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Friday	10:30am - 11pm	12noon - 10pm
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The Parish Magazine of Mottram St. Andrew



Produced jointly by the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council

You will be please to know that my constant pestering has paid off, I knew after the cover image of last months Mercury went out my persuasive powers would work. Yes the Best Cheese & Onion pie in the world is now on the Winter menu at our local pub. I must admit I can be rather irritating can't I Andy when I put my mind to it. Thank you from one happy customer a delightful gastronomic treat to behold, truly delicious.



Life has been rather quite at Goose Green just the usual activities of farming life. As you all know Hatchfest took place again in September and it was nice to see some villagers attending and supporting a charity that is held especially dear to my family and to us all. A write up to follow in next months issue.

I continue to do my rounds, picking up litter, walking my dog mostly in the mud and doing my agility course, sorry military course over styles etc. that our local National Trust are putting in place. They have worked really hard on the local area improving footpaths which is very much appreciated but feel they could be a little more sympathetic to the fact that not everyman & beast are Olympic athletes!

Village life has been rather an eventful few months with lots of local events taking place over the summer months. The local

Horticultural show took place. An amazing extravaganza of local talent and a great community gathering of growers, creative talent and I hope that all who attended had a wonderful day. I unfortunately could not help or attend this year so missed out on all the beautiful displays, which was a disappointment. You can see in this edition just what a successful year it was for most. Well done everyone for all you efforts they are truly amazing.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to the younger generation of our community (Esme, Chloe & George) for their contributions to our community magazine in last months issue, writing some exciting articles of their adventures and dreams. It was lovely to share their photos and experiences . A great use of our United Charity funding in my personal view. It was also refreshing to see an injection of life bought into our little community rag mag. Good to see the next generation doing something positive and pushing their personal boundaries and embracing life.

On this point I will finish my ramblings and say one last thing. This magazine is about our community and for our community. In short, I ask for more people to share their stories, interests, experiences and make this little magazine something that you all want to read. I personally put a fair amount of effort into pulling this together, although it comes to you late most of the time! I hold my hands up, life has many challenges and fitting everything in can be difficult at times. Let's pull together on this. Your input would be gratefully received.

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

Claire x

Front cover image - Magnificent Beast ,Rural Life Photo taken by Mick Shaw.

At long last, after much petitioning of Cheshire East Highways by the Parish Council, the road gullies in the centre of the village have been cleaned and emptied. I cannot remember the last time that they were cleaned.

I spent some time with the gully emptying team during the two days that they were in the village and I was impressed with the work that they carried out. Several gullies and drains that were blocked have been dealt with and a record made on computer as to the works that were carried out and work still to be done. Details can be found on the Cheshire East web site.

It is just as well that the gullies were cleaned before the heavy rainfall and the water main burst in Wilmslow Old Road. Wilmslow Old Road looked like a river until the burst was attended to. In all four water leaks were noted during the gully cleaning.

On completion of the gully emptying, the roads were swept clean. Unfortunately mud was splattered all over the roads by the farmer harvesting the potatoes from the fields off Wilmslow Old Road and Alderley Road. However the harvesters came back and washed and swept all the roads clear of mud for which I thanked them. Hopefully United Utilities who are repairing the water leaks will do the same, especially outside Higher House Farm.

The numbers using the D&G Little Bus Community Transport are dropping off as the older ones who were using the service have left the village to be nearer doctors, dentists, shops etc. Therefore if

you want to ensure that this vital service continues after the planned cuts to bus subsidies, please sign up and use it. The service is free to those with a valid bus pass. If the service is lost it is unlikely to be replaced.

Likewise the numbers using the Mobile Library provided by Cheshire East are declining. We managed to retain the service at the last consultation, but if we want this service to continue then residents need to use it. It comes to the village every third week to the Crescent at 12.30 and stays for half an hour. It was at the Crescent today, Tuesday 10th October and will be here again on Tuesday 31st October.

Our next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 20th November in the Village Chapel in Priest Lane. The meeting commences at 6.30 pm and all residents are encouraged to attend. Time is set aside early on in the meeting to enable residents to raise any issues of concern. Please note that this is the only time that residents are allowed to speak unless agreed by the chairman.

One of the agenda items will be discussion on next year's budget and the setting of next year's precept.

The meeting will also give you the residents the opportunity to meet your new Parish Councillors.

