



Mawsley Villagers Association

Newsletter

July - September 2009



Mawsley Fun Day Village 2009



More village heroes

You will see elsewhere in this newsletter just how successful Fun Day was. So it's a gigantic vote of thanks to Ruth Connolly and Helen Jones, very ably assisted by Lisa Burlinson, Shirley Peters and Patrick Kelly, who were the main organisers. But of course they were dependent on the help, on the day and beforehand, from many others in the village – far too many for me to be able to mention. You know who you are; please be aware how grateful the village is for all your efforts.

I am sure that those of you who attended Fun Day will appreciate why it features so heavily in this issue of the MVA Newsletter. It was BRILLIANT! Helen and Ruth were keen to inform you of what makes a 'Fun Day' and hopefully motivate more Mawsley residents to play a part in its organisation next year.

Thank you for all of the other articles submitted – Mawsley residents have been busy recently so I have had to be very creative in order to get all of your brilliant news to fit in this issue. Even though I have extended this issue to 16 pages, I still do not have room for the diary! With everything that is going on this summer, the diary would have taken up an entire page so, as you read, make a note in your calendar of all the wonderful activities promoted in this issue and enjoy the summer!

Emma Brown, Newsletter Editor



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Next MVA Newsletter
deadline is 3rd September.

£3200+ raised for our village!

1750 posters displayed and delivered

1350 footballs kicked

1055 wellies thrown

1008 ducks hooked

586 golf balls chipped

400 laminating pouches

110 bales of hay

58 stalls

47 generous volunteers

2 wonderful organisers

1 Fun Day!

Mawsley Fun Day Update

Well Fun Day came around at last and what a day! We hope that all of you who came along had a great time and enjoyed the many attractions on offer. Thank you for attending in your thousands and congratulations to those of you who won some of the many prizes on offer.

When embarking on the challenge of organising this years Fun Day we had one goal – to provide the village with a great family day out, with low cost activities and good entertainment. Any profits we made would be a bonus and would go towards equipment for the young adults of our village, as well as the 'garden of reflection'.

It has taken us 6 months of planning which towards the end did take over our lives! However, the overwhelming positive response we have had from so many villagers has made it all worthwhile.

We are thrilled that the event was everything we set out to provide and will make no apologies for most of this article being a huge thank you, we have so many to thank! So please read the next page to give you an idea of who was involved in making this fantastic event possible.

Thank you ...

Firstly our fantastic team, which included Shirley Peters and Lisa Burlison, your support, enthusiasm and guidance were invaluable. Also to Patrick Kelly for your superb effort in organising the Dog Show and setting up the arenas. A special mention to the fabulous PA boys John Peters and Les Cottington and to Lynley Fourie who oversaw the organisation of the fun stalls during the day. It has been a pleasure to work with you all.

As a team we give an enormous thank you to:-

- All you big-hearted volunteers who gave up time leading up to the event and helped during and after the event - without you Fun Day would not have happened!!
- The guys who were at the site from 8am – 8pm setting up and clearing away - Andy Connolly, Mark Jones, Darren Wilkins, Kev Powell, Dave Porterfield, Chris Smith, Ian McNeill, Gary Eldershaw and Bob Littler.
- All the volunteers who ran stalls all day without a break and went home nice and sun burnt!
- Pat Rowley, Pat Downing, Sylvie Golaz and Christophe Chicchini for manning the gate all day and not seeing anything!
- To Penny Feasey and all the fantastic staff at TCAM for their hard work and long hours.
- All those villagers who generously donated prizes and money.
- All our charitable sponsors, Henderson Connellan & Woodlands Hospital.
- The companies who gave so generously to the event to provide us with fantastic raffle prizes including Mawsley Dental Clinic, Colourwhite and C&D Cycles to name just a few.
- All the support we received from Mawsley School and for the use of equipment.
- Tim Bellamy and Kettering Borough Council for everything they did to support us including printing all the programmes and providing grants.
- Sergeant Tony Hopkins and his team for their help during the day and support.
- The team from Blue Watch Kettering Fire Brigade for bringing their Fire Engine.
- To all the trade stalls, many of which are Mawsley businesses.
- Middleton Wholesale for the use of their truck.
- Midland Rally Group for the nitro buggy demonstration.
- The staff of The Avenue Veterinary Hospital for the doggy health checks.
- Blades Air Display Team for kindly agreeing to do a fly over!
- One Stop and Farrero who generously donated all the sweets that were used as prizes.
- Dale Perry and Tricia for kindly printing posters and flyers.
- The wonderful Musketeers who entertained us from the back of a wagon!
- And finally, and a more personally, a huge thank you to our husbands for their support – they finally have their wives back!!

It is impossible to thank everyone involved but rest assured all support given was very much appreciated.

We would like to congratulate our programme competition winners Logan De Kock age 4 and Martha Monroe age 11 who provided us with the fantastic images for our programmes. Particular thanks to her Worship the Mayor, Cllr. Ruth Groome for officially opening the play area and presenting the children with their prizes. It was wonderful to hear she enjoyed herself and had a go on all the stalls including the Rodeo Bull!!

We are pleased to report that the total turnover (The Centre at Mawsley plus the event) for this year's Fun Day was a staggering £11,107.13 of which £5377. 74 was taken by TCAM and £5729.39 by the Fun Day. Of this event income, over £3,200 is profit for our village. This was way above our expectations and we are delighted with the outcome

As successful as this year's Fun Day has been, we have made the decision not to do it again next year!! We hope however that we have inspired some of you to take on the challenge and have one piece of advice for the next organisers, get yourself a big team and START PLANNING NOW!! The groundwork has been done which we will happily hand over to those who take on the challenge.

