



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all Delamere Park Residents

CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

ATTENTION PARENTS/GRANDPARENTS/AUNTIES & UNCLES

The party will take place on Sunday 20th December 2009 4.45 – 6.45 p.m in the Park Room and is for younger children aged 3-7years.

This year's entertainer is Pop up Polly who incorporates magic, comedy & competitions into her show.

The cost of the tickets will be £6.50 (paid in full in advance) this includes entertainment, food and a gift.

Tickets will only be available to buy until Thursday 10th December from reception.

Jeannine Kolodziejski

Bonfire night

The Community Groups Committee wish to thank everyone, who helped to make the BONFIRE NIGHT celebrations a tremendous success.

A total of £941.07 was raised during the evening.

We are pleased to announce that once again we will be having a FIREWORK DISPLAY on New Year`s Eve. It will commence at 6-45pm.

Raffle prizes not collected on the night (available at Reception).

Numbers:- 24. 39. 346 and 356 (all orange tickets)

Help required

Help Wanted to paint Reception / Corridors in the Club. Volunteers contact Alan Baskerville 01606889263.

Christmas Social/Dance

This will be held on Saturday December 5, commencing at 20:00.

Tickets will be £5 and dancing will be to The Four of Diamonds. No food will be served. Tickets will be on sale from November 21, from Reception.

Visit of Father Christmas

Father Christmas and his team of helpers from Delamere Forest 41 Club will be visiting the Park on Tuesday and Wednesday December 22 and 23.

The monies collected will be split evenly between St.Lukes Hospice and The Joshua Tree Holiday House.

Bar Christmas/ New Year opening hours 2009/10

CHRISTMAS EVE	7-11.30pm
CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH NIGHT	12 noon - 2.30pm 8 - 10.30pm
BOXING DAY	6 - 11pm
27th -30th DECEMBER	NORMAL HOURS
NEW YEARS EVE	7pm - 1am
NEW YEARS DAY	NORMAL HOURS

Carol Service

This will be held on Tuesday December 15 at 19:30 in the Park Room. Stay after for a mince pie, glass of wine and a chat.

Home Watch

Hoax E-mails

I enclose transcripts of two e-mails which are currently being circulated fairly widely. BOTH OF THESE E-MAILS ARE HOAXES AND SHOULD BE IGNORED AND CERTAINLY NOT BE PASSED ON.

Child Abduction

"Dear All. This is a very serious message that I hope you can pass on to as many people as you can. Last night at the big Asda in Manchester a 3 year old girl went missing. Fortunately their policy when something like this happens is to lock the doors. The little girl was found in the toilets with 2 Romanian women. One shaving her head and the other dressing her in boys clothes. This came from an employee who was there last night. Please pass the message round to as many as you can and remain extra vigilant with your own children."

Postal Scam

Can you circulate this around especially as Christmas is fast approaching - it has been confirmed by Royal Mail? The Trading Standards Office are making people aware of the following scam:

A card is posted through your door from a company called PDS Parcel Delivery Service suggesting that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that you need to contact them on 0906 6611911 (a Premium rate number). DO NOT call this number, as this is a mail scam originating from Belize. If you call the number and you start to hear a recorded message you will already have been billed £15 for the phone call.

If you do receive a card with these details, then please contact Royal Mail Fraud on 02072396655 or ICSTIS (the Premium rate service regulator) at www.icstis.org.uk

CHESHIRE CONSTABULARY WESTERN WATCH OFFICE SUPPORTS HOME WATCH SCHEMES ACROSS CHESTER, ELLESMERE PORT, NESTON AND VALE ROYAL, AND IS BASED IN THE WESTERN PARTNERSHIP OFFICE, NORTHWICH POLICE STATION.

TELEPHONE 01244 614291 E-MAIL WESTERN.WATCH@CHESHIRE.PNN.POLICE.UK

TO CONTACT THE POLICE CALL 0845 458 0000

Help please

Sightings please for a Nissan Serena people carrier index number R892HUB. An off duty Police officer notified us that this vehicle was acting suspiciously around Cuddington and the occupant of the vehicle appeared to be pretending to deliver parcels to houses that nobody was at home. The vehicle originates from Shrewsbury.

Fire Service check visits

Andy McDonald of Cheshire Fire & Rescue.

Andy organises the Northwich Fire check visits for our area and will be contacting one of you to see if all the homes have been covered on Delamere Park.

