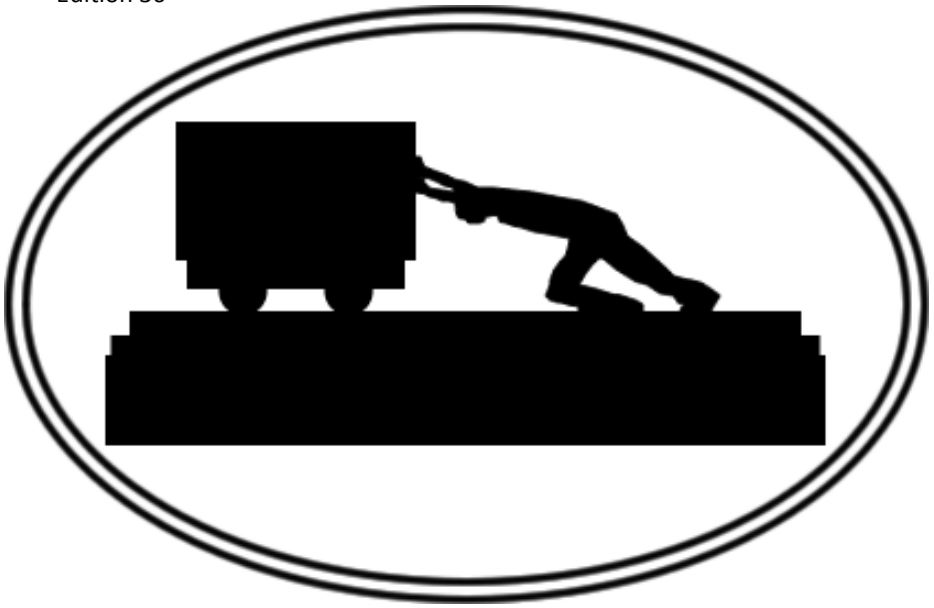


Silverdale Village News

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Your News...Your Views

Chair's Report

Mick Nadin—Chair

22nd August 2013

The summer season is fast approaching its end and the months of autumn and winter will soon be upon us. However, let's all who attended take with us memories of the Fun-day event that was held on Sunday 7th July at Silverdale Country Park. All participants who were expected to take part attended and we had a variety of terrific displays ranging from traditional country craft skills, local history and photographs of bygone years, a fun-fair, face painting, scouting, birds of prey, a variety of different stalls and of course the male voice choir of the Daleians, all ably supported by Staffordshire Search and Rescue. The objective of holding the day was met, the weather on the day was glorious but all would have been irrelevant had it not been for the residents of Silverdale and Park-site giving their full support – which you did spectacularly – thank you!

My thanks must also go to the Parish Council sub-committee members for organising the event, to the local businesses who offered their support and sponsorship, to Lafarge Tarmac for their generous donation, to Littleton's and Co, the Land Trust and Groundwork UK.

Some of you may have noticed that the walkway path from Crown bank to the Knutton road bridge is temporarily closed to allow remedial and repair works to be completed by Staffordshire County Council. You may also know that the request for the improvement works was made via Silverdale Parish Council earlier this year. But you may not be aware that that this request was only made possible because of it being brought to the attention of the PC by a local resident, because of his concern of it falling into a poor state of repair – many thanks!

As an added bonus, it looks as though the long-standing issue of emergency vehicles not being able to gain access to the Jollies football pitch and adjoining land has also been resolved! This has been a problem for many years and whilst the solution appeared simple to many, for a variety of reasons and argument its application proved not to be – until now! It would appear that common sense has prevailed and my thanks go to those whom have managed to resolve and apply the solution.

Due to there becoming a vacancy on the Parish Council for the Park-site area, in accordance with procedure the position was advertised. Two residents applied, each being given the opportunity to meet with the standing councillors. A vote was taken and Mrs Eileen Braithwaite was duly co-opted to fill the vacant position. Eileen is well known to many in the Silverdale and Park-site areas and was very much instrumental during the setting up period of the Parish Council. I would like to welcome her back and I'm sure that she will serve the residents of Park-site well.

I'd also like to thank Mr Ken Healey for showing his interest and support for the Parish Council.

It's nice to know that a local business has received recognition for their efforts of improvement to the locality. The Bush Public House has won 1st place in the central region of Heineken UK for the improvements to the garden and children's area. It was won out of a competition of 500 across the region. They are now through to the final against southern and northern region winners and so 3rd place nationally is the least they will achieve. The winners are to be announced at a dinner date set for 14th November in Leicester. Good luck to them and well done!

M A Nadin

Chair

Silverdale Parish Council.



