

# **NEWBURGH NEWS      December 2019**

Dear Resident,

As many of you may know, at the beginning of the year we were contacted by the owner of the field next to the sports field and the piece of wood beyond it who offered us the ownership. We have undertaken extensive investigations into the viability of the project and are hoping that we may at sometime soon be able to take the offer up officially.

The year has been marked by two other priorities for the Council. The behaviour of some drivers on our roads seems to have deteriorated markedly. We are looking into ways of how we can tackle this issue. An important way in which you can all help is by letting us know about dangerous driving incidents ideally with photographic evidence.

In the last few months the village has suffered severe floods which caused massive disruption for some parts of the village. We are working to find out the plans in place for flood planning with LCC and the emergency services and will pass on any information we receive.

With Christmas on the horizon I would like to thank Giltrees for donating a tree for the village green. This is the second year they have been so generous and it helps free up much needed funds for other areas of our celebrations. On behalf of the Council I would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Kind regards

Jacky Citarella - Chair

## **Red Lion**

We are hosting our Free community lunch on Thursday 12th December from 12pm. This event is aimed at those in our community who spend a lot of time alone. Loneliness is a huge issue throughout the UK, with the elderly being the most effected, so we are trying to do what we can to help this issue in our local area. Those that attend will be able to enjoy a three course Christmas meal and entertainment. This is event is free. Please call us on 01257 462336 to let us know if you will be attending.

Breakfast with Santa - Sunday 15th and Sunday 22nd December from 10.30am Children's tickets £8 - Adult breakfasts also available

Skelmersdale Prize Band will be joining us on Sunday 22nd December from 3pm to play festive songs. We will be offering out free mince pies and mulled wine. Everyone welcome.

New Year's Eve Tickets £5 now available. Includes DJ, Buffet and Live bagpiper at midnight 8pm - 1am - Limited number available

### **Church Magazine**

If you do not already take the magazine and would like to support the village church by receiving one, the cost is £5 per year for 10 copies. For further details please contact G Wood on 01257 462629. Thank you.

### **Newburgh School**

Newburgh C E School is committed to supporting and caring for our local environment and we want to contribute to the world's overall sustainability. Every year, two children from Reception to Year Six are chosen by their peers to become Eco Councillors. The aim of our Eco-Council is to raise environmental awareness across the school and in the local community. This year we have a number of projects that we are hoping to complete:

- Create a school Eco-Code for every class to follow
- To raise the awareness of air pollution, especially the dangers of car emissions
- To encourage walking to school
- To reduce single use plastic within the school
- To educate all pupils on the importance of recycling
- To gain the international green flag award

So far, the Eco-Council have attended a local eco fair and arranged visitors to come into school to discuss air pollution and what we can all do to help. We have also been invited to the Ormskirk Council Offices to attend a workshop with Environmental Health and meet with the Mayor to share our school's wonderful ideas in making our school and the community the greenest it can be! We are looking forward to a very exciting year and hope that we can make a massive difference to the environment.

With warm wishes,

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**Douglas Valley Lions** would like to thank everyone who attended the Bonfire and Fireworks Display. Despite the weather being unkind through the week a good crowd turned out in muddy conditions to see a wonderful fireworks display. Funds raised will be used to enable DVLC to help good causes in the local community. If you know of anyone who requires help in any shape or form please contact any member of the DVLC.

**Newburgh Fair Association** would like to thank everyone who supported us during the Douglas Valley Lions splendid firework display. The money we raised will go towards the costs of hosting the 43<sup>rd</sup> Newburgh Fair. The 2020 Newburgh Fair will be held on Saturday 20 June and the theme will be the "Magic of Books". A date for your diary!

**Cobbs Brow Nurseries** will have several varieties of non-drop Christmas trees on display to walk round and view. Come early, pick your tree and we will deliver it on your requested date (free local delivery). Holly wreaths and Christmas planters also on sale. Open 7 days 10am to 7pm.

### **Giltrees**

The normal range of Christmas trees and wreaths are available at the Strawberry Farm. We will be open daily from the end of November. Free local delivery.

