



Mawsley Villagers Association Newsletter

July 2008

Mawsley's got talent...

I usually write this piece right at the last minute, but this time I was prepared well ahead - just for once.

Now I've just torn it up.

Why?

Because I went to the village Talent Show after Fun Day last Saturday (5th July).

What a great evening. And what great talent we have in the village. All the effort that Miss Katy has put in for the children's dance classes each week, and all the hard work the children must have done, was there for all to see. We have the makings of a fantastic village band (and the dads were keen to get in on the act in the jamming session afterwards). Great young singers as well.

Perhaps the most startling spot was Ozzie Winter's unrehearsed and unexpected accompaniment of the band, on the mike doing vocals. Calm, assured, in time - and only 3 years old!

Many thanks to Vic Cope for having an idea, and then taking it forward to make sure it happened. The village has found a new compere in Vic too!

And all this was after another great village Fun Day. Pity about the Mawsley wind, otherwise the hot air balloon would have given tethered flights. It just about finished off the outside bar tent as well, but some people gamely hung onto it at critical moments, risking being whisked away beyond where the balloon might have gone.

Anyway, that didn't spoil the day. A great range of stalls and visiting businesses; hope everyone enjoyed it. It's a big vote of thanks to Cheryl who masterminded the whole thing. She gave 408 adults (counted) and as many children (not counted) a great day, and made the village £2,200 profit too.

It really is good to see the village getting together in this kind of way - and to see the facilities we now have making such a difference.

All we need now is for the great British summer to turn up.

Bob Littler, Chair of Parish Council and MVA
791447, boblittler@btconnect.com

Fun Day and Talent Show

As Bob Littler mentions on the front page, hundreds of villagers enjoyed the fantastic Fun Day on 5th July. Here are a few letters and photos from the day...

BOTTLE TOMBOLA



May I thank all of the generous donors who gave bottles and cans for the bottle stall / tombola at Fun Day. The result was the marvellous display which you probably saw in the big marquee which attracted so many keen punters of all ages for over three hours!

The luckiest investor won four bottles from four tickets! The unluckiest!!!!

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way - the end result was a massive increase over last year and all for the benefit of the village.

Guess the contents of the bottle - I can confirm that the sealed envelope was retrieved from the manager's safe and opened in front of witnesses - the correct answer was NOT achieved and the prize therefore has not been won.

Richard Hoy

TALENT SHOW

The Talent Show was a big hit with young and old alike. It's a shame so many residents missed out. I'm sure there are more budding artists hiding behind the front doors of Mawsley. I may be a little biased I do think, as my son was one of the guys in the band - Little Miss Loasby's.

It's a shame their music teacher, who now lives in the village and knows the boys very well, was not there to see them play, as I think he would have been very proud of his pupils. I have to say, even I was shocked!

It was great watching all the performances as they all put so much effort into the evening.

I would like to say a big thank you also to Vic Cope and Bob Holland for giving up their time to put the show together and I look forward to the next bash.

Lesley Grannum



Little Miss Loasby's - Mitch Ramsay, Liam Carter, Tom Carnell, Dan Grannum



Thanks to Tom Sanders for Fun Day photos.

Lucky programme

The Fun Day lucky programme
number was:

318

Please contact Cheryl Buckle on
799107 to claim your prize!

TALENT SHOW

Four years ago, because there was no community building in the village, we hosted a very small talent show in our back garden. Just seven talented youngsters spent their half term holiday rehearsing and put on a show of song, dance and instrumentals for their parents and friends. They used our garden shed as a changing room and our new patio as a stage and amazed us with their talent and enthusiasm. The Mums and Dads were very proud and cried and took photos.

During the post-show refreshments we agreed that probably the following year something similar would take place in the new village hall.

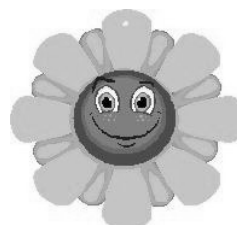
Well, it took four years but wasn't it worth the wait? The talent show on the evening of Fun Day was fantastic. Thank you Vic Cope for planning, organising and seeing it through. There were far more than seven youngsters this time but the parents were just as proud, and some cried and lots took photos. And the audience was bigger and had a great evening.

Let's hope this becomes an annual event. There is a lot of talent in Mawsley.