Although the majority of DP was visited by the Fire Service earlier this year there may be some residents who have not benefited from such a visit. If you or any friends or neighbours fall into this category please advise either of us and we will forward to Andy. I will be asking Alan Baskerville to enable a check list to be available at reception for Names etc. to be added. There are also the various User groups as well. Therefore it should be possible to complete the coverage of DP for the protection of all. This service is free! (Although we have paid for it through Council Tax).

Door Step Traders

There is now available at the club house reception leaflets & cards from the Trading Standards which may be of interest to residents. If any Resident experiences "Hard Sell or Pressure" from door step traders please report the authorities or leave a note for me at reception. It is only by reporting such practises that it will be eradicated.

To ALL I wish a Happy Safe Christmas and New Year.

David A Bowker, DP Village Home watch Coordinator. November 2009

The Biggest Coffee Morning in the World

A big thank you to all the people on the park who attended and gave so generously at the Macmillan Coffee Morning on the 3rd October.

It was a really successful event raising on the day £1,250 which was tremendous. This has generated with Barclays generous support of £ for £ up to a maximum of £750, over £2,000 in total. The Biggest Coffee Mornings in the World were held throughout the UK during the week up to 3rd October and the Delamere Park event was one of the largest amounts in the area that was raised for this event.

Our thanks also to DPML management for their active co-operation and support for the Macmillan Coffee Morning.

As this is our first year as the Vale Royal fundraising team for Macmillan Cancer Care it has made it very successful.

Thank you again.

Amenity Lands & Gardening December 2009 update

Over the coming months it is proposed to carry out tree work at the following locations:

- Delamere Park Way West – 3 Chestnuts to be cut down and 8 to prune.
- Denehurst Parkway – 2 Lime to be cut down & 3 to prune, 2 Silver Birch to fell & 1 to prune, 1 Oak to cut down & 1 to prune, 1 Beech to prune.
- Copperwood – 9 trees to prune.
- Delamere Park Way East – 4 Beech to prune.
- Green – Sycamore to be cut down.

Trees will be clearly marked with a white painted circle indicating pruning or a cross for removal and any resident who wishes to comment or speak to our Amenity Lands Trustee should write to the Park Office and be marked for the attention of Mr. W.Wilson.

New Service Available

With effect from 1st December we will be trialling a waste disposal service to residents who have large quantities of plant, tree or hardcore that they want to get removed. Our trailer will be made available but you must arrange loading yourself and it must be situated off the public highway. The cost of the service will be £25 per full or part load. More details can be obtained from the clubhouse reception.

HAIRSPRAY THE MUSICAL

HAIRSPRAY THE MUSICAL with Michael Ball at The Opera House, Manchester on Wednesday evening 21 July 2010, 7.30pm Tickets £32.50 including Coach Coach will leave Delamere Park Clubhouse at 6.00pm

If interested please contact Jenny Lever, Tel 882620 e-mail jenny@david-lever.co.uk

Thanks Jenny Lever

Squirrels Pre School Nursery

Squirrels is a small Ofsted inspected pre-school located on Delamere Park. It offers places for children aged from 2yrs to School age during term time and will accept Government SureStart and Childcare Vouchers. It is a wonderful, nurturing environment with excellent devoted staff.

If you would like to arrange a visit or have an informal chat, please pop in or phone Della or Romany on 01606 888782.

community groups

Ladies' Club

Over 40 members and visitors attended our November meeting, when the Reverend M. Burgess talked about, 'For Better For Worse', a very amusing subject which entertained everyone and caused much hearty laughter.

Our Christmas Party will be a week early on Monday December 7th, when we will commence the evening in the usual way with a glass of mulled wine, followed by a luxury buffet, then excellent entertainment to round off the evening. Tickets for this event are available from Reception and although the evening is for members only, there is still time to join at a reduced subscription which will take you up to our AGM in February.

On January 6th, Jenny Lever has organised a theatre trip for members and friends to the Palace Theatre, Manchester, to the musical, 'The Sound of Music'. Jenny is also kindly organising a further theatre trip to the Opera House, Manchester for next July, to the musical 'Hairspray' starring Michael Ball, details to be found elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Our meeting on January 11th will be a talk and slide presentation on, 'The Wirral Coastline' by Diane Nowell, you may remember her excellent presentations on Liverpool and Chester, which were organised to raise money for the Clubhouse fund a few years ago.

