



## Bus Service

**As many of you will know the bus service to Northwich is being withdrawn after the 18th August. In its place there will be the Village Bus Service and the Rural Bus Service.**

**The Village Bus Service** operates on a Wednesday from Delamere Park. It picks up from your house sometime after 9.30 a.m. and goes to Warrington returning from Warrington at 1.00p.m.

**The Rural Bus Service** operates each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from your house in the Park as follows:

- **MONDAY** after 9.00a.m. to Winsford returning at 12.00. After 10.30 a.m. to Northwich returning at 1.30p.m.
- **TUESDAY** after 9.00a.m. to Winsford returning at 12.00. After 12.30 p.m to Northwich returning at 3.00p.m.
- **THURSDAY** after 9.00a.m. to Northwich returning at 11.30 a.m.

The reason the times are vague is because the buses start from Cotebrook, Crowton or Kingsley picking up on the way.

To use these buses you have to register. Any adult can register. It is best for each adult to register as the unregistered adult can only travel when the registered adult is travelling. Charges are under review but at present they are £2.30 each way (concessions £1.15) After 9.30a.m travel is free on production of a bus pass. You need to book the day before if you wish to travel. For information and application forms phone 01606 871990 between 10.00a.m.and 2.00p.m.

## Coffee Mornings

We hope to keep our monthly Coffee Mornings going throughout the year. The last one was kindly hosted by the 39/45 Club, and we saw more people there than on previous occasions. We hope numbers attending will continue to grow.

Bring your friends and neighbours along for a chat over tea or coffee – you may even get to know someone you hadn't met before!

The next Coffee Morning will be hosted by the Mah Jongg Group (come and ask what Mah Jongg is all about, if you don't already know) on Thursday August 2 between 10.30 – 12.00, and then on Thursday September 6 hosted by the Gardening Club.

The October Coffee Morning will be held on Tuesday October 2 which will be hosted by Water Aerobics, followed by Thursday November 1 and Thursday December 6.

**Please contact Maria on 889728 or Clubhouse Reception 889263**



## Social Committee

Well, we did it again, we were very lucky with the weather for the Party on the Park on 7th July. With Squirrels having their fete in the afternoon it meant that residents put up their gazebos early and by 3 pm quite a few of the parties were in full swing with their food and drink. By the time the Four of Diamonds started everyone was in high spirits! During one of the intervals some youngsters took to the stage and did some great numbers.

Thanks to the Community Groups who very kindly donated raffle prizes and to the band who gave of their time and energy for free.

The next event will be on Saturday, 15th September. This was to have been a casino/cocktail evening but would have been too expensive to run SO DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND IS NOW ANOTHER RACE NIGHT (in the Park Room), this time with greyhounds. Entry will be FREE, bets will be £1 and starts at 7.30 pm with the first race at 8 pm. There will be nibbles. There will be draught beer & lager on sale at a reduced price. Come and have fun.

**FURTHER AHEAD, FOR 2008, THERE WILL BE A GALA / FUN DAY, SATURDAY JULY 12.**

## Youth Activities

Jeannine Kolodziejski Chair of the Trustees has been approached by many young people who would like to introduce a variety of activities that they could be involved in on the Park.

With this in mind she would like to meet all those young people and listen to their opinions and ideas in the hope of making a positive change for them.

The meeting will be on Thursday 16th August in the Clubhouse bar at 7 p.m.

If you want to voice your opinion please come along. If you are unable to attend please leave details of your ideas and your contact details in Reception.

## Items Wanted

Does anyone have a tall bookcase surplus to requirements that they would consider donating for use in the Clubhouse. As many of you know we have from time to time a book sale, successfully raising monies for the new kitchen. The books would be tidier and better displayed on shelves.

We also require a washing machine for use in the bar.

**If you can help, please contact either Reception or Alan Baskerville on 889263.**

## House Alarms

If alarms are left sounding there is a threat they will be disconnected by Vale Royal Council at a considerable cost to the property owners. Apparently this does not apply those monitored by specialist companies.