We have one final request for you; we would like to produce a photo collage to display in The Centre, but as we were so busy on the day we didn't get chance to take any photos! Would you kindly email any images to ru.ru@hotmail.co.uk or house2home@keme.co.uk we would especially like photos of the programme competition winners with the Mayor, the dog show, falconry and Gun Dog demonstrations, Tug of War and It's a knockout.

The lucky programme number was 726. If you have this programme you have won a fabulous hamper donated by the Women's Institute. Please e-mail us by 1st August to let us know, if the winner does not come forward we will draw a winner from the raffle tickets.

Many thanks to all of you who came and supported the event.

Helen Jones and Ruth Connolly

Mawsley Open Gardens and Scarecrow Fest 2009

Fab gardens to view, lots of different scarecrows and glorious weather all contributed to making this weekend a success!

'Simple Pleasures' won the Best Dressed Scarecrow and 'Mike of Monsters Inc' and Nathan and Hayden were Highly Commended.



Cream teas served by the WI

***£220 has been donated towards
the 'Garden of Reflection',
which is being created
by the Gardening Club!***

*Many, many thanks to all
the people who helped to make
this event happen!*



Scarecrow by Pat and Pat!

Well Done and Thank You to Nicky McNeill!

***Open Gardens was a great success!
Many thanks to Nicky McNeill who organised this event -
and to all those who opened their gardens.***



The Centre: what do you think about it?

At the heart of your community

We are perfectly aware that we don't meet the requirements of everybody, by any means. Whatever we do may appeal to some but will always deter others. We don't have the luxury of tailoring our offering to just one or two target markets (e.g. sport; women; older people; younger people; free access for children; limited access for them; etc.) as most outlets can; we have to try to meet the desires of everybody in the village. Very difficult!

What's more, it is an expensive building to run. Heating, lighting, water, insurances, essential maintenance contracts (e.g. intruder alarms), and cleaning cost around £45,000 each year. That's before *any* staff costs, other than for cleaning. The building is open for a minimum of 92 hours/week; indeed The Centre has already grown to be a large and complex business that will turn over almost £200,000 this year.

High overheads plus staff costs from such long hours, in the context of still developing the business, meant that losses last year were substantial. These were funded from the village Community Fund; a pot of money provided by the developers precisely to help develop the village's social facilities. However Penny and her team have worked hard to reduce these losses, by developing new business and cutting costs, so we anticipate a much smaller loss this year. Our objective is to get to a position of consistently at least breaking even; something few "village halls" are able to do. We know that there are numerous opportunities to increase business significantly if we put in the time and effort to vary and refine our offering.

We are now at a stage where we need to take the business the next step forward if we are to achieve these objectives. In this newsletter you will see an advert for the new post of an Operations Manager, reporting to Penny, which is how we plan to do it. One of the many benefits of this will be to release scarce resources to focus on increasing revenue.

The Centre has a key role in enabling our community to develop; it's in all our interests that it be successful. As ever I say that if you have any ideas, or want to help, just say so.

Bob Littler

TCAM

Put it in your diary...
BEER FESTIVAL 11th, 12th and 13th September
7 Real Ales and a Scrumpy Cider (7.4%)

Mawsley Celebrations!



Happy Birthday to
Phil Shaw
on July 15th!

From

Jane, Callum, Lily
and all at
Mawsley FC

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Congratulations to Scott Ramsay who celebrates his 21st Birthday on 8th September 2009, whilst on deployment on HMS Cumberland somewhere off the coast of Somalia. Wishing you a fantastic birthday, and all the crew of HMS Cumberland a safe return home in December.

With all our love today and always, Mum, Paul, Mitch, Sophie, Nan, Nancy, Grandad, Mick, Lilian & Barrie xxxxxx

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Bethany Burlin is 7
on 15th July!

Happy Birthday

Love from
Mummy, Daddy, Bella and
all your family

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THANK YOU MUMMY
FOR GIVING ME A BROTHER AND
SISTER.
THEY ARE VERY NOISY BUT CUTE
AND CUDDLY!
I LOVE THEM A LOT AND I THINK
WE SHOULD KEEP THEM!

I LOVE YOU MUMMY

JESSICA SIMMONITE

Happy 7th Birthday Bethany

It's finally here!

All our love and best birthday
wishes

William, Maddie, Phoebe,
Emma and Phil

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*Sarah and Peter Simmonite
would like to announce the birth of their twins
Silas And Issey
born on the 3rd of June.
We would like to thank Jessica our daughter
for being understanding during this period of loss of
sleep!
Thanks also to all the people that have sent gifts,
cards and best wishes.
Thank you.*

Molly Balzan is 5 on 13th July! Happy Birthday Molly!
Love Mummy, Daddy and Isobel

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ESME
WHO WAS 6
ON THE 5TH JULY!
LOVE FROM
MUMMY, DADDY AND
TAHLIA

Congratulations to the Mawsley Primary School Cheerleaders!

A Special Report by the Cheerleaders themselves

Just over three months ago a cheerleading group was formed here in the school for Years 5 and 6. It was made up of Shannon Kearney, Stephanie Cooke, Emily Coulter, Evie Carpenter, Molly Amis, Isabella Brathwaite, Susanna Horne, Tiana Davies, Michaela Patterson and Olivia Wilkins. Every Friday at 8.00am we turned up to practice with Miss Foster.

After about a month we entered a competition at Southfields School, thanks to the Big Lottery Fund Partnership. Mawsley won the local schools competition and we got put into a national competition in Manchester.

