

TOCKUS 'TALK'

FEBRUARY 2023

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

WELCOME TO THE FEBRUARY EDITION OF TOCKUS TALK

PARISH COUNCIL.....

If you have any issues that you would like to bring to the attention of the PC, please contact myself or any of the Parish Council

Alan Robins (Chair)
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Graham Waite
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Judith Finney - Parish Clerk - 07969 633997 - buttermerebuttermerehills@hotmail.co.uk

Neighbourhood Watch signs have been purchased and will be put up around the village.

Slow Down Keep Safe posters have also been obtained and will also be displayed around the village.

The Parish Council would like to remind residents the grit supplied from Blackburn & Darwen Council in the yellow bins is for use on Public Highways only.

The next meeting is 7pm on Monday 27th March 2023

Village Group Report

At our January meeting we planned events for 2023. Thank you for your suggestions via email and in person.

Events planned at the Village Hall during 2023

- Fri 10th March - Quiz held by the WI
- Saturday 1st April 7.30pm - Beneath the Banner. A Spot On sourced performance
Tickets available on Ticket source at:
<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tockholesvillagehall/t-kryoepp>
- Sunday 7th May - The Big Coronation Lunch Get Together from 5pm.
Followed by televised concert.
Free entry. Bring own food and drink
- Sat 9th Sept - televised Last Night of the Proms
Bring own food and drink.

Next Village Group meeting 6pm 27th March 2023 at Tockholes village Hall
Please contact tockustalk@outlook.com with any ideas or offers of help

Regular Bookings

Pilates Tues am and Thurs pm
WI meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Tues of each month.
Craft Club 10-12 on 2nd and 4th Thurs of each month.
Public Hire available book via Chris Tobin £35 for first 2 hours then £12.50 per hour up to £60 for 4 hours.

Tockholes Village Hall Diary

Thursday 2nd - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Tuesday 7th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Tuesday 7th - Garden Club 7:30pm

Thursday 9th - Craft Club - 10am - 12
Thursday 9th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Tuesday 14th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Thursday 16th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Tuesday 21st - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am
Tuesday 21st - W.I. - 7:15pm
Thursday 23rd - Craft Club - 10am - 12
Thursday 23rd - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Tuesday 28th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am

To book the Village Hall contact Chris on 07889 105969

Please before attending Village Hall events and observe current COVID guidelines

HOW CAN I HELP?



For Village Hall events or bookings, please contact the booking secretary Chris Tobin on 07889 105969

If you have any item of news, comments or advertising you would like to appear in the next issue, please contact Linda Kennish and Pat Willis - email: tockustalk@outlook.com

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TOCKHOLES AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB....

Hello everyone and a very happy new year to all.



I am delighted to announce that our first 2023 meeting will be on Feb 7th starting at 7.30pm. What can be more uplifting than looking at one of the most beautiful places in the UK, the Scilly Isles. Giving us a pictorial evenings guide to all things flora and fauna will be our very own Judith Finney. She has called her talk "The isles of Scilly, a naturalists heaven".

We look forward to seeing you all again after our winter break and being able to catch up with all your news and plans for the coming year. I can see the noses of my dafs, crocus and tulips already pushing through the cold earth. It will soon be spring!

Everyone is welcome and you do not need to be a member to come to any of the meetings, (it is however £1 less on the door) and includes refreshments.

Do come along and enjoy the friendly welcome and atmosphere of your local gardening and wildlife club.

With fondest wishes to you all,

Joan Chadwick

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Tockholes WI had an interesting talk and demonstration this month about the benefits of life long exercise and Self Defence Techniques for Women by Personal Trainer Tom Narramore. We are all much more aware of the importance of remaining vigilant and know the techniques to use to fight off an assailant.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 21st February when our speaker will entertain us with a talk named 'Laughter really is the best medicine'. All ladies are welcome to visit us. Where else can you get tea, cake, a raffle and entertainment for £1?

We are also planning a fun quiz on Friday 10th March, please see attached poster. Do come along and bring your neighbours, friends and families.

Take care, Diane

TOCKHOLES WI FUN QUIZ
FRIDAY 10th MARCH
7.30PM
TOCKHOLES VILLAGE HALL.
TEAMS OF 4 £12
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS
& NIBBLES
FRIENDS, NEIGHBOURS
& FAMILIES WELCOME
PLEASE CONTACT:
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BOOK CLUB....

This month's book was 'Snap' by Belinda Bauer. Published in 2018, it was longlisted for the Booker Prize in the same year - a very rare event for a thriller.

The book opens with three children sitting in a sweltering, broken down car by the side of the motorway waiting for their mother to come back with help. When she doesn't, 11-year-old Jack picks up his baby sister, and sets off with his other younger sister along the hard shoulder to try to find her. Nobody stops. When they finally reach the emergency phone their mother set out to reach, it is dangling off the hook.

The book is inspired by the true story of a pregnant woman, Marie Wilks, who was murdered on the M50 in 1988 (the real-life crime remains unsolved). As in this book, Marie's children also walked along the hard shoulder without anyone stopping to help.

The book then picks up three years later, with Jack and his sisters living alone, and Jack supporting them through criminal activities and doing his best to evade any scrutiny from the authorities. During the course of a burglary, Jack happens upon information that leads him to believe he has found his Mother's murderer and the story unfolds from there.

The book was generally pretty well received. Most people found it to be a 'page-turner' which held their attention. Some elements of it were felt to be quite unfeasible, especially the ability of a group of children to remain off the radar with social services, education etc. For a book with a dark subject matter, there were some surprisingly funny elements, and some people thought it would make a good TV series. The main disappointment was with the ending, which was felt to be a real let down and seemed to be a bit 'rushed'.

Scores for the book ranged between 4 and 9, with the average coming out at 7.

Next month's book is 'The Island of Missing Trees' by Elif Shafak, and the next meeting is Tuesday 14th February.

Judith