## Grass Cutting

There have been some instances of residents complaining directly to the gardeners in connection with grass cuttings on footpaths and roadways. Loose cuttings are inevitable in some instances depending on location and equipment but all grass cuttings are blown back onto cut areas where they are not collected by the mower. This is done either on completion of an area being cut or, in some cases, at the end of the working day.

**If any resident has such a complaint, could they please make it to the office and not directly to the gardeners.**

## Book Sale

A big THANK YOU to all who donated and/or bought books at our recent Book Sale – we raised £98 towards the kitchen refurbishment fund. Please can we have more books in clean condition for another sale at the end of August, and again in September, leading up to the Coffee Mornings.

**Books can be left at Reception (888263), or contact Maria (889728).**

## Garden Parties

If and when the summer arrives could residents please be considerate to their neighbours when holding barbeques for family and friends.

# community groups

## Social Committee Future events

**Saturday 15th September Race Night**  
**Saturday, 3rd November Bonfire night**  
**Saturday, 1st December Xmas dance**

## Yoga

The Yoga class meets each Tuesday (in term time) at 13:15 in the Park room.

**For more information email [yoga@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:yoga@Delamerepark.co.uk) or contact the teacher Susan Rennie on 888324.**

## Homewatch

- Recent reports of an Indian male going door to door in Helsby selling £500 worth of vouchers. The caller became aggressive when nobody bought the vouchers. Please report any sightings to the number below.
- Please keep a look out for a White Transit van N259XNA. This vehicle was calling door to door in Kingsley touting for work.
- We have received complaints of high pressure salesmen from an alarm company called St John's Secure Alarms. Whilst they are a legitimate company the police would like any incidents reporting to them should householders feel that the salesman of this company are oppressive.

- Please keep a look out for a Maroon Ford Fiesta part registration number MV854. This vehicle is believed to be involved in thefts from vehicles in Winsford, Northwich and Cuddington.

Please relay any relevant information to PC Paul Welsh at Frodsham Police Station on 0845 458 6393.

To report a crime to the Police call 0845 458 0000

To contact our HomeWatch Officer, Liz Biddle call 01244 614291

**For further information email David Bowker at [homewatch@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:homewatch@Delamerepark.co.uk)**

# community groups

## Ladies' Club

In June, we had "The Oddities of Cheshire" as our meeting topic – it was interesting to see how many historical things we walk or drive by and never take notice of!

Our summer trip this year was to the "Cuckoo Land" museum in Tabley. This may sound boring, but it was a fascinating visit. This is the largest private collection of cuckoo clocks in the world, and we also heard some old fairground organs playing. The visit was concluded with a delicious and very convivial meal at "The Smoker" nearby.

August sees our traditional annual "Strawberry Sparkle" where we indulge in sparkling wine, and strawberries and cream. As the Committee has been so busy this year, and with other events pending in the Autumn, it has been decided to keep this year's "Strawberry Sparkle" on Monday August 20 as an opportunity for friends to meet and chat, so this year there will be no buffet as we have had in the past. We will limit ourselves to the dessert course only! Tickets are now available from Reception at £2.50, until Friday 17th August. Do bring friends and neighbours along too – an opportunity to get to meet us and perhaps consider joining the Club?

New members are always welcome - do come along and give us a try! We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month, at 8.00 p.m., and you will be assured of a warm welcome.

Looking forward to September, we will have Pauline Ellwood of "Interior Style" at Blakemere Craft Centre talking to us about interior design. If you are considering refurbishing a room in the near future, this may be the talk for you.

### Theatre Trip

There will be a Theatre Trip to see "Dad's Army" on Wednesday 19th December at the Lowry Theatre, Salford. Tickets are still available (we have negotiated an extension on this) until 9th September at a cost of £25 each, which covers coach and theatre. Departure will be 6 p.m. prompt from the Clubhouse for the 7.30 performance. Ring Jenny Lever (882620) or Reception (889263).