On Saturday 27th June, we set off on a coach at 5.30a.m. We had a green and white cheerleading uniform and pom poms.

By the end of the day we had won!

We have been in the Evening Telegraph, on the radio and on the television!

What's On?

Summer Playschemes

The Centre at Mawsley
Fridays 10:00 - 11:45



24th July	Supa-Bounce
31st July	Panto with Alterego Theatre Co
7th August	Banana Brain Funshow
14th August	Andy Greaves & Lewis Show

Mawsley Community Primary School

Pre-Planning Consultation Meeting

All Mawsley residents are invited to a "drop-in" Pre-Planning Consultation Meeting at the school on **Wednesday 9th September 2009 from 6.00p.m. - 8.00p.m.** Plans for a proposed two classroom extension, additional group rooms and office areas and an outdoor multi-use games area will be on display. Representatives from the Local Authority will be at the meeting to receive feedback and answer any questions.

If the consultation is successful the school would then be able to provide eleven permanent classrooms.

Summer Holiday Play Dates

Every Tuesday for 6 weeks we will be meeting at various parks at 10am. All young children of Mawsley are welcome I hope to see you all there. Feel free to bring a picnic.

Tues 21st July Market Harborough Park
Welland Park Rd, LE16 9DR
Sand and water, free parking
Rain Alternative- Paul's Pirates, NN8 6GR

Tues 28th July Brixworth Country Park
Northampton Rd
NN6 9DG
Sand, small parking charge

Tues 4th Aug Mawsley Park & Picnic
Rain Alternative- Millers, Lt Billing, NN3 9DA

Tues 11th Aug East Carlton Park
Church lane, LE16 8YF
Sand, free parking

Tues 18th Aug Stanwick Lakes
NN9 6QY
Sand and water, small parking charge
Rain Alternative- Ock 'n' Dough, NN8 4UF

Tues 25th Aug Irchester Country Park
Gypsy Lane, Irchester, NN29
small parking charge

If it does happen to be raining on these days we will cancel the outdoor activity but on 3 occasions there is a rainy day alternative. I have made a note of 'sand/water' as a reminder for spare clothes!

For further information or any queries please contact Liz Poyner on- 07928292064

ARTHINGWORTH VILLAGE FAYRE AND

BING'S FUN DOG SHOW



In aid of Bing and Many Tears Rescue Centre. For more information about Bing and Many Tears please visit the website www.bing2007.wetpaint.com

Saturday 1st August 2009

Arthingworth Village
Market Harborough
LE16 8JZ

Entries from 1pm judging from 2pm
£1.50 per class - 4 classes for £5.00

Please e-mail emma.janebrown@yahoo.co.uk for more information about this event.



The Centre at Mawsley

On special for August!

Gallo Grenache glassware to collect



For every 250ml glass of Gallo Grenache that you purchase at The Centre at Mawsley in August, collect a stamp.

Collect 4 stamps for a free limited edition 'Gallo on the rocks' glass.

Or continue and collect 6 stamps for a free 250ml glass of Gallo Grenache.

Or continue and collect 8 stamps for a Gallo ice bucket.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Collect a stamp	Collect a stamp	Collect a stamp	Stop now and collect a free limited edition glass	Collect a stamp	Stop now and collect a free 250ml glass of Gallo	Collect a stamp	Stop now and collect a free Gallo ice bucket

Cut out and collect

This offer is only valid at the Centre at Mawsley.

The Offer valid until the merchandise runs out!

The Managers decision is final; this voucher cannot be exchanged for cash.

Enjoy your rose!

Summer Holidays Football Fun Academies 2009

The Centre - Mawsley Village

The Centre - Mawsley - Northamptonshire

Date	S Code	Time
Monday 10 th August	S41	10.00 - 3.00
Tuesday 11 th August	S46	10.00 - 3.00
Monday 17 th August	S58	10.00 - 3.00
Tuesday 18 th August	S61	10.00 - 3.00

During the Summer Holidays our professional Freestyle Soccer Academy coaches will be running football fun academies around Northamptonshire. All children are welcome, boys and girls of ages 4 - 15(children will be in own age groups).

At the academy children will play fun games, competitions, shootouts, tournaments and much more, with the chance to win an array of awards each day! The academies are aimed at children of all abilities, whether it is the first time a child has kicked a ball or they play for a regular team.

Cost: 1 Day - £16 2 Days - £30 3 Days - £44 4 Days - £55 5 Days - £50
SPECIAL PROMOTIONAL OFFER 3 ACADEMY DAYS FOR ONLY £30!

Freestyle Soccer Academy, 31 Humfrey Lane, Boughton, Northampton, NN2 8RL

T : 01604 846262 M : 07709 471598 E : info@fsaschools.com

www.freestylesocceracademy.com

also at Moulton Sports Complex

Professional Fun Learning Football Coaching for ages 3+

See contact details for more information.



Group news

Let us know about your group and the activities you do.
Contact emma.janebrown@yahoo.co.uk



Mawsley Village WI

What a beautiful month June has been and we have been very busy with our own agenda and helping out with the Open gardens doing Cream teas.

We had a very enjoyable meeting with Jo teaching us how to make 'Wire and Bead' jewellery. All the girls had a try and found it fairly easy and looks really good. Jo had brought along some of her work which was really creative and would look good anywhere.

We also enjoyed our coach trip to Windsor, which was a great day out and the sun shone for us, the Queen was in residence the castle superb and the shops fantastic. Some went on the Thames cruise and others to Eton College, something for everyone.

