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Summer Edition

2024

CURDWORTH WI

Well, here we are, half way through our WI year and looking forward to lots of meetings and occasions, yet to come.

Our June Craft & Produce Show was a great success, with record entries, in all categories – flower arranging, plant care, baking, preserves, knitting, sewing, poetry, photography and beading! What a talented and creative lot we are – well, if you don't blow your own trumpet, who else will? Seriously, our judges were full of praise for the skills and talents exhibited, so you can't blame us for feeling pleased with ourselves. The winners were as follows; Produce Samantha Ireland: Floristry Alison Bidgood: Craft Section Sandra Bullivant: Art & photography Samantha Ireland: Best in Show in the Craft Section was awarded to Julie Cooper for a lovely piece of poetry and Best in Show in the Produce section to Muff Atkins for a perfectly baked Barabrith cake.

We're looking forward to our August afternoon outing and cream tea at Arbury Hall near Nuneaton and keeping fingers crossed for fine weather, so we can enjoy the lovely gardens too. Then in September with the evenings beginning to draw in, we'll be Salsa dancing and in October, we'll be happily sampling chocolates.

And of course in October, there is our so eagerly awaited and popular Trivial Pursuit Quiz – the date for your calendar is Friday 4th October – more details next time – but time to start polishing up those grey cells up and getting your winning team together!

Don't forget, you are always welcome to pop in at any of our monthly meetings – if you want any further info about us, just call Sandra on 01675 470079.

Press Officer Liz Tranter



CURDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

**Parish Councillors are always pleased
to hear from local residents**



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MEETINGS:

Parish Council meetings are normally held
on the 2nd Monday of every month at
7.30pm at St Nicholas Church Hall.

HALL BOOKINGS:

Curdworth Village Hall - **01675 470181**
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Want to report an issue to HS2?

Please can all residents contact HS2 directly on hs2enquiries@hs2.co.uk if they would like to report an issue about works in the locality. All contacts are logged by HS2 through this route and recorded.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council goes into recess during the summer period, meeting only for urgent planning consultations and finance matters at a brief August meeting.

Planning

By way of an update on major planning developments affecting the area:

- Truck Stop - we understand that following the Appeal to the Planning Inspectorate for the truck stop application, the developers (Caesarea) tried to appeal. Their appeal was however dismissed prior to it going in the public domain. In the absence of a new application we feel this application is concluded, but are mindful that this is an area of land that attracts a lot of interest from Developers. Public support opposing the Truck stop application during the planning application process was key, and will be crucial again in future applications for development in the Green Belt.
- Richborough Commercial have submitted an application (PAP/2024/0297) for industrial type development in the Green Belt beyond the 'Truck Stop field'. We very much hope that many residents sent their objections to NWBC before the closing date of 15th August.
- IM Properties have plans for the Green Belt land, beyond the canal and up to Wishaw. We understand they have booked Curdworth Church Hall for a public consultation on their proposals and we would strongly encourage residents to attend this on 21st September at 2.30pm. This will give you an opportunity to understand the implications for Curdworth.

Village maintenance

The Council is reviewing the bins around the parish and purchasing a new dog waste bin as well as looking at replacing some of the litter bins.



Speedwatch

We are still looking for volunteers to operate the Speedwatch in the village. We have had one resident come forward but need a couple more. As traffic and speed has been something residents have expressed concerns about over the years, particularly on the Kingsbury Road, we are wondering what might be putting people off volunteering and would be interested in hearing people's worries. It could be that people are worried about the level of commitment needed, training or similar things – please let us know as it is likely we can overcome some of the barriers.



School holiday activities in Warwickshire

With the school summer holidays now underway, Country Park Rangers at Ryton Pools Country Park, Kingsbury Water Park, Hartshill Hayes Country Park and Burton Dassett Hills Country Park have announced an action-packed programme of activities for children and families. These include den building; pond dipping; campfire cooking; arts and crafts - even making little boats and watching them set sail! The events offer an opportunity for children to immerse themselves in the wonders of nature, encounter fascinating wildlife, and take part in interactive experiences that blend outdoor fun with education. For more information and to book a place log onto the Country Parks Eventbrite page. Park Rangers at Ryton Pools Country Park also recently launched a new 'Connecting with Nature' programme of on-going events and activities for people of all ages.

HAF programme

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme is funded by the Department for Education (DfE) to provide young people who are in full-time education (Reception to Year 11) and eligible for benefits-related free school meals with access to enriching activities and meals, for free, during the three main school holidays - Winter, Spring and Summer: Further information is on Warwickshire Council website.

Summer Reading Challenge

The Coleshill Library is participating in the Summer Reading Challenge this year! The challenge started on 6 July in England and Wales¹. Here's how you can join:

1. Sign Up: Visit Coleshill Library and ask to sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge. You'll receive a special collector folder to get started.
2. Read Books: Set your reading goal and read any books you like. You can borrow books, eBooks, and audiobooks from the library.
3. Earn Rewards: Each time you finish a book, visit the library to collect special stickers and rewards².

The library also offers various events and activities for children and families throughout the summer². You can find Coleshill Library at 19A Parkfield Road, Coleshill, B46 3LD3.

Flights from Birmingham Airport

Dear residents,

I write this because since my involvement with Birmingham Airport began in 2017 (acting for and on behalf of Parish Council) there has always been just two issues that have dominated concern directed towards me from our parish community: these being flight path deviation and noise.

As the period June 15th to September 15th is Birmingham Airport's busiest time of each year, a new web page and service has been introduced that complainants can use to correctly identify the aircraft, the operating company, the route, the actual time and height at that time, as well as the location co-ordinates.

The pages to visit are given below; there is even a tutorial.

<https://webtrak.emsbk.com/bhx1>

<https://www.birminghamairport.co.uk/about-us/community-and-environment/aircraft-noise/webtrak/>

The underlying message for everyone using these pages could be 'perception is not the reality' or probably 'reality flies in the face of perception'

Do try this for yourself. But please allow a good 10-15 minutes after the incident for the site to load up.

For example: A loud and very noisy aircraft flies over your house as seen from the ground. Note the time. Wait 10-15 minutes. Open the page. Enter the time and date, and the information quickly loads up. If your concern is proven then fill in the complaint form and lodge it directly with the Airport.

Richard Habgood



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