Clarks Report

By Ron Taylor -Clark

I hope you all enjoyed the summer and that the weather will be kind to us as we start to turn our thoughts to Christmas and 2018, I am not sure if that is an uplifting or a depressing thought as the years continue to roll by at an ever increasing rate. The Parish Council meeting on the 18th September rolled by at a slower rate than normal and on occasions in an acrimonious vein as differing points of view became apparent between those who disturbed the peace of the Village and those who complained. That's probably enough said about the unpleasantness which proved to be quite a baptism for our two new Councillors who took up their seats that evening. Yvonne Dodd now represents Mottram St. Andrew Ward and Andrew Levis represents Newton Ward in a now fully constituted Council. I am sure you will all want to join with me to wish them well and to thank them for volunteering to serve our community. The Parish Council finances were considered and found to be in good order with the half yearly review and I am pleased to report that this magazine is back in profit thanks to the efforts of Former Chairman Syd Blakeborough, Thanks Syd. Money is also available to the Council from the Transparency fund to finance the website and if the application is successful virtually all of the Parish Council outlay on the web will have been recovered.

Highways matters are making slow progress, basically due to lack of money as the Mill Lane cross roads improvements are estimated in excess of £10,000 and therefore outside the

remit of the minor works budget, but an alternative source is being investigated so we should remain optimistic that it gets done before someone is seriously hurt or worse. The 20 MPH zone and placing of signs round the School was approved and is proceeding and so is the repair of the water leak on Wilmslow Old Rd, though the later is a matter for United Utilities.

Good to see our PCSO Emily Blair at the meeting and to hear her report of the relative lack of Crime in our area, and to ensure that the full and frank discussions at the meeting did not deteriorate into an affray. Give her a wave if you see Emily out and about she will be in the yellow and navy car that says Police on it, we don't often see them round and about. There are plenty more issues being dealt with and not enough space here so have a read of the minutes which are always posted on the website www.mottramstandrew.com.



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As reported in the last issue Rev Susan Swires has become our new minister and Rev Ben Clowes has moved on to the Nidd Valley circuit in Harrogate where we trust he and his family are settling in well. Sue and Will (Sue's husband), are settling in too after a somewhat hectic few weeks and we have been pleased to welcome them to the chapel on a number of occasions since Sue began her appointment here; in fact we were pleased to welcome her to Mottram for her first Service in the Circuit on September 3rd. Sue also led the service for our annual Harvest Festival making good use of our projector to screen the words to the hymns backed by some inspired and appropriate images. The church was all decked out with flowers and fruit for the occasion and our sincere thanks to all who donated such an abundance of produce both fresh and in tins and packets. Following the service these were divided up and donated to the Macclesfield Salvation Army food distribution centre and to the Rossendale Trust in Sutton where we are sure they would be very welcome. Regrettably the need for charitable food distribution is still a great need in places and we are continuing to collect non-perishable items for the Salvation Army. There is a box for the purpose in the church porch (or items can be handed to any church member), and we would welcome any contribution to this collection especially as we move towards the Christmas period when somehow the need seems even greater.

A reminder too, that we will again be supporting this year's Christmas Shoebox appeal organised by Samaritans Purse. If you can contribute to either of these commendable causes in any way we would be pleased to receive your gifts on their behalf and on behalf of those who will finally receive them.

We have a number of special services and events to be held during October and November. The first is a Methodist District and Circuit '**Day of Prayer and Fasting**' under the heading '**Cobweb Prayer Time**' on **Saturday 14th October from 10am until 12noon** with a '**Service of Memories**' following on **Sunday 22nd October at 6.30pm** (Please note the later time for this if you already have it in your diaries). This latter is a service of reflection as we think about those who are no longer with us but who nevertheless are often in our thoughts and prayers.

Our 2017 community **Remembrance Service** will be held on **Sunday 12th November**. As last year, our service that Sunday will be at the later time of **10.30am** thus giving us the opportunity of sharing in the official **11am 2 minute silence**. This is a time when we particularly think of those who died in various wars and in particular those from our own community who are commemorated in the Roll of Honour in the chapel and will be led by Rev Sue Swires.

Following on in November as we approach 'the festive season' we are

hosting a **Christmas Tree Festival** the main events being over the **weekend 24th, 25th and 26th November** beginning on the Thursday when the church is open from 1pm to 7.00pm to enable trees to be displayed. **Friday we are open 2pm to 5pm** for viewing. **Saturday 11am to 5pm for viewing** with an added bonus as Over Alderley Brass Band are providing live music. On the **Sunday** we have our usual **9.30 service** which will be led by Rev David Hill with the church open again from **2pm to 4pm with 'Carols among the trees at 4pm** to conclude the event. An entrance fee of £3.00 per adult is suggested for all these special events with children being free, this to include seasonal refreshments available throughout. Finally the church is open again on Monday for the collection of trees from 10am to 4pm.