### Clubhouse Kitchen Fundraiser

In April, we had a very successful evening, raising £700 towards our Clubhouse kitchen refurbishment. We are planning another event on Monday 1st October, again with Diane Nowell (a Blue Badge Guide), talking this time about Chester's 2000 years of history. As we do our shopping in Chester, we often miss interesting historical details that have made Chester what it is. We will have a plate of finger food after the talk, and hope you will stay and enjoy supper with friends (as well, perhaps, as a drink from the Bar).

The evening will start at 7 p.m. with a 'revolving raffle' of wines and spirits, followed by the talk at 7.30 p.m. Do bring friends and neighbours along too. Tickets will be £3.00 each, available from Reception from September 1.

If you would like any further information on any of the above, please contact Reception, or Maria Rogers on 889728, or by e-mail to ladies@delamerepark.co.uk

### Forthcoming Meetings/Events

August 20th "Strawberry Sparkle"  
September 10th Pauline Ellwood, "Interior Design"  
October 1st "Chester – 2000 Years of History" (Diane Nowell)

Please see website [www.delamerepark.co.uk](http://www.delamerepark.co.uk) for any Ladies' Club updates

For further information email Ladies@Delamerepark.co.uk or call Maria Rogers on 889728.

## 39/45 Club

At our meeting in June Mr Dickenson gave a good talk on the History of the Manchester Ship Canal. He had some very interesting slides and it showed how Liverpool was keen to keep its hold on the cotton trade.

On the 5th July the club hosted the Coffee Morning in the club. About 30 attended, many of the ladies came to see what it was like to be waited on by the men!

The Summer Social was held in the club on Friday 13th July, attended by 46 members and guests. The entertainment was provided by our new Chairman, Walter Sales. He showed a video of a show put on by the Ladies Club in 1994-5. It made, for many of the audience, a nostalgic glimpse of times past when they were younger!

The following speakers are booked for the coming months:

15th August: Mrs C Bradford - Childhood Travels with the Army.

19th September: Mr Rotherham - Fisherman's Friend.

21st November: Mr A Black - Speak Out and Listen.

On the 6th August our annual bowls competition will take place at Crowton Bowling Green at 10.00a.m.

**For more information email [3945@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:3945@Delamerepark.co.uk) or ring our contact number 888926**

## Gardening Club

The most eventful period in the DPGC year is now completed. The Plant Sale on the 28th May was a financial success, as was the coffee morning on the 7th June.

The Garden Safari on the 17th June showed a huge interest in popularity where 152 tickets were sold and the seven gardens opened were all very different and extremely interesting.

On Monday 18th June our planned visit to Tatton Park kitchen garden was cancelled and instead we visited 'Long Acre' a 'Yellow Pages' large garden in Bunbury. This garden was beautiful with specialist shrubs and flowers and an impressive conservatory containing tropical climbers and plants.

On June 22 sixteen of our members set off for a four-day visit to Cornwall to see The Eden Project and the Lost Gardens of Heligan. The two gardens gave a complete contrast – from the modern 'BIOMES' containing tropical flora and fauna to a re-discovered natural English garden. Our three nights in the hotel were very congenial and without any effort captured a very cosy party atmosphere.

The next evening speaker will be here on the 24th September to give a talk on ORCHIDS.

For further information contact Brian Hoyland at [garden@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:garden@Delamerepark.co.uk)



## Logs, Woodchip and Leaf Mould Sales

Logs and woodchip	£1.50 per bag (50p delivery under 5 bags). £1.30 for 10 bags or more.
Leaf mould	£25.00 per 1 ton bag. £1.50 per log bag.

Contact Reception on 889263 to place your order.

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## Clubhouse Bar - Casual Staff

The bar is looking for staff to work on a casual basis whenever the need arises. For further details contact Barry on 07903 460626.

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## Clubhouse - Park Room

A reminder that this room can be hired for private parties at a cost of £50 for the evening.

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## Clubhouse Facilities - Bookings

In order to use the time of our administrative staff more effectively bookings for the club facilities (including squash and tennis courts) will only be taken after 2pm.

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## Reception - Additional Services

We have a folder for babysitters, gardeners, tree felling, discos, taxis, electricians etc. If anyone has any services that they can personally recommend, please leave details at reception.

