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## I'm dreaming of a **White Christmas**

Well it is that time of year again and yes the first mince pie of the season has graced my lips. Christmas has to be one of my favourite times of year and I do get rather giddy. The tree is up, Phil Spector's "A Christmas Gift For You" playing on the old Dansette record player and the log fire a crackling. Arrh life is good at Goose Green, what more could a girl want or wish for.

Christmas is a time to unwind, relax & spend time with my most precious family & friends after what has been a hectic year, a time to reflect and appreciate just how lucky we are and to spare a thought for those less fortunate in the world around us. My family & I would like to wish you all good health & happiness for 2016.

The last issue has prompted a few unhappy villagers and I wish to make a public apology to whom it may concern. It is not my intent to upset or cause any ill feeling amongst my readers. As the editor it is, as you can imagine a difficult task to put

everything together as an informative community magazine, covering off all local events and happening within our village. I try to cover all event and report their achievements to the best of my ability. Sometimes I get some of the information wrong an cut peoples articles short due to space restrictions .As an editor I try to make the most constructive choices and cover content which I think you all will want to know.

Please see my apologies to all concerned in the WI article on page 19. Please feel free to voice your opinions and let me know what you want to read. I will be only to willing to accept any direction from our community. You can also keep up to date with up & coming event via our village website so please take a look & check it out [www.mottramstandrew.com](http://www.mottramstandrew.com)



*Claire x*

# Tis the season to be jolly

# **C**hairman's Report

By Bill Pilkington



## **Parish Council**

### **CHESHIRE EAST LOCAL PLAN**

The Inspector has resumed his examination of the Local Plan and the revised timetable is as below.

Mid December. The Inspector will issue his further interim views.

February 2016. Cheshire East will publish the proposed changes for public consultation.

Mid 2016. The Inspector will resume his hearings.

Late summer 2016. Main modifications to be published for public consultation.

Late 2016. Inspector will issue his final report.

Late 2016 / Early 2017. Cheshire East will adopt the plan.

Whilst all of the above is going on more and more papers are being delivered to Parish Councils for consideration and early responses are required all of which are very time consuming.

### **HIGHWAYS**

Our proposals are for improvements to the sighting exiting Mill Lane and Woodford Lane and also improvements to

where school children wait in Newton in the mornings for the school bus. These will be discussed at the next Highways meeting in December and we shall be pressing for action especially regarding the provision of a safe waiting area for the school children.

### **BROADBAND.**

Various members of the Parish Council and members of the "broadband working group" attended the event organised by Connecting Cheshire at Alderley Park to ascertain what progress is being made in providing the village with an improved broadband speed. Currently as you will all know it is pretty abysmal. It became clear from this meeting that funding is still available from the initial planned roll out of broadband in Cheshire and we have requested that our village be allocated some of this money to provide us with an improved connection.

Several of us also attended an event in Gawsworth where "Vispa" demonstrated their wireless broadband system that can provide up to 60Mbps now at a monthly cost of £29.95 per property. The company is based in Wythenshawe near to Manchester Airport and they

believe that they can stream a broadband signal from there to us in Mottram St Andrew. One of their representatives will be visiting the village shortly to carry out some tests to verify this. It may be necessary to have a repeater mast located on a high spot in the village to cover all areas. It is the intention to post leaflets to all properties in the village or place copies in this issue of the Mercury. If anyone is interested they can register an interest with Vispa without committing to purchase broadband from them. The more people who register will help in getting them to carry out an assessment in the village.

At a later date when BT get round to providing a fibre connection to the village then people can switch back to BT if they want to.

**FINANCE.**

You will all be pleased to note that the Parish Councillors at their last meeting decided that the village precept will remain unchanged at £7,000. They also agreed that the allotment rents will remain the same for next year.

**EMERGENCY PLAN.**

This will need to be updated at next year's Annual General Parish meeting.

**REMEMBRANCE SERVICE.**

I was pleased to see so many of you at this year's Remembrance Service held in the chapel in Priest Lane, led by the Reverend Ben Clowes, when we remembered the 23 men from our small village community who gave their lives on behalf of their country during the First and Second World Wars.

Merry Christmas to all our community from all the members of the Parish Council. Wishing you a good health & a prosperous 2016.

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# Clerk's Report

By Ron Taylor



The main topic occupying the time of the Council and its Councillors, at present, is the provision of Superfast Broadband to the community to ensure that we are not left behind any further as the rest of the Country is served. I suspect that a significant part of this magazine will be dedicated to enlisting support for the Council's and the support groups efforts to expedite the availability of this service which has now been recognised as a utility that every household should enjoy. Council has promoted the Village to a wireless broadband supplier who can provide an efficient superfast connection relatively quickly and to further encourage their resolve to offer the service to Mottram St. Andrew the Council needs your support to register an interest with the Company VISPA. How to do this is set out in other articles this month and is very easy to do and carries no obligation at all.

The absence of superfast broadband in the area affects us all whether we are regular users of the internet in all its numerous forms or in fact don't even have a

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computer. All our houses of whatever size will be valued less when they are going to be sold or mortgaged if they are located in an area that does not have basic services including superfast broadband. Therefore all of us should be interested in a service being available which will give the Village a very efficient connection whether we intend to use it or not. The service we have now is quite frankly mundane and is not considered a service at all. Therefore we should all be registering an interest in the wireless connection being proposed by VISPA.

