

LEADGATE'S NEWS



Leadgate Area Partnership
Charity No. 1098479

No.3/13 (March)



WELL DONE EVERYONE:

On Saturday, 2nd March, 2013, Derwent Valley Area Partnership held their 'It's Up 2 U' event and a total of 23 organisations applied for a share of £40,000. Each group had to display information about their application and then the general public had to vote. Voting took place between 10 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. and over 900 people registered to vote.

Three groups from Leadgate applied for grants and were successful, these were Leadgate and District Carers, Leadgate Area Partnership's Watling Wood – the Way Forward scheme and your very own newsletter.



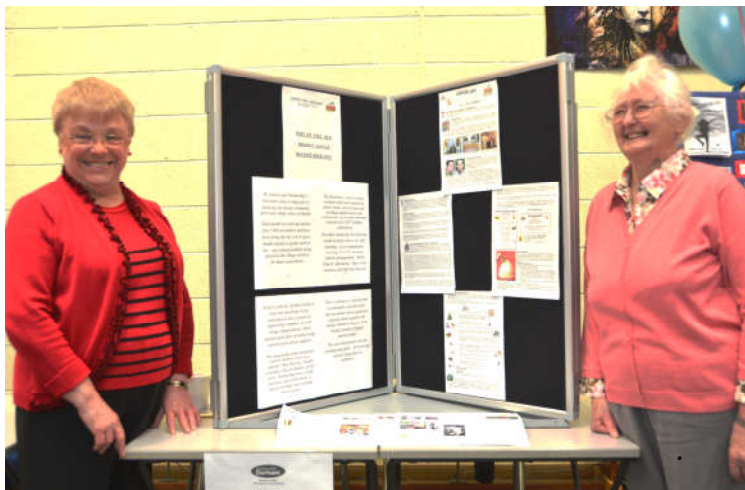
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Photograph 2

Photograph 1 - Mrs. Mavis CRYER and Mrs. Joan PHILLIPS for Leadgate and District Carer:

Photograph 2 - Mrs. Ann FOREMAN and Mr. Gary WELFORD for Watling Wood – the Way Forward



Photograph 3

Photograph 3 - Miss Brenda SURTEES and Mrs. Jean HUGHES for the Newsletter.

On behalf of all the organisation/groups who participated I should like to extend to all those people who attended the event and cast their votes, our heartiest thanks as without these votes we may not have received our grant.



SAD NEWS TO REPORT:

In January's edition of the Newsletter I informed everyone Mrs. Vera McGURK, a lifelong resident of our village, had become a centenarian that is she had reached the age of 100. This month I have some sad news, Mrs. McGURK passed away at the beginning of March. To her many friends and her family I should like to offer sincere condolences.



NEW GROUP STARTING:

On Tuesday, 2nd April, 2013 the Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Research and Relief Fund (a Registered Charity) will be holding an 'Open Day' at the Community Centre. This 'Open Day' is to inform people affected with MS of services to be offered at the Centre every Tuesday between 1.30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Services on offer to try on the 'Open Day' including taster sessions for 15 minutes each are foot/leg/shoulder and backing massage: Indian Head massage: Reiki: reflexology: physiotherapy: exercise. The group's therapists will be there to discuss tasters that are available and what would benefit you most. Jason, their physiotherapist will also be on hand to talk about the treatments he can offer. There will be information packs available to offer information about all the group's charity services such as grants available for individuals and groups. Exercise class and physiotherapy appointments will be available to book once the service is up and running.



PARTNERSHIP NEWS:

There is no Partnership news to report this month as the meeting was cancelled due to adverse weather conditions.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

No councillor's reports, not because of adverse weather conditions but as a result of the impending Local and Parish Council elections(purdah) which will be taking place on Thursday, 2nd May, 2013.



POLICE REPORT FOR PERIOD 20th February, - 20th March, 2013

A total of 79 calls were made to the police during this period out of which 13 were community related.

BURGLARIES: *A property at Stoney Heap was broken into and an oven was stolen: a shed at Watling Bungalows was entered and property stolen, residents are reminded to keep all possessions as safe as possible, maybe use a shed alarm which is a great deterrent: a compound at Crag Works was entered and a child's motor bike was stolen.*

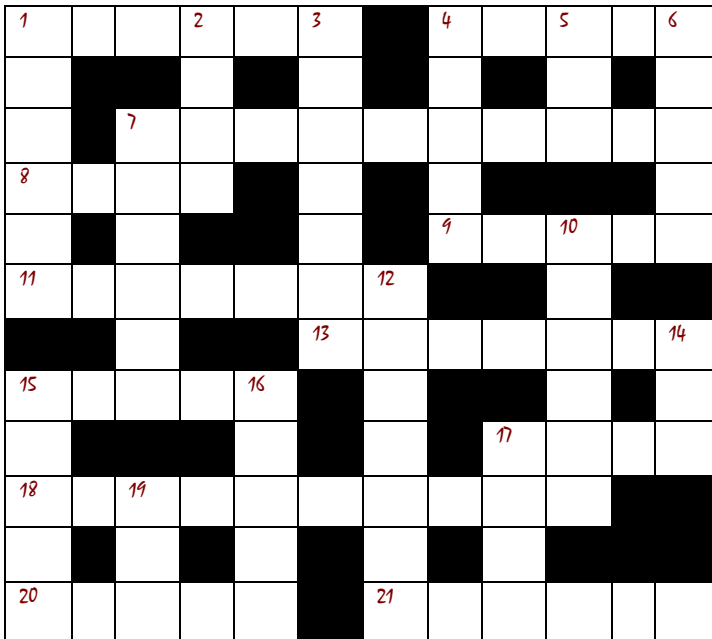
ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR: *This month there have been 8 incidents including youths attending the Co-op Store and causing problems: youths throwing snowballs in the Tyne Avenue and Coniston Way areas: bottles being broken in a bin in Alder Grove: rowdiness in Brackenrigg area: in 'The Squares' youths were reported playing football and drinking however when officers arrived no alcohol was found but the youths were spoken to: an off road bike was seen in the Wansbeck /Jolly Drivers area, it was last seen heading towards Stanley.*

In the Park Villas area an unknown person has caused damage to a shed but nothing was stolen. In the Bradley Cottages area an unknown person has removed fence posts.

