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## VILLAGERS IDEAS TO BE DISCUSSED

Duffield Parish Council will discuss the results of the open spaces questionnaire, which was answered by some 15% of villagers, sat the Recreation Committee meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup> 2010

The questionnaire was completed by 277 respondents -30 of these do not live in Duffield - . 260 answered the question

"Do you use Eyes Meadow?" Two hundred and fifty people - 96.3% - do use the Meadow but 3.8% do not.

The majority of people (273

responses) used Eyes Meadow for either playing or watching football and/or cricket.

Walking (162) is also very popular with jogging (79) and dog walking (73) being the least usage.

The most popular ideas for future use of Eyes Meadow in percentages are as follows: An all weather pitch (8.71) Picnic area (6.20)
A separate area for dogs (5.93)

An exercise area (5.81) A hockey pitch (5.74) An athletics track (5.33) A BMX track (5.11)
Cycle training (4.96)
Skateboarding (4.96)
Bowling green (4.87)
Quiet area (4.47)
Band stand (4.44)
Small private events such as wedding receptions (4.38)
Comments made were predominantly in favour of an all weather pitch.

Just over 10% of respondents (28) people commented on having difficulties with out of control dogs and dog fouling, with (6) refusing to use the site because of it

There were five pleas for no

change and two requests for toilets.

Several people commented on the lack of facilities for teenagers in the village In response to Question 6 "Do you think that the area of Gray's Rec should be predominantly for children under 12?" 42.2% said" Yes" but 57.8% said "No". Comments made were again for more facilities for the over 12s at Gray's Rec and there were requests for toilets, more seating and changing facilities.

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Duffield Gardening Club will meet on Saturday 6th February at 10am at the Weston Centre Tamworth Street Duffield to hear a talk by John Jones on "The Skokholm Experience".

All welcome. Non-members

£1.50.

#### Village Jottings

Wed Feb 3rd Film "Mrs Brown" showing at Emmanuel Community Church, 7:15pm, no charge.

This is the story of Queen Victoria (played by Judi Dench) and her relationship with a Scottish servant, John Brown (played by Billy Connolly).

If you'd like transport, please call Lynda 840821.

Wed 17th Feb. Lunch outing to the café at Chatsworth Farm Shop, Pilsley, with time to look around the Farm shop Depart Chapel Street 11:00am. £6.00 for return transport. More details or book with Lynda 840821.

The Annual General Meeting of Duffield Community Association will take place in the Weston Centre on Wednesday 3rd March 2010 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Following a break for refreshments there will be a talk by Di Hancock on "The first ten years of the Millennium Meadow and thoughts about the next ten years". The talk will start at approximately 8.30 pm.

Saturday February 27th at Ecclesbourne School 7.30pm the RNLI Barn Dance with "Double Capers".

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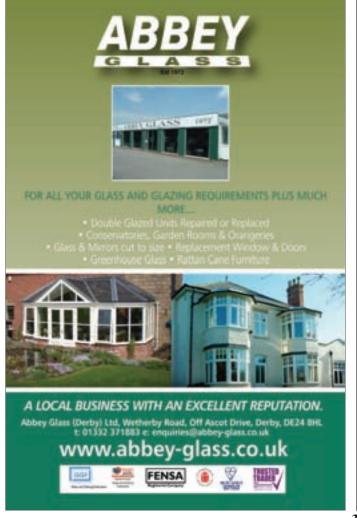
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Duffield Scout Group Jumble Sale9.30 - 11.30 Sat 13th March Scout HQ - Hall Farm Road Free Entrance Contact: Geoff Naylor (843347) for more details

Christian Aid Quiz MONEY, PRIZES , BAR RAFFLE

Have fun while raising funds Friday 12th March at 7.30pmDuffield Parish Hall. Tickets £10, Children £3. Contact: 840510

You are very welcome to visit the Weston Centre in Tamworth Street, Duffield where refreshments are served between 10am - 12 noon Monday to Friday. Why not go along for a cuppa and a chat.





## STARTING YOUNG CAN POLISH UP YOUR BUSINESS

From a very young age I spent many hours in a cabinet maker's workshop with my grandfather David Mellor, he comes from a long line of cabinet makers, in fact he is the third generation, dating back to 1888, making me now the fourth generation.