### **Village Working Group**

The Village Working Group was formed earlier this year and did some sterling work around the village. Hedges were cut, street signs cleaned, the village green tidied up etc. A big thanks to all those who got involved. With the onset of winter our activities are now curtailed until spring when we will again be asking for volunteers to help us. If you want more details please contact councillor Phil Atty on 07595 056726.

### **Applecast**

We support children and young people who are excluded from school or cannot attend mainstream education for social, emotional or health reasons or a disability. We have been awarded a grant from the Lancashire Environmental Fund, which is enabling us to provide a variety of activities including working with small farm animals, horticulture, conservation, indoor and outdoor angling, fish breeding, aquaponics, agriculture and bespoke woodwork shops. As part of the development, gardens will be created so as to ensure the landscape remains natural and does not detract

from the area's environmental beauty. The sensory gardens will include a koi pond with waterfall, peace garden, annual garden, herb garden, cottage garden, woodland creation and wild flower area. A natural play area is also being developed to be ready early next year. The gardens are being established for service users and members of the public to enjoy and learn about the environment. This will be a great amenity for local families to enjoy.

## **Post Office**

As we approach the end of another year, it is a great opportunity to reflect on another eventful time for Newburgh Post Office. We are delighted with how well the new coffee shop has been received this year and we would like to thank everyone for their continued loyalty and support. It is thanks to our lovely community that Newburgh Post Office is now a lively and popular destination for our three businesses, post office, store and coffee shop and we are delighted to have met even more friendly faces over the last few months. We hosted our first afternoon tea a couple of months ago and held our very first late night Christmas shopping event recently, which proved extremely popular, so we are looking forward to more exciting times ahead next year as hopefully Newburgh Post Office goes from strength to strength. Thank you once again for all your support and we wish you all a merry Christmas and a very happy and healthy 2020!

## **Christ Church Newburgh**

### Church Services

Sun 1 Dec: 9am Holy Communion; 10.30am Posada Launch

Sun 8 Dec: 9am Holy Communion;

10.30am Toy Service

Thurs 12 Dec: Village Carols (School)

Sat 14 Dec: Concert in Church by 'Consolette Ladies Choir & Guests'

Sun 15 Dec: 9am Holy Communion;

6.30pm Candlelit Carol Service

Tues 24 Dec: 4pm Christmas Eve Christingle Service

11pm Holy Communion

Wed 25 Dec: 9.30am Christmas Day Holy Communion (one service)

### **Parbold, Newburgh & District Garden Society**

15 Jan: Yellowstone: Past, Present and Future

12 Feb: Bromeliads

18 Mar: AGM: slide show of garden visits

Meetings are in Parbold W.I. Hall at 8pm. For information contact John 462514 or David 01704 821984

### **Newburgh Women's Institute**

You are welcome to join this friendly group who enjoy talks, events and outings

20 Jan: Beth Joule 'The Golden Hour' -forensic case study

17 Feb: Chris Rowe 'When Art collides with History'

16 Mar: Graham Stirrup 'Life in the Sixties'

20 Apr: David March 'Blood Bikers'

Meetings are held in Newburgh School at 7:30pm.

For information phone Patsy Hey on 01257 463171

### **Douglas Music Parbold**

7 Dec: Jogleasa, medieval folk ensemble

National Youth Jazz Orchestra

18 Jan: Intrada Brass Ensemble

22 Feb: Can Cakmur, piano

14 Mar: Rising Stars from Chetham's

School of Music

28 Mar: Neil Brand, short film

With live piano

Concerts start at 7:45pm at Parbold

Village Hall. Call 01257 498452

Box Office: [www.parbolddouglasmusic.org](http://www.parbolddouglasmusic.org)

email: tickets@parbolddouglasmusic.org

## **Parbold Picture House at Parbold Village Hall**

8 Dec: The Souvenir (15)

15 Dec: The Apartment (PG)

5 Jan: Dances with Wolves

19 Jan: Remains of the Day

Admission on the door £4 per ticket

Doors open 6:30 for refreshments, screenings start at 7pm

Front Row – live transmissions start 7pm, tickets £12.50 National Theatre NT Live/CinemaLive

20 Feb: Cyrano de Bergerac

21 May: The Welkin

Contact 01257 464533 for more information

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