The Village website can however be visited intermittently at [www.mottramstandrew.com](http://www.mottramstandrew.com) and for any resident who has not seen it yet, take a look, I think you might like it. The Council is receptive to any suggestions as to content to be included or for ways the web site can be used to enhance our community and involve our residents more in local events and matters of concern. This is the last report from me this year and may I take the chance to wish anyone who reads this before the festivities commence, a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous and contented New Year.



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# Metho**d**ist Church



By Ian Wright

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We begin this article with a big thank you to cover a multitude of things to be thankful about. Our first thanks go to Jill Hillary whose organizational skills enabled the chapel to benefit from a donation of £1,862, following the terrifically well supported 'Evening with Adam Partridge' back at the end of September. This in turn enabled the fitting of new carpets and vinyl floor covering throughout the chapel with less demand on the finite resources of our current bank account.

Unfortunately the new carpeting didn't arrive in time for the wedding of Robert Gee and Andrea Gail Hopkins which took place on the 26<sup>th</sup> September but the chapel still looked spic and span with its own very welcoming atmosphere ready and waiting. By request it was a quiet and unpublicised ceremony and a surprise to many, even the guests who attended on the day. Thankfully all went smoothly however and we continue to send our Best Wishes to the newlyweds!

The Circuit to which Mottram Church belongs celebrated a 'Circuit Prayer Day' over the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> October during which the distances between each of the eight churches were walked; on the Saturday from Plumley to Mottram via Knutsford, Longridge, Mobberley and Alderley Edge, then on Sunday from Mottram to Over Peover via Snelson as a way of demonstrating the connectivity of our various congregations and encouraging mutual respect and cooperation. Several intrepid souls managed the whole distance with others joining in as their age and fitness level allowed.

A few weeks later on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November the church was full for our annual **Remembrance Service** as we met to remember those from our own community who served and lost their lives in both World Wars. As last year we were led into the two minute silence at 11am by the unmistakable sound of the bugle ably played by Karen Robinson. Thanks too to Bill Pilkington who read out the list of names in his capacity as Chairman of the Parish Council and to Councillor Angela Philpot who laid the

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remembrance wreath by the memorial. The Mottram St Andrew Brownies and Guides also paraded with their flags and were an important part of the service and we thank them for this and for the cakes they brought with them as they assisted in the serving of refreshments when the service was over.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November found us at the Village Hall for a Christmas Fair which was encouragingly well supported and thanks alone hardly seem adequate to show our appreciation of the musicians of the Over Alderley Band and the singers of the Kookaburra's, Mottram's own singing group who entertained us admirably during the afternoon. The soup and crusty bread lunch went down well and altogether it was an enjoyable and encouraging event and our thanks go out again to all who helped and supported us. The afternoon raised £775 for the ongoing support and upkeep of the church here in Mottram.

The Service on the following day, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November included a dedication of this year's contribution to the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox appeal and our thanks to everyone who gifted boxes, items for same and

financial support to make this appeal successful. Quite a number of token boxes were on display at the front of the church and even more waiting in the background, all of which are destined to bring some happiness to their recipients at Christmas. Our thanks and appreciation is also due to Sheila Cavanagh and her assistants who give so much time and support to this appeal on behalf of our village and see the collected boxes safely on their way.

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November we had another heartfelt reason for remembrance as family and friends filled the chapel to overflowing to say their last goodbyes to Gail Ann Rowbotham who sadly and unexpectedly passed away on the 29<sup>th</sup> October at the age of 39. This was a devastating shock to both family and friends and the service, led by Rev Ben Clowes, was a fitting tribute to her life and to the love and care she showed to so many people. Mottram was always her spiritual home and she spent many years here, particularly at the school where she was at one time a pupil and later a well loved assistant teacher for even longer. She left many happy memories for so many people and our prayers and condolences continue to

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reach out to those who knew her best.

For many people in similar circumstances Christmas is not the happy occasion the advertisers would have us believe, but in our church life we look beyond the glitter and commercialisation to something far more profound; and within this is hope for a brighter tomorrow. As we approach this season we do so with reverence for what is past and the message of Christmas which is the same as it has always been for two thousand years or more; a continuing and relevant story that can still speak to us today if we look carefully beyond the superficial.

This year we begin our own Christmas celebrations with an evening with the **Macclesfield Salvation Army Band** which takes place on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** at **7.30pm**. This is always an uplifting event and a chance to show hospitality to our friends from Macclesfield as we share the evening with them. We have also continued to collect tinned and packaged food items for their distribution initiative in the Macclesfield area and hope to be able to send some more seasonal produce back with members of the band. If you can

contribute to this in any way we would be more than pleased to receive any gift you are able to give to add to that already collected.

Our **Family Carol Service** and **Christingle** takes place on **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December** at our usual service time of **9.30am** and on **Monday evening 21<sup>st</sup> December** we meet at **6pm** at the church for our evening of **Community Carol Singing** around the centre of the Village. If the weather is really bad (and here we mean 'Really!') we will retreat to the shelter of the church but it will have to be really bad to discourage our hardy 'regulars' from singing in the great outdoors! In any event we will be in the chapel afterwards for a warm drink and mince pies as we usually do to round off the evening.

**Christmas Eve** follows on **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>**, with a Service at **6.30pm** followed by a **Christmas Day Service** at **10am** both services led by Rev Ben Clowes. If you can join with us on any or all of these occasions please do, you will be very welcome.

Looking ahead to the beginning of 2016, there will be **no Service** at

Mottram on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January** as we share our annual **Covenant Service** with Alderley Edge Methodist Church at **10.30am** to enable Ben to be with us all before he starts his long awaited sabbatical the following day. Following later in the month our **121<sup>st</sup> Chapel Anniversary Service** takes place on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January** at our more usual time of **9.30am** and this year will be led by Mr David James from Knutsford.