Fun Day –Chain-Saw Sculpture

News from Silverdale Library

The Summer Reading Challenge for the children is coming to a close and they'll soon be back at school. We've had record numbers of young people read 6 or more books over the summer holidays and we've been giving out gold medals and glow-in-the-dark wristbands like crazy! Well done to all who participated—it's good to see so many of you in the library!

The new term brings adult classes back into the Library. We have French Conversation on Tuesdays, along with Lace Making. On Thursdays we have the Birdwatchers of the WEA coming back in the afternoons and in the mornings—our Keele Poets at Silverdale!

Last term they did a project based around the history of Silverdale. They produced some wonderful poems and I have reproduced a couple in here. If you want to read more—come into the library and see the display!

We still have ongoing computer classes too—so if you are a complete beginner, job seeker or have just had a new tablet or laptop come in and put your name down for a relevant course. You're never too old to learn :-)

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It's just a little rockfall

They'll soon 'ave it cleared

You'll see.

Sit 'ere next to me.

We'll wait together 'til they come.

I've got toffees.

Dost tha want one?

It's 'ard waiting I know

And the dark

Teks some getting used to

Now that the lamp's low.

Tha'art lookin' tired.

Put yer 'ed down son.

'Ave a little kip.

I'll wake thee when they come.

Megan Smith

Silverdale History Group

Autumn Schedule 2013

7.45pm at Silverdale Workingmen's Club

17 September

Staffordshire Notables - as seen through the eyes of Rupert Simms
(Silverdale lad and author of *Bibliotheca Staffordiensis*)

Speaker: Brian Nixon

8 October

The Local Iron Industry - how iron making developed in North
Staffordshire

Speaker: Dr Chris Harrison

22 October

Silverdale Community Country Park - from spoil heap to local amenity.

Speaker: Andrew Hunt

12 November

Apedale: the Forgotten Valley - a new film by **Video Workshop2000**.

26 November

Some Tramways and Railways of Silverdale

Speaker: Terry O'Neill

10 December

An Xmas Photo-Party

Any photographs of Silverdale? Any age, any kind. Bring them along and have them scanned on the spot.

Cornerstone Community Centre

Jobs Club

Every Wednesday from 1pm-3pm at Cornerstone pop in to receive help looking on-line for work, filling in application forms, interview techniques and more. A friendly group offering support and advice; everyone welcome.

Art and Craft Sessions

We will be starting a new Art/Craft group in September. If you are interested in card making, woodwork, vintage, painting, and all types of crafts please call Michelle on (01782) 633821 to find out more information and book a place. This project will run thanks to the generous funding from Ibstocks.

'Tuesdays'

Tuesdays from 4-6pm - a free musical instrument, graphics and DJ-ing session. Come and join in the fun! To book a place or to find out more please call Daf on 07970 770990

Underground

Youth Group every Friday night from 7:30pm - 9pm at Cornerstone. Join us for sports, crafts, Playstation3 and Xbox and more.

Michelle Fahey

Community Development Manager

Cornerstone Community Centre

Mill Street, Silverdale ST5 6PF

Tel: 01782 633821

www.cornerstonecommunitycentre.co.uk



Silverdale Fun Day



The Daleian Choir perform by the lakeside



Tony Hammond—the chain-saw sculptor makes an amazing wood sculpture for Silverdale Country Park

The Climbing Wall
proved very
popular!



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Silverdale & Ryecroft Practice Patient Participation Group

August Newsletter

The breast screening campaign went very well, we distributed many leaflets to patients at both surgeries, The information was well received and an increase in attendance reflected this. The mobile unit at Morrison's Newcastle was much appreciated. Please remember the importance of self-examination, regardless of age and contact your GP with any concerns.

Our stall at the Silverdale Fun Day was useful and successful. We raised £196, including donations, which will go into the Patients Equipment Fund. We will keep you informed as to how the monies are spent.

If you are in the surgeries please read our display boards, promoting travel health and sun safety. Our present main promotion is Male Cancer Awareness. The display boards give advice and there is more information in the free leaflets.

We have the Early Cancer Detection Team at Silverdale Surgery on Tuesday morning 3rd September. The PPG members will be distributing relevant leaflets at both surgeries during September to promote more awareness and understanding of all male cancers.

Following on, we will be starting our Annual Flu Campaign. Information regarding injections, when, who and where, will be available on the surgery notice boards.

We will again be having a Winter Warmth Campaign beginning in November, with representatives from "Beat the Cold" and our volunteers delivering advice, information and leaflets regarding how to cope in the colder months. Again, information will be posted on the surgery notice boards.

