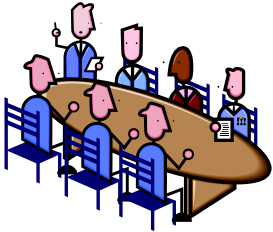


LEADGATE'S NEWS



Leadgate Area Partnership
Charity No. 1098479

No. 1/2015 (February)



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Community Centre will be held on Monday, 30th March, 2015 at 6 p.m. in the Community Centre.

To be considered for election to the committee you have to have been a member of the Community Centre for at least one year. Nomination forms will be available from the Centre from 9th March and should be returned to the Secretary, in a sealed envelope before 23rd March, 2015.

Changes are afoot at Leadgate Workingmen's Club also, a new committee is to be appointed and nomination forms for the election of committee members have to be returned before the end of February. At least two positions are vacant- the Secretary is one as the present secretary, Mr. Jimmy EDWARDS, is retiring and the other is Chairman following the death of the present chairman, Mr. John LAMBERT: both these men have held their positions for some time and will be greatly missed.

On behalf of everyone I should like to express the village's thanks for their hard work and to Mrs. LAMBERT and her family our most sincere condolences



WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

This year the Women's World day of Prayer is being held in Leadgate Salvation Army Hall and will commence at 2 p.m.

The speaker is Ms Melanie Francesca LAWLESS, from the Philippines.

LENT LUNCHES

Lent started on Ash Wednesday, which was 18th February, 2015 and the four churches in our village, each taking their turn to make the lunches, will be holding Lent Lunches in the Community Centre on the following dates:

Friday, 27th February, 2015

Friday, 13th March, 2015

Friday, 20th March, 2015

Friday, 27th March, 2015



The lunch will be soup and French sticks which will be served between 11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m., there will be no charge but donations will be accepted and everyone will be welcome.



PARTNERSHIP NEWS:

This month's Partnership meeting was held on Wednesday, 18th February, 2015. Once again a discussion took place concerning our village having a Christmas tree, but again no decision reached as to where to site it, as the main stumbling block is the electricity supply and how much it is likely to cost to have it connected to the chosen site.

The condition of the site next to the Doctors' Surgery was discussed - as a result of vehicles parking the grass is now churned up and is very unsightly. Councillor STELLING was asked about the possibility having a further bollard installed to stop the parking.



COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:

Villa Real Bridge: Plans to remove the bridge structure and replace with a through road **are in place** following the resolution of remaining legal problems.

Open Cast: We are encouraged to hear that UK coal are not appealing the recent decision by DCC County Planning Committee who refused their application to open cast on the Marley Hill site because of the impact on visual amenity and the transfer of 40,000 tonnes of contaminated waste into the void located in the County Durham side of the site. The second Bradley Site Public Inquiry, held in Leadgate Workingmen's Club, has been concluded and the decision by the Independent Planning Inspector is now expected on or before 6th April, 2015.

Speeding: The Community Speed Watch programme has been progressed into Leadgate (Pont Lane) and is being run by local volunteers as part of the educational process to reduce traffic speed. As part of the enforcement of speed controls, the police have started speed checks in local 'hot spots' (Watling Street) using the recently acquired speed guns.

Garden Waste: The garden waste collection (brown bin) for the 2015-16 year will commence in March through to November, the fee is £20 per year or £50 for 3 years and will require resident to 'opt into' the new system.

Leadgate Community Primary School: The Junior & Infants/Nursery Schools are being amalgamated to create a Primary School (their actual locations will remain the same), under the headship of Mr. Mark WATSON, final arrangements to create the Governing body for the new school are scheduled for the end of February.

Watling Wood: Durham Wildlife Trust, in agreement with local councillors, is extending the wetland area to encourage greater development by frogs/newts and other water life. Children from the new primary school will be involved in planting various water plants to promote the wetland development.



POLICE REPORT

The PACT meeting was held prior to the Partnership on 18th February, 2015 and present at the meeting was PC Harry IVESON from the Cleveland and Durham Specialist Operations Unit who gave an overview of traffic problems. Between 2nd February and 11th March, 2015 there was a high police present in our village targeting motor vehicles speeding between the traffic lights and the Hat and Feather. During this period three verbal warning were given: seven tickets were issued: under 'Operation Takeaway' one vehicle was seized as the driver had no documentation: three people have been reported for doing speeds of 64 mph, 58 mph and 47 mph in a 30 m.p.h. area (let's hope when they appear at court they are suitably dealt with).

