



COTFORD ST LUKE  
Community Association  
Registered Charity No. 1118772

# **COTFORD ST LUKE NEWSLETTER**

**April 2008**

## **Community Clean-Up-Day**

Please join in a village litter pick on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Meet in the Community Hall car park at 10.00am. Bring heavy duty gloves and, maybe, a broom and shovel. We aim to finish around 12.30pm and will go back to the hall for light refreshments!

## **Tree Warden**

Since the introduction of a tree warden for the village, we have been most fortunate to have had David Barker as our warden. For over two years he has done a marvellous job in caring for our beautiful trees and shrubs. He has been responsible for planting a number of specimen trees on the playing field as well as planting trees round the Petanque pistes.

Unfortunately David is giving up this work but would be pleased to give any help or advice to someone willing to take over from him. If anyone is interested, please call David Barker on 07704627626 to find out more.

## **New Bench**

A new bench has been provided on the playing field near the children's roundabout. This should be a useful addition.

## **New Notice Board**

A new board for advertising village social events has been placed on the wall outside the Spar Shop. Our thanks to the management of the Spar shop for granting us permission to do this.

Check the board regularly in order not to miss anything!

## **Social Events**

On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April we shall be holding our very first **Spring Flower Show** here in Cotford St Luke. Schedules for the show are now available from the Spar shop in CSL, The Corner Shop in Bishops Lydeard or by phoning either 430244 or 430374. Please don't be afraid to enter something for the show – we are keeping it very simple. There are lots of categories to tempt you: flowers and plants; floral arrangements; cake making, jams, marmalades and pickles; handicrafts (cushions, embroidery, knitted article, soft toy, hand made cards); photography and a children's section.

Only 10p per entry payable on the day between 10.00am and 12.30pm. Judging takes place at 1.00pm and the doors will be open to visitors from 2.00pm. Entrance is free. Afternoon teas will be available throughout the afternoon and an auction of some of the exhibits will take place about 4.15pm. Please come along and join in this village event.

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May we will be inviting you to join us for an evening of **alternative therapy treatments** courtesy of The Terrace in Taunton. A chance to book a 30min. Reiki or Reflexology treatment for only £5. Proceeds from the treatments and raffle will go to BIBIC (British Institute for Brain Injured Children).

## **Community Association**

We had hoped to run an Open Afternoon in April/May for you to come along and meet the committee in order to find out more about the things we do for the village. Unfortunately, our Chairperson, Caroline Roche has been away from the village due to an injury, so we felt it sensible to postpone this idea until she is fully restored to health.

However, we are interested in welcoming new members to our committee and if anyone feels that they would like to join us, please give our secretary, Kate Pilkington, a call on 431836 for more information.

## **Website person required**

Is there anyone out there who would be willing and able to update the village website each month? Thank you to Paul Watts who has been doing this job until now. Call Kate Pilkington on 431836 if you can help.

## **News from the Hall**

The cupboards now have good built in storage shelves for our regular hirers. The chair store can now hold tables and chairs for adults and children.

We have received many good comments about the improvements to the kitchen with the additional working surface and the dishwasher, which is now working well.

We still need the help of a qualified plumber and if there are any electricians who could lend an occasional helping hand, please contact Barbara Stone on 432084.

## **Church Information**

Information about Church Services can be found on the notice board by the main bus stop or on the board in Burge Crescent near the small play area.

Also, News from The Parishes (which covers Cotford St Luke) is on sale in the Spar shop.

**Priest in Charge:** Rev Alison Norris 401407

**Assistant Curate:** Rev David Ager 335424

## **Mobile Library**

The Mobile Library calls at the village every other Thursday. The van parks near the school between 2.00pm and 4.30pm. The next dates are 10<sup>th</sup> April, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 8<sup>th</sup> May and 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## **Farmers Market**

On the first Saturday of each month between 9.00am and 1.00pm a market is held in the Community Hall. Tea/coffee is served in the hall throughout the morning.

Next dates are 5<sup>th</sup> April and 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

## **Police Beat Surgeries**

Every Thursday from 10.15am until 11.15am outside the Spar shop.

**Our local PCSO** is Sue Thompson – mobile 07825 125 108

## **Wivey Link Community Transport**

Wivey Link was set up in 2004 to combat rural isolation. It is a dial-a-ride door to door service for everyone, between hospitals, shops, hair appointments, social visits, dentists etc. It is grant aided and serves Wiveliscombe and the surrounding 26 Parishes. There is a £5.00 annual registration fee and the fares are very reasonable. If you have a bus pass the fares are half price. For more information call 01984 624777 Mon – Friday 9.00am to 1.00pm. You must telephone before 11.00am if you wish to book for the following day.

## **Useful Contacts**

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