We have just had our July meeting with Penny Hazeldine who was a winner on the Weakest Link, very informative backstage gossip!!

There will not be a meeting during August, but we will be at our new venue in September and will be on the 2nd Monday of the month from then on.

The next meeting will be on **Monday 14th September, 7.30pm at the Mawsley Nursery, Barnwell Court**. We will be holding an 'Antique and Collectables' evening with a talk and a few valuations.

We would also like to take this opportunity to say a very big 'Well Done' to Ruth and Helen on organising such a great 'Fun Day' and raising so much money for the village. They should be very proud of themselves.

Any information on the WI please call 799116. Visitors are always welcome.

Brenda Quinn

BUMPS AND BUGGIES

**Come to the family room at
The Centre, 9.30am - 11am on
Monday mornings.**

**Meet other parents in Mawsley
and enjoy a tea or coffee and a
chat.**

**Everyone is welcome, whether
you have a bump, newborn or
toddler (or all three!)**

More info from Anthea on 790805

Mawsley FC

On behalf of the Soccer Parents and Players of Mawsley FC, I would like to send a big thank you to the Soccer Coaches who are making a great contribution to the training at the club. They are unpaid volunteers doing a terrific job and you can see that from the enjoyment of the players!

Blair Adams - Under 10's Coach
Graham Haines - Under 8's Coach
Andy Seunaryan - Under 7/8 Coach
James Geddes - Under 6/7's Coach
Craig Duncan - Under 6/7's Coach

Come and join in the fun!

Football training for aged 5+ is held at the Centre every Saturday 10 - 11.00 am.
Subs £1.50 on the day. New players are always welcome.
Any queries please contact me on 07958 407657.

Mawsley Allotment Association - 3rd Annual Vegetable and Flower Show Sunday 6th September 2009 Mawsley Centre

Display Categories

- Children fruit and vegetables • Potatoes
- Onions • Carrots
- Beans • Floral
- Mixed/Miscellaneous (any 3 fruit or veg.)



Everyone is again welcome to come along to this year's show. This is a fun and hugely enjoyable social event to which absolutely anyone is very welcome to enter. Please consider entering something as the more entries we have the better. The show is again free to enter and view and will be associated with a Harvest Festival Service from Mawsley Church. Anything you enter can be collected afterwards otherwise all unclaimed produce will be donated to KCU Ltd, a local charity that will use our produce to provide meals for unemployed and low waged folk in need.

MAWSLEY YOUTH GROUP

WE HAVE HAD A FUN FEW WEEKS WITH COMPETITIVE SPORTS, ARTS AND CRAFTS, BIN BAG FASHION SHOW, MUSIC QUIZ AND LOTS MORE!

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN US
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
10-12 YEARS 6.30PM - 7.30 PM
13 + YEARS 7.30 - 9.00PM
£5 MEMBERSHIP AND 50p A WEEK

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
FOR THE MAWSLEY YOUTH GROUP ON WEDNESDAY
EVENINGS
BETWEEN 6.30 - 9.00PM
IF YOU CAN SPARE 1 HOUR OR ONE SESSION ONCE A
MONTH - IT ALL HELPS
PLEASE CONTACT
07505 230077

Thanks

Youth Group Update!

We did a Music Quiz a few weeks after the Easter holiday. Then we did an Arts and Craft session the week after which was scratch art - really fun, I made an elephant and a duck. We did a Bin Bag Fashion Show last week. This week we did Cheerleading where we made up different dances to show everyone.

*Louise Macdonald
Age 10*

*I also wanted to say a thank you to Ivan Clifford, Danny Jordan, Matt Lewis, Freddie Ayeards and all members of the Youth Club for going along and helping at the Fun Day.
Well done.*

MAWSLEY FOOTBALL CLUB



CALLING YEAR 4 AND 5 BOYS AND GIRLS!

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN YEAR 4 AND WOULD LIKE TO PLAY IN A 7-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TEAM IN THE WEETABIX LEAGUE FROM SEPTEMBER, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH. WE ARE BUILDING UP A SQUAD FOR OUR FIRST SEASON IN THE LEAGUE AND NEED ADDITIONAL PLAYERS.

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY IN YEAR 5 AND WOULD LIKE TO JOIN A DEVELOPING SQUAD, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH. WE ARE NOT READY TO PLAY IN A LEAGUE AT THIS LEVEL YET BUT ARE RECRUITING PLAYERS WITH A VIEW TO FORMING A COMPETITIVE TEAM IN THE FUTURE.

Blair Adams
tel: 07956 408022
email:blair.adams@btinternet.com

Baby and Toddler Group - New committee

With their children starting school we will be saying goodbye and thank you to some of the current members of our committee at our party on the 3rd September. If anyone would like to join the committee you would be made very welcome. We will have a meeting on Monday 14th September at 8pm in the bar at The Centre - please come along, we will buy the drinks!!

If you are at home on a Thursday morning with a baby or toddler please come and join us.

Mawsley Baby and Toddler Group

We meet at The Centre every Thursday from 9.30am until 11.00am. The cost is £1.50 for the 1st child in the family and 50p per child thereafter.

There are toys, craft activities and a snack for the children. We finish each week with a singing session.

Forthcoming events

We will meet every Thursday as normal during the School Summer holidays. Older brothers and sisters are more than welcome to join us.

Thursday 3rd September - Party time! We are having a party to celebrate with the children who will be leaving the Baby and Toddler Group to start School. There will be party food and presents and Mr Crumble will entertain the children. Please help us to celebrate.