Finally, as always at this time of year, from all at the chapel we wish you our very Best Wishes for Christmas and the New Year to come.



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**A huge THANK YOU to our community**

I would personally like to thank all who supported us by filling a shoe box or giving gifts of toys, toiletries, teddies etc and the ladies who knitted hats & gloves. People generously gave cash to buy extras for each box and sweats where provided by the Mottram village club. Without you all we would not have achieved what we did and we are so very grateful to you all.

We have sent 180 boxes which will be distributed to children of all ages in many countries abroad who have nothing and are greatly in need of such items. It shows that we are a caring nation and gives hope. If you get a minute check out some of the wonderful videos of the children, opening up their surprise box of gifts, it really puts life into perspective and makes us remember just how fortunate we all are.

These children are truly in need of such gifts Happy Christmas to them all, they are very much in our thoughts.

<https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/occ-videos/>

Thank you to everyone who helped organise and prepare the boxes.



By Sheila Cavanagh



# Singing For Fun Kookaburras

By Ann Readman

The 'natural voice' singing group goes from strength to strength, gaining new members and continuing to grow our repertoire of rounds and short harmony songs – learned by ear with no need for music-reading ability or auditions. We do it for our own enjoyment rather than for performances. Thanks to all who participate for their good humour, musicality and fun-loving approach.

Dates for 2016 are now agreed as follows and are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month:

Jan 11, Feb 8, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, Sept 12, Oct 10, Nov 14, Dec 12.

Please come along to listen if you are interested to see how it works and what sort of songs we sing. The material is mostly learned from professional natural voice teacher Faith Watson who runs 'Singing for Larks' based in Manchester. Faith encouraged me to set the group up and has been supporting me ever since. The songs are a varied mixture from a repertoire of compositions/traditional songs arranged for acapella groups.

There are nonsense songs, swing melodies, songs from different countries, all too various to categorise accurately - many of which you may not be familiar with, but all of which have a good tune, lovely harmonies and an uplifting aftertaste!

We meet once a month from 7.30 to 9.30 pm in the Methodist Chapel, Mottram. No need to bring anything except an open mind, a sense of humour, a love of singing and a drink to whet your whistle. The cost is £3 and is used to cover the cost of hiring the Chapel.





## Mottram St. Andrew Primary Academy

### Head Teacher's Report

By Chris Bowen

The children and staff of Mottram St Andrew Primary Academy are loving our Autumn Term. We are as busy as ever with lots going on ensuring that the children enjoy their learning and take every opportunity offered to them. We have welcomed many prospective parents in the last few weeks to have a tour of the school and to get a feel for life at Mottram. We are always delighted with the positive comments we invariably receive. If you know of someone who might like a place in the Reception class for next September tell them to get in touch as the closing date for applications is the middle of January. We also have some places available in other classes so do encourage people to telephone to enquire about the latest position. We take children from a wide area so they well get in even if they do not live close to the village.

Just before half term we had a lovely day for our Sponsored Walk in aid of Dennegeur Primary School in the Western Cape,

South Africa raising £1000 which all goes to the school. It was nice to be able to let our children experience Autumn in the lovely countryside around Mottram and up on The Edge. The staff and children at Dennegeur really appreciate our efforts. We are, of course, hurtling towards Christmas, always a special time in school.

Last week the children performed some carols and other items to a packed audience of Villagers and Grandparents. The event always gets our Christmas activities underway in school. The hall was decorated the evening before and it was lovely to see the children's faces as they came in to school the next morning. Our Christmas Fair took place at the Village Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and was extremely popular and enjoyable.

The children in Reception, Y1 and Y2 are performing "Prickly Hay" for their Nativity this afternoon and tomorrow and we know that parents will love it! The singing is lovely and no doubt there will be some joyous moments as the children "perform". The older children will sing carols again in

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the Methodist Church on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm – all are welcome.



Of course, there are the usual parties to look forward to when we hope Santa will visit.

Follow us on @Mottram\_Academy to keep up to date with our news.

## Nursery

By Sam Mason

After a very difficult term for the nursey itself the staff and the children have been very busy and have taken part in many fun, exciting and active learning activities. Our termly topic has been the world of Beatrix Potter and we have had lots of fun reading the stories of Peter Rabbit and his friends. We have explored friendship, country life, animals and the garden. This topic has also been incorporated on our Woody Walkers. Peter, Lily and Benjamin have joined us on our adventures and have taught us

about nature – exploring rabbit holes, searching for animal tracks and playing hide and seek!

The wet weather hasn't damped our Woody Walkers spirits over this term. On the story tree a magical fairy door appeared and a tiny key was found amongst the leaves. The children have come up with lots of different "magic" words to try and open the door, but we are yet to find the right one. We have also left some woodland food to try and tempt the fairies out to play; although they have eaten all of the yummy dishes we have made, we haven't managed to catch a glimpse of them yet!



The children have also made different music instruments from things they have found on the woodland floor in our little nursery milk bottles – they have made fantastic shakers! We have enjoyed going fishing in the huge puddle on the field. The children have suggested that the fish "Big

## **Nursery continued....**

Bad Barry” from Ben and Holly lives in there, although he didn’t take the bite! However, the most exciting event of this term has been what happened when we build a little den out of sticks by the story tree. The next week we discovered six colourful eggs had been laid! The children were amazed and came up with lots of different ideas as to who could have laid them from a unicorn, a multi-coloured chicken, a penguin or a dragon. We have made them safe and warm for over the Christmas holidays and we can’t wait to see what has hatched when we come back!