Pat and Pat, Main Street

MAWSLEY OPEN GARDENS & SCARECROWS

Sunday 20th July 11am to 5pm



14 beautiful gardens to visit

**The scarecrows are back with a theme
of 'the jobs we do' - see how many you
can locate around the village**

Information point at 13 Loddington Way

Pay at any open garden for entry to all

**Refreshments at information point and
various other gardens**

***For more info call Claire Benham on
791885 or email
claire.benham@dsl.pipex.com***

Mawsley Youth Club

You may remember that in the last newsletter it was mentioned that we were having difficulty finding a youth worker to set up a Youth Club.

Good news: just appointed one!

We see him helping to achieve our objective of enabling a whole range of activities for young people: sport, music, IT, drama, any kinds of creative projects, etc. The key thing is that it is up to the young people to decide what they want and help to get it in place.

The village has sufficient funds, from a County Council grant and the MVA, to help make these things happen.

This is a great opportunity for the young people in the village and it has taken a lot of work just to get to this stage. I hope they will be keen to take advantage of it.

Bob Littler

SUMMER PLAY SCHEMES

PLAY SCHEMES ARE FOR EIGHT YEAR OLDS AND UNDER AND CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT/GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES.

All sessions £1.50 inc refreshments.

The Centre at Mawsley

Friday morning 10.00am till 11.45am

1st August Supa Bounce

8th August Banana Brain Fun Show

15th August Panto

22nd August Kevin Burke Magical Mayhem

All plus games and sports

Broughton Village Hall

Tuesday morning 10.00am till 11.45am

29th July Kevin Burke Magical Mayhem

5th August Supa Bounce

12th August Banana Brain Fun Show

19th August Panto

All plus games and sports

Loddington Village Hall/Playing Field

Thursday morning 10.00 till 11.45

31st July Supa Bounce

7th August Banana Brain Fun Show

14th August Panto

21st August Kevin Burke Magical Mayhem

All plus games and sports

Tim Bellamy, Kettering Borough Council

Fireworks Night

Yes, even as the sun blazes down we need to be thinking ahead about fireworks night; not least as we get a 10% discount if we place the order before the 1st August.

So, the village fireworks night has been a great success in the past - will we be having one this year?

Well, that's up to you.

Or more precisely up to you coming forward and agreeing to help.

We have an expert pyromaniac (OK, fireworks technician) to help us, but we need:

- At least 2 people to light the fireworks; this will involve one day's full professional training. (The MVA will pay for this).
- People to be marshals to manage the crowd, including taking tickets at the gate.
- People to sell tickets for the night in advance, around the village.
- People to sell raffle tickets etc.

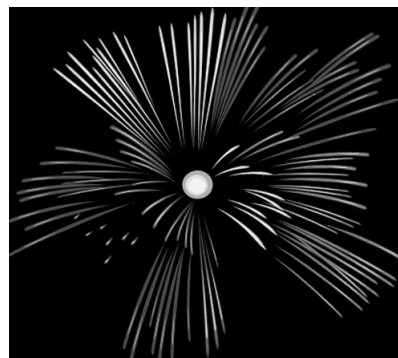
Our insurance requires that we have at least 20 marshals.

Therefore, we will hold a short informal meeting at The Centre at 8:00pm, on Tuesday 29th July; please come along if you are willing to help.

I realise school jollies will be on, so if you can't make the meeting but would still like to help please let me know (791447; boblittler@btconnect.com).

But please let's be clear; if we don't get enough volunteers then no fireworks night.

Bob Littler



The Centre at Mawsley

Forthcoming events:

Beer Festival - Fri 12th, Sat 13th and Sun 14th September

We are responding to your suggestions of more beer! We will have 8 guest beers, the 'real ale' type from wooden barrels served by a rotund barman! Entertainment will include live music and BBQs throughout the festival.

80's Night - Saturday 16th August

Tickets are now on sale for £3 per adult (accompanied children FREE). 8pm until LATE. Disco and karaoke and, if you dare, 80's fancy dress (time to dig into the garage/attic).

BBQ - Sunday 24th August, 3pm to 10pm

Chance to put on weight with The Centre at Mawsley's famous burgers and hot-dogs. If you fancy a bit of extra poundage, you might have a few beers as well.

Adults ONLY

Many people have commented over the past year or so, that we never offer a time when TCAM is for adults only (over 18s). If we are to be inclusive, TCAM management believes we should cater for those individuals who wish to have a social evening without minors in the bar area. Therefore, from Sunday 3rd August we will be testing the water by having no under 18s in TCAM on Sundays from 6pm until close. We hope you will support us in this decision.

