

Community

News

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an information service from the Presteigne Area
Community Development Group PACDG

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** – or collar one of the Steering Committee in the street and tell us what's on your mind. You can also leave a written message at the Library for us – remember to include your name and a contact telephone number !

We're happy to help publicise community and charity activities and events (but only for events in the immediate Presteigne area) – **email pacdg@icloud.com**

CARNIVAL IS COMING ON SATURDAY.....

This is the Schedule for the day:

Fancy dress and floats assemble at John Beddoes school yard at 12 noon for judging. Carnival procession leaves the school at about 12.45 pm so should get to Went's Meadow between 1 and 1.15 pm. The Official Opening of Carnival by Deborah Moggach and crowning of the Carnival Queen is scheduled for 1.30 pm. The football tournament starts shortly after that, also registration for the Dog Show, with judging for Class 1 starting at 2.30 pm. The Dog Scurry (new item this year !) will run through the afternoon near to the Dog Ring. Hawkeye Falconry will give two flying displays at 2pm and 3.30pm. The Town Crier competition is at 3 pm (still looking for entrants for that !). Nicole et Martin will give a short performance at 2:30 pm, and their main 'Musicians of Bremen' show at 5 pm.

Then the evening has music from the John Beddoes school bands from 6pm, and Ish Kabibble from 9pm

See you there.....enjoy !!!!!

PACDG OPEN DAYS and MAYOR'S PRESENTATION.....a message from Maggie !

Thanks to all of you who made time to come along. It seems to have been a great success judging by the attendance, with well over 70 local residents crammed into the Youth Centre (The Old School) on the Thursday night. The lucky ones had chairs while the rest were standing anywhere they could find a space, even in the corridor outside.

They were treated to the launch of the first round of projects from the Community Action Plan by Maggie Taylor-Sanders (PACDG Chair), and an update from our Mayor James Tennant-Eyles on the history and future of local assets with regard to PCC's plans for them. The presentations were warmly received and many relevant questions were put to both speakers.

The following two days saw a steady stream of residents coming in to The Old School to find out what was going on and to offer their support for the different project themes, and hopefully we now have enough volunteers to get all six projects off the ground. Over fifty people signed in favour of the Community Hub proposal and to keep the Library open.

There was also an opportunity to offer general gifts to the community; these ranged from help with mending things, to time weeding pavements, to a donation of £100!

As a bit of fun, visitors posted orange balls into voting buckets for a Straw Poll expressing our support either for retaining some wildflower verges or keeping them all mown and tidy; the 'vote' being 67:7 in favour of the flowers.

Thanks are due to all who made it happen and to all those who came along and made it such a worthwhile event. If it passed you by, or you weren't able to be there, look at the PACDG pages on the Town Website to find out more about the projects, and the Town Council's pages to find out more about what's happening, or proposed, with the Hub and the Library, amongst other things - www.presteigne.org.uk/town-council

And of course gifts of time, skills or money to offer the Community can be donated at any time, just email pacdg@icloud.com.

The adopted PROJECT themes were: Dementia-Friendly Presteigne Green & Clean In and Around Presteigne Green & Community Energy: Producing and saving Playgrounds: "We'll just stick them in front of the TV shall we?"Community Re-cycling and Up-cycling Tourism: Promoting Presteigne area

TALKING OF RECYCLING, WAS YOUR 'PLASTICS & TINS BIN RETURNED UN-EMPTIED THIS MORNING WITH A POLITE NOTE & LEAFLET FROM POWYS CC ?

Maybe it had passed you by, as it did with me I have to confess, that PCC is now no longer able to collect and recycle plastic film from the kerbside. In fact that applies also to the plastics and cans container at the Bring Site (despite it still being labelled for plastic bags!). In addition to the usual plastic stuff listed on your PCC leaflet, stretchy film is now also a no-no. This includes carrier bags, cling film, bubble wrap, and food and veg plastic wrapping. Unfortunately this all now has to join crisp packets, polystyrene packaging, large plastic items, and plastics marked with the 3 and 6 recycling triangles, in your wheelie bin or purple plastic bags.

See the PCC website for more info www.powys.gov.uk/en/bins-rubbish-recycling.

DID YOU KNOW ?.....

There is free HEARING LOSS help available in Presteigne for those of you using NHS Hearing Aids. On the 4th Tuesday of every month, there is a FREE walk-in clinic at the Youth Centre in Hereford Street, between 1.30 and 3.30pm, where you can get new batteries, new ear mould tubing, cleaning and general advice on using the hearing aids, and advice on hearing loss in general. The next Clinic is on Tuesday 26th July - for further info call 02920 333034 or email paul.chappell@hearingloss.org.uk

.....and did you know that **The Judges Lodging exhibition "Our Favourite Things"** which started on 1st June is still on, Tuesday to Sunday 10am to 5pm. This super exhibition explores some highlights of Presteigne's local history collection and why we like them so much. Entry to the Exhibition is FREE (although normal charges apply to visit the period rooms). Tel. 01544 260650, email info@judgeslodging.org.uk or visit the website www.judgeslodging.org.uk

ROCKBRIDGE TEA PARTY FOR MACMILLAN NURSES..... the organisers have asked us to say a big thank you to everyone who attended the Tea Party on 25th June and gave their support - the event raised a stonking £1000 for Macmillan Nurses, which was an incredible achievement. Well done those who organised this event !

EVENTS IN THE PRESTEIGNE & NORTON AREA OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS.....

Friday 15th July - AGM of Presteigne & Norton Town Twinning Association. Meet 8pm at Ligné Gardens, Went's Meadow. Open to all PNTA members. Glass of wine. Any items for discussion can be emailed to bryandgale@aol.com

Friday 15th July - KADOS @ DISCOED. "Songs from the Shows" performed by the Kington Amateur Dramatic and Operatic Society, St Michael's Church, Discoed. £5 on the door.

Wednesday 27th July - AGM of Presteigne & Norton Community Support PNCS. Memorial Hall 2.30pm.
Everyone is cordially invited and a strawberry tea will be served afterwards.

Wednesday 27th July - MY BABY are back in Presteigne, appearing in a special Full Circle event at The Barn at Castle Ring, nr Beggars Bush LD8 2PB, with support from local DJ André Voiture Rouge. Tickets £7.50 from Courtyard Antiques. Tel. 01544 267163. Bar and snacks available. Limited parking so share a car, cycle, walk - but take a torch. If you've seen this super funky and talented Dutch Trio before then you will be there, and if you haven't - well don't miss it this time - irresistible !!

Saturday 30th July - "Crossing Borders" a jazz music evening with the very talented Simon Deeley Quartet. St Andrew's, Presteigne 7.30pm. £10 incl. glass of wine. Tickets from Winnie's.

Feel free to pass this on to friends in the area and ask them to let us know their email address so we can add them to the distribution. If you can help spread the word and publicise this on Facebook/Twitter as well that would be brilliant !

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