Both the children and staff had a fun filled day for Children in Need. We spent the day in our pyjamas, played lots of party games and ate some scrummy Pudsey cakes! The prize for the best pyjamas definitely went to Julie who borrowed Nana’s nightie!

Our parents meeting week in the middle of November was a great success. Parents arranged a short time with their child’s key worker to talk about what they have been up to at nursery and have a look through their preschool workbooks. We have also held “Dad’s Week” at the beginning of the month which

they children thoroughly enjoyed. The week provided the opportunities for Dad’s and Grandad’s to come into nursery, have a play and read their favourite story.

With the village hall Christmas tree up we are now all feeling very festive at nursery. The children have been busy making Christmas cards to take home, plus lots of other Christmas crafts, including some beautiful clay decorations for our Christmas trees at home. Currently the children are practising hard for our Christmas Nativity performance. We are very excited to be singing for all of our families! On the 18<sup>th</sup> December we will be fundraising for Save the Children as all children, staff and visitors to our Christmas performance are invited to wear their Christmas jumpers with pride and make a woolly worthy donation to a special cause while also helping to make our nativity day event more festive!

As Foundation Nursery Schools move into the new year we are looking forward to a rewarding and exciting 2016 for all.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year from all the team!

# Brownies

By Katy Hatton

## 1st MSA Brownies

We have been working on the autumn season's badge, making fruit hedgehogs, Apple crumbles and pies with the WI ladies, star gazing, collecting nature objects and making sock dormice. We had a lovely autumn bonfire, enjoying soup, hot dogs and cakes while singing camp fire songs.

Brownies attended the remembrance service in the Methodist chapel and provided everyone with homemade cakes. Almost every Brownies has gained her hostess badge so we are very experienced at looking after guests.

We divided into three groups to work on healthy heart, toy makers and world issue interest badges.

Plans are now being made for our Christmas party and Christmas craft evenings.

We meet in the village hall on Tuesdays 5 - 6.30 p.m.

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# Guides

By Katy Hatton

## 1st MSA Guides

Letitia and Amelia have completed all their challenges for their Baden Powell award.... Well done girls.

The patrols are going on a travel challenge.... Seeing how far they can go with £5. The Dolphins are off to the Birmingham Christmas market, polar bears to York and the penguins to Liverpool for the day.

The guides helped at the chapel Christmas fair and on bonfire night.

We had a make up evening with two experts showing the girls how to use different products and how to keep their skin clean and healthy.

We had a lovely spices and herbs evening with Sarah who taught us which seasonings to use when cooking.

Most guides have completed the wellie challenge badge this term.

We meet in the village hall on Fridays, 6-7.30

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# Women's Institute

By Gwynneth Littleton

At the November Meeting Rosemary Norbury thanked the Committee for the support and friendship. It was an atmosphere of caring which permeates the W. I. at Mottram and Margaret and Beryl, the tellers from Over Alderley, efficiently did the overseeing of the voting so that our new committee could continue the planning for next year.

October had heralded a superb evening with Brian Greene who took us through some of the best musicals ever. It was fascinating to learn the history and background from Showboat, 1927, to Oklahoma brightening the war years and after 1943 to 1948. Interesting too to be told that actresses like Deborah Kerr (King and I) could not always sing and there were some brilliant singers in the background. I was not entirely sure that I wanted daylight on this magic. There was nevertheless "a bright golden haze" on the evening and we could "have danced all night" and "climbed every mountain" we were so transported.

Anne Wilson guided us through the important issues at the

November meeting and we were reminded that shoe boxes were being prepared. We were told of the Bazaar at Mottram on 14<sup>th</sup> November and were prompted to bring things for the Salvation Army.. Earlier the Financial statement had been presented by Liz Dunbar and been accepted. We were reminded by Anne Wilson of all that had happened in the centenary year and the bowling team relived their great victory of winning the cup!

Brian Hallworth then gave a talk entitled In The Bleak Midwinter tracing the images of Christmas from Dutch paintings through to Sir Henry Cole and the Christmas card. Fifty million crackers are sold every year.

It seemed very appropriate to end by planning our own Christmas lunch and party. The festive season had begun and seemed far from bleak.



## Appologies .....



**Ann Forbes with the cups won, from this year's Horticultural show Winner WI Cup & R H Gardom Cup**

I must apologise for my blunder as editor and hope that I have not upset too many people. In last Months Mercury I made a mistake & attached the wrong photo in my coverage of the Horticultural Show centre page spread. The Winner of the WI Cup (most points in the WI classes) was in fact Ann Forbes, so sorry Ann, hope I have put my wrongs to rights.

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## Wednesday Club

By Joan Williams

Hello again everyone, I hope you are all keeping well as possible. One or two of our group have not been very well and we wish them a speedy recovery.

We were treated to afternoon tea made by the ladies of Mottram WI and what a fabulous spread it was

and so lovingly presented. Thank you so much ladies it was much appreciated.

On Wednesday 18th Nov we were entertained by Mr Geff Beard who brought his keyboard in and we all had a really lovely afternoon singing songs. Some were old, some were new and some were neglected ones but all of them made us feel better.

For our christmas lunch on 16th December we have chosen to go to Stannylands hotel. We went last year and we were treated really well. The food was excellent, the room perfect and the service was second to none.

As we approach the end of another year and on behalf of us all in our group may I say a big thank you to our two Margarets who both share the title of Chairperson, to Sheila who is in charge of our membership and raffle tickets and of course not forgetting Maureen who supplies us with tea, coffee, cakes & biscuits. What would we do without you!