If you are interested in joining our PPG please contact Wendy Moreton or Helen Austin on 0300 123 1466

Alan, Liz and Elaine—PPG

The Ballad of Neville Bloor

Thousands of men signed on the dole
when the government sealed the fate
of all the mines in Staffordshire
in nineteen ninety-eight

It was only two days later
at the mine in Silverdale
when Neville Bloor went down the pit
to shovel coal and shale

As he was busy working,
came the thing that miners dread,
when tonnes of rock all mixed with coal
collapsed above his head

The other miners heard the fall,
and found poor Neville there
They propped the roof to make it safe
as, crushed, he gasped for air.

Doctor Hussein came to his aid
and helped to get him out
he bravely risked the dangers,
and the miners gave a shout:

"He's coming out. It's Neville Bloor!
Go fetch his wife and kin.
The last coal mined in Silverdale
will be the death of him."

They cleaned him in the mortuary
they laid him gently there.
They sponged away the coal dust
and they washed and combed his hair.

So Neville died, aged thirty six
a man still in his prime
the last man killed at Silverdale
before they closed the mine.

Mary Williams

Looking for Mr Peter

My son and his wife had Japanese visitors staying with them in Scot Hay. The ladies decided to walk from Scot Hay to Silverdale on Sunday 28th July. When they got to Silverdale they decided to take a bus to Audley .

They asked a passer-by where to catch a bus. Being Sunday there were not very many buses, so they decided to walk.

As they got nearer to Scot Hay a car drew up beside them, it was the passer-by they had met previously . He so kindly gave them a lift to Audley.

All they know is his name is Peter , they call him Mr Peter , I think they said he had a walking stick, aged about 60-ish and had two little dogs.

They would love to thank him for his kindness.

Could you possibly print something in the next village news. Hopefully they could contact the clerk on 01782 243266 or at email silverdaleparish@hotmail.com who will pass on the details to me.

What a lovely gesture that was, was it not?

M. Clarke

Dance Sessions

Bill Whitby has asked me to remind everyone that he and his wife are still hosting dances at Silverdale Working Men's Club on Wednesdays from 8.00 – 10.00pm.



Ballroom, Latin and Popular Sequence Dancing takes place and admission is £2 a person.

Further information contact Bill on 622732
email: williamwhitby@btinternet.com

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Community Chest

The Parish Council still has funds in its **Community Chest** Allowance for this year. If there are any groups or charities in the village who would like some financial help—please get in touch! You just need to fill in the relevant application form and you could get up to £1000 to help you with equipment, events or anything else. Get in touch with the clerk, pop into the Library or you can download a form yourself from:

http://www.newcastle-staffs.gov.uk/community_content.asp?id=SXF22E-A7809FC8&cat=1386—or search for Community Chest on the NBC website.

Once you've filled it in, return it to the Parish Council via the clerk and it will be considered at the next meeting. The Parish Council is keen to help local groups—so apply now!

Silverdale Police News

This summer we have seen a rise in the use of off road motor-bikes on the fields near to Pepper Street and on the Mineral Line which runs parallel to Newcastle Street and Church Street.

If you ride your off road bike in Silverdale, you run the risk of having it seized under Section 59 of the Police Reform Act 2002 or Section 165 of the Road Traffic Act 1988. This may also result in one or more of the following:

Your bike may be crushed

You may be disqualified from driving

You may receive a fine up to £1,000. Help us to take action in your area by reporting any sightings including descriptions of the rider and bike. Contact 101 to report or email your Local Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Over the summer months we have been working with Aspire Housing and Newcastle Borough Council, Newcastle College and Sporting Ventures providing activities for young people in Silverdale. We held free health and beauty classes and free football coaching. Although these activities are coming to an end, we are hoping to provide further events and facilities for young people in Silverdale. Further news to

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follow. We are aware some of you have reported vehicles speeding through the village and a speeding operation will take place in the near future. We are looking to set up a community speed watch group. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact PC5572 Morris on the email address below.

And finally some crime prevention advice from your Local Policing Team:

Prevent opportunist thefts from insecure vehicles and open doors and windows in the home.

Ensure you don't leave a car window or sunroof open at any time, even if just popping to the shop and if your car stereo has a detachable front as a security feature, then make sure you take it with you every time you leave the car. Don't leave any items on display in your car at all.

If at home and upstairs or in the back garden, ensure all doors and windows are closed and locked to prevent a sneak in thief getting into your home. Don't leave valuables or items like car keys, mobile phones, wallets or purses where they are visible and in easy reach of doors and windows.