Thursday 10th September - Sure Start will be launching an Arts and Crafts session within the Baby and Toddler Group. This will then happen every 1st Thursday in the month - Thursday 1st October, Thursday 5th November and Thursday 3rd December.

Thursday 10th December - Christmas Party time.

Other events

Summer Holiday Play Dates
Surestart
Summer Playscheme

Please read the article to the left and see how you can get more involved.

For more information please contact me.

Sarah Hart
790517



Mawsley School Garden club

We have a lovely group of year 3 / 4 children in the garden club and I am very proud of the results we have in the garden this spring.

Lots of lovely flowers are blooming although we are waiting patiently for our sunflowers to bloom. Sage, lavender, sweet peas and gladioli along with a mystery crop of flowers are a good start in our butterfly, bird and bee garden. The bird feeder is away for repairs and we hope that will be back on its stand for the autumn.

We had some interesting plant requests from the team we have managed to fulfil most requests but we couldn't stretch to an orange grove.

They have tomato plants, which they have taken home to grow, five budding apple trees and seen a walnut tree start from a walnut.

We only got one strawberry from our two plants this year but hope that with some runners we will get some more. Our crop of potatoes is looking fine and George Farr's pumpkin seeds have lots of leaves on them. Leeks, onions and one tomato plant are in the raised gardens. Ellie Mae has drawn up plans for our herb garden, which we plan to create next autumn when the weather is just right for some planting. Mia has some more sunflower seeds to plant this week and has challenged Charlotte, Jamie, Ellie Mae, George and Olivia to a competition to see who can grow the tallest.



I am really looking forward to
the next school year in the garden.

Sarah Christie



Daisy Pre-school

Another year has passed and the children at Daisy Pre-school have been very busy taking part in a variety of activities from various topics like ourselves, people who help us, dinosaurs and going on holiday. As part of these topics we have invited in a variety of visitors from the local area to help bring these topics to life for the children. We have met some of the baby animals from West Lodge Farm, local police officers and Penny's reptiles just to name but a few.

The children have also visited the school to watch the reception classes Christmas play. When looking at the topic about going on holiday we turned the hall into a beach where the children made sand castles, bought ice creams, paddled in the water and caught fish and crabs in the rock pools, we did have a lot of fun during this theme.

I would just like to congratulate the staff at the pre-school as Zoe Rhodes and Joanne Lenton-Giddings have both completed their level 3 NVQ in child care. I have also gained my degree in Early Childhood Studies and qualified as an Early Years Professional. Joanne has started working in the reception class at the school and we are looking forward to our relationship with them getting stronger and stronger.

Many of the children that attend the pre-school also attend some sessions at Daisy Day Care where we have been developing a fruit and vegetable garden with the children. We have been growing peas, potatoes, beans, onions, carrots, tomatoes and pumpkins along with some herbs and sunflowers. The parents have been very kind in donating tools, equipment and plants for this garden. As I am a forest school leader we have also developed our own forest school site where the children have been learning about nature, how to look after our environment and the various ways we can use the natural resources around us without damaging our local environment. Our project at the nursery for the year ahead is to develop a wild life garden for the children to observe and care for our local wildlife.

Finally we would like to wish the children From Daisy Day Care and Daisy Pre-school good luck and all our very best wishes as they move on to start school in September.

Stacey Evans
Pre-school Manager

Mawsley Dog Club

Family Fun Dog Show – Mawsley Fun Day

How nice to see so many family pets partaking on the day and making the first ever Mawsley Family Dog Show the success it was. The total entries for the combined classes was 56!

A special thank you to Stuart North from Working Gun Dogs, for making the time to judge our own obedience class, the results were:

OBEDIENCE:

1st place to Paisley the boxer for Neil
and 2nd place to the spaniel with Angela's
blue husky Codi taking 3rd and young Georgina
with her poodle Archie winning the special rosette.



Neil and Paisley

WAGGIEST TAIL:

This popular class was won by Buddy for Karen, 2nd place went to Molly the boxer for Megan Owens with Pippa 3rd and Rosie 4th for Bev.

VETERAN DOG (over 7years):

All 5 entries in this class received a rosette each – well done.

MOST LIKE OWNER:

1st place went to the black Labrador with his costume and boots / goggles and owner alike, a well deserved winner. Louis the brown poodle with young Elizabeth wearing matching wig a worthy 2nd place. 3rd went to Twizzle for Sarah and the blue husky Codi took 4th place for Angela.

Oops.....We had certificates for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all the above classes, which we regret to say we forgot to award. However if the winners could contact me on 799384 I will see that you all receive one.

Thank you to all who entered and watched the show Patrick Kelly

Rothwell **SureStart** Children's Centre
At Mawsley Village



Sure Start Children's centres offer good quality services to children under the age of 5 and their families by bringing together:
Health Services, Family Information or Support Services, Employment and Training advice, benefit advice and fun sessions.
Our services are continually under review and will reflect changing needs within the community.

We link with existing service providers to enhance and advertise sessions available.

Rothwell Children's Centre not only provides services in Rothwell, but also in Mawsley Village. Coming soon will be sessions in Loddington, Broughton and Pytchley. All services will be provided free of charge.

We believe that 'Every Child Matters' and aim to provide services for all children under the age of 5 and their parents/carers within our 'REACH'.

Any family can attend any session in any Centre or out reach venue.

For more information, or to book a place, please contact us on Kettering 01536 710025.

Walgrave and Mawsley Amber FC Pre-Season Training

It's that time of year again and pre-season training for "The Amber" has resumed at Mawsley Field. Training is on Thursday evenings from 7-9:00 pm and we would love to see new players join the session.

