

HURLEY NEWS

March 2021

All the information is correct at the time of writing the newsletter

HURLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

With the easing of lockdown the HCA committee plan to have a (Zoom) meeting at the end of March to discuss the re-opening of the village hall for indoor activities and discuss some outdoor community events to look forward to.

It has been a difficult 12 months for all of us but moving on we all need something to look forward to.

200 CLUB. Due to the lockdown remaining in place, subscriptions will be collected during April.

Cards will be distributed to agents for distribution at the end of March.

January, February, March and April draws will take place at the end of April. Only members who are paid up to date at this time will be entered into the draw. Thankyou to the 200 Club agents who manage the subscriptions and collections and Thankyou Gary for the overall management of the 200 Club which provides a valuable source of income for the running of the village hall.

If anyone has any queries regards 200 Club please text 0772 533 2229

GREEN BIN COLLECTIONS

I am sure you are all aware by now that the green bin collection will become a paid for service from the 1st April 2021. The service will cost £40 per bin per year. To sign up for this service go to www.northwarks.gov.uk/green or telephone 01827 715341. Your permit will arrive within 10 working days and must be displayed on your green bin. The sticker will be unique to you and will match Collections records. Only bins displaying a sticker will be emptied. There is no discount to late subscribers

What you CAN recycle: All raw and cooked food, grass cuttings, leaves, weeds and flowers, twigs and small branches, pet bedding (wood shavings, hay and straw) Christmas trees (cut into pieces)

What you CANNOT put in your green bin: Dog poo and cat litter (bag it and put in your black bin), soil or dirt, Ash (bag it and put in your black bin), bricks and rubble, plastic bags (black bin) any other plastics including plant pots and garden furniture.

Planters Vouchers: When you sign up for green bin Collection 1st April 2021 – 31 March 2022 you can collect a book of vouchers from Planters Garden Centre. Take the backing from your bin sticker to Planters Information Desk to claim your vouchers

RECYCLING

Composting garden and food waste (not cooked food this will attract rats) is a great way to reduce waste and create free soil conditioner. Compost bins can be bought for around £10 or build your own from pallets.

Please wash your hands before taking your bins out for collection and disinfect bin handles to keep bin crews safe. Recycled materials need to be reasonably clean, some food residue is ok, half a jar of anything will contaminate the recycling and make your bin smell so please rinse jars before recycling.

Lower House Farm Recycling Centre is by appointment only.

Bulky waste can be collected from your home address £26 for 5 items.

Contact NWBC web site to book either of the above

THE BENEFITS OF YOGA CANNOT BE DENIED

From increased flexibility and better posture to lowers stress levels and a more positive outlook. With lockdown still in effect my Hatha Yoga classes will remain on-going via Zoom

I look to offer a relaxed class environment in order for you to explore your Yoga both in body and mind. I currently offer classes at following times

Monday 18.00 – 19.00. Tuesday 9.30 – 10.30

Friday 9.30 – 10.30. Saturday 9.15 – 10.00

First class free then £5 per class, with block booking options

I look forward to seeing you on the mat



COMING SOON TO HURLEY



Are you looking to beginning your running journey?

Are you a runner looking for a social group to join?

Maybe you are an experienced runner looking to move up a level?

When Covid rules allow we will meet once a week to work on running technique as well as improve upon your overall running fitness. Using a variety of training methods to keep the sessions interesting.

