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THE VILLAGE HALL, WEST LANE, HIGH LEGH, NR KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE

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## Happy New Year

It looks like 2012 will be a year of celebrations and new beginnings in High Legh.

In December 2011 St John's Church was packed, as we celebrated the life of the late Jim Margison, who was very influential in creating and nurturing the culture and organisations that we enjoy in High Legh today. His friend, Martin West has written a tribute to him, and the Bowling Club item tells of his contribution to the development of facilities for sport. Jim was for many years the Chairman of the Community Association and was a prime mover in the drive to set up a Village Hall, bringing together strong and enduring teams of volunteers to raise money, renovate the property and fill it with activities that create a wealth of happy memories.

My personal recollection of Jim is that he had the gift of finding the good things in any situation and rejoicing in them. I was pleased to see him enjoying and chatting about the displays last summer, at the Church's costume day. Although I did not meet Jim until quite late in his 93 years, I have heard others talk about what he did and said, which remain as treasures in our collective memories.

Events for the winter period include a new Talks programme, an Olympics competition, Coffee and Create mornings with some old favourites like Quizzes, Bowling, Keep fit, 10K Road Race, Tai Chi, Bridge, Tennis, Photography, Dancing, Chocolate, and Pampering. There will be lots of opportunities to sponsor High Legh people: Philip Langman has bravely committed to racing 150-200Km across Northern Borneo in May, and runners in the High Legh 10K race are supporting many different charities including the School PTA.

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The deadline for the Spring Newsletter is: **Sunday 25th March, 2012**

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**Jenny Pearce Editor (01925 756171)**



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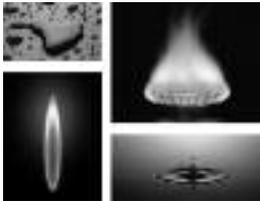
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## AGM

There was a good turnout of 35 residents at the CA AGM in November. A summary of the activities undertaken for the benefit of High Legh residents, and details of the financial position are posted on the community website [www.highleggh.org.uk](http://www.highleggh.org.uk). The High Legh Community Association is now registered with HMRC, so donations are eligible for gift aid.

We warmly welcome all residents to participate in the CA – come along to meetings; help run an event; bring your project management, building design and construction skills or furnishing/lighting/room design skills along to the Village Hall Management committee and help us update the Village Hall. We currently have no Chairman for the CA Council. The CA Treasurer is **Tim Pearce** and **Fiona Martin** is the CA Secretary.

## Social Activities

### 2011 Photographic Competition and Quiz



The 2011 photographic competition was a big success, with over 300 photographs entered. The hall was open in the afternoon for public viewing of the photographs and this proved to be very popular. Congratulations to everyone who entered. The standard was very high.

With all events there is a huge amount of work goes on in the background and the photo competition is no exception, so a big thank you to

the organisers Dorian Haymes and Helen Barton. Dorian has been helping to organise the photo competition for seven years and Helen for the last two years. They are both now stepping down, so thank you to you both for all your hard work.

John and Nell Napier will be organising the next photo competition so cameras at the ready – read on for more details about the 2012 competition. ....

Bruce and I are very pleased that so many people said they enjoyed the quiz. Thank you for coming along, and supporting the raffle so generously.

### KMTC

Christmas would not be the same without a pantomime from the Knutsford Musical Theatre Company and for 2011 they performed their version of Scrooge's Christmas Carol. The script was written by Darren Humphries and with some great acting, lively songs and super costumes, this made for an enjoyable evening for both the cast and the audience.

## New in 2012

Have you ever looked up when you come home at night and thought how lucky we are to see the stars? The CA is encouraging an initiative by a group of residents to see how many others are also interested in astronomy. Sadly, Brian Cox does not live in High Legh, but his programmes have enthused people about the wonders of the universe. So why don't you come to the Village Hall on 17th Jan and find out more!

In addition to our established events such as the **10K Race, Village Show** and **Quizzes**, we plan to run another **Scarecrow Competition** and offer a **Programme of Talks** that are of general interest and are open to all. Many of us travel far and wide to attend talks, and it seems like a good idea to invite some of the better speakers to come to High Legh, so we can have an interesting evening with friends in our own village hall. If you hear any good speakers who you think would appeal to a High Legh audience, do give me a call, and if this venture is a success, perhaps we can invite them to give a talk later in the year.

The opening talk is on **Thursday 9th February** at 8pm in the Village Hall. The beautiful gardens at **Arley Hall** will be known to many of you. We are very pleased to welcome **Geoff Baillie, Head Gardener**, who has given talks all over the country. The second talk on **Thursday 23rd February** is by **Mark Olly**, who is a fascinating speaker on the **history of the North West**. The history talk by Judy Popley a couple of years ago was packed out, so do reserve a ticket early. We will sell some tickets on the door, so come along to the village hall if you find you are unexpectedly back in High Legh by 8pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided .

Another innovation for 2012 is a **French evening**, which we plan to run on Bastille Day (July 14th). More details on this and other activities in the spring newsletter.

## High Legh Robert Moffat Memorial 10K Race

This race is continuing to build its excellent reputation. Although we increased the number of runners from 300 to 400, the race filled up faster than ever before. In 2011 we welcomed a descendant of Robert Moffat to run in this race. This year she has encouraged 3 Moffat family members to also participate. So, our race is, once again, an international event. For more details see our sports section.

**CA Spring Quiz** – will be on **Sat 28th April** – more details in the Spring newsletter.

## Communication

The popular “Whats On” will continue, with the focus on reminding everybody about forthcoming social activities, and also to let you know when CA meetings are taking place, because we would like more people to participate, even if it is just for a few meetings about matters that particularly interest them. Upgrades are planned for the community website and we are looking for people who would like to contribute content – to keep “their bit” of the site updated with items of interest.

**Trish Adams Chairman CA Social Committee**

# TALKS AT HIGH LEGH VILLAGE HALL

Come along and meet the experts and find out more  
about your local area.



## THURSDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

Gordon Baillie, head gardener at **Arley Hall**, will be giving a talk. Find out about the inside story of the wonderful gardens at Arley and pick up some gardening tips.

## THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY

Mark Olly, local archaeologist, writer and TV personality will be giving a presentation about the **Lost Treasures of the North West**.