We're aiming to improve on our first season back in the Northants Combination League and especially the fine run-in we enjoyed by at least winning promotion and by targeting the league title. We're also particularly keen to welcome new supporters who are actively interested in helping us with club administration and fundraising.

As you will also see from the headline, we have now change the club name to fully reflect our new home at Mawsley. We are also still looking for a shirt sponsor for this season and if anyone is interested please contact either Kevin Simons (01604-781358) or Jackie Gardner (01604-781358).

Regards
Kevin



WELCOME to Revd Richard Priestley and his family. They will be moving to Mawsley this summer as Paul & Helen and the boys move on to pastures new.

Richard and Mandy have two daughters, Elsbeth and Francesca, along with a dog called Freya. They have come most recently from the Grange estate in Kettering. Prior to that they lived in Pittsburgh USA, Reading in Berkshire and Dundee. Mandy and Richard have been in church ministry for over twenty years and really enjoy creating memories with people and communities.

*Your Church at the Centre. Every 2nd & 4th Sunday @ 11am
(and at Cransley 1st & 3rd Sunday)*

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| ▪ 19 th July | Joint service at Cransley church, 10.30am <i>(Paul & Helen's last service)</i> |
| ▪ 26 th July | Mawsley Communion, 11am |
| ▪ 2 nd August | CRANSLEY PRAISE at Cransley church, 10.30am <i>(all-age songs and children's activities)</i> |
| ▪ 9 th August | Celebration, 11am |
| ▪ 23 rd August | Mawsley Communion, 11am |
| ▪ 6 th September | CRANSLEY PRAISE, 10.30am |

Date for your diary: Mawsley Harvest Festival & Produce Show on Sunday 13th September
Call 790140 for more information
mawsleychurch.net

Mawsley Church Gets Brightened Up!

Anyone who attends Mawsley Church will realise that meeting in a sports hall instead of a traditional Church building means it takes a bit to make it look Holy. Some of the ladies of the congregation got together and did a lot of designing and sewing. The original inspiration for the design on the banners came from drawings the Sunday school children did. From there the sew and made it all happen. Mawsley Church meets two Sundays in every month and new people are always made very welcome.

Bev Lloyd-Roberts

Rev Paul Seaton-Burn with some of the Sewing team, Mary Findlay, Linda Peck and Naomi Reid.



Mawsley Community Primary School

The school is now coming to the end of our fifth year. It has been another successful year and has seen the school continue to grow and develop.



In May we received our second Ofsted inspection and were delighted that the inspectors started their report by saying: "In five years, from a greenfield site, this school has flourished as a thriving, popular and inclusive school providing good - and in some respects outstanding- education and care for its pupils". It was also noted that "pupils' personal development is excellent and a significant strength" and that "the school's outstanding curriculum ensures that there is always something for pupils to look forward to. In many ways it is at the cutting edge of effective curricular design." We would like to thank all our parents and friends of the school in Mawsley who have helped us to get to this stage in our development.

In September 2009 our growing school will be organised into eleven classrooms and we hope that the Local Authority will again be building more classrooms for us during the next academic year.

Thank you to all Mawsley residents who came along to support the school at the recent Summer Fete. We look forward to giving you more school news in the future.

Elaine Wright

COUNCILLORS EMPOWERMENT SCHEME

The Councillors Empowerment Scheme has allowed me to support local groups and villages, and since its introduction, the scheme has been tremendously successful making a real difference to people across the County. As we enter a new municipal year, I am once again looking for schemes to support and I look forward to receiving many more ideas from you. Already Mawsley has received support for a cycle rack for The Centre, equipment and funding for 1st Scout Group and the Allotment Association.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those who voted for me and returned me as your County Councillor. I have long prided myself on ensuring I am always there to help and assist everyone, and I will of course be undertaking my regular tours to meet people and pick up any local issues that I may be able to help resolve.

JIM HARKER, County Councillor, Kettering Rural

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THE VILLAGE EXPERTS!

Do you have expertise that you would like to share with Mawsley?
Please submit an article to emma.janebrown@yahoo.co.uk and enlighten us all!
Next deadline is 3rd September.

Mawsley Money



The Grocery Shop

In the current climate people are looking for ways to save money, and as a financial coach I work with people who want to know how they can increase their disposable income without compromising their lifestyle. Many of us are already doing things to save money; some of us are growing our own, both at home and on the allotments to save money on our food bill. I know some villagers are adept at scrumping the hips, haws and berries that can be found around Mawsley, and others have ditched the car as the sun comes out and have jumped on their bikes or are strolling in the sunshine.

In my first piece I want to highlight the way we grocery shop, and how we can do it smarter. Well what about the weekly shop? I know some of us use the online shopping and delivery system as I see the vans coming and going. Let us examine if there is there a cost advantage to us using this service, apart from avoiding the occasional dent in our cars that mysteriously happens in supermarket car parks. Tesco, Sainsburys, Morrisons, Aldi and Lidl are all about 6 miles by car. To drive to the supermarket and back, according to the inland revenue, costs us £4.80 (12 miles at 40p per mile) before we have even bought anything. To have shopping delivered can be under £4 depending on when you have it delivered so immediately there is a saving.

Add to that all the psychologies that all the supermarkets use: music, smells, big sales signs, end of isle offers that are all too apparent to get us to spend our money and those sneaky impulse purchases that we never set out to buy somehow end up in our trolley and increase the bill. Ever noticed how the bread and milk are never near the door? I know that some of us want the physical shopping experience, we want to choose what fruit and veg are put in our trolley, and want to feel in control of our shop. I would like to challenge those people to give online grocery shopping a go.