**Reception Telephone  
Number 01606 889263**

## Club Reception

Reception is open from 10am to 10pm every day and in addition to providing a welcoming face to residents and guests alike, the receptionists are able to advise and assist residents in answering queries and booking any of the sports facilities. They also provide photocopying and fax facilities to residents at a small charge.

## Volunteers

Would anyone be interested in joining a volunteer service in either accompanying or driving any residents to the clubhouse who may be interested in coffee mornings etc. and are unable to get to the clubhouse. If you are in the position that you feel you could help in any way, please leave details at reception.

## Coffee and Chat

Coffee and tea is available at reception in the afternoons and evenings, please feel free to come in and have a chat and familiarise yourselves with what goes on in the Clubhouse. You may be surprised at the many activities on offer!

All contributions for future editions of this newsletter should be sent to [news@delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:news@delamerepark.co.uk) or hardcopy via reception. Deadline for the next edition is **September 15th 2007**.

# community groups

## Social Committee Bonfire Night

As mentioned in the July Special Edition Newsletter the Community Groups will be hosting a bonfire night on Saturday, 3rd November and would like some help.

They require residents who are prepared to build the fire, sell raffle tickets, assist in the bucket collection and prepare & sell hot dogs.

You will be working alongside residents who have experience in all these activities. If you can help please leave your name and telephone number at Reception, for the attention of Peter Lund, Community Groups Chairman.

### Whist

Drives are arranged for August 11 and September 8.

For further information please email [Whist@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:Whist@Delamerepark.co.uk) or contact Helen Pattison on 889263

## Babies and Toddlers

Fancy a change of toys to play with? Would like to meet and play with other babies and toddlers?

Then come along to our group on every Monday 1.15pm to 2.45pm in the Squirrels Pre School building opposite the Delamere Park Clubhouse. Open all year including school holidays. Bring an adult with you and they can have a chat and a cup of tea whilst you play.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Mah Jongg

An interesting game, played with tiles instead of cards. Join us and learn a new game. We meet on the second and last Thursday of every month, from 1pm onwards in the Park Room. Upcoming dates are August 9 and 30 and September 13 and 27.

New members are always welcome. No experience necessary. Interested and want more information then **email mahjongg@Delamerepark.co.uk or ring Niki on 888959.**

# sports clubs



## Ballroom & Latin Dancing

The Learn To Dance lessons have been enjoyed by many residents over the last few months and now The Sport & Leisure Association is delighted to announce the programme for a new set of lessons for the Autumn.

Come along and choose the sessions as you wish throughout the evening, whether you're a complete beginner or have some experience. Forget the traditional image of partner dancing this will be a mix of fun and enjoyment, dancing to music of all eras. (See session times on poster attached)

Beginning on Sunday 9th September, there will be a refreshment

break between sessions and time to practise at the end. All in all, a great night for just £6.00!

Open to residents, single or couples over 16 years, beginners or born dancers!

**If you would like to know more, contact reception, call 01606 301845 email [sport@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:sport@Delamerepark.co.uk)**

### Learn to Dance - Booking Form

\*Please return to Delamere Park Reception by **Friday 31st August at the latest**

NAME/S.....  
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CONTACT TEL NO.....

ADDRESS.....  
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Payment is in advance per 8 week Course Please make cheques to Delamere Park Sport & Leisure Association.

I enclose £ 48.00 per person for the 8 week course of dance evenings beginning Sunday September 9. You can attend as many sessions as you wish throughout the evening.

# sports clubs

## Sports and Leisure Association

The Association was set up in 2006 as a Community Group but with the objectives of developing a range of sport and leisure activities, events and opportunities for coaching skills.

When these new activities become well enough established they may then become Community Groups in their own right. In effect the Association acts as a catalyst for new ideas so if you do have a good new idea but haven't had the chance to get it off the ground, please get in touch with us - we need new people to come along with new ideas and together we can help make it happen.