Talks begin at 8 o'clock in High Legh Village Hall.  
Tickets £3.00 available in advance from Chris Marsland 01925 755921  
or pay on the door.

Tea and biscuits included.

Organised by the High Legh Community Association.

# 2012 Photographic Competition

## Categories for 2012:

- High Legh / Cheshire
- People
- Structure – interpret as you wish
- Nature
- Work
- Open
- Under 15's: Open – anything you like

## Rules:

- The competition is open to all High Legh residents.
- Maximum of 10 entries per person per category.
- Entries can be prints or digital images, but the entry fee for a digital image is higher (see below). Digital images can be submitted on CD, memory stick or memory card.
- In the interests of space and cost prints must be unmounted, and a maximum size of 12 x 10 inches (or the equivalent area in any aspect ratio).
- All manipulations are permissible, however achieved (during exposure, in the darkroom, digitally, or otherwise).
- Entries are judged by an independent judge ahead of public display and the judge's decision is final
- All entries will be displayed in the village hall

## Entry fees:

- 25p per printed image
- £2 per digital image (the higher charge is because we arrange printing of the digital images. Entrants can retain the prints afterwards).

## Submission of entries:

- All entries must be delivered to Nell and John Napier, together with the entry fee, at 2 North Drive, High Legh (Tel 754563) or Dorian Haymes at 22 Woodlands Crescent (Tel 756047). Phone first to check.
- All prints must have the entrant's name and the category on the back. All digital entries must clearly indicate the entrant's name and the category.
- Closing date for entries will be published in the Newsletter and [www.highleggh.org.uk](http://www.highleggh.org.uk). No late entries will be accepted.

## Prizes:

- Certificates are awarded in each category for 1st, 2nd and 3rd placings
- The entry judged to be the best overall is awarded the Woodies Cup
- The entry judged to be the best in the Under 15s category is awarded a £5 voucher

**Queries: Contact Nell and John Napier on 754563 or Dorian Haymes on 756047.**

## **200 Club**

**Second draw of 2011/12 made on 22/11/2011**

£75 Claire Hay

£50 Bill Brow

£25 E. Mason

£25 Lord Grey

£25 Ann Woolf

## **'The Life and Death of Stars'**



### **An Evening of Astronomy**

Tuesday 17th January 2012

Village Hall 7:30-9:30pm

Suitable for adults and ages 14+  
No knowledge of astronomy required.  
All are welcome!

Adults £3, Under 18s £1.50 – please pay on the door  
Refreshments provided.

## **Village Hall Management Committee**

Our first year of operation of the new lease has enabled us to clearly see the true costs and income required to operate the Hall. Hall hire income of £12,200 included payment of £1908 by the CA to the VHMC for Hall hire for CA events. Hall operating costs were £14,294, including a provision for exterior painting, carried forward to 2012, as the summer rain stopped painting last year. The PV panels generated £1028 in FIT payments, so that investment should pay off in 7-8 years. The VHMC strategy, supported by our PC, is to keep charges as low as possible, to make the Hall affordable and well used.

### **Improvements**

Provided that we get the £53,000 of grants that we have applied for, we plan to install energy efficient lighting, improve roof insulation and ventilation/moisture control – so that should make it an even more comfortable environment, next winter, as well as reducing the impact of higher energy charges.

The grants, plus funding from our Parish Council and from the many contributors to the Community Association, will enable us make more effective use of the building. We plan to attractively furnish and equip the upstairs room – so it can be used for training events as well as meetings. We want to make independent use of the side hall, with an effective acoustic room divider, replacement cupboards, tables and better chairs. We also have plans to improve the kitchen.

Thank you very much to everyone who wrote letters of support to underpin the grant application. We won't know if we be awarded the funding until March. Meanwhile we are getting more quotes from builders and suppliers– to understand our options. We will continue discussing plans and choices with hall users, so we can take account of your priorities, within the budget, timescales and commitments made to funders.

High Legh Parish Councillors have suggested that businesses within High Legh might wish to sponsor Village Hall improvements. So, do please get in touch if you would like to help. It would be great to have sponsorship for a new front door – we could name the door after your company. Similarly, sponsorship of furnishings, office or kitchen equipment would all be very much appreciated and acknowledged. The economic situation is undoubtedly difficult. However this is when people particularly appreciate having a venue where they can enjoy themselves, without paying a fortune in hire charges or petrol. Many of you already sponsor village events such as the Show, 10K run, Auctions, Raffles and of course, this Newsletter. Sponsorship of High Legh Village Hall will benefit your community and provide a lasting reminder of the generous contribution from your company. It will be acknowledged and much appreciated.

**Jenny Pearce Chairman Village Hall Management Committee**  
**Email [Jennifer.pearce@talktalk.net](mailto:Jennifer.pearce@talktalk.net) 01925 756171**



## High Legh Village Hall

We would like to thank Kath Tipping for permission to show you how she decorated High Legh Village Hall for a big family party this Autumn.

It is a great venue for all sorts of events. Children's parties, family get togethers.

High Legh Village Hall is easy to find from the motorway networks, with easy parking. You can bring in local caterers and entertainers – have a ball!

**For more details, please speak to the Hall Manager, Helen Wright on 01925 753256**



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## Children and Families



### **Little Acorns Babes and Toddler Group** **High Legh Village Hall** **10-12 noon each Wednesday**

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and had the chance to recharge your batteries before the New Year celebrations got underway. Back to 'normal' now

as we look forward to the year ahead and the opportunities it might bring. Our weekly sessions at Little Acorns provide a great opportunity for parents and carers with children 0-3 years old to get together and meet new friends over a cup of tea or coffee. There are lots of toys and activities to keep the youngsters amused as they learn important social skills in a warm and friendly environment. If you or anyone you know are interested in finding out more about Little Acorns, please contact one of the organisers listed below. Alternatively, just turn up and join in the fun. Take care & hope to see you soon.

**Jane Jesudason - 01925-754186**

**Yvonne Edwardson - 01565-830528**

**Alex Kilcoyne - 01925-758260**

*Little Acorns is a 'not for profit' group organised and run entirely by volunteers for parents and carers of children 0-3 years old. Concessions are available for families who would like to attend, but who might struggle with the session fees (please speak to Jane, in confidence, for more information).*

**Admission costs just £2.00 for adult and first child, plus 50p for each additional child, which includes refreshments for both adults and children.**

*NB - We are still looking for additional help in the kitchen, as one of our regular ladies will be moving out of the area very soon. So if you, or anyone you know, can lend a hand for an hour or two on the occasional Wednesday morning, then please do get in touch with Jane on the number above. It's great to see the little ones having such fun and to watch them develop over the time they spend with us. Many thanks - Jane*



### **High Legh Primary School**

A belated Happy New Year to everyone in High Legh from everyone involved with High Legh Primary School. Autumn 2011 saw the continued increase in our pupil numbers with our Reception class meeting maximum capacity of twenty children.

