting period examples of architecture and which will be an open trip to include guests and family. More details to follow.

Our Monday Milers walking group meet the last Monday after the Branch Meeting and is a friendly way to get to know the other ladies whilst walking and stopping off to take in refreshments.

#### **Debbie Baxter**

Secretary

#### HALTON LIBRARY

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Held every Wednesday 9:00 - 9:30am https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/ libraries-and-archives/libraries/digital-

#### **ENERGY** RENEWABLE AND **HALTON LUNE HYDRO**

Not a great deal to report since the January issue, as both turbines have been generating steadily this past three months.

We shall drain down for annual maintenance 6th May given a low river and remove the twenty to thirty tons of stone that came in with the high river flows at New Year. This is considered to be glacial moraine rounded stone from the riverbank upstream where there used to be a substantial wall that was taken down by storm Desmond and would be very expensive to re-instate. The majority will be bagged and taken off site and sold by the contractor removing it. This could include use in gabion baskets to rebuild areas of land anywhere or where there is lesser damage along the river than the aforementioned. A pile will be kept to one side for occasional use by anyone in the local area, as mentioned in January.

Otherwise, we are always looking to increase revenue that comes with good equipment reliability, brought about by timely maintenance - and we are also involved with associates Lancaster Cohousing in a grant funded feasibility study that moves LCH away from woodchip heating to electrically powered air and water source heat pumps, hence reduced emissions to atmosphere and lower costs. This is good for LCH and more hydroelectricity is taken from the microgrid, thus a higher hydro income compared to it being exported and more to the Halton Lune Trust for local worthy causes.



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The Hydro AGM is 7:30pm Friday 11th April at the Centre, so do come along and ask questions on any topic.

#### **John Blowes MBE CEng**

John.blowes@haltonlunehydro.org

#### CONCERT BY 'MOONRAKERS' Sunday 11th May at 4pm in St Wilfrid's Church.

Moonrakers is an Oxford-based group of four musicians (Celtic harp, cello, stringed instruments, whistles, female/ male vocals) who pride themselves in having brought traditional contemporary folk music to audiences in village halls, churches, arts centres and festivals across the UK. With songs and tunes from the English, Irish and Scottish traditions as well as their own compositions, they've been described as startlingly talented (Oxford Times), with five albums of "exquisite music" (BBC) and "truly wonderful" (Wycombe Festival) performances. 2023 saw the launch of their latest album Green to Gold which has received glowing reviews in the music press as having 'Uplifting, sensitively crafted songs and tunes'. Their music also featured in the new BBC television drama 'Beyond Paradise'.



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If you're passionate about local food supporting small producers, and Gather, the new online food hub, is delivering to The Centre @ Halton every Friday afternoon, where you can collect your order. The online shop opens weekly from 2pm on Fridays until 10am on Tuesdays offering a range of delicious local produce from organic fruit and veg, to pasture-fed cuts of beef, raw milk from a cow with calf dairy, traditional sourdough bread, traditional cheese, honey, relishes, jams and other store cupboard favourites.

All the suppliers on the hub produce and grow 'low-mileage' food in a way that is good for people, place and planet. To shop and find out more, visit gatherhub.uk



# CATON AND BROOKHOUSE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

A reminder for members that we are meeting for coffee on April 3rd at 11am at the Station Hotel, these gettogethers are a popular time to catch up with old friends and to meet new ones. Later in the month on the 17th we are visiting the Affinity shopping outlet in Fleetwood and then moving on to Lytham. We will meet up again for coffee on May 1st and our May outing is a visit to Gretna where we will visit The Devil's Porridge Museum before heading to the Gretna shopping outlet. For further information about the club please contact Ally Whitfield on 01524 770827 or 07738 912923.

#### **NEWS FROM ST WILFRID'S C E PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Life at St Wilfrid's School continues with great purpose. Looking back since the last Prattle issue, we have achieved so

much. We have once again attended Young Voices in Manchester to help create an 8,000-strong children's choir. We celebrated Safer Internet Day, during which the children explored ways to stay safe online. For our recent World Book Day, we all dressed up as a word or character. Two of our classes have visited places of worship of other faiths to gain a richer understanding of diversity. Also, we enjoyed another week of Wilfrid's Wood, where our children spend time outdoors in our forest area. We have had great sporting

success, especially in football, getting to finals of various local competitions.