In the last year or so, we have overseen the start up of Ju Jitsu classes for young people (Wednesday 7.00pm), Fitness and Circuit Training classes for young people and adults (Thursday 6.30 and 8.00pm), Ballroom and Latin Dancing Classes (Sunday 7.30pm), Table Tennis sessions (Tuesday 6.00pm) and the recent re-start of the Cricket team and net practice sessions (nets Tuesday 6.30pm plus ad hoc matches).

Last summer we organised a week long 'fun & activity' event for primary age children in the school holiday in conjunction with Vale Royal Council but this year the resource has been allocated to Delamere CE Primary School. If any children would like to attend this then Vale Royal have the details - you can also lend support to 'Save the School' campaign at the same time.

We really need some new ideas from residents now so please do get in touch to discuss how we can help progress these. There are only 3 of us on the Association committee at this time so we would welcome any volunteers who would like to create some exciting new activities for all age groups.

**Any enquiries then please contact Steve Parsons 01606 301845**

## Water Aerobics

We exercise safely, in water with a qualified instructor. It is a pleasant, fun way of shaping up, improving fitness and co-ordination, set to lively music for the feel-good factor.

The charge is £2 per session and all the money raised is given to a very worthy local charity, St. Lukes Hospice in Winsford. At the end of June, we donated a further £314.30, making a total, since we resumed our classes in October, 2006 of £1,020. 85p. The Hospice is very grateful for our regular support.

There will be no classes in August but we will resume from Wednesday, 5th September and Thursday 6th September, when we will all be looking forward to becoming fit again.

Ann and Myra wish both of our teams of happy water dancers a lovely summer break when sun appears and look forward to seeing you all, tanned and lovely, in September.

Wednesday 11.00 am to 12 noon. (usually busy)

Thursday 8.00 pm to 9.00 pm

Further details at reception.

## Circuit Training



### Summer Circuits

The adult weekly circuits have got a regular group of people attending, some making it every week and others when they can. We have a new piece of core stability equipment to challenge your balance. Why not come and try it yourself? There is room for more!

The kids' session has changed to welcome all the family from age 8 years and upward. Kids can come along with a friend, or bring a parent or two with them so all can get fit together.

Times: Thursday evenings - Family circuit, 6.30 until 7.30 - Adult circuit, 8 until 9 - both in the Park Room

Why not bring a friend?

### New Monday Afternoon Circuits

If you've tried aerobics, step, or stretch and tones classes, this session brings it all gently together, and includes the all important core stability training. This helps improve postural muscles, which can help reduce backache. Sessions start on Monday 10th September from 1.30 until 2.30 in the Park Room. Comfortable clothing, trainers and a bottle of water required.

### Changes From September

- Family circuit will be earlier from 6 until 7pm
- Adult sessions will be earlier from 7.30 until 8.30

There will be no sessions on Thursday 9th August, but otherwise will continue throughout the summer.

**For more information about the sessions look at the poster in the club or phone Hilary on 07812 684979 or email [hilaryhep@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hilaryhep@hotmail.co.uk)**

## Ju Jitsu Club

### Important Notice

Ju Jitsu Classes are now running at 7.00 - 8.30PM on Wednesdays.

**For further information see the notice board, web site, email [sport@Delamerepark.co.uk](mailto:sport@Delamerepark.co.uk) or contact Adam Forshaw 01606 882153.**

## Indoor Bowls

The regular Tuesday evening session has now been extended to Friday afternoons 2pm till 4pm in the Park Room. We are a friendly group who would like to welcome any park residents to the Friday sessions.

**For more information contact Arthur on 889309.**

# LEARN TO DANCE

salsa – ballroom – latin american – jive - tango

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**\*FUN FRIENDLY TUITION**

**\*EMPHASIS ON FUN AND ENJOYMENT**

**\*GREAT EXERCISE! GREAT FUN!**

## **INCLUDES COURSES FOR COMPLETE BEGINNERS**

Designed for people who have never stepped on a dance floor

New classes for Beginners and Intermediate level  
starting

**SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

7.30pm Jive

8.15pm Beginners Ballroom & Latin

9.00pm Intermediate level

9.30pm Practice Session

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£ 6.00 per person

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