POLICE REPORT continued:

The next PACT meeting will be Wednesday, 17th April, 2013 at 6 p.m., in the Community Centre. Your Neighbourhood Officers are P.C. 2551 Louise RAMSHAW and P.C.S.O. 7242 Michael CRAINE, who can be contacted by telephoning 101 or by e mail on Consett-NPT@durham.pnn.police.uk

CROSSWORD



CLUES

ACROSS

1. Highly-spiced sausage (6)
4. Assistants (5)
7. Harshly critical (10)
8. Excessively proud (4)
9. Songbird (5)
11. Very loyal and committed (7)
13. Lottery type (7)
15. Squander (5)
17. Matted fabric (4)
18. Unique (10)
20. Stupid pupil (5)
21. Deathly (6)

DOWN

1. Pushes (6)
 2. End of a prayer (4)
 3. Examine closely (7)
 4. Frame for drying laundry (5)
 5. Pair of performers (3)
 6. ____ Boyle singer (5)
 7. Cheroots, say (6)
 10. Baby's soft shoe (6)
 12. Part of the Netherlands (7)
 14. Blood vessel (6)
 15. Eerie (5)
 16. Banishment (5)
 17. Jumping insect (4)
 19. Charged particle (3)
- /Answers overleaf



COCONUT CRAB:

How would you like to find this on the side of your wheelie bin (or anywhere for that matter!!!!)

This is a Coconut Crab (*Birgus latro*), it is the largest terrestrial Arthropod in the world and is found in the tropical Indian and Pacific Oceans. They eat coconuts for a living! How would like to be on an island and come across a crab that is more than 3 feet from head to tail and weighs up to 40 pounds, with a pair of large pincers strong enough to open coconuts! They can climb trees too, but they only eat coconuts that have already fallen to the ground. Coconut crab meat has been considered a local delicacy. It is sometimes called the robber crab as some coconut crabs are rumoured to steal shiny items such as pots and silverware from houses and tents.

STILL AFRAID OF SPIDERS????!



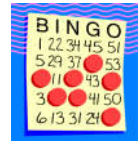
ST. IVES '100 CLUB' MONTHLY DRAW:

The winning numbers for March are as follows:
1st prize – No. 33: 2nd prize – No. 41:





DIARY FOR APRIL, 2013



- 1st St. Ives' Church bingo held in the Community Centre at 7 p.m.
- 2nd MS Research and Relief Fund meeting commencing today in the Community Centre at 1.30 p.m.
- 3rd Leadgate and District Carers meeting held in the Community Centre' at 1.30 p.m.



- 6th Salvation Army coffee morning held in the Army Hall at 10.30 a.m.

- 8th Salvation Army Ladies Fellowship meeting held in the Army Hall at 7.30 p.m.



- 11th Leadgate and District Historical Society meeting held in the Methodist Church Hall at 2 p.m., presentation by J. THACKWRAY entitled 'Our Northern Heritage'

- 13th Pont and Bradley coffee morning held in Bradley Chapel Hall at 10 a.m.



- 15th Leadgate Women's Institute meeting held in the Community Centre at 2 p.m., presentation 'Leazes Dairy' and the competition is a butter dish

- 17th Leadgate and District Carers meeting held in the Community Centre at 1.30 p.m.



- 17th PACT meeting held in the Community Centre at 6 p.m., followed by Leadgate Area Partnership meeting at 7 p.m.



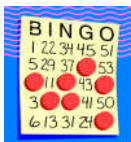
- 19th Leadgate Methodist Church's 'Messy Church' held in the Church Hall at 3.30 p.m.



- 20th Three coffee mornings today:
Leadgate Methodist Church held in the Church Hall at 10 a.m.
St. Ives' Church held in the Community Centre at 10.15 a.m.
Salvation Army held in the Army Hall at 10.30 p.m.



- 26th The Music and Drama Groups production of 'Gowans and Larrison Musical Night' John Gowans and John Larrison both held the position of General In the Salvation Army and are writers of Army musicals.



- 29th St. Ives' Church bingo held in the Community Centre at 7 p.m.



If you have any items you wish to have published or advertised, any comments you wish to make, please let us know before 17th April, 2013, 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: Councillor Alan SHIELD – 01207 562080

CROSSWORD ANSWERS:

ACROSS: 1 Salami: 4 Aides: 7 Censorious: 8 Vain: 9 Robin: 11 Staunch: 13 Tombola: 15 Waste: 17 Felt: 18 Inimitable: 20 Dunce: 21 Deadly **DOWN:** 1 Shoves: 2 Amen: 3 Inspect: 4 Airer: 5 Duo: 6 Susan: 7 Cigars: 10 Bootee: 12 Holland: 14 Artery: 15 Weird: 16 Exile: 17 Flea: 20 Ion