The meeting was told, in rural areas the worst anti-social behaviour, next to fly-tipping, is speeding. A suggestion has been made that in certain areas, particularly near schools, the speed limit should be 20 m.p.h.

The person who recently appeared at court for cruelty to an animal is now on bail awaiting sentence and the two females who caused a fire at Bradley Bungalows, have been charged with Arson with intent to Endanger Life and have been remanded in custody.

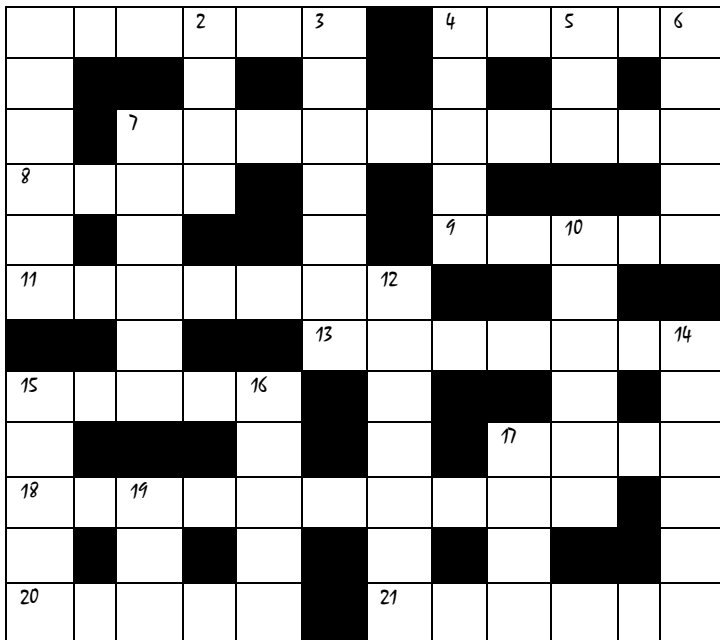
Youths are now targeting the Cricket Club – they are climbing the stairs at the side of the Cricket Club, jumping onto a flat roof and coming down via the wheelie bins. These youths are believed to be between 10-13 years of age and are apparently doing it for a 'dare'.

As a result of C.C.T.V. installed in the Co-op Supermarket, two people have been arrested and charged with theft.

The police have praised drivers for listening to their messages during a week-long mobile phone campaign. Whilst officers from the Cleveland and Durham Specialist Operations Unit issued a total of 35 fixed penalty notices for mobile phone use whilst driving, the vast majority of drivers heeded the warnings

The next PACT and Partnership meetings will be on Wednesday, 18th March, 2015 at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively, in the Community Centre.

CROSSWORD



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 4. Inexpensive (5)
 7. Penicillin, say (10)
 8. Endearingly pretty (4)
 9. Pigmeat (5)
 11. Scottish town (7A)
 13. Income (7)
 15. Fracture (5)
 17. Assistant (4)
 18. Come together to give support (5,5)
 20. Dense (5)
 21. Guarantee (6)</p> | <p>1. Dealer in foodstuffs (6)
 2. Skelton part (4)
 3. Not either (7)
 4. Ascend (5)
 5. Consume food (3)
 6. Smoother oval nut (5)
 7. Immediately (2,4)
 10. Plain-spoken (6)
 12. Encourage visits from (7)
 14. Come into view (6)
 15. Brimless cap (5)
 16. Eskimo boat (5)
 17. Insects (4)
 19. Hawaiian garland (3)</p> |
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/Answers overleaf



CHANGE OF NAME

For those for don't know, every Thursday afternoon, between 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. a Sewing Club has been meeting in the Community Centre. However, from 5th February, 2015, the name of the club has now been changed to **CRAFT AND NATTER CLUB**. If you are at a loose end on Thursday afternoons, why not go along, you don't have to do any craft, you can just go for a 'natter', you will be made very welcome and will make new friends.