The Governing Body and I are thrilled that Warrington Council's decision to stop our children attending Lymm High School has not put off families from attending our 'good' school. I have been working very closely with the Headteacher Mrs Walsh on the issue. They continue to fully support keeping our school as a feeder school. As of January I am now on Lymm High School's Governing Body and will in the future have a say on admissions and feeder schools for Lymm High School.

Together with High Legh Garden Centre, we held the annual Santa Parade which was attended by children in all manner of fancy dress. Our successful and innovative PTA organised events including a highly successful Christmas Fair at the Village hall which was attended by many children and parents and raised £796.00. The PTA financed a fantastic gazebo for our field. We expect to use this in the better weather, as a sports pavilion, band stand, outside classroom and as a shelter from the sun. Our Christmas production "Wriggly Nativity" was a great success with all children from Reception to Year Two confidently participating.

I'm thrilled to say that we will continue to increase our involvement with the wider community both in High Legh and beyond. I thank those who responded to my pleas for volunteers to assist in school on a regular basis; the benefits to our children are already being seen. We continue to be active within the community and our hardworking PTA will be hosting a quiz night 24th February as well as a Ladies Pamper Evening 25th January. Please come along.

It is with mixed feelings that I announce that Mrs Doreen Walker our much loved bursar is retiring in February. Mrs Walker has had links to High Legh Primary school for over twenty years, firstly as a parent bringing her two girls to school and then for the past twenty years as our bursar. All the staff will miss her dearly; she has been dependable, hard working and a great friend to us all. We very much wish her a fantastic retirement and look forward to her popping in to volunteer her time to listen to readers – you cannot escape that easily from our school!

Love is definitely in the air at School; I got married in November and am now Mrs Tottle. Our Class 4 teacher Mr Tuck, proposed to his girlfriend and is planning a wedding for August. Miss Simpson our Reception teacher became engaged at Christmas.

Applications for a Maintenance Officer/(caretaker) post for 30 hr/week, close on 20th January (see Cheshire East website). If you would like any further information about High Legh Primary School or you would perhaps like to volunteer your services in some capacity, (I never miss an opportunity to ask!) please do not hesitate to get in touch. Pop in for a chat or email us at [head@highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk) or [admin@highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk) Alternatively you could visit the school website at [www.highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.highlegh.cheshire.sch.uk)

Best wishes,

**Louise Tottle Head Teacher**

## HIGH LEGH PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA



Our key initiative for the year remains raising money to buy **musical instruments** as well as the tuition to allow some of our children to learn how to play them. In addition, we are hoping to raise enough money this year to buy **IT equipment**. Due to the great



success of recent fundraising events the PTA have also managed to raise enough money to buy an **outdoor shelter/classroom** which all the children will be able to enjoy when the weather improves. A huge thank you for to those who attended our **Christmas Craft & Gift Fair** at the Village Hall back in November. The event was even more successful for us than last year raising £800! Hopefully, those who came along were also able to pick up some handmade Christmas gifts too!

**PTA 100 Club** – we are now almost up to our 100 target membership but we still have a few numbers left. Thanks to those who have purchased a number or two already. Two prize draws have now taken place and winners notified. Membership from January to October is now £10 – please contact Louise Allan – 01925 756592 / ljnallan@gmail.com.

In addition to a Film and Popcorn evening and a Valentine Disco for the children, the PTA are hosting the following events which EVERYONE is welcome to attend; **Ladies Pamper Evening – Wednesday 25th** January (School Hall). Mums, grandmas, sisters, friends, neighbours are all invited to attend what promises to be an excellent 'ladies evening' at the school – we had fantastic feedback from last year's very successful event. You will be able to enjoy a range of beauty treatments for just £5 each, browse a range of goods on sale e.g. handbags, scarves, jewellery, accessories etc and there will also be a mini fashion show. Tickets are available from Nicola Keeley priced at £5 each in advance (£6 on the night) which will include a glass of wine and nibbles.



**Adult Brainteaser and Boogie** night at the village hall including an auction to raise funds for IT equipment. Tickets are £10 (BYOB) and include the quiz (prize for winning team) and a disco. It's on **Friday 24th Feb** 8pm. Tickets can be purchased from school or form me 07984077068/nickeeley@btinternet.com. A perfect opportunity to catch up with friends over a few drinks and enjoy a good dance!

**Thornton's Chocolate Evening - Friday 23rd March** (School Reception). This event was great fun last year.....an opportunity to sample lots of chocolates and enjoy a chocolate quiz all over a glass of wine or two. You will also be able to purchase discounted Thornton's Easter Eggs in perfect time for Easter. Tickets are priced at £5 each.

Finally, we raised £350 from our nearly new clothes sale and **Clothes Line Collection** back in October – thanks to all those who dropped off used bags of clothes, bags, bedding etc. We plan to repeat this initiative again in the Spring so please save your unwanted items ready for **Thursday 29th March**. In the meantime, we continue to raise money from the paper bank outside school and also used printer cartridges and old mobile phones which can be handed in at school reception. It is surprising at how much money such initiatives can collectively raise for school! Thank you for your continued support.



**Nicola Keeley (Chair, PTA)**  
**nickeeley@btinternet.com/Tel: 07984077068**

## **Happy New Year from Sunday School**

### **Church of St John, The Avenue, High Legh**

We hope you all had a peaceful Christmas, filled with joy and fellowship. Our sessions start again on the 15th this year and we have got plenty lined up for our youngsters once we get back into the swing of things.



Our topic for January and February covers how God's love and compassion are seen in Jesus' encounters with four individuals - the religious leader, Nicodemus; the woman at the well; the Official whose son was dying; and the man who couldn't walk by the pool at Bethzatha. Quite different people, but despite their different backgrounds and stories, Jesus has time for all of them, responding to each of them with patience and sensitivity. Jesus' actions bring about faith in all of them and challenge us to ask whether we show the same patience and sensitivity to those we meet in our lives.



