

Community News

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an information service from PACDG - the Presteigne Area Community Development Group

On behalf of PACDG (and with the support of the Keep Wales Tidy 'Tidy Towns' scheme) **Emma has organised an initial 'Keep Presteigne Tidy' litter-pick on Tuesday morning 4th July** starting at 9.15am and running till about 11.15/11.30am. The meeting point will be the Recycling Centre (opposite the Memorial Hall). Please confirm by email to emma.lilley@btinternet.com if you're able to come, and feel free to spread the word and encourage along your friends - the more the merrier, and the more pristine Presteigne will be! Emma will then be in touch with you about a week before with some practical stuff and health & safety info. Equipment will be provided.

A date for your Diary - Presteigne Carnival will be held on Saturday 15th July from midday. The Carnival procession of floats, fancy dress walkers & decorated bicycles will parade through our High Street to the Carnival Field at Went's Meadow where we will have an afternoon & evening of entertainment and fun for families & friends.

* The Welsh Axemen * Savage Skills Bike Stunt Display * Acrobats * Dog Show & Scurry * Sheep Shearing Display * Carnival Café * Football Tournament * Carnival Games * Delicious Local Foods * Bouncy Castle * Acrobats * Country Fayre Classes * Presteigne Pop Choir * Evening Music * Bar *
Would you, or if you are part of a charitable organisation, social club, activities club within Presteigne & Norton, be interested in being involved in any way with the Carnival? If so there are a number of ways you can support & be involved in making a great fun day for all.

Enter a float in the carnival (first prize £50) - **Be part of the parade** and enter the parade as a group of fancy dress walkers or on your bicycles, prizes to be won - **Have a stand** at the carnival advertising your organisation & services, perhaps sell items to raise money for your organisation/club - **Volunteer** or become part of the carnival committee to help with the preparations, be a steward for the parade, manning stalls on the day and pulling down on closure. It's a fun event to be part of! Contact: Debbie Davies, Chair of Presteigne Carnival Committee - 01544 267044 - 07766 152000. email: dbrhdvs6@aol.com. Facebook 'Presteigne Carnival 2017'

News from Kate & Rolly from the Dementia Friendship group....during Dementia Awareness Week, the Presteigne Dementia Friends group held two well-attended open events in the town. We have also recently held sessions with specific groups, including Slix Hairdressers, the Doctor's surgery, Girl Guides, Youth Club, the Baptist Church, and both schools. As well as raising awareness, these provide good spaces for folk to meet, share ideas/experiences & learn more about what is happening locally & in Powys. More sessions are booked in with local groups and we appreciate the positive response we have had.

If you have Dementia, or are caring for someone with Dementia, and are interested in joining informal self-help groups, for mutual support in a safe space where you can share your knowledge and concerns with people in a similar situation, please contact Rolly (260766) or Kate (267227).

PCC's new Leader Councillor Rosemarie Harris recently announced the membership of her new cabinet and their areas of responsibility. The cabinet is made up from the coalition of the Independent Group and Welsh Conservatives.

Leader: Cllr Rosemarie Harris - Deputy Leader & Finance: Cllr Aled Davies - Housing and Countryside Services: Cllr Jonathan Wilkinson - Education: Cllr Myfanwy Alexander - HR & Communications: Cllr James Evans - Adult Social Care: Cllr Stephen Hayes - Regeneration & Planning: Cllr Martin Weale - Highways: Cllr Liam Fitzpatrick - Children, Youth, Libraries and Leisure Services: Cllr Rachel Powell - Property & Waste: Cllr Phyl Davies

Did you spot the flowering of crocheted forget-me-nots around town during Dementia Awareness Week? The brains (and skill) behind them, Barbara Roberts, is organizing a Cup Cake Sale in aid of the Alzheimer's Society on **Saturday 17th June at the Farmers Arms**, from 10.30am to 2pm. If you would like to bake cakes for the sale, please contact Barbara (260774).

