

Comberbach Village News

Community updates and events - July 2019



Parish Council

An informal update from your parish council chairman

Notes from the Chair

Council Elections

Parish Councillor election were uncontested in May and the following Councillors were elected for another term of 5 years.

Jim Bradley
Rena Bradley
Bob Holt
Steven Hornby (Vice Chair)
Jill Johnston
John Ryder (Chair)

This means that we have 2 vacancies to fill on the Council

Comberbach Fete

Many thanks to Steve Howard and his Committee and helpers for again organising a wonderful fun packed Fete. It was certainly a spectacle to see the C-47 Dakota flying over the Fete field a number of times. The committee must be very pleased with record takings taken on the day. Leia Hubbard, the year's elected Rose Queen, also must be delighted with the monies from the earlier fun run being donated to the WWF.

The annual Comberbach Achievement award was given to Sandra Fisher for her continued help in ensuring the defibrillators are checked on a regular basis and in good working order.

Parish Update

It's pleasing to see that now the recreation area has had a new safety surface, the area looks like new and many users have complemented the work that's been done. The Council are investigating the cost of both new and additional picnic tables to complement the work done.

The pencil crayons have all been repainted and some replaced. At the Fete we had a stall to see if anyone else was interested in having a child or family name on one of the pencils. We achieved 25 more names to be added.

If anyone is interested in adding a child or family name further details can be found in the newsletter.

*John Ryder,
Chair, Comberbach Parish
Council*

Defibrillators

Locations

Bowling Club
Post Office
Comberbach Primary School

There are operating instructions by the side of each defibrillator

**See your child's name
or family name at
the recreation area**

**Sponsor a pencil crayon at the
recreation area with your
child's name or family name**

If you are interested in sponsoring a pencil crayon
please send £5 to the Comberbach
Parish Council bank account quoting in the reference field the
name or names you would like printed.

Bank Details: Santander
Sort Code 09-01-28 Account number 07944250

Please also copy the Parish Clerk with confirmation
email Parishclerk@comberbach.com

Comberbach Parish Council

Methodist Church and Sunday School



Sunday School Anniversary

A super day was had by the Children, Young People and the Congregations on 19 May at the Sunday School Anniversary. The Morning Service was based on The Good Samaritan with sketches, songs and a video, all explaining about what it means to be a good neighbour. The Evening Choir Celebration consisted of ten old and new songs interspersed with appropriate Readings, mostly read by members of the Choir's families, and included Avril's Wonderful Story. The Service was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the Congregation.

Fete Accompli

The Sunday School again took part in the Fete Procession with the Theme of God's Creation; the old farm trailer having it's annual outing. Many thanks to Chris Woodcock for towing it. There were just over twenty adults and children who helped to decorate it at Avenue Farm on Friday evening, which as always, ended with a delivery of Sausage and Chips!

On the day, nine children climbed on-board, complete with water pistols to cool people down on such a hot day! It was great to win the trophy again (even though there was only one Float), and it will be added to our collection in the Sunday School Room.

Well done to the Fete Committee for once again organising a great Village Day. We look forward to welcoming Leia and her Retinue to the special Rose Queen Family Service on 14 July, when again we will be thinking about Creation, which should fit in well with Leia's chosen Charity WWF.

Family Fun Holiday Club

The Holiday Club this year will be a bit different, in that it will take place at the Village Hall and will be held every Wednesday morning during August, from 10am to 12 noon
*A holiday club for the whole family -
Join us for some Holiday Fun!*

Ladies Club

In the steps of Monty Don

The Ladies Club enjoyed a guided walk around the Japanese garden in Tatton Park in May. We found it very interesting, learning about the history of the various ornaments and layout of the gardens. People from Japan advised them on the design and the garden has featured on Monty Don's gardening programme.

On a sunny afternoon (finally) in June we were able to sit in the garden of Kath Wharfe for afternoon tea with prosecco! After all the rain and cold weather this was very enjoyable with lots of chat as well as great food.

Supper Party

July will see us eating again at our annual supper party, when we all take a contribution of food. We are hoping for a lovely summer's evening to sit outside as we did last year.

In August we are doing a treasure hunt, held over from last year due to heavy rain; details to follow.