It was quite obvious to me from being a very young boy that I wanted to follow my Grandfather's footsteps. So as you can imagine I have learned many of the key principles of cabinet making whilst helping him over the years,

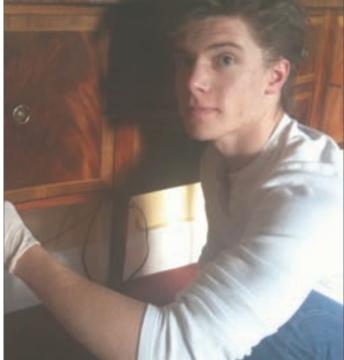
He has been a real mentor to me. I attended William Gilbert primary school and Ecclesbourne School where I spent a lot of my spare time working on different projects. I always had great support from Mr John Minton my Resistant Materials Teacher. Such was my desire to learn

## by James Grogan

more about my Grandfather's craft that I left School at 16 years old to begin full time work as a junior Cabinet Maker, which at the time many people considered an unusual thing to do in the world of modern education. My Grandfather is also a qualified Gilder which is the method by which you lay thin leaves of 24 Carat Gold on Fine Art pieces like Statues, Picture Frames, Furniture Mouldings etc.

Gilding is somewhat of a dying art these days, so I have also paid particular attention trying to perfect this process, although along with French Polishing it takes hours of practice.

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#### YOUTH CLUB A SUCCESS BUT MORE BACKING NEEDED

The autumn and winter period has been a great time for Massive; Duffield's drop-in youth facility.

Massive is proving more popular than ever before, with a total of 320 different young people having used the facility at least once since opening in May 2009, and on average 30 young people drop-in each night the facility is open.

Additionally five young people now volunteer their help on some Monday nights, developing skills in a variety areas and gaining recognition for their efforts through 'Vinspired'. Over the autumn and Christmas Massive hosted a number of very successful events including: an inflatable sumo wrestling week (see pic); four art workshops with a local community artist(see pic) an alternative Halloween event; a cross generational



internet cafe where young people from Massive helped elderly members of the community with sending emails and using the internet; and finally a Christmas party attended by 70 young people. Massive wants to continue to provide a quality facility every Monday and Friday night, but also seeks to increase the opportunities for local young people.

This includes developing a summer activity programme,

as well as further events which encourage cross-generational engagement and provide opportunities for young people, to not only

develop their own skills, but have a positive influence on the local community. For Massive to not only continue, but also develop further, more funding is required. In addition there is a need for some more volunteers as general staff; door monitors; and in the kitchen.

If you are interested in financially supporting Massive or volunteering your time on a Monday or Friday night, then please do not hesitate to contact Tom Wyke on 01332841386 or thomwyke@hotmail.com.

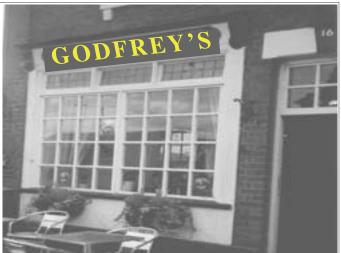
A detailed Review of Massive so far, as well as the budget details for next year are available on request for those wanting to be involved in the project. We want to hear all your funny, exciting and crazy Hotmail stories. Tell us now











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**Duffield Community Association secretary,** Derek Cook, stopped by Judy Clough's shop just before Christmas to present her with a cheque for £464.00.

This was the balance of the £519.00 donations collected by the DCA after the costs of her garden clock present and of half that of the bouquet were deducted.

Donations of between £3.00 and £30.00 were received from 16 village organisations and 27 individuals.

It is also understood that Judy received a further £50.00 that was given to her directly.

In a letter to the Duffield Scene, Judy wrote: **Dear Friends** 

My presentation day was a very touching experience. I would like to thank all who contributed to a very memorable day for

I will certainly treasure the gifts I received and I'll never forget the warmth from



everyone. The cheque I received from the Judy Fund was a complete surprise and other than a little treat for me to remember the occasion the rest will be shared between various associations in the village to help continue with all the good work they do. Thank you all once again Love as always Judy.