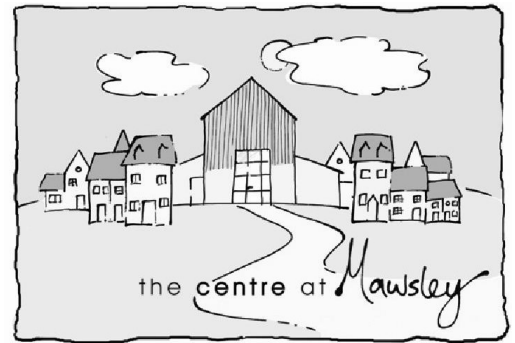
Feedback

The TCAM management team is always looking for more effective ways of delivering a better facility for the village to use. We are often given suggestions or passed information 3rd, 4th or 5th hand. This is not very effective and so we are putting in place a formal 'feedback' process over the next few weeks. We will have pictures and contact details of all the management team displayed at TCAM, so you know who to contact. We will have a website form for you to complete and email to us or a simple printed form at TCAM for you to complete and return to us. We will log ALL your comments and act on them appropriately. Please help us by giving us your feedback.

My job

Since TCAM opened there have been a number of issues arising from the difficulty in separating my work for TCAM from my private socialising at TCAM. The difficulty I face is that I am both TCAM Manager and a 'villager'. I want to enjoy the same benefits from using TCAM as do many of you. However, as the licence holder, I have legal obligations and cannot always distance myself from TCAM issues just because I'm not on duty. In addition, TCAM staff may seek guidance from me despite the fact that I am not on duty. As I am sure you will appreciate, I may not wish to have my personal socialising at TCAM disturbed by villagers who wish to discuss issues, and I am therefore likely to refer villagers to staff on duty. To assist in this, we will ensure that there is a 'Duty Manager' at major events, although this will be the bar-person on most evenings.

This dilemma is always going to be difficult to manage to the satisfaction of all villagers, TCAM staff and for me as a private individual. I hope that the village will make allowances and remember that TCAM is being run for the benefit of the village as a whole.



Penny Feasey
TCAM Manager

Baby & Toddler Group

We meet every Thursday at The Centre from 9.30am until 11am. £1.50 for the first child in the family and 50p per child thereafter. There are toys, a craft activity, a singing session and a snack for the children. If you would like to join us, please either turn up or phone and we will arrange to meet you.

During the last month we raised £115 for the MVA at the village Fun Day. Children especially enjoyed decorating cakes and taking part in the toy tombola. Mr Crumble entertained the children at our Summer party and parents enjoyed an excellent meal out at the Royal Oak in Walgrave.

Dates for your diary:

- From the time the schools break up in July until they return in September we have decided to extend our group meeting time to include lunch and an outside play at The Centre. We will finish our sessions as normal at 11am, and then clear away. We will then go outside onto the field with balls, bats, the parachute etc. The children can enjoy a play and eat their packed lunch together. This will only be able to happen on dry days, on wet days we will finish as normal. Please remember older brothers and sisters are welcome through the holidays.

- We have decided to also meet up on Mondays during the Summer holidays. The timetable below shows the location for each Monday:

Monday 21st July	Fermyn Woods
Monday 28th July	East Carlton Country Park
Monday 4th August	Salcey Forest and the Elephant Walk
Monday 11th August	West Lodge Rural Centre
Monday 18th August	Wicksteed Park
Monday 25th August	Bank Holiday - no session
Monday 1st Sep	Brixworth Country Park

Meet at 10am in the car park of the venue. Bring a picnic lunch and a bucket and spade. Older brothers and sisters are very welcome.

- We have booked tickets to see Cinderella at the Derngate Theatre in Northampton on Saturday 3rd January 2009 at 1pm. We have seats in the stalls - rows D, E and F (all seats are together and in the centre). £21.00 per ticket (same price for adults and children). I am able to hold the tickets until the end of July. If you would like tickets can you let me have your requirements and money by this date.

- Tim Bellamy and his team are returning to The Centre on Friday mornings during August with entertainment and activities for children - these sessions were excellent last year. See their advert for more info.

Are you free on a Thursday morning and do not have a baby or toddler? We need help setting up, clearing away, making new members feel welcome or looking after our babies/children while we do the above!! Please call if you can help.