Crafty club too have extra meetings other than their 2nd and 4th Tuesday meets at 10am to 12noon with a couple of evenings planned for **Tuesday 17th October and Tuesday 7th November, both from 7.30pm to 10pm.** For further details please speak to Margaret on 01625 617054.

Our **Fellowship Group** continues to meet monthly with Will Swires (a Local Preacher in his own right), leading us. Our next meetings will be on **Thursday 12th October and 9th November**, both at **1.30pm** in the chapel and visitors are always welcome to join in our informal discussions. At present there are around eight of us at each meeting so plenty of room for more!

Ian Wright (Secretary)
Tel:01625 583704



G

uides

By Katy Hatton

1st MSA Guides

The guides are having a two day camp and hopefully passing all the clauses to get their camper's badge.

On 7 th October we are going to Wembley arena to a pop concert and doing some shopping in Harrods.

We have just had a party for Jemima to celebrate her gaining her BP award.

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

Katy Hatton (Owl)

Contact Tel: 01625 59087

B

rownies

By Katy Hatton

1st MSA Brownies

We are busy making apple crumbles for part of our cook's badge, doing craft for a badge and learning home skills for another badge.

At the end of October we will have our annual campfire and food in the dark.

We meet on Tuesdays 5-6.30 in the village hall

Katy Hatton Brown owl

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Village Hall

By Steve Hatton



Community - News



We got back to the normal routine at the hall after the summer break . The hall looks clean and tidy after our working party efforts during the summer . We are getting some new bookings as well , so look out for new activities arriving over the next weeks . We also said goodbye as a trustee to Hilary Laidler , who has served on the Hall Management committee for 18 years . Our appreciation and thanks to Hilary ! If anyone is interested in joining the Management Committee as a Trustee please contact me to discuss.

Steve Hatton Tel: 01625 590879



Our next event will be the sublime and brilliantly talented Jim Moray who will be gracing our stage on Saturday 11 November at 8pm. Jim has released a series of critically lauded albums over the past 10 or so years, including Sweet England, Low Culture, Skulk and In Modern History, and his latest album Upcetera is a worthy addition to his outstanding cannon of work. Tickets are selling well for what is bound to be a memorable night so if you are intending to come please buy your tickets as early as possible.

We were disappointed to have to rearrange our October concert with Holy Moly and the Crackers . This will now happen on the 27th January 2018 . We have a full programme for 2018 which we will announce at the Jim Moray gig in November.

We are pleased to announce that we have a new website which you can keep up to date with future events.

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- 3 Fill the shoebox with other fun toys, hygiene items and school supplies. Don't forget to pray for the child who will receive your gift.
- 4 Include a £3 shipping donation for each shoebox you fill. If you donate online at Follow Your Box, we will let you know the destination country of your shoebox in the New Year.
- 5 Take your shoebox to a local drop off point between 1st – 18th November. These are listed on our website from late October.



Gift Suggestions



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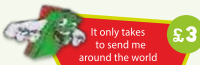
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Community News continued...

MSA walkers



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Next walking dates

20th Oct.

7th Nov.

22nd Nov.

7th Dec.



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Contact: Katy Hatton Tel: 01625 590879



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68th Horticultural Show

Our 68th Horticultural show in our little village. A fabulous turnout and splendid array of fruit, vegetables, baked goods, arts and crafts. We would all be very proud of just what our efforts and faithful supporters bring to our community.

The show secretary Steve Hatton and committee members Margaret Hyde, Brian Slater, Valerie Slater and myself work hard with preparations for the show. A big thank you to all the Judges, the catering dynamic duo. Thank you also again to our lovely ladies who kindly run our raffle

each year and people and local businesses for donating the very generous raffles prizes.

Thanks to Ken and Vivienne Moores for manning the doors and last but not least Pauline Taylor for her wonderful photographs, she does an amazing job for our community.



Well done to all that entered and participated to create a spectacular display of creative local talent. A great atmosphere and fun day had by all and we as the show committee would like to say a big thank you everyone for their continued support.

Notable winners included Peter Woollam who won the N. Burgess cup for the most points in the vegetable classes , also winning the Arthur Wright cup, the JM Kay shield and the W Proudlove cup. Chris Wright won 3 cups in both the vegetable and flower classes.