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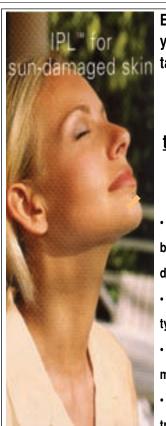
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This month I thought I would share with you something that came up as part of an annual review I conducted with one of my clients which saved them money on a monthly basis, but not in the manner he expected.

We were discussing life insurance policies, and what they would provide, when my client mentioned that he had stopped smoking as one of his New Year's resolutions last vear

"Does that make any difference" he asked. "Yes, of course!" I replied, ". And by applying for policies on the same basis as those he already had, but as a non smoker we were able to reduce the premiums by more than £25 per month.

This came up just as I was sitting down to write this article so I wondered how many other Duffield residents

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this might also apply to and more generally, when

was the last time your life insurance was properly reviewed?.

We often talk about Pensions and Investments and the need to keep on top of them but protection policies are just as important.

Knowing what type of cover to have, how much cover and how to set it can be daunting and it's not something any of us really want to consider. Nevertheless it is very important to ensure that



whatever the individual circumstance our

financial responsibilities are taken care of, not only in the event of death but also serious illness. Indeed statistics indicate that the chances of men aged between 20 and 40 dying before they reach 65 is one in five and the likelihood of becoming critically ill before the age of 65 is one in four. So I make no apology for hitting this topic head on and

encourage everyone to ask

themselves a few simple

questions:

If I died where would the income come from to support my family?

What would happen to my mortgage and other debts? How would I cope financially if I became seriously ill? If I couldn't work due to an illness or injury how long would my employers pay me and what would happen after that?

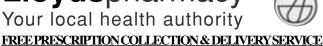
me, will the benefits of any policies be paid to whom I want them to be? It's true to say that this is not the most cheerful of subjects but I would urge you to not let this put you off thinking

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"We took over the business in 2008 after the death of our father and fitted a new milking parlour in 2009 to improve standards and have now decided to start processing the milk produced by our herd of 150 dairy cows and followers," says John.

The cows are mainly Freisian with a few Shorthorn and Jerseys.

"The majority of the herd was bred here at the farm and it will become totally home bred within the next couple of years," added Thomas.

The cows are farmed in the traditional manner being turned out to grass during the summer and housed during the winter being fed on grass silage.

The cows are also fed on the cereal crops grown on the farm

"The milk is Farm Assured and will be pasteurised and bottled here at the farm in one of the existing buildings which is being renovated for this purpose," John explained. The milk will be competitively priced and available for purchase direct from the farm or through a doorstep service which will be delivered before 7am.

"We are hoping to start this service in spring 2010 Benefits of our milk are excellent quality, very fresh, not had to travel far, you

know where it is coming from," says John

UK milk production is not enough to meet the UK's requirement so milk is imported from abroad.

As quoted in the "Farmers Guardian" a couple of weeks ago,: 'In 2008 - 2009 134,000,000 litres was imported to meet the need of the UK.'

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around – she has certainly given us the wow factor!" Amanda and husband –to-be John Thornhill are currently also working together to develop a range of complimentary products to run alongside his timber construction company, to be launched on Amanda's website soon.

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On Wednesday 17 February from 2.15 until 3pm we will be having a session of stories, songs and crafts for the Chinese New Year suitable for under 10s. Following on from this we will be having another series of Rhythm and Rhyme sessions starting on Wednesday 24 February from 2 until 2.45pm.

Come along and join our fun FREE workshops-play musical instruments, learn new songs and rhymes with your baby or child. These sessions are suitable for babies and children between one and three years.

Spaces are limited at all of these events so please contact me if you are interested.

Children's activities continue in February with Andrea from the Children's Centre holding more events themed around the colours of the rainbow. Call in or ring me on 840324 for information if you—would like to book a free place.

Storytime will take place on Friday 5 and Friday 19 February at 10.30am for half an hour of stories and crafts for the under 5s.

The toy library will be visiting the library again.

A selection of toys, including baby toys, train sets and building blocks, will be available to take away for up to two weeks for a small charge. So come along and have a look at what is on offer.

The free craft activities continue with a glass paperweight making session to be held on Saturday 13 February from 10am until noon.

Next month a spinner and a pyrographer visit the library to host sessions.