Sunday School welcomes all children from the Parish and beyond, whether they attend every week or just once or twice a year. We use a variety of games, drama, songs and crafts during the sessions, enabling us to come closer to God and learn more about his people in a fun and exciting way. If you, or someone you know, would like more information about the activities at Sunday School, please contact one of the leaders listed below.

With Love & Prayers from

**The Sunday School Team**

**Jane 01925-754186 Selena 01925-754898 Marianne 01925-758217 Mary**

*Sunday School meets in the Church Room at 10.00am, on the 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays of each month (excluding school summer break), and we welcome all children to join in with the stories, games and activities we have planned. (Please note, on the 2nd and 5th Sundays we join with our family and friends for our Services of All Age Worship and Family Communion at 10.00am in Church.)*

# High Legh Parish Council

## **Highways Agency:**

### **A556 Knutsford to Bowdon Environmental Improvement Scheme**

HLPC was overwhelmed by the turnout for the last PC Meeting (in October) where members of the Highways Agency had been invited to attend to listen to residents' views and concerns over the proposed link road junctions. The PC followed up the meeting with a letter to the HA. Latest news from the Highways Agency is:

### **Public Consultation: 23 January - 16 April 2012**

Following feedback from meetings and correspondence with local community groups and residents, we have developed and considered some alternative design options ahead of the consultation. These options relate to the junctions and bridges that will connect the new A556 with the part of the current A556 to be bypassed and the local road network. We will include material on these options in the consultation. Public Exhibition are to be held in the Verandah Suite at Cottons Hotel, Knutsford on:

Saturday 28 January 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday 31 January 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Thursday 9 February 1 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Further information will be available from 23 January at [www.highways.gov.uk/a556knutsfordbowdon](http://www.highways.gov.uk/a556knutsfordbowdon).

High Legh PC will be arranging a Drop-in surgery with the Highways Agency late Feb/March. Please see [www.highleghparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.highleghparishcouncil.gov.uk) for updates.

## **Thanks!**

HLPC wish to pass on their thanks to Cllr Gary Pemberton following his recent resignation. Gary spent many years on the council, working hard on several committees including School House, Village Hall, recreation, the Parish Plan and finance, as well as serving as Chairman for the last year. Cllr Pemberton was involved at the beginning of the Parish Plan project, working on behalf of the PC to get the initiative going and is still involved as an active committee member. Cllr Pemberton was also integral to the Village Hall development project for the PC, planning and coordinating the installation of the new, modern security system, as well as bringing the School House up to standard as a viable property to be let on the market. Through his lettings business, Belvoir, he also manages the property for us. Cllr Pemberton has led the Council through some tricky times, including the recent A556 discussions, and ensured the Parish Council values were upheld at every turn. We wish Gary well and he will be greatly missed on the council.

**Councillor Vacancies** – please contact [clerk@highleghparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@highleghparishcouncil.gov.uk)  
Closing date for applications 31st January 2012.

## **Finance**

The precept for the next financial year (2012/13) will remain the same at £12,500. The PC was approached by the CA to support their WREN application for developing the Village Hall. A contribution of £10,000 over two years was requested to support this grant. The Finance committee proposed £5,000 to be allocated in the Precept for 2012/13, contingent on the grant being successful and on the proviso that businesses in the village are also asked to support the project, with the remaining contribution being allocated the following year. Thanks to the finance committee and chair (Cllr Tony Haigh) for the hard work in setting and managing the parish finances during these difficult economic times.

## **Policing – NEW CONTACT NUMBER 101**

A police surgery is held at 7pm prior to each PC meeting, please feel free to come along and listen to the Police report and pose ANY question or concerns you may have. Please report ANY unlawful behaviour to the CAT team on the NEW number 101, or dial 999 if there is any serious danger involved. Our High Legh PCSO can be contacted on [knutsford.npt@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:knutsford.npt@cheshire.pnn.police.uk) or call the Knutsford team on 0845 458 6380. Check the website for details of surgeries.

We were sad to learn that our local PCSO Andy Dolan will be leaving us early in 2012, Andy has worked so hard with our Parish Council and with local residents around the village, building up relationships, keeping us informed, working with the Parish Plan Groups and helping manage the traffic impact days. We thank Andy very much and wish him well in his career.

## **Embrace the Games Banner Competition**

Create and design an image to be included on a Banner to be exhibited when the official Olympic Torch visits Knutsford on 31 May. For example, draw or paint a well-known local landmark displayed in the 5 Olympic Rings, an athlete running past your school or the name of a community group written on gold, silver and bronze medals.... All entries must be A4 in size and in landscape. Closing date is **23 March**. More details from Mrs Walker [clerk@highlegghparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@highlegghparishcouncil.gov.uk).

## **Communication/Contacts**

We hope you are visiting the new PC website to check for the latest news around the Parish, and don't forget to subscribe to the secure email alerts via the news page. The website is updated regularly with Home and Rural watch news, Highways information, Parish Plan Project updates, as well as useful contacts for services (bin collections, utilities etc.) Bus and Mobile Library times and a calendar showing meeting dates and local events. Please let us know if there is anything we can add. Minutes are displayed in the Village notice boards and on the PC website: [www.highlegghparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.highlegghparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Next Meetings: Mon 9th January 7.30pm, 27th February, 2nd April, 14th May (AGM) Cheshire East Cllr Steve Wilkinson [steve.wilkinson@cheshireeast.gov.uk](mailto:steve.wilkinson@cheshireeast.gov.uk)  
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## HIGH LEGH DIARY

### JANUARY

Tue 17th Life and Death of Stars VH 7.30pm  
Tue 24th Parish Plan Village Appearance group Village Hall 7.30pm  
Wed 25th PTA Ladies Pamper evening at School  
Flower Club hot pot supper at VH 7.30pm  
Fri 27th LOG Vancouver - Glacier Bay, Geoff Clarke 7.45 Lymm VH  
Sat 28th A556 Public consultation - Cottons hotel 10am - 5pm  
Tue 31st A556 Public consultation - Cottons hotel 10am - 9pm  
Closing date for applications for Parish Councillor vacancies  
Coffee, Chat and Create - Church room 10.30am