15 Jul	Supper Party	7pm	47 Cliffe Rd
19 Aug	Treasure hunt	Time T.B.C.	Gt Budworth
16 Sept	T.B.C		
21 Oct	T.B.C		

Comberbach Art Group



Our members are preparing for a Grand Day Out in Northwich on Saturday 27 July at the Northwich Memorial Court where we will have a table display of some of our paintings. The event is open from 10am until 4pm and we hope you will come along to support Northwich Art Shop who have organised the day. There will

be demonstrations throughout the day as well as individual artists working and selling their paintings.

If you miss this event remember we will have our own exhibition in Comberbach village as usual, this year on 19 and 20 October.

Just a few words from your local PCSO

Summer security

During the Summer months please consider some security advice. Always make sure that doors and windows are locked when not in the property.

If you are in please make sure that doors are locked. We can all become complacent thinking that nothing will happen to us or our property.

If you do see anything suspicious then please report this to the Police 101 (non emergency) 999 (emergency); if you are reporting a vehicle involved try and obtain the vehicle registration. This is very helpful in finding out who the driver is etc.

Speed monitoring

Speed monitoring /enforcement have been conducted in the area and will be repeated on a regular basis. Please drive within the speed limit.

Scams alert

There have been a number of scams reported throughout Cheshire. Never give your personal details to cold callers.

If you suspect that a scam is taking place please report this to action fraud online www.actionfraud.police.uk. Or phone 0300 123 2040.

If anyone wishes to speak with me I hold regular Police surgeries at the Post office in Comberbach. Dates are placed on the Marbury ward website or on the notice board at the Post office. I can also be contacted by email diana.wiggins@cheshire.pnn.police.uk. I will get back to you when on duty.

Take care
PCSO Diana Wiggins 20322



1st Antrobus and Comberbach Sea Scouts



done 3 of the dates and their progress has been fantastic - their skills and abilities have improved massively.

Multi-activity challenge hike

The big event for the summer was Strategy 2019. Twelve Scouts travelled down to Cirencester Park for a multi-activity challenge hike consisting of 30 bases (challenges) of varying difficulty and complexity set around a 3,000 acre site. Each challenge earned a different amount of points and the teams had to plan their route and decide which challenges to visit in the allotted time to score the most points. Bases included everything from pioneering to caving, rock-climbing to kit inspection and rifle shooting to Total Wipeout. Our 3 teams (Hammerheads, Pyranhas and Barracudas) came 33rd, 87th and 240th out of a total of 334 teams - great effort. I had forgotten how loud Scouts can be and how early they get up in the morning ! Fortunately there was an area where the leaders could relax and have a deserved drink.



We have been very blessed with the weather this summer term and have managed to get out on the mere almost every week. The troop continues to grow and we usually have at least 15 boys and girls out on the water every Thursday evening. Higher numbers mean that we need to build at least 2 rafts and a number of Scouts are chosen to do kayaking.

Whatever activity they choose, the Scouts invariably get very wet, as do the leaders.

Rock climbing

A group of the Scouts are attempting to get their rock climbing badge. They are spending 4 Sundays dangling off precarious rock faces throughout the Northwest. So far they have

So, if you are aged between 10 and 14 and want to join in (or if you are over 14, and would like to try Explorer Scouts), contact either:

Paul Underwood
(Scout Leader) 07725 150 928
Robert Doel
(Assistant SL) 01606 891789 or
07526 723 516

And "be prepared"...
James Stibbards

Comberbach WI

theWI

INSPIRING WOMEN

The Cheshire WI Marquee at the Cheshire Show is a very popular attraction for visitors and includes competitive classes for individual members and for WIs, together with lots of displays and information about the many opportunities and activities WI membership offers. Planning begins months in advance. This year, as always, Comberbach WI was very proactive – and successful with their many entries.

1st Prize was awarded to Alison Horton in the Individual Floral art section - *A Night at the Opera* and she was also awarded the Special award, The Helen Jean Platt Trophy for Best In Class. A great accolade. (Pic 1) 1st prize was achieved in the Individual Craft Section by Janine Hampton with a beautifully crafted teddy bear. Adorable. (Pic 2) Doreen Kennerley was awarded a Highly Commended in the same section with a very delicately smocked child's dress. In the Photographic section Miriam Manners commanded 3rd place with a great 'Action' photograph.