Sarah Hart
Tel: 790517

Mawsley School

Miss Cox and Mrs Hobday's class:

We have been learning about animals. We have learned about the life cycle of the frog. We also went outside and looked for minibeasts. We found worms living in the soil. We also found a spider, slugs and a beetle on the school field.

Imogen Smith and Harry Thomas

Miss Carr's class:

We really enjoyed going to Hunstanton for the day as we have been learning about the seaside - past and present. We enjoyed our Victorian seaside afternoon out on the playground. We made a Punch and Judy play in the puppet theatre, sang seaside songs, made sandcastles, ate hokey pokey (ice cream) and went rock pooling.

Lauren Reynolds and George Farr

Miss Foster's class:

In Art we have been making batik pictures of buildings we saw on our trip to Hunstanton. We used wax and bright colours like pink and turquoise to dye material to make our pictures. We were very pleased with our pictures.

Jenny Caplan and Matthew Bradley

Mrs Hollwey's class:

We have been doing lots of numeracy. We have been learning about dividing and the inverse of numbers and weighing. In Literacy we heard the story of Billy's Bucket and we made our own buckets into imaginary worlds. We wrote stories about our imaginary worlds.

Megan Owens and Ewan Cumming

Miss Hall's class:

We liked learning about World War 2 and Anne Frank. For homework we made a book about rainforests. We enjoyed writing stories set in the rainforest. We also like playing on the equipment around the playground!

Toby Bence and Isabella Davies

Miss Harris' class:

As part of our rainforest topic we had a visitor in our classroom who brought in some animals to show us. He showed us a scorpion, a snake, a tarantula, a cockroach, a millipede, a stick insect and a frog. We also learned about medicines from the rainforests.

Ewan Jones and Charlotte Richards

Miss Franklin's class:

We have been learning about the Aztecs. In ICT we have made films about them and made costumes to wear. We have also made Powerpoint presentations.

Jason Baird and Finley Boon

Miss Childs' class:

At the end of term we are putting on a "Showcase" for our parents so that we can show them what we have been learning about. We are doing singing, dancing, drama and reading our poems. It was really good to go to the Isle of Wight for our residential trip in June. We went to Alum Bay, Osborne House and a tiger sanctuary. It was fun.

Shannon Lewin and Rebecca Thorpe

Mawsley pond

A number of villagers are offering aquatic plants to be transplanted to the pond. We will gladly look at any such offerings and if suitable to this stage of our development we will take them.

Please call me with any such offers on 07826 531735.

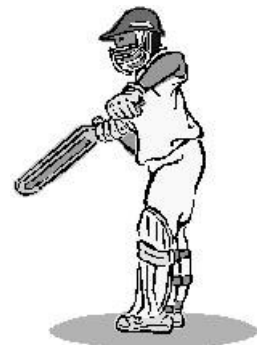
Thank you.

Richard Hoy

Loddington & Mawsley Cricket Club

The cricket season is almost at its mid point and Loddington and Mawsley sides are still in the hunt for silverware in various leagues and cups. The 1st XI are well on course for promotion sitting close to the top of the table in NCL Division 3, The 2nd XI top Division 8 and the Thirds are amongst the pace-setters in Division 13.

The Sunday XI can look forward to a cup semi-final against Great Oakley, whilst the numerous Youth Teams are on course for various awards in their respective age groups. The Under 13s lost narrowly to Old Northamptonians in the final of County Cup where they were representing the Wilson Browne league on Sunday 29th June.



On the same day the Under 13 Girls squad led by Mawsley resident Jenny Harris was representing Northants in the Midlands Regional Finals at Denstone Sports College, Uttoxeter. Despite only having had a handful of competitive games, the girls did the club proud losing a tense final to Leicestershire Champions Mount Grace, the vastly more experienced Leicester outfit having been playing in the national indoor competition held at Lords indoor school only a few days before. The girls' reward for their excellence is a trip to the National Lady Taverners finals day at St Edwards School in Birmingham as regional runners up.

The first Friday in July saw the Under 17s win the league cup with a convincing win over East Carlton. The victory was all the more sweeter as several of the regular squad were missing. L&M's James Coles collected the Man of the Match award for a fine knock of 39.

