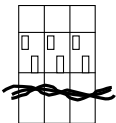


Waterhouses Wanderings

November
2011

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



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**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO YOU ALL**



unsung heroes
The Queen's Award for
Voluntary Service 2005

Waterhouses Christmas Programme

The **Seniors Christmas Lunch** is planned for Wednesday 7th December. This is for those 60 or over, who are either Waterhouses residents or members of the Community Association. This year we are hoping to be able to deliver plated up dinners (at tea time!) to any housebound residents. See more details on page 3.

Don't forget also the **Christmas Fayre** on Saturday 3rd December, the **Family Fun Night** that evening, and the **Tree Lighting and Carols** at 6.30 on Friday 9th December with mulled wine and mince pies afterwards. Friday 16th December is the Social Club's '**Elvis Night**' **Christmas Party**. More details of these and other events can be found inside and on the 'What's on in December' flyer.



LET IT SNOW!

After the last two years we have to accept that events may have to be postponed or cancelled if there is heavy snow. If you are not sure whether an event is cancelled look on the web site, ring the hall (0191) 373 9113, or look at the display board as you pass the hall.

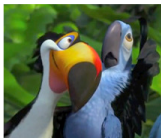
The 20th Durham Scout Group, based at Waterhouses Village Hall on Monday evenings.

Kim writes:

Exciting News! After a fantastic five years of Cubs in Waterhouses and the introduction of Beaver Scouts a few years ago, we are now going to open **our own Scout Troop** for children aged 10-14 to enjoy a range of activities! Watch this space for news of our launch!

Follow us on our Facebook page: 20th Durham Scout Group.

Thanks to Kim, Sandra, Andrew and others involved in running the regular monthly **Family Film and Fun evenings**. These are the most popular events in the Waterhouses calendar judged by the attendances. They start at 6.30 and, although there is no entry charge, they rely on donations given at the door to support these events. On 19th November they will show the film **Kung Fu Panda 2** and on 3rd December (the evening of the Christmas Fayre) the film is **Rio**, an animated love story of two birds!



'Rio' lovebirds

THE WINE CLUB

On Saturday 26th November at 8pm the Wine Club will be re-launched after several month's break with

AN ITALIAN EVENING

Come and enjoy wine tasting in the company of friends (or make new friends!). Bring an Italian dish (food) to share. Wine provided, at a cost of £6 per head.

More details from Pat (373 4949)



The **Zumba** sessions with Kerry-Ann Karlsson are going well but there are still spaces if you want to join. The Thursday evening session (7.30 to 8.30) is for all levels of fitness and all ages (cost £3 per session) whilst the Friday **Zumba Gold** session (10 to 11) is intended for those over 50 and costs £3.50.

Meanwhile the **Distinctive Dance** sessions run by Natalie for youngsters have had to be suspended for the time being. Watch this space for news of their return.

Diamond Jubilee Plans.

A street party is planned for Waterhouses to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on **Sunday 3rd June 2012**. Keep this date free! More details nearer the time.

Thank You Recent events have raised £165 from the Macmillan Coffee and Cakes morning in October, and £289 from the Nearly New Sale in November. Thank you to all who came along and supported so generously.

Christmas Services and Tree Lighting

At 4pm on Friday 2nd December the new Esh Winning Christmas Tree (behind the Doctors' surgery) will be lit, when we shall have some carols and readings, followed by seasonal refreshments in the Communal Hall.

Our Christmas Tree at Waterhouses Village Hall will be lit on Friday 9th December at 6.30, again to the accompaniment of carols and with refreshments, mulled wine and mince pies, to follow inside the hall.

On Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th December, there is a Christingle Service at St Paul's Waterhouses Church at 4pm suitable for all the family..

You are warmly invited to join us at any of these events.

Christmas Fayre with a wide range of stalls and other activities, seasonal refreshments, a major raffle with prizes including bottles and Christmas Hamper, and a visit from Father Christmas, will be in the village hall from 2 o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday 3rd December.

Seniors Christmas Lunch Wednesday 7th December.



Most of you seniors have already told us if you want to come this year for this free lunch, but ring Kate (373 6198) if you have not yet been asked. If you are not able to come to the hall because you are housebound (disabled, not just snowed in!) ring Kate also and we will try to arrange for you to receive a plated up lunch later in the afternoon. The hall doors open at 12, food served from 12.30.

ELVIS PARTY NIGHT The Friday evening Social Club is having its Christmas Party Night on Friday 16th December. It is an 'Elvis Night' with a quiz and a token prize for the best dressed Elvis! There will be some seasonal refreshments provided. All are welcome



The regular weekly programme at Waterhouses Village Hall

Unless stated otherwise these events take place every week. They all welcome newcomers. A contact number – landline code 0191 - is given for most activities. If not then just turn up.

Monday 5.30 to 6.30 BEAVERS for boys and girls aged 6-8

6.30 to 8 CUBS for boys and girls aged 9-11

Details from Kim on 373 7403 **Also see the news on page 2!**

Tuesday (2nd and last Tuesday in each month)

NORDIC WALKING 10.30 meet at the hall. £1.50 per session, all equipment provided. No walks in December, resume Tuesday 31st January 2012. Details from George 383 9750.

Wednesday 9 to 11 DROP IN –enjoy coffee and a chat

12 to 2.30 TAI CHI Details from Jamie
07970103440

6.30 for 7 CINEMA see www.waterhouses.info
for programme of future films

Thursday 9.30 to 11.30 BABY & TODDLER PLAY GROUP

Details from Fiona 373 5555

7.30 to 8.30 ZUMBA Details from Kerry-Ann 373
3256 and **more on page 2**

8.30 WINE CLUB meets bi-monthly. **See page 2.**
Details from Pat 373 4949

Friday 10 to 11 ZUMBA GOLD (gold= 50 – or
more!) Details from Kerry-Ann 373 3256 **and on page 2**

8 to 11 SOCIAL EVENING. Bar open, carpet
bowls, chat, plus often a special event.

Sunday 5.30 to 6.30 FLOOR BALL (indoor hockey) for all
skill levels and none!