If you are interested in attending any of these activities please give me a ring as space is limited. The survey to find the most popular book of the year in our library resulted in a tie. **Angels**  and Demons by Dan Brown and The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini had the same number of nominations. Both are good reads and are available to take out if you are interested in reading either of our most popular books.

New books arrived in the library this month include **Black** 

**Mamba Boy** by Nadifa Mohamed's first novel.

This story starts far away, in the streets of Aden and long ago, in the sweltering summer of 1935 as it tells the story of Jama, a 10 year old boy and his quest to find his father.

We also have a copy of Diana Gabaldon's long awaited seventh novel in the Outlander saga, **An Echo in the Bone**.

The story of Jamie Fraser and Claire Randall reaches 1777 as the future is threatening to finally catch up with them. Requests are being taken for **The Queen of New Beginnings** by **Erica** 



James and The Disciple by Stephen Coonts, both of which are due to be published this month.

Just call in if you would like to request either of these titles.

Happy Reading Carole-Ann

## A PROBLEM SHARED

I am a typical 'yo yo dieter', my weight ranges from a size 12 to size 16. I get so frustrated with myself and wonder whether I will ever be able to keep the weight off for good? Weight can increase or

Weight can increase or decrease sporadically for many reasons and for this reason it is always advisable to go and see your GP first for a check up.

Of course, we all know the basic rule that if you want to lose weight you must burn more calories than you eat.

However, this is easier said than done!

A recent study has found a massive 65% of people that went on diets alone gained more weight than they lost over 5 years.

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In my experience losing weight AND keeping it off not only requires a healthy food programme and exercise but also requires you to recognise and change appropriately your eating habits, your relationship with food and working through any negative beliefs about yourself and food. In my opinion this approach has always been successful.

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Pam (see picture) and Phil specialise in standard jazz numbers such as "Georgia"..."Every time we say goodbye"etc....you know the sort of music that gets to you and brings back some wonderful memories.

You youngsters ask your folks about the songs of that era...fantastic.

If you are interested and wish to discuss your event, you can contact Pam on 01332 **841431**.





Green Fingers means cash for Children's Diabetes.

Members of Duffield Gardening Group raised £500 for the Children's Diabetes Fund.

Sue Doherty was delighted to accept the cash, which will be used to help pay for children with diabetes to attend their annual trip to Edale, from Jamie and Kathryn Allen (grandchildren of the group organisers).

Photo shows L to R Kathryn Allen (12), Sue Doherty (Paediatric Diabetes Specialist Nurse) and Jamie Allen (12)>



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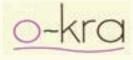
## Special romantic dishes for VALENTINE'S DAY (Feb 14th

Three course buffetat £11.95 each (children £6.95) will be served on Monday February 22nd between 6.30 - 9.30pm

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Last February Duffield Scene published a letter from Helen that rightly criticised the lights on the large tree on the

Wirksworth Road Corner.

This drew a response from **Duffield Community** Association that listed the problems faced and promised that it would try to do better for Christmas 2009.

A DCA member, Matthew Stapley, searched the Internet for robust lighting sets and the DCA decided to spend £300.00 on a trial installation of 900 LED for this centrepiece tree. The result was a marked improvement on the previous year that has been widely acclaimed by residents. The beauty of the set purchased is that many extra lengths of 100 LED can be added to the existing set to give the tree even more coverage. The LED set is also more

environmentally friendly, the total consumption of the 900 LED being equivalent to that of only 3 of the coloured bulbs used up until Christmas 2006.

As usual we have to thank Gerard Varin and Roy Hogben for felling the tree in Roy Pooley's garden and erecting it on the corner and fixing the lights. The 33 other smaller trees

installed around the village were supplied by Valley Nurseries and purchased by **Duffield Parish Council** whose contractors did the ladder work to install them. These trees now all use nets of LED that were attached to the trees and connected to the power sources by volunteers from the DCA. The really good news is that Matthew applied to E-ON for a grant towards the cost of Christmas tree lights for Duffield and E-ON most generously sent a cheque for £300.00 that fully covered the cost of the new lights for the large tree.

Thank you E-ON.