The co-operative entries of My Fair Lady achieved Highly Commended. The title 'My Fair Lady' triggered memories for Margery Hall, who was sure this had been done before. She delved into archives from years ago and found a photo of the event in



Alison Horton - *A night at the Opera*. First Prize and the Helen Jean Platt Trophy for best in Class



Janine Hampton's Teddy Bear gained 1st Prize in the Individual Craft Section



"My Fair Lady" achieved Highly Commended in the cooperative entries



Margery Hall, who was part of the entry team of *My Fair Lady* in 1970 - can you spot the recycled item?

1990. This was a 4ft floor standing display with flowers, cookery and crafts. As you can see from the photo, Comberbach WI won the class. Members featured on the photo were Diana Jones,

Melba Savin-Jones and Margery Hall. This entry was in 1990 but can you spot the staging use in both 29 years later? Never say we don't recycle.

The Tea for Two display was well received, but was not placed this year. The craft and skill displayed within all the sections were exemplary and it was a pleasure to view them all.

Members of the Comberbach WI were also very present in the WI Marquee – being stewards, helping with the Judging admin and working hard in the background, with food and refreshment preparation and serving. What a great showing and effort by Comberbach WI.

Friends of Comberbach School: raising funds for school resources

Giving it some welly

With the school looking to expand opportunities for outside learning, much of the money raised by FoCS this school year has gone towards supporting this goal. This term we have funded the purchase of wellie storage racks for the Nursery and Reception classes. This means children can keep wellies in school so they are always ready to tackle outdoor tasks - whatever the weather. If the racks prove a success, the plan is to roll them out to classes throughout the school.

Polytunnel takes shape

Local residents and fete goers may have noticed the arrival of a new structure on the school field. This is a 24 x 28ft polytunnel, financed by funds raised by FoCS during the last school year. The polytunnel will allow classes to be held outside and a broad variety of fruit and vegetables to be grown in the garden all the year round.

Zumba night: Friday 20 September

Our next fundraiser is a Zumba evening, hosted by our very own local dance diva Sara Ferguson. Don't worry if you're lacking in coordination - it's an excuse to have a giggle, let your hair down and enjoy a Pina Colada or Prosecco on a Friday night. Tickets will go on sale from September priced at £5, to include a drink on arrival. *Lynda Bigmore, Kepplegate, The Avenue. T: 01606 892439, email: lynda@clevercopy.co.uk*



FOCS PRESENTS ...



NO NEED TO BRING A PARTNER....JUST GRAB A PINA COLADA AND JOIN IN THE FUN!

20.9.19 @ Comberbach Primary School. Doors open 7:30pm.

Tickets £5 in advance, including drink on arrival .

Comberbach Fete 2019

What a great fete!

Hugh Jackman himself would have been proud of the show at Comberbach Fete on Saturday 29 June. An action-packed line-up that included Barn-ton Circus, Hartford School of Gymnastics, Wirral Samba Drummers, Bostock Band and Comberbach School Choir made this one of the greatest shows in the fete's 70 year history. We even had our very own P.T. Barnum, almost-lifesize elephant, strong man and bearded lady (Sasha Dean, who deservedly took away the prize for Best Fancy Dress).

In the run-up to fete day, local residents entered into the spirit, decking fences, walls and windows with bunting and other creative decorations. The Riding family on Cogshall Lane won the Best Decorated House trophy.

Drums & monkeys

On the day, the celebrations kicked off with a lively procession through the village, led by the infectious beats of the Wirral Samba Drummers. The Chapel's colourful animal themed trailer was awarded Best Float and the Middlewich Carnival Queen was voted Best Visiting Queen.

After the parade, the action moved to the school field, for the crowning of the new Rose Queen, Leia Hubbard, and an enthralling programme of entertainment in the ring.

Highlights from the arena included the school choir's rendition of Coldplay's Viva la Vida and the Bostock Band's



polished brass repertoire. It was also the first outdoor performance this year for Hartford's Display Team gymnasts, who wowed the audience with their Greatest Showman routine. They were a tough act to follow, but Barnton Circus, the finale act, put on a spectacular aerial performance that involved daring hoop, silk and trapeze stunts, as well as giving children the opportunity to show off the circus skills they had learned during the course of the day.

