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Hilldale Community Newsletter

It's been a tough nearly 18 months and, for some, it's been a very sad time. But let's be optimistic: things are improving and will continue to improve.

Coffee Mornings are back

3rd July – PLEASE come along – join the community.

We will also be hosting the NHS Tea Party and the Village Litter pick.

Come to the Hilldale Coffee Morning.

We'll be serving Gary's superb bacon and sausage butties and excellent cakes, tea, coffee and soft drinks.



Sit and enjoy them in the Hall and have a chat or take them away.

The cakes and the makings for the butties are all sourced locally.

It's in the **Hilldale Village Hall** on the last Saturday of most months.

All these good things happen from 10.30 until 12.00.

We'll be observing the COVID safety rules which apply on the day so please come with a face mask. Service, and tables and chairs will be arranged to comply with the rules of the day.

VILLAGE LITTER PICK

3rd July – starting at 10:00.

We see litter in our roadsides, pavements and verges all the time. It's thrown from cars and trucks and some of it is dropped by pedestrians.

So, it's time for a clean up. Please join the Hilldale Litter Pick to keep our community as tidy as possible.

Hi-vis vests, a few pick sticks and bags will be available. Everyone who joins in the litter pick will receive a FREE slice of cake and a hot or cold drink.

FUTURE EVENTS

TBA July – HCA committee meeting, it will be held at either at the Farmers or the Rigbye Arms. Our meetings are open to all so, if you'd like to attend, send a note to hello@hilldale-ca.org and we'll send the place, date and time as soon as those are finalised.

7th August – Coffee Morning

25th September – Coffee Morning

30th October – Coffee Morning

TBA – Jazz 'n' Gin

JAZZ 'N' GIN



It's still our intention to invite Ian Millar (Saxophone) and Dominic Spencer (Piano /keyboard) to entertain us with an evening of listenable jazz and stories. Springmount Gin is supporting the evening and, at the break, there will be an opportunity to taste and buy their fine, smooth, flavoursome gin.

FUND RAISING

Fortunately, we have some money in the bank and we've succeeded in winning a grant from the Eric Wright Foundation to replace the microwave and toaster in the Village Hall.

But for bigger projects, eg, helping with improvements / repairs to the Hall or Playing Field or around the Village, we need reserves. Unfortunately we've not been able to hold the Hilldale Fair and Fun Dog Show for 2 years now. Those are our biggest fund raising events.

SUGGESTIONS FOR EVENTS

Please let us know if you have ideas for events: indoor, outdoor, music, speech, or whatever, let us know and we'll see what can be done.

BE SAFE – DON'T GET SCAMMED

It's an unfortunate reality but scams using online, phone and landline messages are booming; lots of people fall for these scams. Don't get caught out: if it seems to be too good to be true, then it almost certainly is.

A very good source of information is the Neighbourhood Alert team:
<https://www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk>.

AMAZON SMILE

We've set up an account with Amazon Smile. By doing this, everyone who shops with Amazon Smile and uses this link: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1108035-0> will help to raise funds for the HCA.

HILLDALE PARISH COUNCIL

The Village Hall is open again after more than a year of covid closure. Following use as our polling in recent elections regular users including Yoga, Pilates, Karate and A Sport junior sports are ready to re-start classes along with Newburgh Ladies Morris Dancers who use the hall to rehearse. The HCA coffee morning will be the first open to public social event.

Hopefully from June 21st more private party bookings will be permitted with a new Baby Yoga and massage session commencing on a Tuesday morning in late July.

As many of you will have seen whilst voting, the Hall is looking good after major work over recent years. Newly installed acoustic panels look very smart in addition to improving the acoustics for parties, meetings or other events.

You can find out more about booking the Hall by visiting the HPC's website: <http://hilldaleparishcouncil.com/villagehall.php> . Please note that bookings will be subject to the COVID regulations which apply at the time of use.

On the field the Springer in the junior play area was recently replaced, jointly funded by HCA, and the small A frame climber will be replaced in the coming weeks jointly funded by the Parish and Borough Councils. Work to fill potholes and puddles on the path over winter worked well, but the surface is not great for wheelchairs or prams. Work to improve that will also be under way in the coming weeks.

The Parish Council meets in Hilldale Village Hall. The next meeting is at 7.00 pm on Thursday 1st July – check the noticeboard for later dates in 2021. There is a 15 minute Public Forum so if there's something on your mind, go along and speak to the Councillors.

U3A

The U3A's based in Parbold & Newburgh and Mawdesley have been on-line only for the duration of the pandemic but are now beginning to open up. Have a look at their respective websites to see the wide range of topics each has available.

<https://u3asites.org.uk/parbold-newburgh/welcome>

<https://u3asites.org.uk/mawdesley/home>

FLOODING

Hopefully no one who receives the HCA newsletter has been flooded when we've had periods of prolonged and heavy rain. Blocked gullies [road drains] are a significant contributor to flooding of property – report them to: Lancashire County Council - www.lancashire.gov.uk/flooding/drains-and-sewers/;

If you are in immediate threat of flooding call 0345 988 1188.

POTHoles:

If you see one report it directly to Lancs CC using:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/roads-parking-and-travel/report-it/>

At present, LCC seems to be repairing potholes within a week or 2 of a report being sent in so get your reports in.

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MiYoga classes are at Hilldale Village Hall on Mondays at 7pm & Mawdesley Methodist Church on Thursdays at 7pm.

Please come and join me in releasing any tension, tightness or stress to those tired muscles and enjoy feeling relaxed after an hours lesson. Suitable for all levels, for both men and women, including 12+.

If you would like to attend please contact me on 07827 854353 or email maiyoga1@gmail.com. Booking is essential for Monday night class.



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