



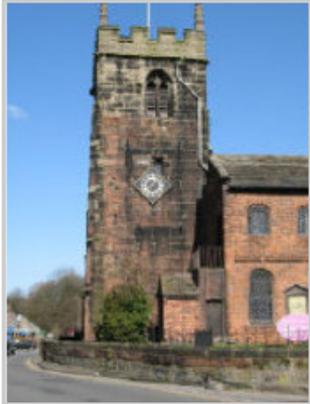
Holmes Chapel Community Newsletter

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So examinations and work assessments are all but done and expectations will be hopeful.

So what are you looking for from your children or even yourselves at university?

- A 1st - Social Etiquette within Hostelries,
- A 1:2 - Sound Engineering,
- A 2:1 - Iberia Communications,
- A 2:2 - Ballet Costume Design,
- A 3rd - Childbirth Progression within Triplets or
- An ordinary Geographical Transitions - Pakistan to Afghanistan

The Editor (*with apologies!*)

CELEBRATING HOLMES CHAPEL - Sunday 17th September (at Holmes Chapel Community Centre)

Holmes Chapel Partnership would like to invite individuals and local organisations to take part in this show, to celebrate and promote the local clubs and groups that meet and host events in and around our lovely village.

Celebrating Holmes Chapel Show

Whatever your creative talent there should be a Class for you to enter at our village show, from Art to Horticulture, there are six categories and forty classes. Young persons under sixteen can also show their creative skills within their separate categories.

A draft schedule and entry form will be emailed to every organisation listed in the Holmes Chapel Welcome Pack by 30 June; for further copies, please email events@hcpartnership.org.uk

Gazebo stalls

To complement the show, we need organisations to have a stall. Think back to the celebration at the Diamond Jubilee event 5 years ago – there was such a variety of fun stalls from tombolas to croquet, and things to buy from cakes to craft - which resulted in our community having a memorable afternoon, and our local organisations and charities benefitting. *With your enthusiasm, we can do it again!*

Organisations will soon receive their booking form and we look forward to hearing from you!

We also need centre ring / entertainment events – what is your or your organisation's talent to display during the afternoon?

Any queries - please email events@hcpartnership.org.uk



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SAVE THE VILLAGE BUS CAMPAIGN...

The battle to save the 319 Sandbach-Goostrey bus via Holmes Chapel from the axe and cuts in other vital services is to be stepped up.

So far a call for a face-to-face meeting with transport planners in Holmes Chapel or Goostrey to discuss the proposals has been ignored. But consultation meetings, all in the afternoon after the last bus has gone, have been arranged for towns in Cheshire East, including Sandbach, Congleton and Middlewich.

Now passengers faced with the prospect of their only means of transport being withdrawn are urging local councilors to press for at least one similar meeting in a village served by the 319.

Without the service, many people, young and old, will be isolated unless they drive or have access to alternative transport.

One compromise suggested is the introduction of a dial-a-ride style service but this has been rejected as unworkable as an alternative for most existing users. One passenger said: "It sounds a nice idea to be able to summon a bus just like a taxi, but in my experience in another area it doesn't work like that. You have to book it the day before and you lose that flexibility of a regular bus service.

The bus is more than transport, particularly for the elderly who need it not only to shop and visit the health centre, but for the social aspect of simply getting out from the house to meet other people. I know of many who without that daily "fix" would rapidly become depressed." Villagers in Allostock stand to lose the 319 service even if it is saved because Cheshire and Chester West Council will not support the route financially.

In the past three years, the bus has served the area on a "grace-and-favour" basis by the operator and Cheshire East Council. An Allostock villager said: "We are in a no-man's land between Cheshire East and West. I just hope our parish council will press for money to support the bus. Otherwise we will be isolated. The nearest station is miles away, there is no shop and the doctor's is in Holmes Chapel.

I estimate together we pay around £26,000 a month in council tax to Cheshire West and we deserve something better than this treatment with the loss of our bus."

***A consultation booklet and a questionnaire is available at Holmes Chapel Library or can be accessed online via Cheshire East Council website.**

***See also information in the Cheshire East article below.**

HOLMES CHAPEL CRICKET CLUB – JULY

Holmes Chapel Cricket Club 1st XI continue to enjoy a successful season, currently sitting second in their league. Remember, weather permitting, there is cricket on every Saturday afternoon from 1.30pm at The Victoria Club, so come down and support your local team!

Race night – 17th June

Holmes Chapel CC Race Night was a roaring success on a hot evening in the main hall at the Victoria Club. Money was raised for the club and we were delighted to donate over £400 to The Scott Penlington Foundation.