We are continuing to reflect on our school's core Christian values during our times of worship. So far, this academic year, we have focused on Wisdom, Respect, and Perseverance. At the time of writing, we are concentrating on Kindness, with Trust and Creativity still to come later in the year.

As a school, through our School Council, we are supporting the work of Northwest Air Ambulance. They recently came to school to share information about their work, and the children are looking forward to fundraising activities, including a non-uniform day and a cake sale, to raise money. Did you know it costs £350 in fuel alone to attend a rescue and over



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I am pleased to announce that starting competition and a variety of Easter in September 2026, we will welcome 30 children into Reception each year worship will begin to focus on its true thereafter, which is a change from the meaning, the good news of new life number 35. previous οf adjustment will enable us to have single-age classes for each year group. We continue to welcome St Wilfrid's leavers for our Hot Chocolate Drop-ins. The final one of this year will take place on Tuesday, 1st April 2025, from 4 pm to 5 pm.

Our final Community Tea of the school year will be on Wednesday, 21st May 2025, at 2 pm in the school hall.

As we approach Easter, we are an organising Easter Garden activities. As we reflect on Easter, our This and the incredible work of Jesus that brings life to us all.

> Once again, I wish to thank the community of Halton for your support in so many ways. As a community, working together and being there for each other is so important.

Mr Mark H. Curwen Headteacher

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#### **UPDATES FROM THE CENTRE**

We are looking to host a family fun event for the village. These events have been very popular in the past. We are unable to run these kinds of events without support and input from the community. We would love to source a children's entertainer and/or DJ, facepainting and other family friendly activities - do contact us if you could help source these. For the day itself to go ahead we would need volunteers for serving and preparing hot food, cakes, teas and coffees. As this would be a fundraising event for The Centre any discounted or charitable donations of time or activities would be so greatly appreciated. These events are a great opportunity to meet local families and for the children to get to know their neighbours. The date will be confirmed once we have arranged activities - keep an eye out for further details.

Salsa nights are returning to the Centre @ Halton this year - hosted by Lancaster Area Salsa the new LA Salsa XS parties are currently scheduled for 31st May, 30th August, 18th October and 29th November. They offer a great night of dancing and music and run from 7:30pm to midnight with the bar available for alcoholic and non-alcoholic refreshments. Admission is £10 cash on the door. Please see Lancaster Area Salsa online for further details.

**Spotlight on The Coffee Shop**. Please do come and make use of your local Coffee Shop - all profits go towards keeping your local community centre



running. The Coffee Shop sells a variety of hot foods including paninis, toasties, baked potatoes, hot dogs, pot noodles and many more - perfect for lunches or an afternoon snack. We also offer a great selection of hot and cold drinks and ice creams for those summer days at the park. See opening times above. Indoor Bowling have moved to their spring / summer session time of Fridays 2-4pm. They are always looking to welcome new members to keep the group going. No experience necessary and no need to book. Come along to meet the friendly group for just £3 a session, which includes refreshments. The next dates for Soup and a Song and Luncheon Club have been confirmed. Soup and a Song will be on Thursdays 3rd April and 22nd May 12:30-2:30pm. Luncheon Club will be on Thursdays 24th April and 8th May 12:30-3:00pm. Keep an eye on our newsletter for future dates. Please remember to book your place in advance on 01524

We have availability to hire our Main Hall and Meeting Rooms as a one off or for regular sessions. For more information see haltoncentre.org/ bookings or contact our Bookings Officer, details above. We are very pleased to now be able to allow bouncy castles after a change in our insurers. See Prattle What's On pages for contact information of all regular groups, clubs & classes.

811316. Luncheon Club is £8 per person, Soup and a Song is £4 per

person.



#### **NEW SESSIONS & EVENTS**

Luncheon Club - Thursday 24th April and 8th May 12:30-3:00pm

Soup and a Song - Thursday 3rd April and 22nd May 12:30-2:30pm

Indoor Bowling new time Fridays 2-4pm LA Salsa XS Parties - 31st May, 30th August, 18th October and 29th November.

Above correct as at 11th March 2025.