Don't forget to keep your shed secured and if possible alarmed, and the items in it security marked. Consider sensor lighting outside to deter thieves.

By following these simple guidelines you can avoid becoming a victim of crime which can have a lasting effect on you long after the incident.

If you have any issues or wish to contact your local Policing Team, please do so by ringing **101** (non emergency) or email

emma.morris@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk or
sue.holt@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk or
keely.bryan@staffordshire.pnn.police.uk



Police Officer: Emma Morris Collar No. 5572 Airwave No. 05572

St Lukes CE Primary School

End of Term

We had a very busy end of year and it was full of excitement and also some tears. Excitement about what the school has achieved over the year but also sad to say goodbye to our Year 6 children. Our Year 6 Leavers' Party was very exciting with a meal at Frankie and Benny's, followed by a limo ride back to school and then a disco. It was a great evening and all of the children looked extremely smart in their dresses or suits.

Music

Our End of Year concert celebrated all of the musical talents across school including our Infant children singing, Year 3/4 children playing their violins and Year 5/6 in the brass band. We also had our African Drumming, choir and Sign Language club perform. It was certainly a great event and we look forward to the next one. In September we have a new music teacher joining our school called Will Sherratt. He will be teaching the African Drumming group but also setting up St. Luke's Rock Band and in time they will produce a CD in a recording studio.



Number on roll

In the last publication of the Parish News I mentioned that our numbers on roll had increased – our number for September is now 143. This is the highest it has been for over 10 years. Due to the rise in numbers we have two new teachers and one teaching assistant starting in September. The children have all met their new teachers in a transition day.



Paris

We took 20 children to Paris in June and it was a great few days. We spent a day in Disneyland and a day in Paris exploring the sights including travelling up the Eiffel Tower and along the River Seine. Everyone learnt a lot and we hope to repeat this educational visit again in two years time. We have lots of exciting visits planned for this year including a trip to Warwick Castle and Manchester Arena to perform.

Community Involvement

At St. Luke's we believe it is very important to create a community feel. As Silverdale grows we would like to grow alongside it. We would like to create at our school a community space and would welcome your thoughts on what could be provided. There is an online survey available with 5 short questions. The link for this can be found on the home page of our school website. Please support our school by completing this survey which may help us to apply for extra funds from various schemes.

Many thanks

Sam Ray

www.st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk



Silverdale Country Park

If you are visiting the Country Park please :

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- *Protect trees, plants and wildlife
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Pet Shop Girl

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“I had done my research,” says Lynn. Despite the recession, I had seen people still buying toys for their pets – I saw this as a positive thing.”

Lynn moved in just before Christmas following the help of commercial property co-ordinator Kerry Williams.

“With the help of my sister Lisa, and my mum, we transformed the shop completely,” said Lynn.

‘Pet Parade’ is exceptionally tidy and is handy for residents who don’t have a car to travel to bigger retail outlets. “I provide small bags of dog food, which is popular

with customers,” said Lynn. “I can also order an item for customers if it’s not in stock.”

Lynn is also qualified to sell Frontline treatments for fleas and offers a weighing service for dogs to check if they’ve munched too many biscuits!

Customer Bridget Phillips from Keele, said: “I come here specially to feed my birds – it’s a great shop.”

The shop is open from 9.30am - 5.30pm, Mondays-Friday and 10am-1pm on Saturday.

Want us to feature your local business or service in this newsletter? Get in touch!



Landau's Cornerstone Café

Café opening times are as follows:

9.00 – 2.30 pm Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday



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Upcoming Food Events!

Tuesday 17th September -Italian Day. Garlic bread, spaghetti bolognaise, salad and a hot drink. £3.00

Wednesday 23rd October - Winter Warmer. Lobby and a roll. Free hot drink. £3.00

Wednesday 13th November - Curry, rice, poppadums, chutney and naan bread. Free hot drink. £3.50

Tuesday 10th December - Hot turkey bap, stuffing and gravy with a hot drink. £2.50

Come along and enjoy freshly cooked food!

Landau can offer the following courses at the Cornerstone Café:

Cake Craft Skills: 6 week course starting 23/09/13, 2hrs per session, 1 day a week.

(£2.50 per session).

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Berni Williams, 101 Dimsdale Parade East, Newcastle, ST5 8DP.

Closing date for entries 31/07/2013—£10 Gift Voucher is the prize!

Last Issue's Answer: **Joseph Cook**

There were a few correct answers received and the winner—picked out of the hat was:

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Your Parish Councillors

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Mrs B J Lamb, 21 May Street, Silverdale ST5 6LZ Tel: 636458

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