### FEBRUARY

Wed 1st Lymm Dam - bird walk - meet by Lymm Library 10am  
Sat 4th Prayer Breakfast VH  
Sun 5th Farmers Market Abbey Leys 10am  
Thu 9th A556 Public consultation - Cottons hotel 1pm -9pm  
CA Talks - Arley Hall Gardens by Geoff Bailie 8pm  
Village Hall

Sun 12th Bowling Club AGM Village Hall  
Tues 14th WI Hotter Shoes Village Hall 7.30pm  
Sat 18th St John's Church Quiz night village hall 7.30pm  
Wed 22nd Flower Club - Alison Cooper VH 7.30pm  
Church - Ash Wednesday 7.30pm Holy Communion  
Talks - Lost Treasures of the North West  
by Mark Oly 8pm Village Hall

Thu 23rd PTA - Quiz, Auction and Disco night Village Hall  
Fri 24th LOG "Birds around Birchwood" S. Miles 7.45 Lymm VH  
High Legh Robert Moffat Memorial 10K Race 11am  
Parish Council 7.30 Village Hall Meeting room

### MARCH

Sat 3rd Prayer Breakfast VH  
Sun 4th Farmers Market Abbey Leys 10am  
Wed 7th Lymm Dam - bird walk - meet by Lymm Library 10am

Tue 13th WI A view from the wheelchair - Alan Donohue 7.30pm VH  
Sun 18th Church Mothering Sunday 10am Holy Communion  
Fri 23rd PTA - Thorntons Chocolate Night - School  
Sun 25th Closing date for Embrace the Games banner competition  
**Deadline Spring Newsletter**  
Church - Thanksgiving service 3.30pm  
Flower club - Heather Hayes and AGM 7.30pm VH  
Thu 29th PTA Clothes line collection - School  
Fri 30th Lymm Ornithology Talk 7.45pm Lymm VH  
Sat 31st Infinity - superfast broadband comes to High Legh

### APRIL

Sun 1st Farmers Market Abbey Leys 10am  
Church Palm Sunday Holy Communion 10am  
Parish Council - 7.30pm Village Hall Meeting room  
Church - Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

Mon 2nd Lymm Dam - bird walk - meet by Lymm Library 10am  
Church Maundy Thursday Passover Meal 6.30pm  
Church Good Friday around the Cross 2pm  
Prayer breakfast Village Hall

Easter Day Church Holy Communion 10am and 6.30pm  
Start of Sunday Teas - Village hall 1.30pm  
Tue 10th WI Down forget me not lane - Brian Hallworth  
Fri 20th Church - Fundraising dinner at High Legh Park Golf Club  
Tue 24th WI - Group Meeting Matthew Collins 7.30pm  
Sat 28th CA - Spring Quiz Village Hall

### MAY

Sat 5th Prayer breakfast VH  
Sun 6th Farmers market Abbey Leys 10am  
Tue 8th WI Secrets of a Cheshire Parish Judy Popley 7.30 VH  
Mon 14th Parish Council AGM - 7.30pm Village Hall Meeting room  
Thu 31st Olympic torch visits Knutsford

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## Help protect High Legh from inappropriate development

The Government's Localism Bill, when passed, will put decision making regarding planning in the hands of local communities. That means that the Parish of High Legh will have the chance to set planning policy for the next 20 years. This will cover the amount and potential location of any development. For example this may include guidelines on how many affordable houses, retirement houses and offices should be permitted within the Parish. This is not an easy task as a balance will have to be drawn between preventing uncontrolled development and ensuring High Legh remains a sustainable community.

It is very important that we formally record the Parish's views and vision on planning. If we do not, we could be opening the door to developers to build where they want under the "presumption in favour of sustainable development" which is part of the Localism Bill. We now have the opportunity to set our own planning policy and enshrine it within Cheshire East's Local Plan but we need your help.

In order to create our planning policy, the Parish Council is asking members of the community to tell us what they want. This will be done in two or three workshop sessions to be held between February and April. Each workshop will take about 2 hours and will need 15 - 20 people who will represent a cross section of our community. It is your opportunity to have your say, and shape the future of the Parish. If you can help us, please contact Jason Allan at [jallan@icasl.com](mailto:jallan@icasl.com). He will be able to answer any questions that you may have and tell you the dates for the sessions.

Cllr Jason Allan, Cllr Gail Coenen, Bruce Adams Chairman Parish Plan

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## People and Organisations

### Memories of Jim Margison from Martin West

Jim and Joyce Margison came to High Legh in 1963 and soon became part of the community. He was appointed to the Parochial Church Council and served for many years. Jim was also appointed to the Parish Council and was involved in the purchase of the Village school and the lease that was needed between the Parish Council and the Community Association. Not content with just handling the legal work, he was one of the team of volunteers, as shown by the photograph in the village hall, who devoted an enormous amount of time and energy to getting the village hall ready for use by all the societies in the village.

Jim organised the Monday night Bridge Club and was famous for instituting a bell which was rung whenever the talking reached Women's Institute level. He was also actively involved with the successful Bowling Club venture. In this historic photograph Jim is between the Mayor and the late Mr Charles Cornwall Legh.



Jim's table tennis expertise was legend and he started a table tennis club for the youth of the village. Despite the twenty year age difference I never managed to beat him. Jim loved his cricket, playing for Oughtrington, and he and I spent many happy hours watching Lancashire and England losing at Old Trafford.

Both Jim and Joyce were well respected and loved by the High Legh Community. Jim died on Monday 21st November at home. He will be sorely missed.

## People and Organisations



**St John's Church**  
([www.stjohnshighlegh.org.uk](http://www.stjohnshighlegh.org.uk))

We were very encouraged by the record number of villagers who attended our two carol services, Christmas Day service, Nativity and Christingle celebrations, and the concert by Lymm Concert Band. We are very grateful to Revd Jen and all those who worked hard to organise, prepare and lead us as we commemorated Jesus' birth.

As we head towards Spring, we enter Lent and Revd Jen will lead services throughout the season. The church quiz will take place in the village hall on Saturday 18 February. Tickets are £8 and available from Martin Smith or church. A date for your diary is 20 April when we will host a dinner at High Legh Park Golf Club. This annual event has proved to be great fun and a valuable 'fund raiser' to keep our historic building in good order. More details will be available from church in due course.

