

TOCKUS 'TALK'

MARCH 2023

Tockholes Village Newsletter

WELCOME....

WELCOME TO THE MARCH 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)
George Swanton
Chris Tobin
Jane Whittam
Graham Waite
Lee Yarnold



www.facebook.com/tockholes



Judith Finney - Parish Clerk - 07969 633997 - buttermerebuttermerehills@hotmail.co.uk

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

The New PCSO for the area - John Kirk is hoping to be attending the Parish Council meeting which will take place at 7pm on Monday 27th March 2023 in Tockholes Village Hall

All members of the public are welcome.

The bench which was damaged at Pleasant View has now been replaced.

Neighbourhood Watch Signs have been put in place around the village and we are hoping to get some more in the next few weeks.

Village Group Report

The Tockholes Village website is now up to date with all forthcoming events.
www.tockholesvillage.co.uk

There are 3 events taking place in March and April. Don't forget to get your tickets. We're looking forward to seeing you there.

Events planned at the Village Hall during 2023

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| Fri 10th March | Quiz held by the WI - see separate advert |
| Fri 17th March | Arthur Writeus and the Hip Joints Bring own food and drink. https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tockholes-village-hall/arthur-writeus-and-the-hip-joints/e-bagggg |
| 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

Public Hire available book via Chris Tobin £35 for first 2 hours then £12.50 per hour up to £60

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

Friday 10th - W.I. Quiz Night 7:30pm

Tuesday 14th - Pilates 9:30-10:30 & 10:45-11:45am

Thursday 16th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

Friday 17th - Arthur Writeus & the Hip Joints - 7:30pm

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

Monday 27th - Village Group - 6pm

Monday 27th - Parish Council - 7pm

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

Tuesday 30th - Pilates 5:30-6:30 & 6:45-7:45pm

To book the Village Hall contact Chris on 07889 105969

HOW CAN I HELP?



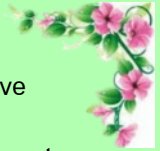
For Village Hall events or bookings, please contact the booking secretary Chris Tobin on 07889 105969
If you have any item of news, comments or advertising you would like to appear in the next issue, please contact Linda Kennish and Pat Willis - email: tockustalk@outlook.com

TOCKHOLES AND DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB....

Hello dear friends.

It really is feeling like spring. Looking around I can see everything in the garden coming back to life.

Although it is still cold, a few hours outside tidying up and checking the slightly tender plants have survived, lift the spirits.

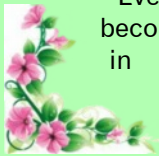


Starting us off this spring I am delighted to welcome back a real favourite, Kelvin Pye, from Southport. Kelvin will be bringing a selection of his nursery grown veg, fruit shrubs, trees and flowering plants to discuss and purchase. He will be giving us a talk entitled "Wild food foraging".

His knowledge of growing and cultivation is vast and he is more than happy to chat about any of the plants you are interested in. He asked me to mention that if you want anything specific you can contact him directly as he has limited space in his van. If you need compost, growing containers, particular fruit trees, shrubs or other please get in touch directly :-w.kelvin.pye@gmail.com or tel:- 07976263824

Everyone is welcome to any of our meetings you do not have to be a member. It is however only £5 to become a member. Entry is £4 or £3 if a member. This includes refreshments. Membership renewal starts in March this includes visits to our open gardens and Christmas party. Kelvin is able to take card payments so bring your plastic with you!

Fondest wishes to you all and hope to see you next Tuesday,



Everyone is invited to the plant sale on Tuesday 7th March at 7.15pm, please come and browse



We were all thrilled when Glynis won the Pavlova baking competition at The Royal Arms. Her winning Pavlova is number three.

Glynis has chosen the bake for the next competition. I'm confident that another one of our members will win again good luck everyone.

Please see the link below for our new programme and details of our forthcoming quiz at 7.30pm Friday 10th March.