Well folks we are on the cusp of that special time of year and on behalf of the Wednesday group may I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a healthy, peaceful New Year.

# Social Club

By Mick Shaw

It has been a very busy couple of months (and I haven't said that for a while) starting with our fantastic charity Hog Roast in October. We all had a brilliant night with Tumblin Dice rocking the night away, a cracking hog roast and made £800.50 for the North West Air Ambulance charity. Thank you to all who helped set up, clear up, sold tickets and manned the door, provided salads or deserts, donated raffle prizes or money, to Victor Crawford for his talk on NWAA and to all of you who enjoyed the evening so much.

This was swiftly followed by bonfire night which was a great success this year. The weather was kind eventually and we had a spectacular and safe display. Thank you to the bonfire builders: Nigel, Chris, Paul, Steve, Eric, Alan, Malc and Mick. A massive thank you to Keith for staying to help with the fireworks display when he should have been elsewhere, also to Syd and Mick. Huge thanks to the Nursery School for again making the wonderful Guy. Thanks to Sid for his brilliant light, Steve, Eric and Don for running the gate, Katy and helpers for the tuck shop, to Louise, Sue, Sara and Debs for keeping your drinks flowing and

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finally Sheila and Mottram Academy for ticket sales.

## Forthcoming Events

Our next major event is the Christmas Club Extravaganza on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 7.30pm. This event is always a sell out and this year we have entertainment by Audry M, singer comedienne. Rachel Gate will be cooking up a fantastic spread for us again this year.

Next Curry Night will be Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016 from 7.30pm. Ensure your name is on the list by the Tuesday before to avoid disappointment. The Club is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings from 8pm and you would be most welcome to join us.

## Christmas Opening Times:

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 8pm

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December 8pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December 12 noon to 1.30pm

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> December 8pm

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> December Closed

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January Closed

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 8pm

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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# Bowling Club

By Phillis Kennerley



We have had rather a mixed season this year, having both highs & lows. In the Macclesfield League, the A team has finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in Div 2 so has been promoted to Div 1. This has been received with mixed feelings as we hoped to finish 3<sup>rd</sup> so we would be in the money but not promoted. We got our maths a bit wrong and missed out by 24 points. We have moved up to Div 1 twice before and we are not overly excited as it is a real learning curve.

The B team finished 10<sup>th</sup> in Div 2 and the C team 8<sup>th</sup> in the Div 3. The D team unfortunately got relegated to the 4<sup>th</sup> Div next season. The Vets went up to Div 1 last season but found the heat too hot in the kitchen and are going back to Div 2! Both the A & B mixed teams have struggled all season and both are being relegated, must do better!

I must mention that this year we have had several members who missed large chunks of the season through ill health or injuries and of course holiday. This resulted in many C & D players playing for the A & B teams therefore playing extra games and we do thank them for stepping up to the mark.

Alice organises our Cup competitions which are run usually on Sunday afternoons. Different members help her but of course Alice is in charge and does an extremely good job so Thank you Alice for all your hard work. The cup winners are as follows:

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**The Briar Cup Winner** - Brian Slater

**Runner up** - Tony Brod

**Ladies Cup Winner** - Margaret Oakes

**Runner up** - Ruth Potts

**Teds Two's Winners** - Beryl Bayley & Tony Bird

**Runners up** - Betty Wood & Graham Holt

**Reg Gardom Cup Winner**- Margaret Oakes

**Runner Up** - Rose Simpson

**Cav Cup Winner** - Beryl Bayley

**Runner up** - Derek Rathbone

**Pairs Cup Winners** - Marion Oates & Graham Holt

**Runners up** - Margaret Oakes & Lawrie Oates

**Scott Cup Winner** - Malc Eley

**Runner up** - Margaret Oakes

Well done to all the winners and to all who entered the various competitions. A big thank you for the lovely tea we all enjoyed afterwards. The sun on your back, an interesting game of bowls, good company, and a tasty tea, it is a great afternoon enjoyed by all.

We have had one or two new players this season who have settled in well to the club but we are always looking for more players so do come along if you would like to have a go. Our AGM was held on Dec the 4<sup>th</sup> where we put this season to bed and we look forward to getting ready for 2016.



# H igh Speed Broadband

By Roger White

## **High Speed Broadband**

After a few quiet months, there has been a flurry of recent announcements and events. With the Government promising action on broadband not-spots, updated project plans from Connecting Cheshire and two events showcasing different approaches, it has been a busy few weeks on broadband matters.

It seems inevitable that these things fall between issues of the Mercury so that there is little opportunity to pass on information about upcoming events. Information is being posted on the village website and also sent out to the village email distribution list in an attempt to reach as many people as possible. If you did not receive an email about the two events, please let Michelle Blakeborough ([MSAMercury@btinternet.com](mailto:MSAMercury@btinternet.com)) have your email address so that it can be added to the distribution list.

## **Government Announcement**

David Cameron recently announced [1] that the Government intends to make it a legal right to demand 10Mbps

broadband anywhere in the country, stating that decent access to the Internet is absolutely fundamental to life in 21st century Britain.

However, this seems to be largely based on the assumption that all the hard-to-reach places are out in the wilderness and miles from anywhere. Here, satellite broadband is an obvious solution, but it is expensive and has severe limitations for applications such as Internet telephony (VoIP). It is not going to be a good solution for communities like ours.