Some smashing stalls

Outside the arena, an appearance from Cheshire Alpacas, archery with Wincington Park Bowmen, ferret racing, tombolas, inflatables, crockery smashing and more meant there was plenty to keep everyone entertained. There was no shortage of refreshments either, and our fantastic bar and BBQ staff and the team in the tea tent worked tirelessly to keep energy levels up with everything from burgers and

beer to tea and home-made cakes.

It was great to see so many people from Comberbach taking part in the fete and to welcome visitors from further afield. This year, the promise of a Dakota fly-by was an added attraction, and this aviation icon didn't disappoint, circling several times.

We would like to thank Isabel Matzen for representing the village as Rose Queen for 2018-2019 and to congratulate Leia Hubbard, our incoming Rose Queen. We would also like to thank everyone who supports fete day, in any way, no matter how big or small, including the school for the use of its field and facilities. Without this support, the event simply wouldn't be possible.

Join the circus!

This year we organised the fete with a skeleton team of less than ten members. We're a friendly bunch and if you enjoyed the day and would like to get more involved, the fete committee would welcome new members. Please speak to Steve at the post office or contact us via our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/comberbachfete.

Whilst we won't be starting to organise next year's fete until autumn, we are planning to put on a couple of village events during the year, starting with a fundraising stand-up comedy night on Saturday 12 October.

*Jim Powlson & Lynda Bigmore
Comberbach fete committee*



FETE COMMITTEE

PRESENTS

An Evening of Live Stand-up Comedy

With Food & Licensed Bar

IT'S JUST FOR LAUGHS AND ADULTS !



HAHAHA

**HOSTED BY COMEDY COMPERE
KEVIN DEWSBURY**



SAVE THE DATE - 12 October 2019
Comberbach Village Hall

OH YES IT'S FREE!!

The recycling initiative was launched last edition, whereby you can offer unwanted items free to others via the newsletter. The golf clubs found a new home but the bike didn't so it is still on offer along with another bike :

- 1 Girls/Ladies bike, reasonable condition but in need of some TLC/ checking.
- 2 Conquest Gents 15 Speed Bike, new tyres and service needed.

Contact 01606 891540 or kathwharfe@hotmail.co.uk to view these items or to offer anything in the next edition.

The Newsletter Team

Our team consists of: Angela Austin, Kath Wharfe Ron Stephens, Irene Robinson, plus a team of 15 distributors - who do a great job delivering to households. Steve Howard (assists by enabling delivery as the print company delivers to the Post Office). We could do with a few extra bodies (reserves) to occasionally provide cover, could be to take the batches to the distributors or to deliver a 'round' if a regular distributor is on holiday. Remember it only happens every two months.

If you are willing to help please send your name and contact details to kathwharfe@hotmail.co.uk, thanks.





Comberbach Primary School

Athlete's visit

We welcomed Katie Stainton into school on Tuesday 21 May. Katie is an Olympic heptathlete who delivered an entertaining assembly inspiring the children to lead a healthy lifestyle. Both children and teachers were able to participate in fun physical demonstrations of her sport from repetitions of spotty dogs, press ups and star jumps. Later the children had the chance to get to know Katie in a question and answer session.



Sports Day

We were blessed with dry weather for our annual School Games Day. Parents, Grandparents and carers were all invited into school to enjoy 'lunch on the lawn' before the children participated in an afternoon of games.

Year 6

Our class 6 children completed their end of year KS3 Sats tests and are now able to relax, at least for a short time, before their end of year performance! For four days they will participate in a cycle training programme, Bikeability. This Government based scheme teaches children the necessary skills to ride confidently on today's roads.

You may have seen the children around the village whilst they got comfortable, confident and safe in the saddle.

Their last residential of primary school and the year 6 children certainly enjoyed Plas Menai National Outdoor Centre. Outdoor education, adventurous activities, challenging team work and the ultimate of water sport

courses were enjoyed by everyone including the teachers.

Years 5 & 4

In English the children learned about Refugees. They focused on Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani activist for female education and the youngest Nobel Prize laureate. The class looked at Children's Rights and which ones they felt were important to them.

Year 5 and 6 went on a visit to Arley Hall as part of their art project on flowers.