WI

tockholes-thewi.org.uk

Take care, Diane



BOOK CLUB....

Book Club was hosted by Kathy this month who also wrote this lovely review -

This month's book was 'The Island of Missing Trees' by Elif Sharak. Published in 2021 it tells the story of two teenagers, one a Greek Cypriot and one a Turkish Cypriot, meeting in secret in a Nicosia Taverna in 1974, and falling in love against a backdrop of civil war and violence. The book covers three separate times - Cyprus in 1974; London and Cyprus in the early 2000's; and London in the late 2010's.

The young couple reconnect 20 years after their initial forbidden romance, and relocate to London - bringing with them a cutting of a Fig Tree which is a key character in the story, playing the part of an additional narrator. Their daughter, born and educated in London, struggles with the challenges of being isolated from her wider family and her sense of displacement.

The book was generally well received. Most people found the descriptions of nature, the mysteries of inherited memory and the balance and relationships between species fascinating. In addition, the descriptions of the conflict within Cyprus and the continuing tensions were really interesting, with most people being unfamiliar with the level of violence and loss of life there in the 1970's.

Some people felt that the stories could have been explored in much more depth by the author, and felt that the plots were interesting but didn't really go anywhere. The use of the fig tree as an additional narrator also irritated some people, and it certainly was an easy means for the author to fill in narrative blanks!

Scores for the book ranged between 6 and 9 - with the average coming out at just over 8.

Next month's book is 'A Spy Among Friends' by Ben McIntyre, and the next meeting is on Tuesday 14th March

Judith



TOCKUS 'TALK' - MARCH 2023

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH....



TOCKHOLES CHAPEL
OPEN FOR WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY
2PM

OUR SERVICES IN MARCH 2023

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| March 5th | Children's Service Led by Mr George Grime Followed by Tea/Coffee/juice and biscuits |
| March 12th | Worship led by Mr John East |
| March 19th | Mothering Sunday Worship led by Mrs Barbara Duxbury and will include Holy Communion |
| March 26th | Worship led by Rev Terry Young |

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS....

PILATES...

Message from Jackie Garner: Sessions start at 9:30am & 10:45am. Tuesdays and at 5:30pm & 6:45pm on Thursdays at Tockholes Village Hall (see page 1 TVH diary) in line with COVID restrictions and guidelines.

PLEASE CONTACT Jackie Garner for details on 07966 675518
www.mojopilates.co.uk



TOCKHOLES CRAFT GROUP....

If you enjoy a natter, a brew and want to share your interests of knitting, jewellery, cross stitch, crochet or whatever, you are very welcome to join us at TOCKHOLES VILLAGE HALL between 10 - 12 noon on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month.



Darwen West Ward Councillors - working for you all tear round

Cllr Stephanie Brookfield, 3 Haldane Road, Darwen
stephanie.brookfield@blackburn.gov.uk Tel: 07795 087 577

Cllr Dave Smith, 18b Woodbank Avenue, Darwen
david.smith@blackburn.gov.uk Tel: 07812 070 109

Cllr Brian Taylor, 22 Sunnyhurst Lane, Darwen
brian.taylor@blackburn.gov.uk 01254 702204

ST. STEPHEN'S....



St Stephen's Church

Parish Priest
The Reverend Nicholas Davis

01254 701360
Parish website
www.stcuthbertwithststephen.org

<https://en-gb.facebook.com/stcuthbertwithststephen/>

Please contact Father Nick to arrange weddings, baptisms, funerals and other occasional services.

First Pop Up cafe 1st April

The cafe will be open on the first Saturday of the Month, from April to October 11am to 3pm. (except for May to avoid clashing with the King's Coronation)

Dates are April 1st, May 13th, June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th, September 2nd and October 7th.



DARWEN FOODBANK....

Darwen Rotary supports the local foodbanks and has been selected by the Coop to be a beneficiary of their charity scheme

When you shop in their establishment you can elect to benefit the foodbanks by selecting Darwen Rotary as your preferred beneficiary for supporting the scheme.