Whilst 10Mbps may be sufficient to stream a TV programme (just one, as long as you are not doing anything else), it is not adequate for a “knowledge worker” in today's business environment or tomorrow's Northern Powerhouse.

So, in five years time, you may be able to demand a connection at a speed which is today considered slow in the towns and cities. I am sorry, Messrs Cameron and Vaizey, we need better than this.

### Connecting Cheshire

Connecting Cheshire has published new coverage maps[2] incorporating the Phase 2 plans. However, before you get too excited, we already know that we are out of scope for Phase 2 and therefore don't expect any changes.

As previously discussed, the maps are very misleading. Connecting Cheshire has confirmed that the maps continue to use the same basis as earlier versions, whereby any post-code connected to fibre enabled equipment is deemed to have fibre services. There is no consideration of the distance between the premises and the equipment (our major problem).

So, the maps can show that a fibre service is available, but the distance means that it is not available. If you use the maps, do so with caution and a pinch of salt!

Connecting Cheshire is to reinvest a £3.4 million rebate payment from BT. This money results from take-up of superfast services in Phase 1 exceeding the

“commercial” threshold and is a claw-back of the public funding. The Parish Council is lobbying Connecting Cheshire for part of that rebate to be spent to improve services in the village, which has yet to see any benefit from the Phase 1 or Phase 2 plans.

Connecting Cheshire has previously stated that they will need to consider where they can spend the money in the most effective way (maximum number of premises). We shall have to see whether our “difficult” situation (commercially, not technically) rules us out on the basis of cost per household. However, independent analysis [3] suggests that we might not be at the front of queue.

### Fixed Wireless

On 31 October, Gawsworth Parish Council held an open rural broadband event. This was organised by Gawsworth councillor Matthew Hartley in conjunction with wireless broadband provider Vispa [4] to demonstrate the capabilities of a fixed wireless solution.

## **Broadband continued....**

A temporary 145Mbps wireless connection had been set up from Vispa's office in Wythenshawe, via a mast on Sutton Common, to the Scout Hall in Gawsworth. This allowed visitors to see that the service that is being proposed for Gawsworth is real and achievable.

At the event, there were televisions streaming 4k Ultra-HD and normal HD programmes along with a number of PCs available for other uses. All the more impressive, considering that the relay mast on Sutton Common was a temporary rig using a few scaffold poles on the back of a van! Further details of the event can be found on Matthew's website[5], including a picture of the temporary mast (top right).

I know some of you managed to get to Gawsworth to see what can be achieved with a little imagination and limited expenditure. I hope you were impressed and enthused by what you saw. You must have been, as some of you have already registered interest via the Vispa website!

As a result of those initial expressions of interest, Mottram St Andrew has been flagged up to Vispa for further investigation. Vispa is starting to engage with the Parish Council and is beginning to look for candidate sites for a small mast (typically about 9 metres high). This will need a clear line of sight to Vispa's office (close to the airport), preferably on high ground so that houses in the village can get the best possible signal.

Further expressions of interest are required before any detailed planning and installation can begin. You may have received a Vispa leaflet, distributed on behalf of the Parish Council. If not, there is an electronic version on Matthew's website[6]. Please take a look at this and register your interest if you want a better broadband service. You are not committing yourself to anything at this time.

## **Towards 100% fibre**

Connecting Cheshire and BT held a seminar on 6 November to

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present their plans for Phase 2 of the fibre rollout and beyond. The presentation slides can be found on the Connecting Cheshire website[7].

We already knew that we are not in scope for Phase 2 (despite what is shown on the coverage maps), so there were no great surprises there. Whilst there was some talk of the funding rebate and of future technologies (e.g. G.Fast), it was always in terms of aims and “nearly” 100% coverage, with limited satellite services for “hard to reach” areas.

There seemed to be little consideration of communities like ours, where the difficulties are not technical but commercial. Satellite broadband may be a valid option for really remote areas where you have miles of open land to cover, but that isn't the case for us. It is primarily the fragmented telephone infrastructure that is driving up our costs, not the distances, as any solution would need to be repeated for each of the exchanges. Rationalising the telephone connections

to a single exchange does not seem to feature anywhere in the discussion.

Despite that the fact that even satellite service providers will say that satellite broadband is the last resort (after landline, fixed wireless and mobile wireless), little attention was given to wireless solutions such as Vispa. Connecting Cheshire is happy to support from the sidelines, but does not seem to want to actively engage in the solution.

None of the presentations engendered any feeling of optimism for a timely solution. We can lobby for funding from the “Gainshare” rebate, but we already know how expensive BT think it will be bring superfast broadband to the village. Funding will be allocated based on the best value for money (cost per property), so we might not be successful.

Beyond that, it will be case of waiting for Phase 3 to begin after 2017 (assuming that there is a Phase 3!). Technology improvements may help, but we

## **Broadband continued....**

are still likely to require several miles of new duct and cabling to be installed (a major cost factor). I suspect it will be some years before we see fibre laid close enough to the village to give a super-fast service.



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Or, if you want a better broadband service now, you can register interest in the Vispa service. With sufficient interest, this could deliver a high-speed service in the very near future. Already there have been sufficient registrations for the village to appear on Vispa's radar and investigations are beginning to identify possible sites for a mast.

I urge you to register interest with Vispa. This is not committing you to anything at this stage, but with enough interest we can bring a connection to the village so that you have the option of a better service.

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Do it NOW! Don't leave it for later, when it might get forgotten. Don't let apathy condemn the village to being left further and further behind the rest of the country. It will only take a couple of minutes to register and is probably the only way we will see a high speed broadband service in the village within the next five years.