The club continues to go from strength to strength with more than 140 players available for Senior action. This alone causes problems in itself as the club strives to accommodate its members. The ambition is to field a 4th XI next season either in the league or to play Saturday friendlies. However, as with most clubs, the majority of the work is done by a handful of dedicated volunteers, who are now at breaking point. The same few people are expected to coach, administer, select and organise both the Senior and Youth cricket. Therefore an appeal for additional volunteers/helpers to keep the momentum of the expanding club going is required. If you feel that you are able to assist please contact Secretary Iain Holliday 01536 484819 or Chair Richard Baker 07740 490297. The club is especially interested in recruiting people with experience of running/coaching youth cricket.

Water, water, everywhere apart from on the cricket square. Ideas are welcome on how to solve the mysterious lack of water pressure that prevents the cricket table being doused. The lack of water is giving head groundsman Sparrow Clarke a serious headache as he tries to quell the uneven bounce on the Mawsley square. Any solutions please contact Richard Baker.

Date for the diary: End of Season Awards, 27th September - venue to be announced.

Stuart Coles

1st Mawsley Scout Group

Hello, my name is Shaun and I have taken over from Mary Findlay as Group Scout Leader of 1st Mawsley Scout Group. I was previously Assistant Group Scout Leader so have been around since we opened the group in February 2007. I hope to be able to encourage Scouting in Mawsley to continue to grow from strength to strength but in order to do this we need your help!! If anyone is able to give up a couple of hours a week and the occasional weekend day then don't be shy... we have nearly 70 boys and girls aged 6 to 13 who regularly come along to Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. They have lots of fun and take part in a range of activities in and outdoors. Now that we almost have storage and some more camping equipment we plan to do even more. We currently have a waiting list for the Beaver colony but spaces in the Cub pack and Scout troop.



Here's only some of what's been going on this term: Group - Barn Dance, which was a great night for all the family. We are already thinking about the next one!

Beavers (aged 6-8) - rounders on the field, games night, paper aeroplane races, a play involving their own superheroes and party night.

Cubs (aged 8-10.5) - navigator and home safety activity badges, wide games, treasure hunts, tracking and new games.

Scouts (aged 10.5-14) - expedition challenge weekend, emergency aid, camp craft, camp stoves, fire safety (including fire station visit), chippy hike and charity sponsored events.

Well done to them all for all their hard work and commitment!

If anyone is able to help, or would like more information about being an occasional or regular helper, or a leader in any of the sections, then please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the section leaders.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to welcome new members to our Group's Executive Committee, led by Mary Findlay. These are Yvette, David, John, Naomi and Vanessa. A big thank you to the 'retiring' committee - Ian, Dale, Claire and Sadie, for all their hard work since day one!

Shaun Thompstone

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Mawsley Football Team

On the 28th June Mawsley FC Under 7's entered the Ise Lodge Youth Football Tournament held at Weekley Glebe Playing Fields in Kettering.

Mawsley FC team was as follows:

Ewan Cumming, George Haines, Ryan Hughes, Noah King, Callum Shaw, Sam Sherwood, Ben Slater, Libby Slater, Jamie Smith.



We played 6 matches overall. We won one, drew three and lost two.

The results were as follows:

Mawsley 2 - 0 Kingswood Juniors

Mawsley 1 - 1 Weekley Black

Mawsley 0 - 0 Kettering Generals

Mawsley 0 - 0 Ise Eagles

Mawsley 0 - 5 Weekley Purple (dodgy penalty - it was a fair tackle ref!)

Mawsley 0 - 2 Burton Youth

Considering the high standards of all the other teams, we were pleased with our performance.

We have joined the Weetabix League in time for next season where we can start to gel as a team by competing on a more regular basis.

New players always welcome, come along on a Saturday 10am - 11am at the School - £1.50.

Phil Shaw

Tel: 791948

Mawsley church

We meet in The Centre at 11am on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month and in homes in the village most weeks. All are welcome.

People of all ages and backgrounds are welcome. We have children's groups during our services: Little Doves (up to Reception) and Eagles (primary school Years 1-6).

Look out for our village HARVEST FESTIVAL & PRODUCE SHOW on 14th September!

Our services over the coming weeks will be held on:

Sunday 27th July
Celebration & Communion (11am)

Sunday 10th August
Celebration (11am)

Sunday 24th August
Celebration & Communion (11am)

Sunday 14th September
Harvest Festival & Produce Show (11am)

www.mawsleychurch.net

Rev'd Paul Seaton-Burn
Tel: 790140

Mawsley Village WI



Women's
Institute

Summer holidays are on the way and the sun keeps trying to shine, and it's great to see all the gardens blooming. Well, our summer break is here, we don't have a meeting in August, although we will still be busy organising our Autumn Fair in October and we do hope you will come along and give us your support. We have some really great stalls but will let you know more later.