We plan to hold an 'Alpha' course in 2012. If you are interested in attending, or want to find out more, please contact the Vicar (E: [Jennifer.croft@btinternet.com](mailto:Jennifer.croft@btinternet.com) T: 759132).

St John's is a friendly community and we do hope that you will join us at our services and events. Our main service each Sunday is at 10:00 am with Sunday School or All Age Worship every week. Newcomers and occasional attenders are always welcome. The 2nd Sunday All Age Worship service, in particular, is informal and popular with wedding couples, young families and those who make it to church less often. More details can be obtained from the website, Parish Office (759037), the Church Wardens or me.

**Martin Smith T: 752679 E: [MartinSmithZZ@aol.com](mailto:MartinSmithZZ@aol.com) PCC Secretary**

### **Diary Dates for 2012**

18 February 7:30 pm

Quiz Night in the Village Hall

22 February 7:30 pm

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion

## NEW HIGH LEGH BUS SERVICE

18 March	10:00 am	Mothering Sunday Holy Communion
25 March	3:30 pm	Thanksgiving Service
1 April	10:00 am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion
2 April	7:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
5 April	6:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Passover Meal (Holy Communion)
6 April	2:00 pm	Good Friday Around the Cross
8 April	10:00 am, 6:30pm	Easter Day Holy Communion
20 April	7:00 pm	Fundraising Dinner at High Legh Park Golf Club

### 'Coffee, Chat and Create'

We are launching a new event at St John's Church, called 'Coffee, Chat and Create'. It's an opportunity for people to come together, to share in creative tasks over good coffee and conversation. The creativity involves you bringing your knitting, sewing, painting, flower arranging, model aircraft or you could muse over your sudoku, crossword or the church jigsaw puzzle. The first event, in the church room is on Tuesday 31st January 2012 at 10:30am Please pass this on to neighbours and friends - all are very welcome to attend! Blessings, Rev Jen

### Parish Plan Implementation Groups

#### Quality of Communications - Broadband

BT Openreach knows how to disappoint! The rollout of superfast broadband in the north of the village has now been delayed until the end of March 2012 according to the BT Infinity website. It was first forecast to be available at the end of March 2011 but has been put off by three months on four occasions! What is even more frustrating is that the cabinet by the Old Smithy on West Lane has been in place since January last year! The working group will complain again.

As part of a wider government initiative to bring superfast broadband to rural areas, there is a combined activity across the boundaries of the old Cheshire County which aims to provide the fast service to areas which BT Openreach deem to be uneconomical. Paradoxically, the presence of the superfast service in the north of High Legh may make it difficult for us to argue a priority case for the south of High Legh because the initiative is focussing on areas that have no superfast provision at all. It is possible that we could devise our own scheme to link the south of the village to the north ..... which would be useful when the north has superfast broadband working!

Please feel free to contact any of the members of the working group (Martin Smith, Dave Simpson, Dawn Smethurst, Maureen Callander and John Cope) if you would like to help or need more information.

**Martin Smith (752679 martinsmithzz@aol.com)**

## **Bus Services**

I am pleased to report that many more High Legh residents are using the several bus services, available to them. More people are recognising the 289 bus in the Cheshire East livery of Green/Grey, which will take you to either Northwich via Knutsford in one direction or Altrincham in the other. A number 47 runs from Warrington via Knutsford to Holmes Chapel and the reverse. This bus runs on Tuesdays and Fridays, but with only two buses in each direction. If the service is of interest, I could let you have details and/or a timetable.

There have been a few hiccups in the services with buses running early, or not turning up at all. However, I have spoken to Dave Bennett of Warrington Coachways, who stated that staff have not turned up for work or buses have broken down, which is inevitable with mechanical vehicles. Since the bus depot is in Warrington, it can take up to 30 minutes for a replacement bus to arrive in High Legh, assuming there is someone available to drive it. Warrington Borough Transport (Network Warrington) has the same problems. Dave apologises most sincerely to anyone who has been inconvenienced, and will do his best to try and avoid these situations in the future.

Despite, these problems, everyone seems generally well pleased with the bus services. So, as has been the tradition in previous years, a Christmas present, this year to both the drivers and one to the management was given to Warrington Coachways, marked from “your friends” in High Legh.

**Peter Marsland Bus Coordinator.. 01925 755921**

## **Village Appearance Group**

Having been involved with the Parish Plan from the beginning, it can be frustrating at times not to be able to physically get on with the task of improving the chosen areas in the village so that we can actually see some progress! However, as with all major projects, hurdles have to be jumped, bureaucracy adhered to, and the necessary permissions sought. Slowly, these requisites are beginning to fall into place and it is hoped that work can begin this year.

At our last meeting in November, we decided on the order of priority for the project sites. To do this, we collectively agreed a score for each of the categories:-

- The total cost of the project site
- Who would benefit from the improvement
- Biodiversity
- What additional help will be needed [Community Involvement]
- Health and Safety issues
- The level of impact in the village
- Length of time for planting to mature

The results were, (highest score first) : Play Area, Rensherds Place, Jointly, Belfry Entrance & Wrenshot Lane, North Drive/Pheasant Walk, West Lane/Pheasant Walk.

At our next meeting on **January 24th**, the group will finalise the planning of the Play Area and draw up a working schedule. Please keep an eye on the High Legh website as we are going to need volunteers for this project!

Since the last Newsletter, the Village Appearance Group have organised a third Litter Pick, when volunteers from the village were assisted by staff from McDonalds on what was a perfect sunny, autumnal day. This time, over fifty bags of rubbish were collected, including tyres, pots of paint, plumbing debris and a watering can! It is interesting to note that all of this rubbish was recycled by McDonalds as part of their eco-friendly campaign. As a well earned 'thank you', the stalwart pickers of all ages enjoyed tea and homemade cakes in the Meeting Room. Our next Litter Pick will be in the spring, although the A50 will be regularly cleared by staff from McDonalds as part of their normal route. The Village Appearance Group would welcome any help with this event, as the old adage certainly rings true in that 'many hands make light work'!

**Chris Johnson**

## WI

The AGM was held in November. Thanks were given to Elaine Readitt in appreciation of her work as president and for helping to make the year such a success. Elaine thanked the committee and members for their support during her term of office. Secretary, Pam Higham highlighted the lively meetings, the interesting speakers and the many outings enjoyed in 2011. There were many achievements including successes in the Cheshire show, WI County Golf and County Darts tournaments.

