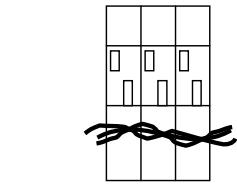


# Waterhouses Wanderings

Spring  
2015



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the surrounding area provided by the  
Waterhouses Community Association.



The Queen's Award for  
Voluntary Service 2005

## Repainting of the Hall

The Hall is closed during the day for 2 weeks from Monday 16th February as it is being repainted throughout. Although this means the social programme has been a little thin in February all evening activities are still going ahead.



## The Village Trip 2015

*This very popular event is due to be repeated this year. Now is the time to have your say. Where do you want to go? What date is the most suitable?*

*Do you have any views on these matters, or any others concerning the trip? If so then please contact Angela Collinson, preferably by email at [Angela.Collinson@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Angela.Collinson@hotmail.co.uk).*

## Easter Duck Race and Egg/Bonnet Competition.

Easter comes early this year and Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Day, sees the return of the Duck Race, with the ducks setting out from the bridge by the Black Horse at 1pm. Then (to warm up?) come along to the Village Hall for light refreshments and the judging of the Egg Decorating and Easter Bonnet competitions.

DUCKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE, get your ticket for just one pound from the Hall.



*See [www.waterhouses.info](http://www.waterhouses.info) for all that is going on*

# WHAT'S ON in the next few months

## FEBRUARY

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 20:00 "The Wine Club"

## MARCH

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> 14:00 - Knit and Natter. Learn to knit or crochet or just come and have a cuppa and a natter.  
16:00

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 19:00 The fabulous "Rag Pickers" yes back by popular demand this very popular blues and ragtime band. 5.00 per ticket or call [07849 142166](#) to reserve a ticket.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00 - "Table Top Sale" come and get brunch and a bargain. Bacon and sausage sandwiches, tea or coffee. If you would like to reserve a table call [07849 142166](#) Only 5.00 a table, a bargain.  
14:00

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Family Night - (please look on Waterhouses Village Hall Facebook) for updates on film.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>. 19:00 Quiz Night Only 4.00 per ticket and food, Yummy!

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>. 19:30 Ceilidh

## APRIL

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> 14:00 - Knit and Natter. Learn to knit or crochet or just come and have a cuppa and a natter.  
16:00

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Great stuff the annual "DUCK RACE" prizes for "Decorated Easter Egg Competition" "Decorated Easter Bonnet"

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Quiz Night

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Family Night

## *Farewell to Kate, Welcome to Liz*

For many years Kate Lewis has taken responsibility for all bookings in the village hall, ensuring that the rooms are prepared, the tidying up has been done, and that everything has run smoothly. It has been no small task – indeed sometimes it seemed as if Kate lived at the Hall! Not only this but, with Beryl, she has arranged the social programme at the hall, booking musicians and leaders for the various classes, devising quizzes and a hundred other tasks. Now she is taking a well deserved break, making a bit more time for herself. Thank you, Kate, for all you have done for the hall and the village. We wish you every blessing for the future, and look forward to seeing you around.

We are so grateful to Liz Nix for taking on the role of managing the bookings for us. As a recent returnee to the village (she was born here) Liz has already made significant input into the Village Association committee and we welcome her most warmly to this new role. Much of the content of the Wanderings has come from Liz.

Liz Writes

*If there is an event or a suggestion for a band, musician etc you would like to see on at Waterhouses Village Hall please contact me through either Waterhouses Village Hall Facebook page or 07849142166*

## Seniors Christmas Lunch

As always this was a wonderful occasion starting the previous evening with many helpers peeling veg and setting tables.

Angela, Diane and Tracey did a fabulous job in the kitchen providing a tremendous three course Christmas lunch with all the trimmings for 56 people in the village hall and all the helpers. Maureen, Liz and Cynthia waited on the tables and Andrew manned the bar. A small choir of 8 children from Esh Winning Primary School gave us some wonderful Christmas entertainment.

Kate Lewis

## Lighting of the Christmas Tree

We had a very good turnout of both adults and children and sang carols around the lighted Christmas tree. Alan Wood provided the accompaniment on the organ. We had mulled wine and mince pies afterwards and then the children drew out the tickets for the Christmas Draw. A notice was put up in the village hall of the winners.

Kate Lewis

## NEWS FROM THE CUBS – Sporting success



Waterhouses Cubs came 2nd in the district dodgeball competition on January 18th. They managed a very respectable 5th in the 6-a-side competition, too!

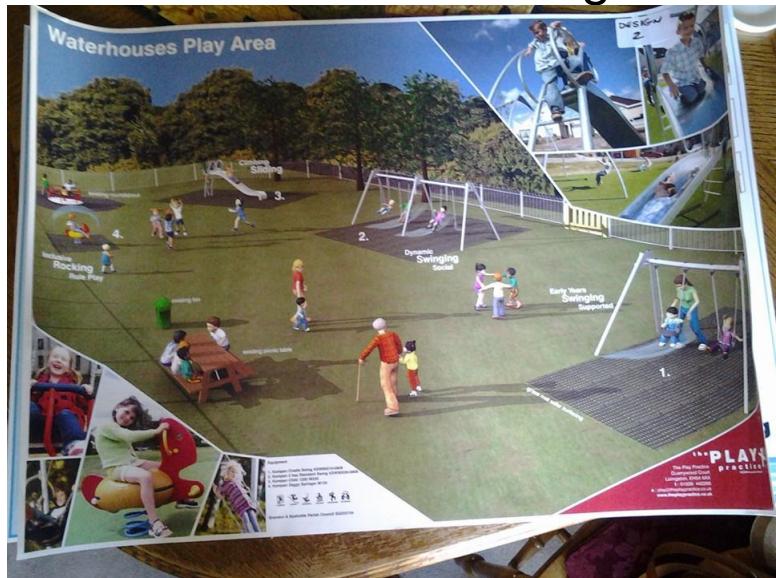
Kim Jennings

# Waterhouses Play Area

## The Selected Design



The Empty Playground  
in February 2015



We can see the work on Waterhouses play area at the top of Station St has begun.

A great big thank you to everyone who came and viewed and voted on the three designs that were on display in Waterhouses Village Hall in October 2014.

Along with choosing your favourite design there were also lots of comments for additional seating and picnic benches to be added to the play area. As we all know this park area is very well used all the year around and additional seating would have been wonderful.

With votes from Waterhouses and those of Esh Winning schools the council have decided to go with design 2 and unfortunately due to funding issues there will not be any additional seating or picnic benches, but local councillors are aware of our request for this.

Now we are looking forward to seeing the new play area. As for the additional seating and picnic benches, watch this space!

### Study Course in Lent

Churches Together in Esh Winning and Waterhouses invite you to the Lent Study Course 'Praise Him' -Wednesday evenings from 25<sup>th</sup> February to 25<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 7 (coffee from 6.45) in the Methodist Church, Acton Road, Esh Winning. All are welcome to come to look at songs of praise in the New Testament.

*Full details of WOTZ ON are on the village notice board*