We had great fun at our July meeting with Janice; one of our members giving a demonstration on how to make chocolate truffles, enjoyed by all, as we had to do the tasting!!

We have also enjoyed a really good day out to Trentham Gardens in Staffordshire and although it was raining it didn't dampen our spirits. It's a great place for a family day out and we then went onto Wedgwood for a most enjoyable 'high tea', on Wedgwood pottery of course, and a spot of shopping helped finish off an enjoyable day.

Our next meeting is on September 9th with Mrs Dhall giving a talk on the history of the Sari and how to dress in one. There will be a chance to try this so let's hope we don't get in too much of a tangle!!

This meeting will be back at the School and will start at 7.30pm so do come along and join us. As always, visitors are most welcome, only £2.50 and refreshments available.

For any information call 791186 or 799116.

Brenda Quinn, President

St Andrew's Church, Cransley with Mawsley

PROMS IN THE PARK

Sunday 31st August, 4.30pm - 7.30pm
Cransley Village Hall - in the grounds

Music by the Harborough Brass Band
Tickets: £6 adults, £5 concessions, £1 children to include wine/soft drink

Come and enjoy some real brass band music. Why not bring a picnic? There will be some seats available but bring your own if you can.
Tickets: 790991 (Pat) or 799355 (James & Denise)

ANCIENT CHURCHES SPONSORED WALK AND BICYCLE RIDE

Saturday 13th September

In aid of all our ancient Churches. St Andrew's will be open for the day to receive those taking part and offer refreshments to bikers and walkers from 10am - 6pm. If you have not seen the Parish Church of St Andrew, Cransley's own ancient Church (first Vicar appointed 1226) then come along for a visit. This is also the Parish Church for Mawsley.

Pat Ellis

Walking Group



The next three walks are:

Sunday 3rd August
Lyveden New Bield
Good easy paths, well
signposted, 9 miles

Saturday 30th August
Castle Ashby area, 6 - 7 miles

Sunday 28th September
Cottersbrooke area, 7 - 8 miles

Meet at the lay-by on Broughton Rd at 10am on the day.

Steve and Pam Draycott

Tel: 791681
slduk@f2s.com

Mawsley Watercolour Painting Group

Small, friendly group.
Beginners very welcome.
Thursdays, 10am - 12 noon.

Phone Joan on 791661 for more details.



Gardening Club

Hi Gardeners

The next three meetings of the Gardening Club are:



Friday 15th August
7pm at The Centre

A social night in the bar, please bring along your favourite gardening book for discussion with perhaps a question & answer session on any gardening topic.

Saturday 6th September
The Althorp Garden Show, meet at The Centre at 10am.

Saturday 27th September
Autumn bulb planting, where we hope to continue with our two plantings a year for seasonal flowers & bulbs.

This may seem rather early but we are considering a trip in the Spring of 2009 to the Dutch Bulb Fields. Would those villagers with an interest in this visit please contact Pam or myself over the next month or so that we may consider further options.

Steve and Pam Draycott

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Mawsley Allotment Association

Another milestone! The Allotment Association is now featured on the village website (mawsleyvillage.co.uk). We hope this will allow an additional means of improved communication within the association and also facilitate our links with the community.



Progress continues apace down at the site with many members now enjoying their first crops. Please remember the flower and veg show on Sunday 14th September. If all goes well there will be time to publicise details of the day in the next newsletter. Just like last year this will be a free to enter fun event attached to a harvest festival service of Mawsley Church. Absolutely everyone is invited and welcome to enter the show or just come along to see. There will be floral and children's classes with the only rule being "if you grow it you can show it". All entries will be returned with all unclaimed produce being donated to KCU Ltd (formerly Kettering Centre for the Unemployed) who provide meals and other help to unemployed and low waged folk in our area.

Tony Horne

Letters to Editor

HEALTH & SAFETY WITHIN OUR VILLAGE

An open letter to all villagers

Those of you who know me are aware that I work in the construction industry very often under the watchful eye of a Health & Safety Officer or Site Management Team. This is my career, one that I choose and enjoy. Believe me, health & safety is of paramount importance 100% of my working and social life, and rightly so.