Class 5 participated in the third Northwich Schools' Singing Festival. The festival was held over four nights at The Memorial Court Northwich and the children sang with great zeal and enthusiasm whilst they performed 'Hoodwinked' the story of Robin Hood.

Year 3 have been working hard on telling the time.

Year 1 & 2

We have some budding artists in the making! The children created landscapes in the style of Monet using their fingers as paintbrushes.

Class 2 competed at a Multi-sports festival. The festival was supported by Year 9 sports leaders from The County High School, Leftwich. Children were involved in skills circuits, learning new skills as well as being challenged to improve their agility, balance and co-ordination.

EYFS

We are continuing with our topic on Animals. We have a veterinary nurse coming in to chat with us and our role-play area of a vets and animal hospital is up and running. We are currently learning about Money in Maths and recognising coins and counting coins.

School club

Our 'Before & After School Club' have created their very own garden. They are growing fruit and vegetables to use for cooking activities. They are going to plant flowers as well, to care for and to make a lovely outdoor area for the children to enjoy.

The community garden has a new name 'Veggie Village' voted by the children and lots of vegetables are growing. We would like to ask our local community if there is anyone who could help look after the garden in the summer months. We would really appreciate your assistance.

A birds eye view

Beetle's About

The end of last May saw us complete our new wildlife pond. It did not look very natural at first with it's black liner and stone edging, more like a very small swimming pool. Having given nature a helping hand though I was amazed at how quickly the pond was re-wilded.

This rapid process shows how great they are for wildlife, almost creating something out of nothing.

We added some plants, and these probably contained the water hog-louse which rapidly colonized the pond. They provide a service a bit like sheep as they constantly graze the algae and other plant material in the pond, they also provide food for others higher up the food chain.

These include water beetles, like the great diving beetle that I witnessed plummet into the water as its flight to find pastures new ended in success. These large, shiny black beetles with a gold trim are formidable predators.

They and their larva are the tigers of the pond, and many other species of beetle soon followed them.

There Be Dragons

If the beetles are the tigers of the pond then the smooth newts are the dragons, and in late May 2019 they started to arrive in the pond. The male's tail develops, becoming deeper and more serrated during the breeding season. The tails can be used like a shield to block off other male newts or like a fan to woo the females.

Time will tell if all their efforts were successful, when hopefully the individual eggs, which the female places diligently between the folded leaf of a Canadian pondweed plant, develop into young newts.

Above the pond the four-spotted chaser dragonfly I saw was followed by a migrant hawk and then more recently by a large red damselfly. All used the pond to hunt the many insects hatching from it, not alas to lay their eggs below the water surface or on the plants. It can be hard to be patient but nature has its own rhythm, so hopefully the dragonflies, like the frogs that decided to spawn



in the fish pond again (with the usual result of a lot of happy, well-fed fish), will learn to use their new home for all their needs in the future.

Mouse Mayhem

Other things of interest included a beautiful mayfly laying its eggs on the water surface. Pond skaters finding the still pond surface to their liking as they mop up any insects that get trapped in the surface film.

Water boatman, with their strange paddle like legs, provide the same service hung upside down below the surface. Whirligig beetles, the bumper cars of the pond, mesmerize as they form large groups constantly moving in circles on the surface of the pond.

As for the strangest thing seen in the pond, well I watched a young house mouse approach the pond edge from the path opposite and then to my surprise saw it launch itself head first into the pond with a resounding plop. A few circuits later it decided to leave via a plant basket, fortunately I was there to provide him with a towel, hot drink and his 5 metre badge!

JB

Great Budworth Garden Club

Gardener's World Wizard

The reputation of our recent speaker, Adam Pasco, came before him, and ninety people filled the hall to hear his excellent talk. He launched the Gardeners' World magazine in 1991, and worked on this for many years. He now lectures, does shows, and writes in the Waitrose magazine and other publications.

He was very professional and knowledgeable, showing slides from his own wonderful garden. His animated presentation was perfect, and he managed to cover almost every aspect of gardening in one evening for us; a great event. He also donated plants and other items to be raffled in June.

Plug plants

Eddie Horrigan once again provided us with a plug plant each, to grow on for our September show. This year it was an Argyranthemum, a marguerite, and we all rushed home to plant it in a pot immediately! Our own plant stall, so well run by Dawn Freeman, was a busy station all evening. The meeting was excellent and Adam was thanked sincerely by Brenda Yates.