So how is it done? The best place to start is making a list of what is needed, possibly after making a menu for the coming week. Next is to create an account at www.mysupermarket.co.uk (this is the longest part of the whole process), and then the shopping begins. Go through making your purchases at one of the supermarkets available and watch the totals of four major supermarkets at the top. Then you have the choice of swapping supermarkets, without rekeying the items, swapping your items for similar products on offer, many of which you would not see when visiting the supermarket.

So try it once before passing judgement. My coaching tips for online grocery shopping are:

- *Write up a menu for the week.*
- *Make and stick to your list when shopping.*
- *Be open to switching away from your usual brands if there is a saving to be made.*
- *Have your shopping delivered at a cheaper yet convenient time. Weekdays are usually cheaper, some may be free.*
- *Sign both yourself and your partner up for online shopping. Shop once each initially then use just one of you to shop. Often a discount or offer will be sent to the other person to "attract" them back to online shopping. Once you get this then switch until the other one gets an offer to attract them back.*

Don't forget to claim your clubcard/nectar points!

Sam Mudd

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Ask the Pharmacist

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Q. Now that summer has arrived, what should we be doing to protect ourselves from the sun?

We long for long summer months so we can enjoy the great outdoors and soak up those feel-good rays but beware the best treatment for sunburn is prevention!

Skin cancer is one of the most common cancers in the UK with over 10,500 people being diagnosed annually and this number is increasing. Most skin cancers are caused by too much exposure to uv radiation - the kind found in sunlight and sunbeds. These cancers can be prevented if we protect ourselves from overexposure to these rays. Don't let yourselves be caught out-use shade, clothing and SPF 15+ sunscreen with a broad spectrum (4 stars or more) to protect yourself. Remember your sunglasses and when choosing them look out for the following:

- the CE mark and BS EN 1836:1997
- a UV 400 label
- a statement that the sunglasses offer 100% uv protection.

Also consider the wrap around type which offer side protection to the eye.

Be aware that when some clothes get wet they stretch and allow more uv rays through to your skin. A wet cotton t-shirt may only offer half the protection of a dry one.

Take extra care with children. Young skin is very delicate and babies under 6 months cannot regulate their body temperature. Studies have shown that sunburn in childhood can increase the risk of skin cancer later in life. So, for adults and children drink lots of fluids to stay well hydrated and slip on a hat, slap on a shirt and slop on the sunscreen as follows:

- Apply up to 30 minutes before exposure and reapply soon after to get even coverage.
- Reapply after 2 hours or more frequently if washed, sweated or rubbed off. Even the waterproof ones need to be reapplied.
- Be generous and only rub in lightly.
- Do not store in very hot places because extreme heat ruins the protective chemicals
- Check expiry dates.

Teaching children sun safe habits while they are young sets a good pattern for later life.

Keep an eye on your skin. Most of us have some moles or patches of darker skin that are flat or a little raised. Usually these remain harmless all your life. But moles or patches of normal skin that change in size, shape or colour over weeks or months in adult life should be shown to your Doctor. Get to know your skin and remember the ABCD rules to help you remember the main warning signs:

- A IS FOR asymmetry-the two halves of the mole are not the same
- B IS FOR border-the edges of the mole are irregular, jagged or blurred
- C IS FOR colour-the colour is uneven, with more than 1 shade
- D IS FOR diameter-is your mole larger than 6mm in diameter?



Have a sun-safe summer!

Annie King

Pond Watch!

Due to the recent dry and hot spell the pond water level was very low and there was a risk it may dry out completely....and affect the habitat.

We didn't want to tempt fate and influence a change in the weather prior to fun day.... but we had to enlist the support of Richard Barnwell and Claude Holland who provided 3,500 gallons of reclaimed flood water from the local farmland.

The operation was completed in one hour and we have managed to raise the water just half way up to the winter level !

Tom Sanders



Maintenance Issues

The following is an update on our negotiations with Taylor Wimpey regarding maintenance issues within the Village.

- We have established all the **defective street and traffic signage** lighting are the responsibility of Taylor Wimpey with the exception of David Wilson and McLean South Midlands for street lighting in their individual locations.
Please continue to report street lighting problems to the builder for your location while we continue to seek a resolution:
Taylor Wimpey Customer Care: 01162 816445
David Wilson Homes: 01604 78400
McLean South Midlands: 01908 544800
- Taylor Wimpey has carried out temporary **repairs to road potholes** and we now consider this to be satisfactory pending a final topping surface prior to adoption. **Pavement surfaces and pedestrian drop crossings** will be assessed and rectified and temporary repairs have already been carried out on some pavements with the exception of Warren End and Nethertown Way, which still require attention.
- **Salting/gritting** supply and a revised Bus Service route is being reviewed by Taylor Wimpey in liaison with the County Council.
- The problem with **grass cutting and unfinished traffic islands** in the Cransley Rise location has been identified and will also be dealt with by Taylor Wimpey.

Tom SandersMPC co-ordinator 07836 254252

VILLAGE EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS

As you may be aware the Government, through County and Parish Councils and WI groups nation-wide, have asked that each parish should be responsible for setting up a "self-help" network. This means that, in any emergency situation, there would be a prepared plan in force to cover initial problems until the Emergency Services arrived.