Naomi Turner - Centre Coordinator

#### WHAT'S ON IN HALTON-WITH-AUGHTON?

All events are at The Centre @ Halton unless specified otherwise AUGHTON RECREATION ROOM: BOOKINGS Chris Jarvis on 07756102577

email aughtonevents@gmail.com

THE CENTRE @ HALTON: HALL/ROOM HIRE 07981 743959 or info@haltoncentre.org

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

#### Mondays:

Outdoor Circuits: 6-7pm 07745

798337. A £6 Ch £3

Meditation Group: now meets on Zoom. Please ring 07818647345 Scouts: 7:15-9pm during term times, Scout Hut; scouts@haltonscouts.org.uk American Square Dancing:7:30-10pm

Carol 811444

5-a-side: 8-9pm Andrew 074434 26458

#### **Tuesdays:**

Tots Play Lancaster: 9am-1:30pm; Lauren 07398 312544 term time only Halton Baby & Toddler Group: 9:15-11am; 811316

Exercise Classes: Circuits: 9:30am and Pilates: 10.30am Aughton Village Hall £8 for 1 session, £12 for both.

Knit 'n' Natter, Crafts & Chatter:

2-4pm. Free. Ann 811684 and Sallie 812017 M1

Board games: 2-4pm Free

Beavers: 5:30-6:30pm during term

times, Scout hut;

beavers@haltonscouts.org.uk Taekwondo: 6:15-7:15pm Mick

07985125530

Cub Scouts:6:45-8pm during term times, Scout hut; cubs@haltonscouts.org.uk

#### Wednesdays:

Tots Play Lancaster: 10am – 2:30pm Lauren 07398 312544 term time only Storytime: 9-9:30am (term time only) for preschool children and their carers. Halton Library

Line Dancing: 10:30 – 11:30am Tony 07488 348809 Anne 07923 455939 Squirrels: 4-5pm during term times, Scout hut;squirrels@haltonscouts.org.uk Pilates: 6-7pm Kate 07799068191

798337

5-a-side: 8-9pm Andrew 074434 26458

Walking Netball: 7-8pm £4 07745

#### Thursdays:

Hartbeeps Lancs Baby & Toddler (music): 9am-1pm TTO 07834818493 Pilates: 9:30-10:30am 07799068191 Walking Football: 10–11:30am £3. John 01524 418753

Gentle Exercise class:11-12 noon Cheryl 07711 335807

Carpet Bowls:7-9pm Aughton Village Hall Email aughtonevents@gmail.com to enquire

Samba Espirito (Drumming): 7-9:30pm

Karen 07711 262288

#### Fridays:

Indoor Bowling: 2-4pm 811316 Knit 'n' Natter: 1-3pm Halton Library

#### Saturdays:

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

Library

Elite Arts School of Dance: from 9:15am. Acrobatics, Gymnastics, Contemporary dance. 5-18yrs Lauryn 07490 713992

**Sundays:** 

Valley Church: 10:30am David 07885

435910

FOOTBALL - Halton Jnr Football Club Damian 07850 913051

Saturday 9-10:30; 3-6 yr olds Sunday 9:00-16:00;7-15 yr olds (times subject to fixtures) Contact secretary@haltonjuniorsfc.com

#### FORTNIGHTLY EVENTS

#### **Tuesdays:**

Lunesdale Camera Club: venue/ info ring David 07903 392021 Bay Big Band Practice:2nd & 4th Tues

7:45pm Paula 07788 974691

# MONTHLY EVENTS MONDAYS:

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

**WEDNESDAYS:** 

1st Wed: HCA meeting: 7:30pm

811316 (except Aug & Jan)

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

3rd Wed: WI (Hearts of Halton):
7:15pm (except August). Debbie on animalcare.db@hotmail.co.uk
Last Wed: Halton with Aughton
Heritage Group: 7:30pm Halton Mill

contact 07426 701155

#### THURSDAYS:

Soup and a Song: 12:30pm-2:30pm. Apr 3, May 22, Jun 26 – ring 811316 to book or for more info.

Luncheon Club: 12:30–3pm, Jan 30, Apr 24, May 8, Jun 24 – ring 811316 to book or for more info.