All abilities welcomed and accommodated

For more information contact John Jenkins

0755 7355 413 or email jjtraining800@hotmail.co.uk

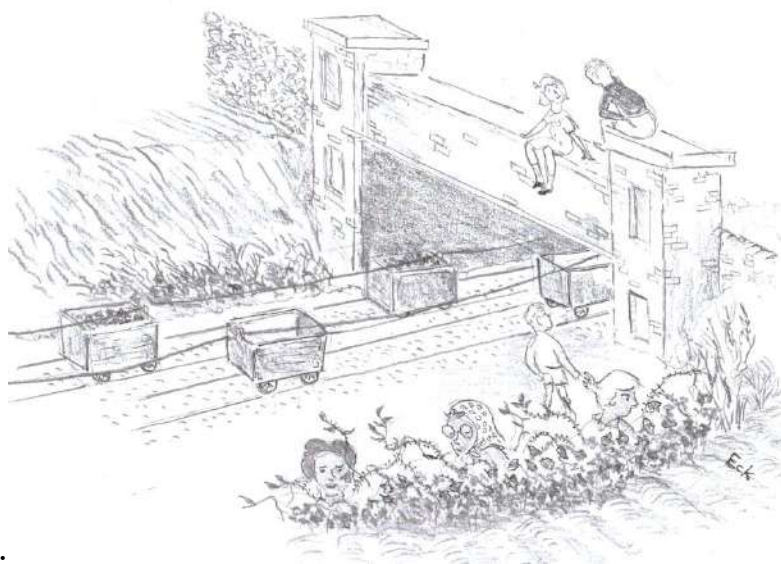
HURLEY'S LOST RAILWAY

Directly opposite Hurley surgery, looking across Knowle Hill, you'll see between the overhanging foliage, the outline of brickwork. It's the brickwork of a bridge that once spanned a railway, the railway ran from Dexter coal mine, which was sited halfway along Dexter Lane, for a mile past the backs of the houses on the estate to another bridge, that still exists at the end of the 'Black Path', then it carried on to run under Wood End Road, not far from Holly Riding School, and on to take a sharp right hand turn on to 'Waste Farm' farm land towards Kingsbury Colliery. The narrow-gauge railway had two tracks and was called 'The Mineral Line', it carried little trucks, called tubs, full of coal from Dexter Pit to Kingsbury Colliery for treatment.

The empty tubs then returned to Dexter. The railway ran in a shallow trench most of the way and was fertile ground for bramble bushes to grow in, your mothers and grand-mothers may remember it well.

On Sunday afternoons dotted along it's length could be seen groups of bramble pickers. Home-made jam was very popular then especially for whist-drive prizes. The little railway was in use up until the mid sixties.....

Much more about the railway soon. *Alex*



HURLEY & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Hurley resident, Edna Pearson, had a seed (forgive the pun) of an idea to start a gardening club after arranging a Hurley open garden event.

Hurley Open Gardens took place on July 10th and 11th 1993 and raised £1200 for Hurley Church and school.

The first Hurley & District Gardening Club meeting took place in October 1993 and 28 years later Edna is still Honorary President. The club has approximately 60 members and has hosted BBC's Gardeners Question Time, talks from popular, well known gardeners, enjoyed day trips and weekends away, the club produces a monthly newsletter full of useful information. The meetings that take place in the village hall range from social to practical.

Unfortunately Coronavirus forced the club to take its first a break in 27 years, but now with signs of lockdown easing the club is planning to hold two or three garden meetings this year during the summer. These will be open meetings with everyone welcome.

During lockdown more and more of us have discovered the pleasure of our gardens and if you would like to know a little more or just meet and chat to other gardeners please come and meet us at one of the open meetings. More information next month.



1ST WOOD END BEAVERS, CUBS and SCOUTS

Scouts are do-ers and giver-it-a-go-ers. Yes we go camping, hiking, swimming, abseiling, cycling and canoeing. But we also get to hang out with our friends every week – having fun, playing games, working in a team and taking on new challenges. And we'd love you to join us too!!

Every week we give almost half a million 6 – 25 year olds the skills they need for school, college, university, the job interview, the important speech, the tricky challenge and the big dreams: the skills they need for life.

If you'd like more information about joining 1st Wood End Scouting either as a young person or as a leader, please contact Naomi at noamiscouts@hotmail.com

COLLECTIVE NOUNS?

Answers

A **Pride** of lions *e.g*

A **PLAGUE** of locusts

A **BALLET** of swans

A **SCHOOL** of whales

A **PARLIAMENT** of owls

A **BLOAT** of hippos

A **GAGGLE** of geese

A **MURDER** of crows

A **HIVE/HUM/SWARM** of bees

A **COMPANY/PANDEMONIUM**
of parrots

INTRIGUE/KINDLE of kittens

A **BARREL** of monkeys

A **CARAVAN** of camels

WHO ELSE CELEBRATED NATIONAL DOG BISCUIT DAY FEBRUARY 23RD ?

What not to miss in March

1st-National Peanut Butter Day

3rd National Anthem Day

5th National Dress in Blue Day

9th National Get Over It Day

14TH MOTHER'S DAY

17th National Corned Beef & Cabbage Day

28th National Something on a Stick Day

Go to nationaldaycalendar.com to check out many more national and international days



SHOP LOCAL

And support your local businesses

USEFUL NUMBERS

Pear Tree Surgery – there is no walk-in surgery.

Hurley surgery 01827 872490.

Kingsbury surgery 01827 872755.

Hurley pharmacy 01827 870470

Hurley Convenience store 01827 872372

Hurley Post office 01827 872201.

M & N MEATS

Will be at

**HURLEY VILLAGE HALL on
WEDNESDAYS**

3rd, 17th, 31st March

8.15am – 2pm

HCA include small ads. and promotions in support of local businesses and for the benefit of the community. This is an information service and the HCA is not providing recommendations or guarantee of service .

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