Join us and support us

Holmes Chapel CC are always looking for new players or supporters, and there are sponsorship opportunities available too – for more details please contact holmeschapelcc@gmail.com

Fixtures until the end of July are as follows:

First XI:

Second XI:

1 st July	Old Parkonians	Home	1 st July	Winnington Park	Away
8 th July	N/A		8 th July	Langley	Away
15 th July	Tranmere Victoria	Away	15 th July	Wistaston	Home
22 nd July	Trafford Metrovics	Home	22 nd July	Over Peover	Away
29 th July	Knutsford	Away	29 th July	Knutsford	Home

CHRISTIAN AID – House-to-House Collection

Thank you to everyone who supported us during Christian Aid Week in May.

You all raised the magnificent sum of £5010.13

At our Ecumenical Service with Churches Together at the Leisure Centre we raised a further £583.07. The Ascension Day Service donated £87.00 and we had a further £35.00 from the Sponsored Walk.

Altogether we are able to send £5715.20 to Christian Aid to help the refugees throughout the world.

Thanks to all our 75 Collectors

Christian Aid Holmes Chapel Committee

Cheshire East Council Supported Bus Service Review

Cheshire East Council has developed proposals for changes to supported (subsidised) bus services and flexible transport (Little Bus) across the Borough.

More information on the proposals can also be found online at www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview

We are now asking for people's views and we would like to invite you to comment on the proposals. Your feedback is important to us and your views will help shape the final proposals.

Laminated posters will be around the Borough, which let residents know of the proposals and where they can attend a, staffed, drop in session to find out more detail and discuss the proposals.

You can let us know your views on the proposals by:

- Visiting www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/busreview and completing the questionnaire online
- Email your comments to bus.review@cheshireeast.gov.uk
- Printing and completing a questionnaire and returning it freepost to:
Freepost Plus RSJJ—YTHC—CHZK,
Research and Consultation,
Cheshire East Council, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach, CW11 1HZ

The consultation closes on Wednesday 26th July 2017.

If you would like this information in another format, please contact us on:

- Telephone: 0300 123 55 00 ☐
- Email: EqualityAndInclusion@cheshireeast.gov.uk

Web: www.cheshireeast.gov.uk

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – Community Service

The Parish Council held its Annual Community Service on 25 June 2017 at St. Luke's Church, Holmes Chapel.

Local organisations sent representatives to the service which gave thanks to the community for their input into village life. The Deputy Mayor, Cllr Lesley Smetham and Fiona Bruce MP both attended the service and the reception afterwards.

Cllr Brian Bath, chairman of the Council reiterated the words of the vicar the Revd Paul Mason that Holmes Chapel is a community minded place especially in light of the tragic events affecting the area.

HOLMES CHAPEL COMMUNITY CINEMA – Returns September

The Community Cinema will be back on Thursday 21st September. The film to be screened is not yet confirmed, but may be **Dunkirk**.

Full details will be available in the September edition of this newsletter

Cheshire Benefit Cycle – 9th July, Middlewich Football Club

This benefit cycle, which is registered with British Cycling, has been put together to raise funds for those children who were not physically injured, but rather suffered psychological trauma as a result of the bombing that took place at the end of the Ariana Grande concert on Monday 22nd May.

Our intention is to go some way of easing said trauma by letting the kids and their parents know that the community cares, they are not alone, and we will support them in any way we possibly can.

All of the funds raised, less very minor costs will go directly to the kids concerned in the form of vouchers of their choice.

We have liaised directly with:-

- Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School
- Middlewich High School
- Sandbach Girls School

...and can confirm that 23 children will be benefitting from our collective efforts.

To register for the event (deadline 2nd July) please contact Gail Armstrong directly.

1. The registration fee is just £5, payable at point of registration please, and for this you will receive a sponsorship form, medal, certificate, bacon butty and a cup of tea when you arrive back at the Football Club.
2. Middlewich Football Club will be open for refreshments for the duration of the ride.
3. Registration is in accordance with British Cycling T's & C's
4. The 36 mile route will be sign posted
5. Start time 10 a.m., leaving in small waves
6. Ride map can be viewed here <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/21662398>

ST. LUKE'S MOTHER'S UNION – Strawberry Supper

On Tuesday, 13th June, we held our annual Strawberry Supper. We often wonder if it has had its day because we have been holding this event for many years. However, on the way out, many members said that they really enjoy coming and will be back again next year! This year we invited all the Congleton Deanery MU members, as well as past Prayer Partners, Henbury and High Legh. Over sixty people came along, including a few guests of members, and we raised over £400 for the "Summer of Hope" to make hope shine brightly in communities in the UK and around the world.