**3rd Thurs** Gardening Group 10:45am Red Door, email:

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#### MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **APRII** Wed 2 Residents' Surgery 7-8pm in Halton Social Club with Lancaster City Councillor, Sarah McGowan Fri 11 Halton Hydro AGM 7:30pm at the Centre Sat 12 FREE Tennis and Pickleball Open Day 11am to 1pm. See page 4 Grand Opening of Castle Hill 11am - 3pm on Castle Hill at the Sat 12 bottom of Foundry Lane. See page 26 Aughton Village Bingo, 7:30pm, Aughton Recreation Room. See page 15 3 Bridges 10k race 11am see page 4 Sun 13 Mon 14 St Wilfrid's Church – light meal and service 6-9 at the Centre Fri 18 Easter Fun Morning for the whole family, 10-12pm, the Centre, see page 31 Sat 26 Family Friendly Litter Picks; meet at 1pm at the Centre Petanque pitch.

#### MAY

Thur 1	Polling Day @ the Centre
Wed 14	Annual Parish Meeting, 7:15pm, the Centre
Sun 11	Concert by 'Moonrakers' 4pm, St Wilfrid's Church. See page 13
Wed 21	Community Tea at 2 pm in the school hall
Sat 31	Family Friendly Litter Pick - meet at 1pm at the Centre
	Petanque pitch
Sat 31	Salsa Night 7:30pm – 12am, with BAR at the Centre

#### **ADVANCE DATES**

June 7&8	Halton Garden Safari
June 21st	Family Friendly Litter Pick - meet at 1pm at the Centre
	Petangue pitch

#### WHAT'S ON ENTRIES

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#### **HALTON GARDENING GROUP**

#### HALTON GARDEN SAFARI SATURDAY

**7**<sup>th</sup> **and SUNDAY 8**<sup>th</sup> **JUNE** The group is very busy planning this year's event for you to enjoy in glorious weather [fingers crossed]. There will be new gardens to visit and plenty of information and expertise on hand. This is always a well supported event and we are looking forward to welcoming visitors to our gardens.

Maps, tickets and further information will be available in May. Look out for the posters, Facebook announcements and flyers around the village. Bring your family and friends to make a weekend of it.

We will NOT be holding a separate plant sale this year, but plants will be on sale at some gardens in the Safari and at the Centre stall where tickets and maps will be available.

The warm weather in March has brought on the spring flowers in



abundance. I don't ever recall seeing tulips flowering as the snowdrops are just finishing. It's been a wonderful sight and there's plenty more to come. As you look around the village you will see the wild daffs on the Centre banking, alliums and narcissi coming up in the Terrace, tulips and narcissi in the Memorial Jubilee garden and the planters coming to life. The flowers near the Low Road sign are particularly colourful this year. Have a walk around when you visit Castle Hill open day and notice the scent of the lonicera and syringa in the MJG where we have planted a new Pax rose and a magnolia. By now the joint event with the 'Hearts of Halton' WI will have been enjoyed. We will all be planning and planting a pollinator friendly border this year! I have already noticed the bees relishing the nectar from the mahonia flowers. Spring is a busy time for gardeners as they sow seed and nurture new plants. Don't forget to plant those chitted potatoes around Easter time.

New members are always welcome. Please consider joining us if you have an interest in plants, gardening and wish to join an interesting and fun group. There's plenty to learn and we like discussing tips and new ideas.

Further information from Monica Williams, Chair, on 07883908948, or haltongardeninggroup@gmail.com Check out our website hgg.org.uk

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#### **RECENT ACTIVITIES**

All regular activities have continued at the hall. The Vale of Lune Young Farmers met regularly in the hall on Monday evenings, and Tuesday morning exercise classes with Gabi Crossley have been well attended. We hosted birthday parties for all ages, including a 21st birthday event with over 150 attendees.

