

Hilldale Community Newsletter

WHAT'S ON

9th September – The Village BBQ – FREE to all residents
Starts at 2:30 pm at the Village Hall.



12th October – The HCA's Annual General Meeting – have your say!
There will be drinks and nibbles.

21st October - Wine tasting evening English wines with nibbles.
Tickets are £10 per person including wine & nibbles -

25th November – Christmas evening with music by the superb Saggy
Bottom Girls - Tickets are £10 per person.

Avoid the rush - buy your tickets NOW

By BACS or apply by email to tickets@hilldale-ca.org

or buy at the door – subject to availability

HILLDALE COFFEE MORNINGS

Join us in the Hilldale Village Hall on the last Saturday of every month except May, August and December.

We have tea, coffee, soft drinks and **excellent locally made cakes**.

And there are Gary's **superb bacon and sausage butties**.



Sit and enjoy them in the Hall and have a chat or to shelter from the rain or take them away.

The next few Coffee Mornings are on **30th September, 28th October & 25th November**.

There is usually a selection of small toys and plant seeds – they're **FREE**.

We are open from 10.30 until 12.00. - Do come along!

DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

For a many reasons, including overlapping holidays, we have not been able to arrange the training but we now hope to announce some dates soon. Please watch the noticeboards for an announcement. So that we can assess the number of people who want to be trained, please either send an email to hello@hilldale-ca.org or a text to 07957135961.

PLEASE HELP

by volunteering. Everything that the HCA does is done by a small team of dedicated volunteers and we really could do with a few more people to help. Any time you can give to help: at events, or on the Committee or in the background would be greatly appreciated.

with prizes. Our fund raising Tombolas and Raffles need prizes so please donate unwanted gifts, drinks [alcoholic or non-alcoholic], chocolates etc. We usually have a box at the Coffee Mornings.

come to a meeting. We usually meet at the Farmers Arms on a Tuesday or Wednesday at the beginning of most months. We are a jolly group so, if you'd

like to give it a try – no obligation – text to 07957135961 and we'll let you know when the next meeting is.

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

Although we had to invest in 4 gazebos for the Fair this year, it looks as though we will have funds for some modest projects in 2018.

We have some ideas but if you have a reasonable suggestion for us to consider let one of us know and we'll give it careful consideration.

Here are some ideas:

- Replace and re-plant the planters at the Jubilee bench. As you have probably noticed, one of them has fallen apart and the other one isn't too healthy. If you have any thoughts about what to plant, then text or email.
- Plant spring bulbs in the Playing Field. There are already some but we can always do with more to brighten up the days in the early part of the year. Planting will probably be in October / November. We would like the children to help and if you would like to be involved, please text or email.

We apply for grants from various sources and sometimes we are successful and sometimes not but, to apply successfully, we need to have viable projects.

There must be something which would benefit the Village that the HCA could consider helping with –email to hello@hilldale-ca.org or a text to 07957135961 with your idea or come to the next Coffee Morning.

CALLING ALL DOG OWNERS

Please take care of our Playing Field and the surrounding roads and pavements. You must pick after your dog. There are heavy fines for people who don't. Remember if you allow your dog to run free, even if you can't see what it is doing, and it fouls the Field or any other public space then you are still responsible and you are breaking the law.

Carry a dog poo bag at all times and PLEASE keep our Playing Field, pavements and roadside verges free of this health hazard.

Disappointingly, there are now reports of non-residents simply allowing their dogs to run free and the owners don't pick up the dog poo.

What can we do about the dog poo situation? Has it got to the stage where we need a part time dog warden as Mawdesley do?

Do you have an opinion? Email us: hello@hilldale-ca.org .

HILLDALE PARISH COUNCIL

Angela Nicholls is the new Parish Clerk. Angela is also Clerk to Mawdesley and Much Hoole and will be a great asset to the PC and the community of Hilldale. The Parish Council meets on Thursdays. The next dates in 2017 are: 7th September, 2nd November and 1st December. The meetings start at 7:00 pm. There is a 15 minute Public Forum so if there's anything on your mind, go to a Council meeting and speak to the Councillors. If there is a topic you'd like the PC to discuss you can email them at, clerk@hilldaleparishcouncil.com.

TRAFFIC IN HILLDALE

Most of us will agree that the volume of heavy and speeding traffic through our village is a problem. Some of the heavy vehicles are delivering to local businesses and clearly they have to be able to make those deliveries but some seem to use Hilldale as a rat run cutting the corner from Parbold Hill to Rufford. First thing in the morning, later in the day and sunny weekends seem to be worst for speeding.

Heavy vehicles drive through the village at all times. Most of the drivers are careful but there have been incidents which have put residents at risk.

Although the Speed Safety van has not been here for some months, its appearance is random and could happen at any time.

If you are a driver please be careful.

If you are a business owner, please drive carefully and ask your staff, suppliers and contractors to do the same.

Do you have an opinion? Email us and/or our Parish, Borough and County Councillors.



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