The table quiz is always provided whilst waiting for everyone to arrive. This year Dorothy found a Dingbats quiz, which gave people something to think about. Everyone was provided with a plate of scones and cream, with strawberries and as much cake as they could eat! Wine was served and afterwards, cups of tea and coffee. There was a raffle, a bric-a-brac stall and a good selection of books to buy.

After the supper Dorothy's quiz was handed out, one part of which was called "Around Britain" and the other part was general knowledge - something for everyone! This year the Henbury team won with the most correct answers, and Mossley came a very close sec-ond.

A good night was had by all, and this time next year we will do it all over again!

We have to thank our very great team who put in so much time and effort to help on the night. We are very lucky to have these people who may not be on the committee, but without them we could not hold such an event. They know who they are!

Dorothy Wood and Carole Elliott

Welcome to the 'What's On' section of the newsletter. In this section we are highlighting events open to the public in Holmes Chapel during the next month.

If you would like to put your (non-profit making) event in this section, please email the details to news@hccpartnership.org.uk

Submissions must include a date, time, contact detail and short description no longer than 40 words.

Unfortunately images cannot normally accompany "What's On" entries.

Holmes Chapel WI - Crafty Coffee Morning:

What: Crafty Coffee Morning

When: Saturday 1st July 2017 10:00am - 12:00 Noon

Where: St Luke's Hall

Stalls to include: crafts, cakes, tombola, books, plants and bric-a-brac. There will be a competition to guess the name of the Penguin and refreshments (coffee and cake) available. As well as demonstrations there will be light entertainment provided by Holmes Chapel Ukulele Group.

Admission is FREE

Holmes Chapel Chorus – Summer Concert:

What: Summer Concert

When: Saturday 8th July 2017 7:30pm

Where: Small Hall, Holmes Chapel Leisure Centre

'A Night At the Musicals' with guests **Cheshire Brass**.

Tickets £12.50 (from Sally 07810 528347, Peter 01477 537491, or any Chorus member) includes supper. Bring your own drinks/glasses.

Holmes Chapel Village Fair:

When: Sunday 16th July 2017 12:00 - 5:00pm

Where: Sports Field, The Victoria Club

Don't miss this great day out for all the family at The Victoria Club, Holmes Chapel.

This year we have many new stallholders offering gifts, crafts, jewellery, homeware, cosmetics, art, plants and much more. We will also have a BBQ, Games, Rides, Tombolas, Raffle, Animals, Displays and Demonstrations, Zumba, Fortune Teller, Face Painting & our very first Dog Show. Dane Sound will be providing music and entertainment throughout the day.

Licensed Bar & FREE ADMISSION.

Holmes Chapel Library Events:

There are lots of other things going on in your library! Pop in to find out more or like us on Facebook to keep up to date. Everyone is welcome to all events and groups.

Summer Reading Challenge for children - official launch!

Saturday 1st July

National scheme in association with The Reading Agency. This year the theme is Animal Agents, can you solve the crime? Sign up in the library today or over the next few weeks for your collector pack. Read 6 books, collect stickers and receive your medal and certificate if you complete the challenge! Free to take part.

Make an animal bookmark!

Saturday 8th July, drop in sometime between 10am and 12pm
Free drop in event, no booking required. All materials provided.

Chester Zoo Safari Rangers! – free talk for children age 5 - 10

Thursday 27th July. There will be 2 sessions – either 10 – 10.50am or 11.30am – 12.20pm.
Booking essential.

Elephant tusks, snake skins, macaw feathers, skulls, porcupine quills or ostrich eggs could be just a few of the things which the Rangermobile and Safari Rangers from Chester Zoo will be bringing to Holmes Chapel Library! Free to attend but places limited so pop into the library, phone on 01477 689550 or email holmeschapel.library@cheshireeast.gov.uk to book your place.

Roots family history group

Thursday 13th July 2.45- 4pm

Informal group that meets about once a month to discuss family history research and share knowledge and tips. Free to attend.

Informal Book Club

Alternate Tuesdays (4th and 18th July) 2 – 3pm

Popular, friendly book club. Chat about whatever you are reading at the moment over a drink and biscuits! Free to attend.

Shared reading group

Every Friday 1.30 – 3pm

A weekly group where a book is read aloud over several weeks, with chat and discussion. This friendly group aims to promote wellbeing – read, listen, chat. Free to attend.