#### **ACTIVITIES FOR APRIL AND MAY**

Exercise classes will take a break for the two weeks before Easter, restarting on Tuesday April 22nd with circuits at 9:30 and Pilates at 10:30. If you are interested, please contact Gabi at gabicrossley@gmail.com, or just turn up at the hall. New members are very welcome, and the classes are very friendly and suitable for all ages and abilities. Vale of Lune Young Farmers will also be meeting in the hall as usual; for more information about their activities and membership see their Facebook page and website. Our spring volunteer day will be on April 12th

when we will be doing a series of small routine maintenance tasks. All help will be greatly appreciated. Our annual AGM will be held on Thursday 5th June. We invite all Aughton residents to attend. We are keen to add additional members to our small committee (meetings monthly) and the AGM is the time when we appoint all committee For further information members. about what being on the committee might entail just contact any current committee member. We will announcing any other events through our usual WhatsApp group and on our Facebook page. If there are activities that you would like to see taking place in the village hall, please do contact us. All suggestions will be very welcome.

Any questions about Aughton Village Hall? Contact the Secretary, Claire Athis Schofield on 07484660174 or aughtonsecretary@gmail.com



#### YOUR POETRY CHOICE

Here's a gem of a poem by Alfred, Lord Tennyson, using the metaphor of a flower to propose other forms of creativity.

Once in a golden hour I cast to earth a seed. Up there came a flower,

The people said, a weed. To and fro they went Thro' my garden-bower, And muttering discontent

Curs'd me and my flower.
Then it grew so tall
It wore a crown of light,
But thieves from o'er the wall

Stole the seed by night. Sow'd it far and wide By every town and tower. Till all the people cried,

"Splendid is the flower".

Read my little fable:

He that runs may read.

Most can raise the flowers now.

For all have got the seed.
And some are pretty enough,
And some are poor indeed:
And now again the people
Call it but a weed.

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#### **CASTLE HILL GRAND OPENING**

funded access improvements.

The opening, attended by the City the Parish Council. Council deputy Mayor, will take place The official opening of the Hill will take on Saturday 12th April 11am - 3pm on place at 11:30am.

Castle Hill at the bottom of Foundry Please note there is NO PARKING Lane (behind the Memorial Garden – available at the field. So please walk to the 'Horse field')

Normanis mediaeval re-Historia enactment group will be putting on Chris Coates, Chair displays of Norman life during the day, Halton-with-Aughton Heritage Group giving insights into the workings of an authentic 12th century military camp, including camp followers and nobles. with demonstrations of woodwork, metalworking and craftwork from nine centuries ago "....a history lesson that you will never forget! "

Over the last six months the Heritage group has been working with the Parish Council to install new gates, new

Halton villagers are invited to the fencing, grass reinforced paths, picnic Grand Opening of Castle Hill as a new tables and information boards. The public green space following grant work was funded by the Rural England Prosperity Fund, Halton Lune Trust and

the event – there is a bus stop nearby.



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#### **HALTON HISTORY**

In April 1920 the Halton War Memorial and Scroll was dedicated by the Rector of St. Wilfrid's, Rev. John Harold Hastings. The Memorial Cross, given by his wife, Katie Charlotte Hastings, was dedicated at the same time. Both the Lakeland Memorial Plaque and Cross were again "gifted" by Harold and Katie Charlotte Hastings from their own means.

The land too was "gifted" by Harold and Katie in 1919, taking the south-east corner of a Victorian Garden abutting Foundry Lane and High Road.

It was opened on 20th April 1920 to great numbers of people gathered there, where the names of the Halton Casualties were read out aloud. The service was conducted by Rev. John Harold Hastings.

(Lancaster Guardian for 20th April 1920.)

The ground plan was designed by Edmund Sharpe of Halton Hall. who later designed and built, the Halton War Memorial Institute on a rose garden abutting Low Road, which he owned and donated. (Riverside Close.) Edmund Sharpe, together with Sir Norval Heme MP, gave £3,000 for its building and initial costs.

It was due to be opened on Saturday 25th April 1925, but sadly, Edmund died this very day. It was postponed until 25th October 1925, when Alice, Edmund's widow, formally opened the new War Memorial Institute. Sir Norval Helme presided over the occasion.

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#### **NEWS FROM THE 1ST HALTON SCOUT GROUP**

As we get into 2025, in January, as with all Scout Groups nationally. completed our annual census, with new records for the group. We currently have people involved voung Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts than ever before! With 71 members, thanks must go to all of our amazing volunteers who give up their own time to help these young people develop and learn new skills.

Recently Squirrels have made a small pond in a garden planter with the hopes to entice some frogs and other creatures; thanks go to the kind donation of some pond plants. They also spent a session finding out about the lunar new year at the end of January and in the coming weeks are looking at an international theme and then onto Easter.