We have attended an information meeting where we were told the sort of arrangements which we need in place to cover most freak situations e.g. flooding, heavy snowfalls, pandemics etc. These basic arrangements are:-

- 1. We have to identify the risks to the community and what relevant response actions are needed.*
- 2. We need to identify any vulnerable people in our community so that very young children, the elderly, infirm or house-bound would have assistance immediately available, whether it be getting food supplies or collecting prescriptions etc whatever is needed.*
- 3. We must identify what resources are available locally and the people who would be able to assist in such an emergency. We do, of course, have an excellent medical centre and they would naturally lead in any day-time happenings but they do have homes to go to - so there must be a night-time plan too.*
- 4. We must have a list of key contact details for the Parish Council Emergency Group together with necessary contacts for Emergency Services and local authorities.*
- 5. We are asked to designate a "safe haven" temporary shelter e.g. The Medical Centre, The Centre at Mawsley etc. so that people know immediately where to go for help.*

We have absolutely no wish to alarm anyone but it does seem to be good sense to have a plan of action ready should anything unforeseen happen. It will be no use trying to "think on your feet" when faced with the unexpected.

We will outline details of various aspects as above in the next few newsletters, in particular looking to draw up names of people within the village who could help - e.g. by loaning equipment etc..

Vic Cope (Parish Council) and Brenda Quinn (Mawsley W.I.)

MAWSLEY SURGERY NEWS

ANNUAL FLU VACCINATION

We are now preparing for our annual Flu Vaccination period and would like to remind patients that they are entitled to a free flu vaccine if the fall within the following groups: Asthmatic and are using a steroid inhaler, Chronic Heart Disease, Cancer, Liver and Kidney disease All patients over the age of 65.

ANNUAL FLU VACCINATION

*We have organised 2 SATURDAY WALK IN CLINICS- NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY:
Saturday 3rd Oct from 9am to 2pm
Saturday 10th October from 9am to 12pm
This clinic will be run by our 3 nurses.*

APPOINTMENT ONLY CLINICS:

*Thursday 8th October - 11:00am onwards
Thursday 15th October - 11am onwards
Thursday 22nd October - 11am onwards
Thursday 30th October - 11am onwards*

If you do not fall within any of the above group but would like to receive a flu vaccine the cost will be £10.00 the same as previous years.

SWINE FLU UPDATE

*The DOH and the Health Protection Agency have now decided that it is not necessary to swab patients for a confirmation of swine flu. We ask that patients NOT TO come to the surgery if they think that they may have swine flu, please telephone us on 01536 791300 Monday to Friday from 8:00am until 6:00pm except on Thursday when it's 8:00pm .
If the surgery is closed - please contact Nenedoc on 01536 522955 for advice and guidance.*

www.mawsleymedical.co.uk

Mawsley Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

Your village community needs YOU!

During the recent couple of years the interest within the village on Neighbourhood Watch has diminished. This may be down to the busy life styles we lead and people unable to commit to delivering Neighbourhood Watch leaflets/Police newsletters.

Having recently taken over the position of Coordinator of Mawsley NHW I am trying to put together a network of villagers who would be willing to participate in the NHW Scheme via email. Modern life does not always give us the time to deliver leaflets etc but email is available to most people nowadays and is a good way to "spread the word".

Therefore I would be most grateful for anyone who is willing to let me have their contact details so that this network may be set up, to please email your name, address, email address and telephone number to me at heathermallinson2004@yahoo.co.uk. This list would be totally confidential and used only in relation to the NHW Scheme. After the recent criminal events in the village it is all the more important to work together and look out for one another to ensure that Mawsley stays the safe and pleasant village that it is.

Neighbourhood Watch plays a vital role in modern life and I hope to hear from as many villagers as possible.

Would current NHW contacts who have not recently contacted me, please let me have your up-to-date email addresses, so I can amend my records.

Without your support the Scheme will fail, and I am sure the village would suffer, so please get involved!

Heather Mallinson

FOUL PLAY

Dear Editor,

We live on the corner of Loddington Way and School Road next to the post box, over the last few weeks we have become aware of an increasing amount of dog fouling on the grass area, which is next to the post box. Would dog owners please refrain from letting their dogs foul this area as this is our garden and not public land.

Many thanks, Jim Bence

Job Opportunities in Mawsley

Next deadline is 3rd September!

Highways representative and a Tree representative wanted by Mawsley Parish Council.

The position is voluntary and initially you would just be a point of contact for the County Council to correspond with as and when required.

If you are interested in this role, please contact Diana McCarthy on 01536 790573 in the first instance.

The Centre at Mawsley

Saturday's day and eve shifts and Sunday shifts available.

All applicants must be smart in appearance, polite, hard working and flexible.

You would need to be available to start immediately.

*Experience is not needed as full training is given.
You will be required to work alone.*

Additional cover shifts will also be available, throughout the year.

*If you are interested please drop your C.V into
The Centre before end July 2009.*

Operations Manager

The Centre at Mawsley is seeking an Operations Manager to help guide this superb village facility through its next phase of growth.

As operations manager you would be part of a management team, which includes professionals and volunteers. Whilst your primary goal will be to assist the existing management team in further developing The Centre, your responsibilities will be wide ranging. You will be actively involved in:

- the day-to-day running and maintenance of The Centre
- licenses, permits and The Centre's statutory obligations
- financial controls and reporting, and general admin
- development of staff resources
- delivery of quality service
- stock control and associated activity

Ideally, you will already have some experience in the licensed, catering, hospitality or leisure sectors. You must have excellent administrative and organisational skills alongside first rate customer skills. In addition, you will be dedicated to helping The Centre realise its 'full potential' as a village resource.

This is a full-time post (37.5 hours per week), to be worked on a 'flexible' basis to match the requirements of the role. We can offer an appropriate rewards package commensurate with your relevant experience.

Please contact Bob Littler if you require further information or email a cv/application letter.

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