The bookstall in Reception is managed by the Ladies' Club and last year the proceeds of £600 were divided equally between St. Luke's Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Care. Your continued support would be much appreciated by the donation of good quality paperbacks to further this worthy cause.

Finally members of Ladies' Club would like to wish everyone on the Park, a Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for the New Year.

Future dates:

December 7th	Christmas Party
January 11th	The Wirral Coastline ~ Diane Nowell
February 8th	AGM.

If anyone would like further information about Ladies' Club, please contact Iris Lyon on: 888408 or email: ladies@delamerepark.co.uk

Social Group

Tickets are now on sale (£5) for the Christmas Social on Sat 5th December, 8 pm in the Park Room. Dancing will be to The Four of Diamonds.

Food will not be served, only nibbles.

Looking ahead we will be having another Fun/Gala Day in 2010. It will be held on Saturday 10th July, so put this date in your diary."

If anyone would like further information email social@delamerepark.co.uk or call Liz on 881893.

Community Groups' Coffee Mornings

A big Thank You to the Band and the Adult Swimming Group for hosting the October and November coffee mornings. Remember that during the winter months we also meet on the 3rd Monday of the month as well as the first Thursday. Do come and join us from 10.30 to 12.00 noon, either for a few minutes or for the whole session.

Our next coffee mornings are :

- Thursday 3rd December, hosted by the Mah Jongg Group
- Monday 21st December (wind down before the Christmas rush)
- Thursday 7th January, hosted by the Gardening Club
- Monday 18th January
- Thursday 4th February, hosted by the Ladies' Club

Coffee Morning 'patrons' will enjoy a Christmas lunch, following on from the 4th December coffee morning. This event is funded from their coffee morning donations which have been collected throughout the year.

For further information, ring Maria on 889728.

Bridge

After playing with a small group of regular attendees, our numbers have recently doubled – we hope this will continue!

We play on Monday evenings at 7.15 p.m. in the Park Room (when it is available), or at 7.00 p.m. in the Lodge. Details of the venue are shown on the Notice Board in the Clubhouse. All are welcome to join us, whether beginners or more experienced players. A warm welcome is assured.

Further enquiries to Leo Miles on 301699.

Mah Jongg

Come and try a different game. You can learn the basics of Mah Jongg in an afternoon, and each game lasts around twenty minutes. We meet on the second and last Thursdays of each month at 1.30 p.m. in the Clubhouse.

The next dates are :

December – 10th (note, there will be no meeting on 31st)

January - 14th and 28th

For further information, e-mail mahjongg@delamerepark.co.uk, or ring Maria on 889728.

Concert Outings

Our next trip to the Liverpool Philharmonic Hall will be on Wednesday 17th March, "The Lark Ascending", conducted by Vasily Petrenko. Those of you who have already signed up to go will be contacted early in the New Year. There are a few places available on the coach. The cost of £25 includes concert ticket and coach, which departs Delamere Park at 6.00 p.m. for a 7.30 p.m. start. Anyone interested in coming along should ring Paul or Maria on 889728. First come, first served!

Gardening Club

Calendar year 2009 will end with our AGM and Christmas Social on Monday 21st December.

We commence our 2010 Programme on Monday 25th January with "Naming of Plants" by John Steadman. We have what we hope will prove to be an interesting programme of events and visits for the rest of 2010.

New members are always welcome to our meetings.

For further details contact Brian Hoyland on 888550.

Book Club

Did you know that the Book Club has been running for almost a year here on the Park?

We meet once a month to discuss a book, often over a glass or two of wine, in one of the members' homes. Our meetings are usually held on a Thursday (the third or fourth of the month) at 7.30pm. If you would like to come along to future meetings please contact Alan Shaw on **881771** for further details of the next book and date.

Whist

Whist Drives are held monthly in the Park Room. We start at 19:30 and finish at 22:45 and the cost is £2. All residents are most welcome so even if you haven't played for a while we can soon help you recap. The 'Drives' are light hearted with the only serious issue being who carries home the 'Scotch'.

Dates for the coming months are:

December 12th and January 9th

Refer to the notice in the Clubhouse for any date changes or contact John Pattison on 888362.

sports clubs

Circuit Training

Whether you want to get fit and healthy, or want to improve your fitness, circuits can help. Each exercise has over 3 different levels of difficulty from very easy beginners to expert levels.