Beavers have just enjoyed a visit to Halton Library to learn about all the other services they offer, as well as sharing their favourite books. They will be using their navigation skills to explore the village if the weather cooperates the last planned walk was hailed off! Beavers also have an Adventure Day booked in May which they are all looking forward to!

Cubs have been looking at our local environment including a talk on peat bogs, built their own indoor obstacle course and also made pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. In the coming weeks they have a trip down to St Wilfrid's Church where they will get the

opportunity to explore and find out more about the church and different faiths. Following this we have just arranged a trip to go and look round Lancaster Fire Station at the end of April - hopefully they may get the opportunity to have a go with a fire hose again! And finally, the Scouts have been learning about expedition skills in preparation for an expedition; they had a go at cooking various different meals on small camping stoves and have also been using Lego to create and film short movies. As the winter finally passes and the weather hopefully improves, we can now start to get out and about and spend more time outdoors and in the local area.

We are, as always, on the lookout for new volunteers to join our teams and the roles don't have to be youth facing or outdoorsy. Volunteering can be fun and is very rewarding. Why not help the younger generation gain new skills to help set them up for life? You'd be surprised how many new skills you could learn yourself. You can volunteer from ages 14 and upwards and we are especially looking for people to join our Squirrel team on a Wednesday 4pm-5pm. If you are interested in any way or have any questions, send an email to robert@haltonscouts.org.uk.

**Robert Prescott,** Group Lead Volunteer, 1st Halton Scout Group Registered Charity: 1039264 www.haltonscouts.org.uk

#### **USEFUL LINKS**

Community run Car Club: www.lancar.org.uk Halton Juniors FC: www.haltonjuniorsfc.com Halton Lune Hydro: www.haltonlunehydro.org Halton Lune Trust: www.haltonlunetrust.org.uk

Halton Mill: www.haltonmill.org.uk

Halton Social Club: email haltonsocialclub@gmail.com

Hearts of Halton WI: Debbie on animalcare.db@hotmail.co.uk

Lancaster CoHousing: www.lancastercohousing.org.uk Parish Council: www.haltonwithaughton-pc.gov.uk

St Wilfrid's Church: www.achurchnearyou.com/halton-st-wilfrid-church St Wilfrid's Church of England Primary School: www.st-wilfrids.lancs.sch.uk

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#### TORRISHOLME CRICKET CLUB UPDATE

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The outdoor season is not far away now with the first games in mid April. Indoor nets have been continuing through the winter and we will be practising outdoors read this. as you Our South African overseas, Sam Brown, arrives in late March in time to participate in pre-season games and practices and he seems keen to support the junior section too. Four new signings should strengthen the senior teams and Halton resident Martin Davis has agreed to run the Sunday XI. He promises to make a playing return himself alongside a team composed of a mixture of senior and junior players gaining experience in a semi-competitive environment.



At the time of writing our hard working groundsman has already got a couple of cuts off the field and square and work is progressing preparing the nets, buildings and ground for the season. Plenty more to do of course. We are still seeking a volunteer to act as Bar Coordinator so if you are interested speak to Mark Drinkall.

The next big event is the Registration Night, at the club on Friday 28th March from 6pm to 8:30. Juniors, parents, senior players, coaches, volunteers and those interested in becoming involved are welcome to pop in, meet the players, coaches and volunteers and maybe enjoy a refreshing soft drink or two. If you missed that event just come to the club on any game or practice day or contact Mark Drinkall.

Social and fundraising events continue through the summer with the Golf Day at Heysham on 23rd May already looking like it will be well attended. Quiz nights, pizza and curry nights plus darts and doms will all make an appearance through the year. As always, should you or your family be interested in being involved in any way please contact President and Junior Chair Mark Drinkall on 07368 944220 or by email: drinks@torrisholmecc.co.uk

Mark Drinkall, 8th March 2025.