COMMENT:

Have you noticed whenever someone tries to do something in our village to brighten the appearance of the place, there is always someone who wants to spoil? If you don't know what I'm referring to, I'm talking about the planters, which are sponsored by private individuals, the Partnership has placed in various locations in our village. These were all planted at the end of last year with winter pansies, but for some reason they seem to be slowly disappearing, let's hope after this their disappearance will stop.



USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Here are a few telephone numbers which people may find useful:

Churches: Brooms – Father KEOGHAN 01207 503550

Methodist – Rev. Keith HOPPER 01207 502339

St. Ives – Rev. David CLEUGH 01207 509654

Community Centre – 01207 507675 for gym: Secretary 01207 507506

Chemist – 01207 502774

Doctor's Surgery – Appointments/Emergency 01207 583555: Prescriptions 01207 580500

Schools – Infants 01207 503656: Junior 01207 502937: Brooms 01207 503979

Post Office – 01207 503057:

Prince Bishop Veterinary Practice – 01207 590340

Police – Non emergency 101: ask for extension 662446 if you wish to speak to local officers



ST. IVES '100 CLUB' MONTHLY DRAW:

The winning numbers for January and February, 2015 are as follows:

January: 1st prize - No. 101: 2nd prize - No. 11:

February: 1st prize - No. 57: 2nd prize - No. 7



DIARY FOR MARCH, 2015



2nd St. Ives Church bingo, at 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre



4th Leadgate and District Carers meeting, at 1.30 p.m. in the Community Centre

6th Women's World Day of Prayer to be held in the Salvation Army Hall commencing 2 p.m.,



9th Salvation Army's Ladies Fellowship at 7.30 p.m. in the Army Hall

12th Leadgate and District Historical Society meeting at 2 p.m. in Leadgate Methodist Church Hall, presentation entitled 'These Best of Men' by Glenys GRANGER



14th Two coffee morning today:
10 a.m. – Pont and Bradley held in Bradley Church Hall
10.30 a.m. – Salvation Army held in the Army Hall



16th Leadgate Women's Institute meeting at 2 p.m. in the Community Centre



18th Leadgate and District Carers meeting at 1.30 p.m. in the Community Centre

18th Police and Community Together (PACT) Meeting at 6 p.m. in the Community Centre, followed at 7 p.m. by Leadgate Area Partnership meeting



20th Leadgate Methodist Church's 'Messy Church' at 3.30 p.m. in the Church Hall



21st St. Ives' Church coffee morning at 10.15 a.m. in the Community Centre



24th Brooms Infants Schools is hosting a combined school's Easter Service at 10 a.m. and everyone is welcome

25th St. Ives' Mothers' Union is holding a 'Lady Day' a 2 p.m.



28th Salvation Army coffee morning at 10.30 a.m. in the Army Hall



28th Redwell Hills Nursing Home is holding an Easter Fayre today from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.



30th St. Ives' Church bingo at 7.30 p.m. in the Community Centre



Bingo sessions are held every Monday and Saturday in the Community Centre
Every Thursday afternoon from 1pm-3pm a Craft and Natter Club meets in the Community Centre

The Centre's Legacy Gym is open every morning except Sunday
between 9 am - 12 noon and Monday to Friday between 5 pm – 7 pm

Leadgate Salvation Army has a Parent/Carer and 'Toddler Group, every Tuesday
9.15 am - 11.30 am, it's just £1 per child, for further information
contact Envoy Gwen HALL on 07803 452999



If you have any items you wish to have published or advertised,
any comments you wish to make, please let us know before 18th March, 2015,
the contact names and telephone numbers are as follows:

Brenda SURTEES, 01207 507506 or Jean HUGHES, 01207 506326.

If you wish to contact either of our County Councillors their details are as follows:

Councillor Watts STELLING – 01207 501674, mobile 07500125328:

Councillor Alan SHIELD – 01207 562080, mobile 07500125327



CROSSWORD ANSWERS:

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18 Rally round: 20 Thick: 21 Ensure. **DOWN:** 1 Grocer: 2 Bone: 3 Neither: 4 Climb: 5 Eat: 6 Pecan: 7 At once:
10 Candid: 14 Emerge: 15 Beret: 16 Kayak: 17 Ants: 19 Lei.