Community Access Defibrillators.....a Training session has been arranged for Monday 3rd July at 7pm. East Radnorshire Day Centre. No charge and all welcome. Training will be carried out by CARIAD, a Welsh Heart Charity. Community Access defibrillators and cabinets, provided via a grant application by the Town Council to the Big Lottery Awards for All Fund, are located at the Day Centre and John Beddoes School. They are sited on the outside of each building and can be accessed 24 hours/day. For more information contact the Clerk, Tracey Price on 01547 528575.

TONIGHT !!! Monday 12th June - Poetry in Presteigne features Isabel Palmer, Rebecca Bilkau and Rhiannon Hooson 7.30pm, The Radnorshire Arms £5 on the door (£2 students) 01544 267418

On Wednesday 14th June - a demonstration by Janet Davies "Down Your Way" for Presteigne & Borders Floral Arts Society at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. £5 visitors tel. 01547 529244 for info

On Thursday 15th June - "Storm South: The secrets behind the Falklands Conflict" - an illustrated talk by Roger Curtis on the 35th Anniversary of the Falklands War. 7.30pm at the East Radnorshire Day Centre. Tickets £8 until 14th June from Winnies - or on the door. Refreshments will be available. All proceeds to ERDC, Reg. Charity Number 1088491. Enquiries to 01544 262846

On Saturday 17th June - a Charity Garden Party for our local Air Ambulance at Treburvaugh House 3.30pm to 9.30pm. BBQ ~ LIVE CLASSICAL MUSIC ~ WINE TASTING ~ CHARITY AUCTION. Come and join us for a wonderful afternoon in the garden at Treburvaugh House near Knighton listening to live classical music with a chilled glass of wine and expertly produced and prepared food by David from Weobly Ash and Peter from the Ducks Nest. Mark from the Real Wine Company will be providing the wine plus an hourly wine tasting session. There will be soft drinks including Weobly Ash Apple Juice. Tickets are now available for £35 PP at the Ducks Nest 01544 598 090
Also on Saturday 17th June - Cupcakes and Coffee for the Alzheimer's Society in the Farmers Arms 10am to 2pm

And all day Saturday 17th June - Sheep Music presents CRAFTERNOON DELIGHT - children's workshops and crafts from Fetch Theatre Co., Panic Circus, Rooted Forest School, Zu Aerial and much more. 12 to 6pm Went's Meadow. Children £7 all day (incl. Fetch Theatre performance). Adults and <4s go free. Then in the evening CRAFTERDARK - 6 to 11pm - a night of music & dancing from Strange Attractor, The Redlands Palomino Co., & Presteigne Pop Choir. £12 (<18s £6, <4s free). Tickets from Winnies, No.46 Wine Bar, The Workhouse or email info@sheepmusic.co.uk

On Sunday 18th June - a concert in Knill Church 7pm with Pimms and cake - a medley from the musical library of David Humphreys, formerly of Knill Court, performed by Ruth Watson--oboe and Leila Basletic--organ. Admission by donation.

Wednesday 21st June - Charity Quiz Night @ The Bowls Club. General knowledge quiz at the Bowls Social Club (opp. Little Shop). Tables of 4. £2 pp. 7.30pm for 8pm start. Full bar and Win Big at Backwards Bingo. PROCEEDS TO THE CIRCLE (PNCS). Contact Terry on 07766 097600 or email presteignedogman@icloud.com

On Thursday 22 June - Mid Border Arts Annual General Meeting. Assembly Rooms, Market Hall Presteigne 8pm. Trustees' reports for the year 2016 -17 followed by an informal social event. Please join the MBA trustees and co-ordinator for a drink and chat about running Mid Border Arts and The Assembly Rooms, and share ideas and suggestions for the future. Everyone welcome.

On Saturday 24th June - Presteigne Harness Races returns to Broadheath Common. Licensed bar, bookmakers and refreshments on course. £8 incl. programme (<14s FREE). First race 1.30pm. Enquiries - Mike Lewis 01544 267018

If you have any questions on what's happening - or not happening - in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction - simply email pacdg@icloud.com. We're happy to help publicise community and charity activities and events (but only for events in the immediate Presteigne area) - mail pacdg@icloud.com. Feel free to tweet or forward this to others. If you would prefer not to receive further issues of the News, please email us with REMOVE and we'll immediately take you off the the distribution list.