#### THE PRATTLE QUIZ No 67

- 1. What is the world's most widely grown non-food crop?
- 2. Park and street are disciplines of which Olympic sport?
- 3. In 1971, which artist brought his pet anteater onto a US talk show?
- 4. Which is the land-locked country in South East Asia whose capital is Vientiane?
- 5. Which marine organism takes its name from the Greek for 'wanderer'?
- 6. In 1973, what kind of flowers did Marie Osmond sing about?
- 7. In what country was the Battle of Waterloo fought?
- 8. What is a group of flamingos called?
- 9. Which 20th Century US President was a law professor?
- 10. How many Pirates of the Caribbean films have been released?
- 11. What is the name of an underground passage used especially for burials?
- 12. Name the music and dance form native to Southern Spain.
- 13. Which country drinks the most coffee per capita?
- 14. Who was the Ancient Greek god of the sun?
- 15. Of what is acrophobia a fear?
- 16. Name the planet that has the most moons.
- 17. How many legs does a lobster have?
- 18. Approximately how many miles per hour does the earth spin?
- 19. Which is the only continent with land in all four hemispheres?
- 20. What is the name of the school in 'Grease'?



Thanks to our Quiz Master, Roddy!

Answers on page 36





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**No 81/82 from Low Road:** 0614 (NS), 0654 (NS), 0704 (SO), 0736 (Sch), 0749 (NSch), 0849, Hourly until 1349, 1414 (Sch), 1434 (Hol), 1449 (SO), 1549 (SO), 1604 (NS), 1659, 1749, 1834, 1904

#### FROM LANCASTER TO HALTON

**No 49** Stand 13; 0705, 0750, 0905, 0930, then 1/2 hourly until 1500, 1530 [SO], 1630 then hourly to 1930

**No 81/82** 0600 (NS), 0640 (NS), 0650 (SO), 0722 (Sch), 0735 (NSch), 0835, 0935, 1035, 1135, 1235, 1335, 1400 (Sch), 1420 (Hol), 1435 (SO), 1535 (SO), 1550 (NS), 1645, 1735, 1820, 1850

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#### **CLUB NEWS**

In February, some club members went to see the snowdrops at Hornby Castle open garden day and others to Gresgarth Hall open garden day. We all had a very enjoyable day. Although cold and overcast, it didn't rain, which was a bonus. I was very impressed at Gresgarth by the pristine borders and hedges and the clever wrappings to protect all their ceramic pots.

After receiving several requests, the Committee have agreed to have a period of introduction to Mainstream on a Monday, starting from 12 May, now the beginner SSD programme has been completed. The new programme will be 7:30 – 9pm SSD, tea break, then 9-10pm Mainstream Teach until we recruit again on 15 September.

Our annual dinner at Morecambe Golf Club was excellent, as was the dancing called by Di Green. The roll a coin to a whisky bottle was won by Ruth Redmaine and raised £27 for our charity supporting homelessness.

We had planned a presentation of Club Badges with SSD Dangles, for our September recruits, to mark having been taught all 50 moves. However, due to illness etc, not all have reached this goal, or could not make 17 March, so we have postponed until Mon 28 April.

On Fri 2 May, we will be having a presentation of Plus Dangles for our

Dancers who have recently been taught all the Plus moves.

Our Club's Spring Dance will be on Sat 10 May, 6-9pm at The Centre. Granville Spencer, from Surrey, will be calling SSD & Plus, meaning that all our Club dancers can attend. The first time you attend a dance can be daunting, but the experience of having a caller who you are not used to can be of great benefit to you. So please attend if you can.

Some of our experienced dancers from our closest club, Chain Reaction, are off to High Wycombe for a Challenge weekend, then Brian & I will stay south to attend an advance weekend in Bournemouth.

Trevor Day, one of our callers, will be off to the States to a Caller club convention in April, then dancing in Germany, allowing me a few full nights to get more practice at calling for you, which I'm looking forward to.

The Halton Garden Safari will be on Sat 7 and Sun 8 June so the summer picnic will be as part of that this year. Club members are very welcome to visit our garden to picnic and socialise for free, but they must buy a ticket if they wish to visit any of the other open gardens.