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# Village Hall

By Steve Hatton



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### Pilates

Wednesdays 12-30 - 1.30 in the lounge.

This is a very healthy group of 15 men and ladies. Do come along and join us. The first lesson is free. Our instructor, Heidi is excellent.

### Toddler and parent/career group

Mondays 10.30 - 12 noon. In the lounge area.

This has developed into a lovely friendly group. We have 16 children on our register with an average of 8- 10 children each week. Among the carers there are five sets of grandparents. Among the children, three sets of twins!

### Walking Group

A few people have indicated their interest in forming a walking group. We therefore intend having a meeting in January to set this group up.

If you are interested in joining please let me know.

[steveandkatyh@gmail.com](mailto:steveandkatyh@gmail.com).

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We had a very successful bonfire night with a huge bonfire, an impressive fireworks display and a good turnout of visitors around 400 spectators. Thanks to all the people who volunteered to build the bonfire, manage the display and prepare the hall, bar, stalls etc



### Future Events 2016

We are planning another Royal event within our community this summer to mark The Queen's 90th birthday on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2016. This event will be similar to the Queens Diamond Jubilee event that we held in the summer of 2012. We are looking for people to get involved in our community to help organise the celebrations and bring everyone together again in a family fun filled day. If you can help in any way at all please get in touch with Katy Hatton or Mike Shaw.

**Letter to the Parents of the Foundation Nursery School**

Dear Parents,

The nursery school in its various forms has been supported by the MSA Trustees for 12 years. It has developed from being a small playgroup with 10 children for a couple of hours each day to the OFSTED regulated Foundation School that we have today. We now have a school educating 20 plus children occupying the main hall for almost the whole year. The hall was never designed to provide the full range of facilities that such a school would ideally have access to. As a result, a lot of compromises have had to be made on both sides, and in general that has been achieved.

Sam Mason informed the Trustees in 2014 that she had decided to try to find or build more suitable premises citing the many limitations of the present arrangement and explaining her vision to expand her business by offering longer hours and more services. We understood Sam's reasons and were happy to support her decision.

At the same time, we were reviewing the rental agreement that we have with the school. The rental had been based on

historical payments from when the school was much smaller. Sam had increased the rent as the hours had increased but we realised that we had no benchmark for what would be a market based rental for the hall. We had not had an increase in the last 5 years because the business appeared not to be able to pay one, yet our running costs go up every year (2/3rds of our energy costs occur during the day when the school is the main occupant) We commissioned a rental survey using an external company, and were advised of a fair market rent for the Hall of £22000 pa.

In our discussions with Sam we recognised that we were unlikely to achieve that level but made it clear that we needed to increase the rent to a more economic level of £14000 pa.

Sam proposed a maximum offer of £11000 pa, and we agreed that for 2016 with the requirement that we look again at the rental for 2016 and 2017 should her business still be based in the hall. (Given her plans to relocate as soon as a new building could be found, we did not expect that would occur). This agreement was made in July and Sam expressed her appreciation that we had been able to reach agreement.

## **Village Hall continued....**

In our October meeting, the Trustees encouraged Sam to make a proposal to build her new school on our field .We convened a special meeting along with the Parish Council to hear Sam's proposal. Whilst we recognised that there would be challenges to make that happen, we again demonstrated our willingness to support her.

We were shocked then to receive her e mail informing us that she had decided to close the school at short notice and that its last day of operation would be the 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015. We had no warning of this and were not given any opportunity to discuss alternatives.

Sam gave several reasons for the closure in her letter explaining that she was facing rising costs including workplace pensions, minimum wage, extended hour's entitlement and the rent increase amongst others, but that she had been unable to increase her income as some parents were unwilling to accept an increase in fees.

We have accepted Sam's decision to close the school but are concerned at the timing .Even if the business is no longer viable, the closure could have been delayed until the summer with

time to give notice to allow the parents and staff to make alternative arrangements.

The only part of the financial viability of the school that we influence is the rental. We pay all the costs of running the hall with no contribution from the School. Sam only pays for additional cleaning. We have immediately agreed to the proposal that was made in the petition sent to parents to reduce the rental to buy time for the school to remain open and allow Sam to look at whether she can continue her business going forward. Having accepted Sam's decision to close the school, we offered Sam a new agreement effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 at the rental level she requested. We hope that Sam is able to accept this offer and keep the school open at least until the summer.

Sam has stated that she needs at least an 18 month agreement at the reduced rental in order to continue the school even in the short term. We have considered this and are not prepared to agree to this condition.

Part of our responsibility is to be convinced that this business is viable in the long term. We are willing to have a nursery school in the hall for the future but the

business must be stable and it must balance the requirements of the school with the stated purpose of the hall which is as a base for village community activities.

The Trustees are content to hear proposals from Sam Mason for a viable future for the school , for which she is solely responsible . These need to be prepared and considered carefully, so that we do not end up with a similar crisis in the future.

We have made the compromise on the rent that we were asked to make. We now ask the parents to work with Sam Mason to keep the school open at least until the summer term.



**Mottram St. Andrew Village Hall**

A new Pilates daytime class is coming to the Village Hall from Wednesday 9th September at 12.30pm -1.30pm. These will be run by Heidi Cowan, a local pilates and fitness instructor, who is qualified in the teachings of Modern Pilates. The classes will be for persons of every level of fitness. All you will need to bring is a mat, if you have one, spares are available and wear comfortable gym style clothing.