Members are opening their gardens for NGS, and the latest garden, by Linda Enderby, took £1300 for charity. Well done, and good luck to everyone else with their coming openings. The Garden Club newsletter was out at the beginning of June, with news of everything to do this summer. Many Shows and NGS garden openings are held in the two months of June and July.

Strawberries and cream

Members supported our strawberry and cream evening, where the delicious dessert was prepared by Marilyn Francis and her team. Our speaker was Joan Broughton, our member from Weaverham, who gave us a demonstration in the art of topiary.

Four people were lucky enough to win one of her creations, which were a joy to behold. She was thanked by Kay Bashford, in her amiable way, telling stories of her own about her experiences of topiary. A very good evening.

Off to Wales

The summer now consists of our garden club holiday to West Wales at the end of June, which will be fantastic whatever the

weather; thanks to Henri and Lynda Giller.

Harlow Carr trip

A day trip to RHS Harlow Carr by coach, our members open gardens and visiting our favourite gardens everywhere. This must be one of the most pleasant occupations of the year.

The next meeting at the parish hall, is on Tuesday 10 September, when we have our Produce Show. The schedule is in our Newsletter, but preparations need to start now. The winner will receive the Banksian Medal, with small prizes for runners up. Speakers will be Martin and Jill Fish, well known journalists and presenters, who will cook items from their garden to enhance our evening. No doubt a busy event.

Enjoy your summer, make the most of everything on offer, and I look forward to seeing you on many occasions. please contact me in the first instance.

Jean Davies.

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Great Budworth Parish Church St Mary and All Saints

Dates for the diary

Services & events in Church

Sat 13 July

Friends trip to Llangollen

Sun 14 July

10.30am Matins

6.30pm Holy Communion

Sun 21 July

8am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evensong at Arley

Chapel

Thur 25 July

2pm Play & Praise

Sun 28 July

10.30am Parish Communion

Sun 4 August

8am Holy Communion

10.30am All Age Worship for

Lammas (*The Feast of the First Fruits*)

Friends of Anderton and Marbury



*Friends
of
Anderton
and Marbury*

Marbury Summer Family Events

This summer FoAM and Mersey Forest are funding FREE exciting events for families in Marbury Country Park.

Drop in. Stay as long as you like. Suitable for all ages, but children must be accompanied by an adult.

3 days of outdoor fun with environmental superhero Tim Kirwin:

Wednesday 14 August

Try your hand at some green crafts;

Wednesday 21 August

Make a bow and arrow or a fairy wand;

Wednesday 28 August

Play games with a green theme.

Tim will be in his marquee outside the Rangers' cabin from 10am - 4pm. All materials provided.

2 different art themed days with artist Sue Marsden.

Tuesday 20 August and

Tuesday 27 August

Be creative with natural materials. You don't have to be artistic. Sue will provide inspiration, ideas and guidance in Marbury Lodge (Meeting Room if bad weather) from 10am - 4pm.

For more information contact

Mel Bradley by email: melb19@live.co.uk or
phone: 07884 441441

Thursday 12 September

Bat 'Talk and Walk'

A chance to hear about the different bats that live in Marbury Country Park and join a guided walk led by Mike Freeman of the Cheshire Bat Group. Meet 8pm at the Rangers' Cabin/Marbury Lodge

For Information contact:

Joanne Redley 01606 44728

Saturday 28 September

Mammal Trapping

An opportunity to find out what mammals have ventured into the mammal traps set in Marbury Country Park.

Meet: 9.30am at the Rangers' Cabin/Marbury Lodge

For information contact:

Jim Jeeves 01606 77688

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Report from Comberbach Parish Council Meetings held on Tuesday 14 May and Tuesday 2 July 2019

New Council

There were no elections to the Parish Council in May. Six of the previous Councillors were returned unopposed leaving 2 vacancies on the Council. At the Annual Meeting on 14 May, Councillor John Ryder was reappointed as Chairman and Councillor Steven Hornby reappointed as Vice Chairman.

Recreation Area

The Wet Pour safety surfacing project has now been completed and many positive comments have been received; the Parish Council is very happy with Bounce Back who did the replacement surfacing.