HOLMES CHAPEL PARTNERSHIP

Calendar of Monthly Events

JULY 2017

Sa 1	10:00 - 12:00	Holmes Chapel Women's Institute	Crafty Coffee Morning Stalls to include: Crafts-Cakes-Tombola-Books-New stall-Plants-Bric-a-brac	St Luke's Church Hall
	10:00 - 12:00	Holmes Chapel Library	Summer Reading Challenge for children - official launch! Sign up in the library today or over the next few weeks for your collector pack.	Holmes Chapel Library
Mo 3	7:30 - 9:30 pm	Holmes Chapel Gardening Group	Monthly Meeting - Phil Smith, Woollerton Old Hall	Methodist Church Hall
Tu 4	2:00 pm	Church Hulme Ladies Probus	Monthly Meeting	Cranage Village Hall
	2:00 pm	HC & District Men's Probus	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church Hall
	2:00 pm	Informal Book Club	Popular, friendly book club. Chat about whatever you are reading at the moment over a drink and biscuits. Free to attend.	Holmes Chapel Library
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	2:00 pm	Informal Book Club	Popular, friendly book club. Chat about whatever you are reading at the moment over a drink and biscuits. Free to attend.	Holmes Chapel Library
	6:00 pm	Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School	Battle of the Bands Tickets: £5 Adults, £3 Children/Concessions	HCCS Theatre
We 5	2:00 pm	Church Hulme Mens Probus	Monthly Meeting	St Luke's Church Hall
	5:00 pm	Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School	So You Think You Can Dance? Tickets: £4 Adults, £3 Children/Concessions	HCCS Theatre
Fr 7, 14, 21, 28	1:30 - 3:00	Shared Reading Group	A weekly group where a book is read aloud over several weeks with chat and discussion. This friendly group aims to promote wellbeing – read, listen, chat. Free to attend.	Holmes Chapel Library
Sa 8	10:00 - 12:00	Holmes Chapel Library	Make an animal bookmark! Free drop in event, no booking required. All materials provided.	Holmes Chapel Library
	7:30 pm	Holmes Chapel Chorus	Summer Concert - A Night At The Musicals with guests Cheshire Brass	Small Hall, Holmes Chapel Leisure Centre
Su 9	10:00-12:00	Village Volunteers	Monthly Session	Precinct Carpark
Tu 11	10:00-11:00	Friends of Dane Meadow	Work session - meet at the picnic tables	Dane Meadow, off Daresbury Close
	7:45 pm	St. Luke's Mother's Union	Evening Meeting	St Luke's Church Hall
Th 13	10-00-12:00	Holmes Chapel & District U3A	Monthly Meeting	Methodist Church Hall

	2:45 - 4:00 pm	Roots Family History Group	Informal group that meets about once a month to discuss family history research and share knowledge and tips. Free to attend.	Holmes Chapel Library
Sa 15	10:00-12:00	Home Grown in Holmes Chapel	Monthly Dig	Carpet Shop Patio
Su 16	12:00 - 17:00	Friends of the Victoria Club	Holmes Chapel Village Fair	Victoria Club Sports Field
Tu 18	10:30 - 12:30	Holmes Chapel Carer's Support Group	Monthly Meeting	St Luke's Church Hall
	2:00 pm	Informal Book Club	Popular, friendly book club. Chat about whatever you are reading at the moment over a drink and biscuits. Free to attend.	Holmes Chapel Library
	6:00 pm	Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School	Summer Concert Tickets: £5 Adults, £2.50 Children/Concessions	HCCS Theatre
We 19	2:00 pm	St. Luke's Mother's Union	Afternoon Meeting	St Luke's Church Hall
Th 20	2:00 - 4:00	Jodrell Ladies Probus	Monthly Meeting "The Hidden Story at Little Moreton Hall" - Jill Owen	Methodist Church Hall
Mo 24	8:00 pm	Home Grown in Holmes Chapel	Evening Meeting	Old Red Lion
Tu 25	10:00-11:00	Friends of Dane Meadow	Work session - meet at the picnic tables	Dane Meadow, off Daresbury Close
Tu 25	7:30 pm	HC Womens Institute	'The Lady Policeman' Speaker: Karen Corcoran	St Luke's Church Hall
We 26	7:00-9:00 pm	Holmes Chapel Partnership	Monthly (Committee) Meeting	Methodist Church Hall
Th 27	10:00 - 10:50 and 11:30 - 12:20	Holmes Chapel Library	Chester Zoo Safari Rangers! – free talk for children age 5 - 10 Free to attend but places limited so pop into the library, phone on 01477 689550 or email holmeschapel.library@cheshireeast.gov.uk to book your place.	Holmes Chapel Library

AUGUST 2017

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