#### Carol Holman 07981 743959

For more information, photos etc go to our website:- http://www.ocean wavers.co.uk

#### **USEFUL LINKS**

Community run Car Club: www.lancar.org.uk Halton Juniors FC: www.haltonjuniorsfc.com Halton Lune Hydro: www.haltonlunehydro.org Halton Lune Trust: www.haltonlunetrust.org.uk

Halton Mill: www.haltonmill.org.uk

Halton Social Club: email haltonsocialclub@gmail.com

Hearts of Halton WI: Debbie on animalcare.db@hotmail.co.uk

Lancaster CoHousing: www.lancastercohousing.org.uk Parish Council: www.haltonwithaughton-pc.gov.uk

St Wilfrid's Church: www.achurchnearyou.com/halton-st-wilfrid-church St Wilfrid's Church of England Primary School: www.st-wilfrids.lancs.sch.uk

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The Centre@Halton: www.haltoncentre.org/
The Prattle: email halton-prattle@outlook.com



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#### **CHURCH NEWS**

#### ST. JOSEPH'S R.C. CHURCH

Saturday Vigil at 6:30 pm, Sunday Mass throughout the year at 10:00am.

Sunday Mass is streamed on our Facebook page - https://stjosephs-lancaster.co.uk/ for more information.

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Deacon Stephen Pendlebury, St. Joseph's Church

Slyne Road, Lancaster, LA1 2HU

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# ST WILFRID'S HALTON ST WILFRID'S JUNIOR CHURCH

There is an activity for children every Sunday. Junior church meets on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month during school term time at 10 am. For more information, please email Sandra Dawson at (s.dawson135@btinternet.com).

On the First Sundays, families can attend the Families@4 service at the Church Hall Slyne and the service on the second Sunday will include opportunities for children to be involved.

# St Wilfrid's Halton: Good Friday (April 18th) 10:30 am - Children's activities and service.

There will be a morning of children's activities starting at 10:30am, followed by a short interactive, child-friendly service at 11:30am. Everyone welcome. Drinks and Hot Cross buns will be served. Suitable for children of all ages.

# Monday 14th April 6:30pm 'Agape'- The Centre Halton.

We share together informal worship and a light supper (soup, bread rolls, cake)! It would be helpful for our catering arrangements if you could let us know if you are intending to come; please contact Charles Whytock on 07713621960 or a member of St. Wilfrid's PCC.

#### Holy Week at St Wilfrid's Church



**Monday 14th April** 6:30pm Agape meal at the Centre

**Tuesday 15th April** 7:30pm Taizé Service

Wednesday 16th April 7:30pm Stations of the Cross at St Luke's Slyne

Maundy Thursday 17th April 7:30pm Holy Communion & stripping of the Altar Good Friday 10:30am Children's activities: 11:30 am Family service for Good Friday; 12 - 4 pm The Church will remain open for private reflection and prayer

# Reflective Service with music from the Iona and Taizé Communities

Sunday 27th April, 4 pm at St Wilfrid's Church. A quiet reflective and contemplative service incorporating times of silence and music from the Iona and Taizé Communities. All welcome.

#### The Church is here for you!

St Wilfrid's Church is open on Tuesdays Saturdays and Sundays from 10am to history of the church, the stained-glass are kept confidential). Contact Revd windows and its unique Cross. It is a Susan at revsusan.seed@btinternet. peaceful place for quiet reflection or prayer. There are candles available to light to remember а loved

departed, and requests prayer can be left on the praver tree.

Every week the Churches pray for different streets in Halton and for the village of Aughton. Wherever you live,

please get in contact with Revd Susan if you have any pray requests for specific

4pm. Information is available about the people, places or situations. (Details com

> and Baptisms Wedding and Funerals: Everyone who lives in the Parish of Halton with Aughton is entitled to have their baptism, wedding or funeral at St Saviour's or St Wilfrid's Churches. If you would like to make a booking for a baptisms or wedding, please contact Revd Susan on 01524 822128 or revsusan.seed@btinternet. com

#### Revd. Susan Sabbatical

Revd Susan will be taking a Sabbatical from 28th April to 11th July. During that time any enquiries about church matters should be directed to Martin Wakelin on 07740933463 martin@racquetstringer.co.uk



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ST. WILFRID'S HALTON			10:00 am Family Worship	
Services in April		13	9:00 am Morning prayer	
6	10:00 am Family Communion	18	10:00 am Family Communion	
	4:00 pm Families@4 at Slyne	20	9:00 am Morning prayer	
	Church Hall	25	10:00 am Family Communion	
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