The Chairman and a local resident have repaired some of the feature pencils. Members of the Parish Council attended the Fete on 29 June to promote sponsorship of the pencils and 25 families signed up as sponsors. The next focus for the Parish Council will be to look to replace the picnic tables.

PCSO

The PCSO carried out speed enforcement in April and 6 offences were captured in 2 hours in the village.

Keeping the village tidy

The Council has asked CWAC if additional litter bins can be provided. We have also again entered the Best Kept Village competition and are hoping to

make a good impression on the judges again!

Highways Issues

Many residents will be aware of the poor state of the roads in the village; road surfaces are uneven and full of potholes plus we often get HVGs going through the village on roads that are not suitable for such heavy traffic or such heavy volumes of traffic. The Council wrote to CWAC Chief Executive raising all these concerns but also outlining how the Council has tried to improve the traffic situation by suggesting highways improvements; contacting the Anderton business park asking that they encourage business customers to use alternate routes than through the village; and organising volunteers to undertake speed enforcement. The response received was not very satisfactory so the Council will be making further representations to try to improve the local highways.

Communication with residents

At the Annual Parish Meeting a resident asked if suggestion boxes could be placed in the village. The Council will be purchasing a suggestion box to install in the heritage phone box with Councillors taking turns to check the box with all suggestions considered at the forthcoming Parish Council meeting. The Council will also host an Open Meeting in September with the PCSO

in attendance. Look out for the date - all residents will be welcome! The Council will also review the noticeboards in the village including the possibility of replacement boards or alternate locations.

Financial Matters

The Council obtained 3 quotes for insurance cover and has entered into a 3 year insurance deal with Zurich Municipal as this was considered the best value option. The Internal Audit process has now been completed and there were no significant issues. The period when the public can view and query the accounts runs from 24 June to 2 August 2019 inclusive. The Annual Return has been submitted to the External Auditors and the audit is due to be completed after this inspection period ends. The Council has set up a Finance Committee to review quarterly budgets and recommend various financial matters. This will be a public meeting and the first meeting is on 23 July at 4.30pm in Comberbach Memorial Hall.

Parish Council Minutes are available on the noticeboard by the village store and on Comberbach.com website.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Tuesday 3 September commencing at 7.15pm at Comberbach Memorial Hall. *All are welcome.*

Parish Councillor contact details

Name	Address	Tel numbers	Contact point for
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Cllr. Jim E Bradley	3 Bracken Way, Comberbach CW9 6QF	01606 891 005 07708 633458	Bracken Way, Kennelwood Road, Fox Lea, Freshfields, Broadacre
Cllr. Rena Bradley	3 Bracken Way, Comberbach CW9 6QF	01606 891005	Bracken Way, Kennelwood Road, Fox Lea, Freshfields, Broadacre
Cllr. Steven Hornby	Sunny Bank, Marbury Road Comberbach CW9 6AU	07970 499227	Cogshall Lane, Outer Cogshall Mather Drive
Cllr. Jill Johnston	6 Barrymore Crescent Comberbach CW9 6PA	01606 892 121	Goosebrook Close, Brookfield Road, Spinner Crescent, Chapel Close, Reedsmere Walk
Cllr. Bob Holt	8 Cogshall Lane Comberbach CW9 6BS	07739 046775	Senna Lane (lower to Mather Drive), Warrington Road (from the Spinner), Marbury Road, The Moss, Meadow Lane
Denise French, Clerk		07759 212449	parishclerk@comberbach.com

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Memorial Hall

Brownies (1st Comberbach)	Thursday	6 - 7.25pm	Zoe Jones	783634 07513229863
WI	1st Mon each month	7.30pm	Rosie Rowe	784858
Ladies Club	3rd Mon each month	Different Venues	Ursula Ryder	01606 891827
Love to Dance	Mon, Tues, Wed	4pm		
	Tues, Tots and Seniors		Zoe	07527 514810
Dog Training	Thursday	8pm		
Yoga	Wednesday	8-9:30pm	Beginners and Intermediate	
	Gary Lucas on 07757 547692 :email garylucas365@gmail.com or Facebook at 'gary lucas yoga'.			
AH Maths Tuition	Tuesday & Wednesday	5:30 - 6:20pm	Alex Hornby	07960 882068
Indoor Bowling	Wednesday	1 - 3pm	Rena Bradley	891 005