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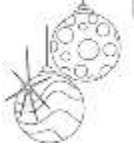
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# In The Field

By Ron Taylor



I thought I might do something positive to support George's idea of the Northern Power House and what better way to be constructive than a business start up in the heartlands of the North. The problem was to decide on a venture that would create employment, generate profits and provide scope for development with a view to the export as well as the home marketplace. The business would need to be attractive to Banks as finance would be required for start up costs and working capital. The product needs to be innovative, desirable, marketable and as far as possible new to the market place. .

I eventually stumbled on the idea of brown envelope production for the sporting and commercial world, the goods would need to be manufactured of resilient material to survive concealment where ever required including being totally waterproof to cope with outdoor assignments in inclement weather. The merchandise would need to be

adaptable enough to allow the customer to insert varying quantities depending on the seniority of the recipient or the reward anticipated as a result of the envelopes use. Our brown envelopes would be available in a comprehensive range of quality starting with the standard model which we intend to brand as the FIFA, this brown envelope would have a flexible gusset to facilitate the need for bulky contents and would be impregnated with UV protection factor 50 for use in hot countries. The customer will be able to arrange for over printing in any language as an integral part of the service with the object of assisting the purchasers goals. Our market research indicates that Russian, Qatari, and French may prove to be the most popular requests for this optional extra. The deluxe products in the range will include the Athletic and the Parliamentary both of which will be available in modern and reproduction format, the latter to remind us of the use of the brown envelope in years gone by. These items will also be available with matching accessories which will facilitate the inclusion , for example, of previously cleared urine samples or tickets to major sporting events which will be detachable for onward

transmission. The top of the range will offer a bespoke service to ensure that institutions that wish to include the procedure in their development can be accommodated. The brown envelopes will be offered with a free introductory offer of logo printing and can be fitted with a self destruct chip should this be specified. The need for the use of brown envelopes appears to be expanding and to cover this continuing trend the business will offer a Junior range, intended strictly for training purposes. The three legged race and selection for the school team is likely to change as our envelopes become more popular with the younger generation as news of their availability goes viral on facebook, twitter, instagram and linkedin.

The business will shortly launch a campaign to recruit volunteers to participate in field trials to be organised throughout the United Kingdom, candidates wishing to be included will need to have connections with individual members of governing bodies of any professional sport, political party or large financial institution. However, connections with any susceptible institution will of course be considered. The only significant additional qualification necessary for participation in the

proposed experiment will be the ability to provide your own contents to be placed in the brown envelopes to be used. Liability for failure or exposure as a result of actions taken to develop the product will rest with the participant as the company can take no responsibility for contents.

Our research team have been working closely with a number of International organisations and the house hold name leaders thereof to ensure that every effort has been made in the construction of the brown envelope to guarantee fitness for purpose. We will always be grateful to those who have given their time so generously in demonstrating the effective use of brown envelopes and advising on the pitfalls to be avoided in their manufacture and use. As a result of this research we have been able to identify a number of well known, if not respected, individuals who are interested in sponsoring our range and announcements will be made in the near future signalling a huge step forward in the company's development as to be associated with such world leaders of the practice of the bung and other technical refinements of the art is an unexpected boost. We were

## **In the field continued.....**

extremely surprised, though grateful for the contents, to receive an example of a competitor's product delivered to our premises by a representative of a world governing body and we have been able as a result to confirm that they will be our main sponsor for the 2016/17 season. We have of course assured them that confidentiality will be paramount and we will deny receipt of any brown envelopes other than from our own production line. Furthermore should there ever be an investigation of this incident by journalists working on behalf of a newspaper circulating on the Sabbath we will instruct the companies lawyers to issue a firm denial together with a public statement alleging a witch hunt instigated by the country last to lose a vote on an issue decided on by the said governing body and clearly motivated by a lack of sportsmanship. We recognise that we are not being particularly inventive in adopting this stance as it has become standard procedure in the brown envelope environment and has been used consistently for a considerable time.

Our research team have also been active in endeavouring to source areas where our brown

envelope company, to be known internationally as "Cheshire Brown Envelopes" can sponsor events to promote our merchandise worldwide. We have received somewhat surprisingly a firm rejection from the Brazilian government corruption encouragement department to our proposal to promote Rio de Janeiro as the venue for the Cheshire Brown Envelope Athletic event of 2016 and also from the Ethics avoidance committee at the Russian football association to sponsor the next world competition they are able to purchase as the Cheshire Brown Envelope human rights suppression Cup. We will however soon be able to disclose a significant deal with a small Arab country which we are currently unable to name, branding their new stadiums as the Cheshire Brown Envelopes Arenas. This announcement will be coordinated with a marketing campaign for our standard Brown Envelope emphasising the benefits of being able to use them for referees in temperatures above ninety degrees in the shade. We are also considering the development of a small brown envelope embossed with the country's logo for use to suppress legal actions being considered by

bereaved families as a result of loss sustained during the construction of various stadiums.

The Company is passionate about the promotion of the product range and is hopeful that the younger generation will follow the example being set by role models of today and will experiment with the procedure at home. Parents may welcome the approach of a brown envelope filled appropriately when deciding on the use of the T.V. remote or when deciding on the venue for next summers vacation. The possibilities are endless for the development of the procedure in the domestic environment.

Finally the Company, The author, The Mercury magazine and its Editor wish to make it quite clear that no brown envelopes have been used in the publishing of this article which in any event is purely fictitious. Any similarity to existing Organisations or individuals is purely coincidental, well nearly coincidental.



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	<b>9</b>				<b>3</b>			
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		<b>8</b>					<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>
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Please act responsibly and clean up after your dog.

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## **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

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