Phillippa Stewart was successful again with her dahlias winning the CK Faulkner cup for the best dahlia exhibits.

Kay Caine had no less than 27 entries and had a very successful afternoon also winning the E A Taylor cup.

Sisters Margaret Graham and Pat Smith shared the WI Cup after an epic contest .

In the children's classes it was great to see so many entries with prizes going to Henry Bell and Dylan Howell



Mottram St. Andrew Village Hall



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Social Club

By Mick Shaw

August is always a quiet time with people away on their holidays but now we're into September and what a wonderful display the horticultural show was, although many people felt their produce had gone past their best due to the summer we've had. Being so warm earlier on in the year and then cold in July and August many produce had either gone past it's best or rotted on the plants due to lack of sun. The produce that were on display were spectacular as always.

As we are now well and truly into Autumn, that means one thing.....Bonfire Building. Each Sunday morning in October we will be building the bonfire from around 10.30am until noon and any help would be appreciated if you are at a loose end on Sunday mornings. Our bonfire night fireworks display will be held on Sunday 5th November, gates open at 6pm. Tickets will be available from all usual sources and will be priced at £6 per adult (£8 on the gate) and £3 for children 5-12 years (£4 on the gate). **Please do not bring your own fireworks to this event.**

Forthcoming Events

Next Curry Nights will be Tuesday 31st October and Tuesday 28th November from 7.30pm. Ensure your name is on the list by the Tuesday before to avoid disappointment.

Following the success of last year's Christmas Clubnight we will be putting on another similar event this year. Tickets priced at £25 are on sale now. Numbers are restricted to 40 so don't leave it too long to book your place. Aswell as some fantastic entertainment you will be treated to a sumptuous 4 course meal. Menus are currently on the notice boards.

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Women's Institute

By Gwynneth Littleton

Colour is the theme of these months. Sometimes anticipation is better than the real thing. Not so our August meeting which really sparkled when we celebrated summer with "Puddings and Pimms." Hats were worn and ingeniously decorated. Tables were bedecked with flowers made by the craft group. There are great photos of this on the front of the NECG Newsletter.

Mottram Show was as good as ever. I enjoyed learning to be a steward with one of the very efficient and conscientious judges, Edwina. It was fascinating to watch how seriously they took their roles. Fancy all that jam and cake tasting. We were kindly treated to lunch by the organisers. I felt proud to be part of the event. The flowers and vegetables exploded with colour.

September seemed suddenly so autumnal. We were treated to a fascinating talk by Mike Gitsham called "Bottoms Up." Not (alas) saucy postcards but misericord seats carved cleverly and infact sometimes in an extremely saucy way when mocking the clergy of the parish. Or they might illustrate a well-known story ...if you want to sup with the devil you will need a long spoon. Worth a trip to Nantwich or Beverley where there are good examples.

Anne Wilson commented on the bright colours of the bobble hats at the show and hoped some would go into the Christmas boxes which are being amassed by Sheila. She then announced the results of the Village Show with a first, a tie between sisters Margaret and

Pat, who were worthy winners of the cup, having they told me entered every category.

Margaret is organising the Film Club and told us that The Help would be shown on 27th Sept., Oklahoma on the 25th Oct. and White Christmas on the 29th Nov. The Autumn PAL meeting sounds intriguing "A Body in the River" by Professor Carolyn Roberts, a forensic hydrologist who has helped the police with their enquiries and will draw on case studies.

Liz told us our membership fees are to be £41 for next year. Christmas lunch venue was aired for 8th December and there is to be a Christmas tree display in the Methodist Church 24th 25th 26th of November and we hope to decorate a tree.

Suddenly autumn colours will all too quickly give way to Christmas lights.





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Wednesday Club

By Joan Williams

My how time flies. I can't believe we are in October already. Where has the year gone but gone it has! At the Wednesday group we all went out to lunch to Wilmslow garden centre which was nice and so enjoyable that we went again on 11th October.

e have many more days out planned and exciting adventures. At this time of year, when when the nights draw in it is sometimes good to have things in your diary to brighten our day. We are a fun loving, good bunch of adventurers so if anyone reading this would like to join us and are thinking about it, please just pick up the phone and call Margaret or Pauline. We would be pleased to welcome any new comers to the group.

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By Phillis Kennerley

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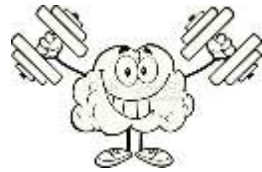
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