

What's on at the Village Hall.....

Dates for your Diary

Friday 21st March	Quiz Night—8pm
Wednesday 2nd April	PBVH Annual General Meeting 8pm
Saturday 17th May	Plant Sale 11am until 5pm
Saturday 14th June	Summer Fayre 2:30pm

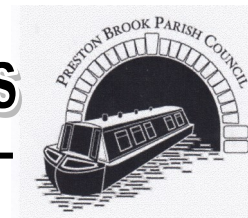
Regular Events

Pre-School	Weekdays during term-time 9:30 am until 12:30pm Tel. 01928 897174 during session.
Silver Circuits	Mondays 3pm – 4pm. Exercise class for 'people of a certain age'. Tel: John on 07985 221805
Karate	Mondays 6:30pm until 8:30pm. Classes for adults and children. Contact Andy on 07939 468968
Dutton W.I.	Meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Everyone welcome. Contact Trish on 01928 717298.
Parish Council	Meets on the third Tuesday of each month except August. All residents welcome to attend.
Military Whist	First Friday of each month 7.45 p.m.

Private Hire

The Hall is available for hire at weekends and some evenings for birthday parties, meetings etc. Contact the Secretary on 01928 717223 for more information.

Preston Brook Village News



Issue 1—February 2014

A New Year, maybe a New You? But there's a New Newsletter!

Well, here we are again, 2014 ! I trust you all had a pleasant Christmas and Prosperous New Year. It seems so long ago now, we're already in February!

It certainly feels like true Winter at the moment, but the daffodils are sprouting and the afternoons are getting lighter—not long until we can enjoy that Summer sun again.

Many of you will recall in the last edition of the Community Spirit, the departure of our 'Editor and Chief', Alison Kinross. A great shame really as no one came forward to continue that good work. Thanks again Alison for all your hard work, it is much appreciated. I can confirm that funds raised during the existence of the Community Spirit were handed over to the parish council in November and it was agreed to purchase a tree (keeping green!) in recognition of the newsletter.

In the meantime the parish council has been debating on what to do next. We considered many options and consulted with residents and concluded that we'd assume responsibility for production of the newsletter. Thanks to all our distributors for agreeing to continue with this most important role !

So here we are; **Preston Brook Village News**—is it too corny, too plain and simple? If so, let me know—anyone got any ideas on a new name? I want as much feedback as possible on this edition—what do you want to see more of, what does and doesn't work. This is YOUR newsletter so lets get the best out of it.

It will be produced bi-monthly so we'll be keeping you up to date as much as possible on everything that's going on. We're also starting a complete revamp of the prestonbrook.com website too so, watch this space....

Hope you enjoy.

Craig Wyna
Clerk to the Council
Tel: 01928 897117 or email pbpc@hotmail.co.uk

Website

We are currently redeveloping the prestonbrook.com website to bring you all the latest information at the click of a mouse, or even on your mobile!

Newsletter

The newsletter will be produced bi-monthly bringing you the latest of what's happening in Preston Brook. This will build up over time so please feed back any comments and send in your news - don't forget to submit your thoughts on a new name for the newsletter.

Traffic Orders

Proposals received to make Gorsewell Lane/Sandy Lane 20mph zone and introduce parking enforcement at Hill Top Road. Comments have been received re: enforcement and we are working with residents to identify alternatives.

Windmill Lane

There are continued issues with traffic/parking along Windmill Lane. The parish council is meeting with residents on 13th February to consult and determine a way forward.

Junction 11a

With the introduction of the new Mersey Gateway crossing, we have been pushing for several years to factor in the introduction of a new Junction 11a. This has always been discounted but is 'back on the table' for discussion. We're working closely with Graham Evans MP to push this forward but he NEEDS ALL OUR HELP. I will be looking to put a little more detail on the website but in the meantime you can help by emailing your concerns to help@grahamevansmp.com.

Parish Precept

Just to advise that the parish council has agreed its precept amount for the financial year 2015/2016. We have raised it from £7260 to £8000 which represents an increase of just over 10%.

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Silver Circuits - Mondays 3pm to 4pm
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 * * Low Intensity Circuits for 'people of a certain age' * Improve your fitness,
 * * strength and mobility * Suitable for all, including post rehabilitation and GP
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£4.00 per person - For more information contact: John Shelbourne
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 * * (Level 3 instructor, GP Referral qualified and 'is of a certain age')
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 * * Mobile : 07985 221805 Email: vintagept@icloud.com
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During the last few months, two of our members have been researching the stories of those local men or women who were involved in world war 1. We are anxious not to miss anyone, so if you have any information please contact George Swiderski on email georgejane1@btinternet.com or call 01928 713377.

The reason we are keen to include everyone is that during the coming months we are going to prepare a presentation from all our research which will then be presented to the village and for those that attend, you will receive a free DVD. A website is to also be developed to show all research made. A grant application to the Lottery Heritage Fund is currently underway!

If anyone has any experience in design, websites, promotion or would like to learn in our research, please get involved. Contact John Ackroyd jaackroyd15@gmail.com or call 01928 712509. This will be both rewarding and enjoyable !



Quiz Night
Friday, 21 March
8.00pm

Teams of 6 people or less.
 Admission £2.00 per person.
 Bar. Bring your own snacks.

Update from the Woman's Institute...
Ladies, give your social life a boost in 2014! Come to a WI meeting to see what we get up to, listen to our diverse range of recommended speakers and join in the fun and activities which are part of our programme. We play darts tournaments against other WIs in the winter and crown green bowling in the summer. We book theatre trips, outings to interesting places, holidays, art and craft workshops and take part in events organised by Cheshire Federation. New members are always welcome. Come as a guest for three months and see if you want to join us. If you have a mobility problem lifts can be arranged. If you have any questions please ring Margaret Barber, President on 01928 717550 or Trish Byrne on 01928 717298. We meet at 7.30pm on the second Tuesday in the month (except in August) at Preston Brook Village Hall.'

Don't forget...

Traditional fish & chips
 served every Wednesday
 from 5pm to 8pm at the
 Village Hall car park