

Undoubtedly the biggest news of the last few weeks was the announcement of the Village's progression into the finals of the Best Kept competition.

flurry of activity followed with extra strimming, sweeping and tidying by Villagers & Councillors - augmenting the fine work carried out by our gardener Michael Hitchen and temporary lengthsman, Frank Wilkinson from Barley. The final judging has now finished and we hope for the best.

There seems to be a warm glow around how well the Village is looking and credit must go to Alistair McGeorge who has fastidiously maintained the new garden area, inspiring others "to do their bit." The vast majority of residents have embraced the idea and all the efforts of the many who have put out their hanging basets and planters, picked up litter and generally cared for the place can be appreciated by all. So, whatever happens in the competition, well done and thank you!

Work at the Village Centre has also gone very well and the kitchen & toilet extension is now all but complete. The next phase will see the removal of the existing kitchen and unfortunately this could be quite a messy operation and may disrupt the weekly events that have continued throughout the works. We ask for the understanding of our regulars and notice will be given of any temporary closure. The plan is that all the works will be completed in the next couple of months, and certainly in time for the Ball which will take place on November 25. Since the introduction of the new recycling boxes, use of the bottle banks has declined so they have now been taken away and will be replaced by more planting at the rear of the Centre and on the steps.

It seems a long time now since the middle of June when we held our annual Village Fayre, which proved to be the most successful yet. The sun shone throughout the day but the major feature was the involvement of residents making their 'debut' at Centre events. We hope they enjoyed their day and thank them for taking part. All the stalls were popular, over £300 was spent on

plants alone. Mark Hartley brought some pedigree sheep and a very fine Belgian Blue cow; the guess-the-weight answer being 674kg (106st 15lb in 'old money!')





magician, bouncy castle, games and they thoroughly enjoyed it, even hijacking the



which is a fantastic amount and goes a long way towards fixtures & fittings for the kitchen. A big thanks to all who worked, who contributed and who parted with their well-earned.

ROUGHLEE Parish Council

Mondays September 4 & October 2 at \$pm in the Village Centre

Next Meetings - All welcome

Contacts

Village Centre Chairman; Elaine Todd 618430 Village Centre Bookings; Janet Starkie 699262 Parish Council Chairman; James Starkie 699262 Parish Council Clerk: Gill Fawcett 601841

Monthly Meetings Tues Sep 5 & Oct 3 at 8pm in the Village Centre

St. Mary's Church

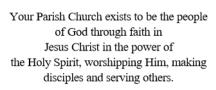
NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE



PARISH NEWS
SEPTEMBER 2006

St. Mary's Parish

BARLEY - NEWCHURCH - ROUGHLEE



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CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

Friday Sept 1	Flower Festival	Flower Festival Preview 7.30pm	
Saturday Sept 2	Flower Festival	Flower Festival 10am - late	
Sunday Sept 3	Trinity 12	9.30am Holy Communion	
Sunday Sept 10	Trinity 13	9.30am Holy Communion	
Sunday Sept 17	Trinity 14	9.30am Holy Communion	
Saturday Sept 23 In Pendle's Shadow Long distance walk			
Sunday Sept 24	Trinity 15	9.30am Holy Communion	
Tuesday Sept 26	Mothers Union	Mothers Union 7.30pm at Newchurch	

Barley ~ September

BARLEY VILLAGE HALL recently welcomed Councillor George Adams and Mrs Adams, the Mayor and Mayoress of Pendle when we held an Open Day to show off our much improved facilities to Councillors, Council Officials and representatives of organisations who provided funding for the work. We were also able to meet many potential users of the Hall from various local organisations and service providers. This resulted in some immediate bookings and great interest was shown in the future use of the Hall.

Preparations for the Model Exhibition are well under way with some old favourites and many interesting new exhibits. Due to the new scheduling of school holidays we are having difficulties contacting children to enter the competition, if you have children near you please encourage them to enter. Theme this year "My Ideal Home" this is open to children up to 1st year senior school. There are 2 classes, please state name and age:

1. A model built from a proprietary construction kit e.g. Lego, Meccano etc.

2. A model built from any medium i.e. junk

For further information contact Margaret 690420 or Chris 691850 Volunteers to help in the kitchen would be very welcome during the Exhibition. Contact Audrey 613280

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Zoe and Mark Rothwell of the Bullion on the birth of Charlie a brother for Jack.

Village Hall

Mondays: 7.30pm Young Farmers ~ contact Claire 447556 or Bev 604634

8pm Keep Fit ~ contact John for details, 611517

Sept 4 & 18. 1-3pm. Craft Group ~ £3 plus cost of materials

Tuesdays: 7.30pm.Whist Group

Wednesday: Sept 6. 7.30pm. W I subject "Pendle Hippodrome"

Sept 13.10.30 - 12noon Coffee & Chat

Thursdays: 10 - 12noon Pendle Pumpkins Mother & Toddler Group

contact Clare 618878 or Jan 613564

Future events

November 18th: an evening with ROGER WESTBROOK tickets £12 includes a Hot Supper, bring your own drinks.

December 29th Christmas Dance with a Children's party in the afternoon

CLEANER required for Village Hall approx 2 hours per week.
Phone 613280 or 613850 for details