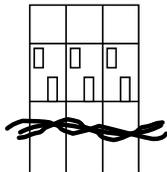


Waterhouses

July &
August
2005

Waterings

News, Views and Events from Waterhouses and the surrounding area provided by the Waterhouses Community Association.



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Waterhouses Wins Award!

Queen's Award for Voluntary Service for 2005

The Queen decided to give this award to celebrate her golden jubilee in 2002. It is given to organizations or small groups to mark outstanding achievement in providing voluntary services. That is just what Waterhouses Community Association, and its secretary Rhona Foster, have been providing for the people of this area.

So this year, 2005, **Waterhouses Community Association** has won this award.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL INVOLVED!

Only 92 organisations in the UK - and only 4 in the NE of England - have been honoured in this way, so your Community Association is really something special.

The award will be presented (together with a piece of commemorative crystal) by the Lord Lieutenant of the county at 11.30a.m. on **WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST** at the village hall.

There will be a buffet to follow. All are welcome.

We need your support.

The more folk from the neighbourhood are members of the Waterhouses Community Association the easier it is for us to get funding and to act on your behalf. So to **ENCOURAGE US** and to **HELP EACH OTHER** all you have to do is join.

It costs just £1 or 50p for concessionaries.

Contact Rhona at the Village Hall to join.

Always Wanted



Gifts for tombola - especially cuddly toys for the 'cuddly toys tombola' - are always welcome! Bring them to the village hall. The toys don't have to be new, as they will be washed before use.



Saturday 9th July at the Village Hall, starting at 1 o'clock.

A variety of stalls inside the hall; refreshments, games, home made cakes, barbecue. The raffle will be drawn at 3 o'clock.

Village Appraisal 2005

The complete final report is displayed at the Village Hall in the foyer for anyone to access the details.

Comments would be welcomed.

See www.waterhouses.info for all that is going on



Rangers Rewarded

Congratulations to two Waterhouses residents who received long service awards for their work with the Durham County Voluntary Rangers Service. The Deputy Chief Executive (Environment and Change Management) of Durham County Council presented the awards at a ceremony and dinner at County Hall, Durham on 27th April.

Chris Ruskin of Rose Terrace received a 13 year service award, a book about County Durham, and a Parker pen.

Brian Pears of Hedleyhill Terrace received a 10 year award, a picture of Old Durham and a tankard.

Chris has helped on working parties, has guided walks, and currently walks the footpaths between Rose Terrace and the top road, checking for problems.

Brian walks several such footpaths including the Deerness Valley Railway Walk from Stanley Crook to Broompark, and he tidies up the two picnic sites at Broompark and Deerness View.

Congratulations to you both, Brian and Chris, and thank you for helping to keep our locality such a beautiful place.

Summer Cinema

The fortnightly film shows on Wednesday evenings continue throughout the summer. (13th & 27th July, 10th & 24th August)

During the school holidays there will also be a weekly

FILM SHOW FOR KIDS

every Monday afternoon at 2.30, starting July 18th. Children need to be accompanied; one adult can bring up to 6 children.

For details of the programmes see the village hall or www.waterhouses.info.

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

There are dozens of different courses and interest groups that have run, or could run at the Village Hall.

A list of 43 such options for the autumn season is on the notice board at the village hall now. It includes practical crafts, exercise of various types, history, languages, computer courses and others.

We want to arrange the ones that YOU want, so SIGN UP now to indicate what interests you. Just tick the one(s) that interest you.

What's On at the Village Hall?

Forthcoming Events

SUMMER FAIR 1-3p.m. Saturday 9th July

COFFEE MORNING 10-12noon 
On the first Saturday of each month (2nd July, 6th Aug, 3rd Sept etc.)

PILATES Tuesday from 7-8p.m., Friday from 1.30-2.30p.m. (5 week courses, for further information contact Rhona)

Telephone Numbers

Apart from hall bookings the number to use if you want to contact us is that of the village hall (0191) 373 9113.

Leave a message and we will get back to you.



Planning a Function?

Why not use the Waterhouses Village Hall? You can hire it by the hour, or for a half or full day. The cost is £10 per hour (daytime) and £15 per hour (evenings and weekends). This includes bar facilities if required.

To check availability and to discuss your requirements ring 0191 373 6054

It is planned to produce Waterhouse Wanderings six times a year. Look out for the next issue in late August with the details of the autumn programme at the Village Hall and information about the Oral History Project.

Full details of WOTZ ON are on the Village Hall notice board