Chapel

Brownies (2nd)	Wednesday	6 - 7.20pm	Lynda Flynn	891571
Guides	Wednesday	7.30 - 9.00pm	Anne O'May	891156
Rainbows	Monday	6 - 7.15pm	Sue Greenwood	76408
Marbury Senior Section	Monday	8 - 9.30pm	Anne O'May	891156
Sunday School	Sunday	11am - 12.00pm	Ian Woodcock	782655
Art Group	Mondays	10 - 1.pm	Midge Broadhurst	01925 266 798
French Language Lessons	Thursday	7-9pm	Nathalie Poutineau	892741

Comberbach Primary School Hall

Toddler Group	Wednesdays	9.30 - 11.30am	Comberbach School	01606 891336
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Anderton Village Hall

Scouts	Friday	7.30 - 9.00pm	Paul Underwood Rob Doel	07725 150 928 891789 07526 723516
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Antrobus School Hall

Cubs	Tuesday	6.30 - 8.00pm	Rachel Cameron	01606 891023
Beavers	Wednesday	6.15 - 7.15pm	Janet Warburton	854014

Please send contributions to the newsletter to: newsletter@comberbach.com

Articles for the newsletter can also be made to any of the team below either on paper or by e-mail

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Marbury Park Rangers			77741
Homewatch			892568
Village Memorial Hall - bookings	07511302081	Between 2pm & 6.30pm Mon - Fri	
Clerk to the Parish Council	parishclerk@comberbach.com		
Pre-school website	www.comberbachpreschool.co.uk		
Comberbach Methodist Church	Rev Tim Simms		01606 301588
Sunday School Room Hire	Ian Barron		891579
Great Budworth Parish Church	Rev A Brown		891324
Fete Committee	Steve Howard		01606 891316

Dates for your diary

July	13	Gt Budworth Church Friends Trip to Llangollen	
	14	Rose Queen Family Service	Chapel
	14	Matins, 10.30.am	Gt Budworth Church
	14	Holy Communion, 6.30.pm	Gt Budworth Church
	15	Ladies Club Supper Party	
	20	Urban Sketching Day with Ron Stephens, 10 -3pm	Weaver Hall Museum
	21	Holy Communion, 8am	Gt Budworth Church
	21	Parish Communion , 10.30.am	Gt Budworth Church
	21	Evensong, 6.30pm	Arley Chapel
	23	Parish Council Finance Comm. Meeting, 4.30pm	Memorial Hall
	25	Play & Praise, 2pm	Gt Budworth Church
	27	Comberbach Art Group Grand Day Out, 10-4pm	Brio Leisure Centre
	28	Parish Communion, 10.30am	Gt Budworth Church
August	4	Holy Communion, 8am	Gt Budworth Church
	4	All Age Worship for Lammas, 10.30am	Gt Budworth Church
	5	W.I. Members Evening, 7.30.pm	Memorial Hall
	7	Family Fun Holiday Club, 10-12am	Chapel
	11	Sacrament Service. Rev Tim, 11am	Chapel
	14	FOAM Summer Family Events, 10am - 4pm	Marbury Park
	14	Family Fun Holiday Club, 10-12am	Chapel
	19	Ladies Club Treasure Hunt, TBC	Gt. Budworth
	20	FOAM Art Themed Day, 10am - 4pm	Marbury Park
	21	FOAM Summer Family Events, 10am - 4pm	Marbury Park
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	27	FOAM Art Themed Day, 10am - 4pm	Marbury Park
	28	FOAM Summer Family Events, 10am - 4pm	Marbury Park
	28	Family Fun Holiday Club, 10 - 12am	Chapel
	30	Newsletter Deadline	
Sept		Parish Council Open Meeting – Date to be Confirmed	
	2	W.I. Positive Hearing, 7.30.pm	Memorial Hall
	3	Parish Council Meeting, 7.15pm	Memorial Hall
	10	Gt.Budworth Garden Club Produce Show	Gt Budworth Parish Hall
	16	Ladies Club TBC	
	20	FOCS Zumba Night	
	29	Harvest Festival, 11am & 6.30pm	Chapel
	12	FOAM Bat 'Walk & Talk', 8pm	Marbury Park
	28	FOAM Mammal Trapping, 9.30.am	Marbury Park