## Trips

Recent outings included a visit to the Lowry to see "Top Hat". This production followed the original story line of the 1930s song and dance show. Tom Chambers took the Fred Astaire role and he was given a well deserved standing ovation at the close of the show. High Legh joined Grappenhall WI for this outing which was enjoyed by all. A visit to the Opera House followed in October to see the musical comedy "Legally Blonde". This show received mixed reviews from members ranging from brilliant to disappointing.



There was an outing to Chatsworth in December to see the house decked in its Christmas finery. It was fine and sunny when members, partners and friends set out to enjoy the day. The outing included a visit to nearby Bakewell, home of the famous tarts - the confectionery kind.

The Christmas party was held on December 13th. True to tradition committee members become entertainers for the evening. What form that entertainment takes is a closely guarded secret until the night. Photos have been taken!

A special surprise this year was a keyboard accompaniment by Daniel, the grandson of a committee member. He played while the party goers enjoyed their meal.

Winter events for 2012 include a walk on January 18th organised by Mottram St. Andrew WI; a post-Christmas walk around the Edge at Alderley to walk off those extra pounds, followed by lunch at the Wizard tea rooms so you can put them on again. The County Leap day Literary Lunch will be held at Christleton Freemasons Hall and the speaker is the romantic novelist Victoria Howard.

On April 24th High Legh will be hosting the group meeting, when 5 local WIs get together. There is always a guest speaker on these occasions and High Legh has chosen Matthew Collins, public speaker, writer and voice coach. Some of us remember Matthew as the "special assignments" man on T.V.'s Travel Show in the 1980s. He has since widened his horizons and is a popular public speaker.

## **90 Years of the WI in High Legh**

High Legh WI will look forward to planning many events in 2012 to celebrate its 90th anniversary. So if you would like to join in the varied activities, come along to the village hall on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm. New members are always welcome. In 2011, High Legh had the highest number of newcomers compared to other local WI groups. The following monthly talks have been arranged for 2012:-

January 10th	For better or for worse	Rev Michael Burgess
February 14th	Hotter Shoes	Sheila Houldin
March 13th	A view from a wheelchair	Alan Donohue
April 10th	Down forget-me-not lane	Brian Hallworth
April 24th	Group Meeting	Matthew Collins

## **Val Challis**

## **High Legh Flower Club**

High Legh Flower Club meets in the Village Hall on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. New members and visitors are always welcome.

## **Demonstrations 2012**

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22nd February	Alison Cooper
28th March	Heather Hayes and AGM

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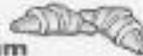
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## Bowling Club

Would you credit it? Three days before Christmas as I write this and the sun is streaming through the window whilst we enjoy a mini-heat wave that would have done us proud in the middle of the summer bowling season.

The green looks to be in beautiful condition and has responded to re-seeding of the worn areas and tender loving care it received in October, following the end of the outdoor season.

In the meantime, indoor bowling in the Village Hall holds sway and we have reached the mid-point of our indoor season. As a reminder, we have two separate sessions on Wednesday until the end of March and each session has two mats, so there is plenty of opportunity to get a few games in. We are always happy to welcome new bowlers – whether indoor or outdoor. If you are interested in a little bit of gentle exercise to shed the extra pounds put on over the Christmas period, then please just turn up at 2pm or 7pm and introduce yourself or, if you prefer, telephone me for more information on 01925 754724 or e-mail [davidjmaynard@gmail.com](mailto:davidjmaynard@gmail.com).

We also have an indoor team competing in the Villages League. Four teams play each other twice in four sections and the top of each section then become semi-finalists. So far, we have won two and lost two, so there is everything to play for.



We had a sad loss at the end of November with the death of Jim Margison, one of our best-loved and longest serving members. Jim was one of fifteen people who attended the inaugural meeting of the High Legh Indoor Bowling Club on 8th January 1986.

It was proposed that each person should consider lending £15 to enable the Club to purchase an indoor mat. In the meantime, Jim undertook to contact someone at Northwich Memorial Hall to see if we could borrow a mat until we had our own in place. Very early in the formation of the Club, the decision was taken to look for a suitable site to develop an outdoor green and, as early as the fourth meeting, Chairman John Pimlott invited Jim to become our first President.

Once Mr. Cornwall-Legh had given his kind consent to the development of our existing site, John and Jim became actively involved in most aspects of planning and development of the site. Jim Margison's Presidency covered the whole period of the expansion of the Club to well past the opening of the outdoor green in 1989, by which time the membership numbers had grown ten-fold from 15 to 152. He later became a Trustee of the Club and in that capacity, continued to show an interest in its continued development.

Moving on, although we are unable to use the green during the winter months, there always seems to be plenty of behind-the-scenes activity. Nearly all of our ten teams have some sort of a close-season get-together. Some of the teams have an end-of-season bash whilst other prefer to enjoy a meal together before the start of the new season. In addition, each league has its own Presentation Evening and AGM. As appropriate, the team captains usually attend these events and report back to team members on anything of significance.

We are due to have our Club **Annual General Meeting** in the Village Hall on **12th February**. Everyone on the Management Committee, except the President (and Trustees), stands for re-election and, with all due respect to those of us who have occupied a role for some little time, we live in hope that we will have plenty of new nominations. After that, it will be a few short weeks before the green is open for play at the beginning of April. In the meantime it just remains for me to wish you all A Happy New Year from everyone at High Legh Bowling Club.

**David Maynard**

## **High Legh Robert Moffat Memorial 10k Race**

First, the excellent news is all 400 places in the race were filled within a record 59 days of opening. We have created a standby list, in case some places become available. To join the list, please contact [highleghrace@live.co.uk](mailto:highleghrace@live.co.uk).

Our partnership with Lymm Runners is proving to be very successful. If you would like to more information about them, their website is [www.lymmrunners.org.uk](http://www.lymmrunners.org.uk). Ten runners are raising funds for High Legh Primary School/PTA by being sponsored. If you would like to sponsor them, please contact Louise Allan email [lallan@icasl.com](mailto:lallan@icasl.com) (or any member of the PTA committee).

We should like to give a big thank-you to all the local firms who are sponsoring our community race. Costcutter at Broomedge are again turning out in force to provide us with not only very welcome sponsorship funding, but are entering 12 runners. I am sure you will recognise them from the shop – do give them a cheer as they go by. Banner & Co, estate agents in Lymm are this year providing sponsorship funding, and also have 2 runners.