All Coop establishments in Blackburn with Darwen are part of the scheme and I write to ask if you would kindly support the Darwen foodbanks if and when you shop at a Coop establishment.

It costs you nothing but will help support some needy persons.

Thank you
John Jacklin

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THOUGHT OF THE VARIOUS EVENTS AND SEND IN PHOTOS FOR THE NEXT EDITION



**TOCKHOLES
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FUN QUIZ
NIGHT**

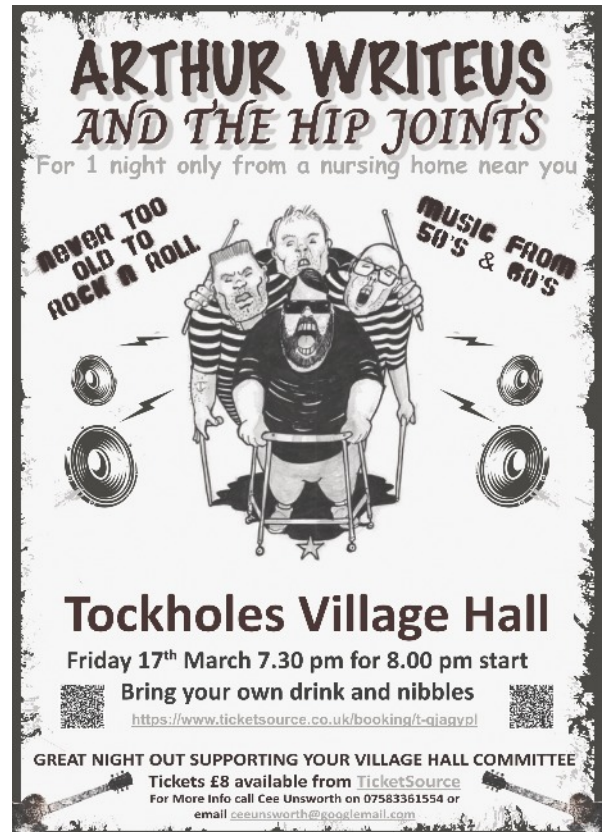
Fri 10th Mar 7:30pm

**Tockholes Village Hall
Tockholes Road
BB3 0NQ**

Teams of 4
£12

**Bring your own drink and nibbles
Friends, neighbours
&
Families welcome**

Please contact Diane on 07917 767980
Email to: lennon_d@sky.com



**ARTHUR WRITEUS
AND THE HIP JOINT'S**

For 1 night only from a nursing home near you

NEVER TOO OLD TO ROCK A ROLL

MUSIC FROM 50'S & 60'S

Tockholes Village Hall

Friday 17th March 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm start

Bring your own drink and nibbles

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/booking/t-qiagvpl>

GREAT NIGHT OUT SUPPORTING YOUR VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Tickets £8 available from [TicketSource](#)
For More Info call Cee Unsworth on 07583361554 or
email ceeunsworth@googlemail.com

[Click here to book tickets](#)



UpTheRock Theatre in association with the National Coal Mining Museum present

BENEATH THE BANNER

INSPIRED BY REAL STORIES FROM OUR COALFIELD COMMUNITIES

Tockholes Village Hall
Saturday 1st April 2023 @ 7:30pm
£10 per Ticket

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/tockholesvillagehall/t-kryoeppq>
Contact Chris Tobin on 07889 105 969
Bring your own Refreshments

NATIONAL COAL MINING MUSEUM | highlights | SPOT ON | WONDER | leppause | ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

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Tockholes

JOIN US FOR

CORONATION

big lunch & concert

A RIGHT ROYAL KNEES UP!

Bring your own picnic and join in with the Coronation big lunch.
Followed by the Coronation Concert live on the big screen

Tockholes Village Hall

Sunday 7th May 2023 5pm

For more details and to reserve your ticket
Please call Chris Tobin on 07889105 969