So why, therefore, is Mawsley Village so full of dangers? You've seen them yourselves - pot holes everywhere, loose kerb stones, trip hazards, third generation weeds and stones in our kerbs, deep holes in islands left for our community to play in and perhaps injure themselves, discarded construction materials, the list is seemingly endless.

Now then, what have we been doing about it?! Well folks, over the last two years I have personally made at least three presentations to our Parish Council with photos and in the presence of Local & County Councillors and also our MP. Does this situation continue? Yes folks, it does.

So to those people / builders / workforces and management Safety Teams who are not looking after us, please do your jobs and walk around our village on a regular basis. It is a stunning place but it is only us villagers at present who are stunning.

Health and safety IS THE LAW and therefore I am giving those responsible a chance to improve our village safety. If this does not happen within a very short space of time I put it on record that the Health & Safety Executive will be called directly, thus bypassing our usual channels which do not seem to be doing the trick.

Steve Draycott

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Please continue to send in your letters to the Editor and share your news and views with the rest of the village.

Please send to Rebecca Thorpe by email to rlthorpe@gmail.com

Deadline for next issue: 4th September

MUSIC NIGHT



**Friday 25th July, 7pm
The Centre at Mawsley**



I submitted a letter a little while ago asking whether musicians would come forward to help with my music night being held at The Centre in order to raise money for my expedition to Kenya.

Unfortunately nobody came forward! However, I was able to organise an event with the musician friends that I have!

It has been possible to now organise a music night. It is being held on the 25th July at The Centre at Mawsley at 7.00pm. Tickets are £5 and are available from myself on 799373 or from Penny at The Centre.

Georgina Ashcroft

FRIENDS OF MAWSLEY SCHOOL

The Summer Spectacular was a huge success and we reached our fundraising target of £2000. It was clear that the 'It's A Knockout' feature was enjoyed hugely by all and Fr Paul was a fine Stuart Hall substitute. Thanks to everyone who helped, whether it was by setting up/packing away, coming along on the day or sponsoring one of the pupils to complete the course.

Money raised will be used to supplement the current playground equipment as well as ICT facilities within the school.

Thank you for your fabulous support which allows the school to continue to make such a positive contribution to our community.

Veronica Horne

Dates for your diary

July

Sunday 20th July 11am - 5pm	Open Gardens and Scarecrows
Monday 21st July 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at Fermyn Woods
Friday 25th July 7pm	Fundraising music night The Centre
Sunday 27th July 11am	Mawsley Church Celebration & Communion, The Centre
Monday 28th July 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at East Carlton Country Park
Tuesday 29th July 8pm	Fireworks Night meeting for volunteers at The Centre

August

Friday 1st August 10am - 11.45am	Play scheme for under 8s The Centre
Sunday 3rd August 10am	Walking Group Lyveden New Bield
Monday 4th August 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at Salcey Forest
Friday 8th August 10am - 11.45am	Play scheme for under 8s The Centre
Sunday 10th August 11am	Mawsley Church Celebration The Centre
Monday 11th August 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at West Lodge Rural Centre
Friday 15th August 10am - 11.45am	Play scheme for under 8s The Centre
Friday 15th August 7pm	Gardening Group social The Centre
Saturday 16th August 8pm	80s Night The Centre
Monday 18th August 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at Wicksteed Park
Friday 22nd August 10am - 11.45am	Play scheme for under 8s The Centre
Sunday 24th August 11am	Mawsley Church Celebration & Communion, The Centre
Sunday 24th August 3pm - 10pm	BBQ The Centre
Saturday 30th August 10am	Walking Group Castle Ashby area
Sunday 31st August 4.30 - 7.30pm	Proms in the Park Cransley Village Hall

September

Monday 1st September 10am	Baby & Toddler Group meet at Brixworth Country Park
Tuesday 9th September 7.30pm	Mawsley Village WI meeting at the School
Tuesday 9th September	Cricket Club golf day
Fri 12th, Sat 13th & Sun 14th September	Beer festival The Centre
Sunday 14th September 11am - 12.30pm	Harvest Festival and Flower and Vegetable Show

Next newsletter issue

The next newsletter will be issued on 12th September. Please consider submitting an article - we would love to hear from you.

Please forward any contributions as soon as possible and by Thursday 4th September at the latest to:

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