We are very grateful to Royles Sport Shop in Wilmslow for sponsoring the prizes and Shotz Sports Nutrition who are providing protein bars and energy gels to the competitors. Sheldon's Diary have very kindly donated sponsorship funding and

Brittania Building Society in Knutsford are donating funding and 2 volunteers to Marshall. RMS of High Legh are helpfully loaning us some traffic control equipment and High Legh Garden Centre is providing bark. All finishers will get a "goody bag" containing items provided by High Legh Railways, Booths, Sainsburys and a practical item. No, not a mug this year – something even more useful. Finally, thank you to ALF Design for the stunning new race logo.

The race is being held from High Legh Primary School, with the PTA offering hot and cold refreshments, including bacon or sausage butties in the School Hall to spectators, runners and marshals. The race starts in Wrenshot Lane at 11am on Sunday 26th February 2012. We expect that all the runners will finish by 12.30.

Joe Edwards has drawn a detailed master plan for smooth operation at HQ (in the School), and would welcome more help. If you can spare a little time on the Saturday before the race to help with setting up race HQ, or on the Sunday to act as a Marshal or help with setting up or tidying away, please contact me on 756171 or [highlegrace@live.co.uk](mailto:highlegrace@live.co.uk)

Many thanks to the many marshals who have agreed to marshal again. We always welcome more volunteers. Ideally, we should like to locate some extra Marshals at key points along the route. You will get a briefing, a Marshal's pack – describing exactly which part of the route you will manage, and a little memento – to say "thank you for helping make this a great community race". We listened to feedback from those of you who have marshalled in previous years, and told us you do not need more mugs – so it will be something else, we hope you will enjoy.

Runners have told us how much they welcome the encouragement from High Legh Marshals and Spectators in past years. We are hoping that even more of you will come to watch and cheer them on again this year. We are planning to relocate the finish by a few yards further into the school playground so that spectators can get a great view of the action from within the grounds.

Finally, many thanks in advance to all residents along on the race route for your continued cooperation to make the race as safe as possible, by parking cars in your driveways rather than on the road or pavement. Please ask any drivers visiting your home on the 26th February to watch out for the warning signs, for Marshals giving directions, and be very careful to avoid runners during the short period when the race is taking place. We will be contacting every home on the route about a week beforehand. You can see the route from [www.highlegth.org.uk](http://www.highlegth.org.uk) 2012 10K Run Latest or , <http://www.mapmyrun.com/routes/view/54371636>

### **And Finally...**

We are delighted to announce that in this special Olympic/Paralympic year, prizes at the High Legh 10K Race will be presented by High Legh's own Triple World Champion and Team GB Paralympic Sailor – Niki Birrell.



Niki was a student at High Legh Primary School, not so many years ago. Since then, he has graduated from the University of Salford with a degree in Business and Management Studies, whilst pursuing his passion for sailing.

High Legh Primary School is delighted to welcome Niki back as a prize presenter.

**Tim Pearce 756171**

## **Latest News - Niki's World Championship Victory in Florida**

January 15 2012- British duo Alexandra Rickham and Niki Birrell clinched victory in the SKUD 18 class at the International Association for Disabled Sailing (IFDS) World Championships at Lashley Park Marina in Florida to underline their status as London 2012 Paralympic gold medal favourites.

The pair finished in fourth place in the final race which proved enough to hold off Americans Jennifer French and Jean-Paul Creignou, who claimed silver, and the Australian team of Daniel Fitzgibbon and Liesl Tesch, who took bronze. The victory means that Rickham and Birrell have successfully defended their world title although their London 2012 Paralympic qualification was already assured when they were the first Britons selected for the Games last August.

## **Charity Challenge in aid of the Prince's Trust**

High Legh resident, Phil Langman is currently in training for his 2012 charity challenge of racing 150 – 200km across northern Borneo in May to raise funds for Prince's Trust.

The Prince's Trust is a youth charity here in the UK who help to change young lives of 13 to 30-year-olds who have struggled at school, have been in care, are long-term unemployed or have been in trouble with the law.

He is aiming to raise over £4000. If you would like to sponsor him, either as an individual or a corporation, please go to: [www.philschallenge.co.uk](http://www.philschallenge.co.uk)

Many thanks for your support!

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## High Legh Tennis Club

Tennis tuition continues throughout the winter at High Legh tennis club, where we take full advantage of the brilliant new floodlights! Adult coaching for those a little rusty is at 6.30pm on a Wednesday and 7.30pm for those aspiring team players. We are always looking for new members to join and coaching is available to non-members, so make it your New Year's resolution to come and play!

Junior coaching continues for team players on a Friday night and development/beginners on a Saturday morning. We have classes for 3-4year olds; 5-7 year olds; 8-9 year olds and 10 and overs. Regular friendly matches are arranged with local clubs to give children friendly competition. junior teams playing in local leagues are available for those 12 and under and 15 and under.

Tennis camps will run in the school holidays 9am-1pm daily for children aged 6 upwards. You child doesn't have to already have coaching to enjoy the camps-its a great way to keep them active with lots of fun games and prizes offered so please ring on 07840104983 or email on [j.olivertennis@gmail.com](mailto:j.olivertennis@gmail.com) to find out more information.

**James Oliver**

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**If you are interested then please contact Trish Adams on 01925 755983 or just come along on Tuesday at 2.30pm**

## Tai Chi

Thursday afternoon Tai Chi has become a time when we can take advantage of the health giving benefits of Tai Chi to reduce stress, improve our flexibility and strengthen our muscles. So do come and join us at High Legh Village Hall on Thursdays 3.45 to 4.45pm.

No need to book. Just £4 per session, pay on the day. The classes are suitable for men and women of all ages and no special clothing or equipment is required.

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Its excellent Clubhouse facilities with fine restaurant and well stocked bar combine with a modern function room over looking the course and the Cheshire countryside to make it an ideal local venue for weddings, birthdays, christening or other special occasions.



The function room can seat up to 120 guests for a set meal, and 200 people for an evening buffet and disco. Wedding packages are available for example:- 40 People, Wedding Breakfast, Free Champagne, 80 Evening Guests with a Buffet Meal, Free Room Hire £2200 + vat.

A special social membership rate is also available to High Legh residents only.

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