Thursday December 17th is our last circuit before Christmas, so we are going to meet up in the bar after the class for a drink and nibbles. All circuit classes are invited or anyone wanting to start circuits can come along and hear about what we do.

New Year

Circuits will start again on Monday 4th Jan.

Monday afternoons circuit 1.30 to 2.30pm – a low impact circuit

Monday evenings 6 to 7pm – a general circuit class for all where you can exercise on your own or with a partner

Thursday evenings 7 to 8pm – a general circuit class for all.

Water Aerobics

A safe, pleasant and fun filled hour of exercise to lively music to shape up, improve fitness and coordination.

The charge is two pounds pr person pr session and all of the money is donated to St Lukes Hospice. Join us in the pool. Sessions are Wednesdays 11.00am until 12.00 and Thursdays 8.00pm until 9.00pm.

The only special thing you will need is a pair of cotton trainer socks as the bottom of the pool can be slippery.

Our financial year end is October and our total donation to St Lukes Hospice for the year is a fantastic £1,302.51. We have received a letter of appreciation from the Deputy Chairman. The group has been consistently raising money for the hospice for over 15years and hopes to continue to do so for many more.



Logs, Woodchip and Leaf Mould Sales

Woodchip	£2.00 per bag (50p delivery under 5 bags) £25.00 per container load.
Logs	£2.50 per bag (50p delivery under 5 bags) £35.00 per container load.
Leaf mould	£1.50 per bag.

Contact Reception to place your order.

Clubhouse - Park Room

This room can be hired for private parties at a cost of £50 for the evening. Should the bar takings exceed £100 then the £50 will be refunded providing the room is left clean and tidy and all tables and chairs stored.

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.

NEXT EDITION - February 2010

Deadline for receipt of contributions is **January 15 2010**. These should be sent to **news@delamerepark.co.uk** or left at reception.

**Reception Telephone
Number 01606 889263**

Reception - Recommended 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.

Lost Property

Reception has a number of items found both in the Clubhouse and in the grounds of the Park. If you have lost something recently it may well be in their possession.

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!

park dates

Delamere Park community events timetable



December 2009

Community Group or Sports Club	Normally meet each month on the day(s) shown below Changes/Cancellations could be due Bank Holidays or other factors such as the venue being unavailable	Time	Week Numbers				
			1	2	3	4	5
			Dates in each Week				
Bridge	First 4 Mondays and Occasionally the last	19:00	-	7	14	-	-
Coffee Mornings	First Thursday/Third Monday	10:30	3	-	-	21	-
Gardening Club	Fourth Monday	20:00	-	-	-	21	-
Ladies Club	Second Monday	20:00	-	7	-	-	-
Mah Jongg	Second/Last Thursday	13:00	-	10	-	-	-
Whist	Usually First or Second Saturday	19:30	-	12	-	-	-
39/45	Third Wednesday	19:30	-	-	16	-	-
Social — Plot Draw	Every Tuesday	20:30	1	8	15	22	-
Social — Quiz Night	Every Wednesday	20:30	2	9	16	23	30
Christmas Social		14:00	5	-	-	-	-
Children's Christmas Party		19:30	-	-	-	20	-
Adult Swimming	Every Wednesday	20:00	2	9	-	-	-
Circuit Training-Adults/Beginners	Every Monday	13:30	-	7	14	-	-
Circuit Training-Adults/Juniors	Every Monday	18:00	-	-	14	-	-
Circuit Training-Adults	Every Thursday	19:30	3	10	17	-	-
Indoor Bowls	Every Tuesday	20:00	1	8	15	22	-
Ju Jitsu	Every Wednesday	19:00	2	9	16	23	30
Squash-Mens Team	Every Thursday) Winter	19:00	3	10	17	-	-
Squash- Ladies Team	Every Monday) Only	19:00	-	7	14	21	-
Squash-Junior Coaching	Every Sunday	16:45	-	6	13	20	-
Squash-Social	Second Tuesday in the Month	19:00	-	8	-	-	-
Table Tennis	Every Tuesday	18:00	1	8	15	22	-
Water Aerobics	Every Wednesday	11:00	2	9	-	-	-
Water-Aerobics	Every Thursday	20:00	3	10	17	-	-
Yoga	Every Tuesday Term Time Only	13:15	1	8	-	-	-

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If you do not have access to email then contact can be made with the above named via Reception on 889263.