## **COMMUNICATION - BIRDS SHOW US THE WAY**

When I bought my latest mobile phone, the eager young man who sprang to serve me( it's always young men in these shops) reeled off a great spiel about the latest models using words like "Bluetooth, mega pixels, iphone, Blackberry and Apple."

I let him do it without interruption and dutifully looked at the models he showed me costing upwards of £200 each.

As he paused for breath I told him I wanted one that would just receive calls and texts and on which I could make them.

The look of dismay on his face was laughable!
He went from speaking a language most of which I could not understand, to listening to mine with which he could not cope.

My words like "simple, functional, no music playing capacity, no internet, just a phone that makes and receives calls" rendered him speechless and he nearly dropped on the spot when I said I wanted to spend no more than £70!

The power of speech and the means to communicate effectively to anyone anywhere in the world is one of the benefits of being human but ,overall, it might be simpler to be a different member of the animal

kingdom.

The rabbits down the meadow have a small but functional vocabulary.

They emit a high pitched scream if caught by a predator or in pain; growl or hiss if they are in danger or thump their back feet on the ground; emit a soft whining sound if showing sexual interest.

Communicating their territory to others is done by rubbing the scent glands under their chins on tussocks of grass but not much distracts them from their search for food.

The evidence is there to see on the thin saplings which have had their bark nibbled off during this exceptional cold winter, coupled with their distinctive

footprints in the snow and their droppings. Birds communicate all year round and their songs vary with the seasons. Male blackbirds have very distinctive calls for indicating threats whether humans, cats or owls.

Other animals often respond to the birds' alarm calls and being barked and growled at by a thus alerted anxious, angry squirrel can be quite disconcerting!

Those that have survived the winter so far by remembering their caches of food will soon be cavorting in mating displays in the taller trees throughout February and March.

The collared doves and pigeons which are busy stripping the last berries from the copses have super fast muscles located around their syrinxes in their throats (similar to our larynx but lower down where the windpipe branches) which allow them to make cooing noises and trills - having the ability to produce two sounds at once like most birds. Welcome sounds of Spring are only just around the corner thank goodness and the rest of the hazel trees will then catch up with the one that optimistically produced two beautiful, pollen filled catkins on Dec 5<sup>th</sup> - rather ahead of the game!

Keep warm everyone.





# Duffield Parish Council Newsletter - Issue No.78 (FEBRUARY 2010)

## TREE WORKS AT EYES MEADOW

As described in our newsletter last month, the thinning and removal of diseased trees has taken place at Eyes Meadow.

This work is part of our ongoing tree management of the site and will ensure that the remaining trees grow strong and healthy.

As well as removing overplanted and diseased trees, it is also important to make sure that there are trees on the site for generations to come.

To ensure this happens the Parish Council has allocated funding to allow the planting of a significant number of new trees this autumn around the meadow.

For more information on this please contact the Clerk.

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#### CONCLUSION OF AUDIT

The Parish Council are pleased to report that following our annual inspection by the Audit Commission the auditor "the reported that information contained in the return accordance with the Audit Commissions requirements and no matters have come to its attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met".

This follows positive comments made by our independent internal auditor in June.

If you would like to have more information about our accounts please contact the Clerk, look on the website or look at the notice board in the center of the village.

#### **NEW PARISH OFFICE**

The Parish Council will be moving office.

The Office will still be located in the Weston Centre, but will now be in the Library Room. This move is to make way for improvements to the Centre, which will include a new extended Kitchen.

There may be some disruption to the opening of the Parish Office during the period of change, however members of the public are advised to contact the Clerk by email or on the mobile number supplied should they be unable to contact her at the office.

## PARISH PRECEPT FOR 2009/2010

Following the approval of the annual budget at their meeting in December the Parish Council resolved not to increase the level of the Parish Precept for 2009/10, holding it at its 2008/09 charge of £96,485.

The Parish Precept is the amount that is charged on your rates for the services provided locally by the Parish Council.

This money covers the cost of maintaining Eyes Meadow, Gray Recreational Ground and Duffield Cemetery. Included on these sites are five properties for which the Council is responsible, three of which are listed buildings. In addition to these assets the Parish Council also undertakes maintenance and repair of some local footpaths and roadways.

It also supports local organisations through its grant

scheme.

The precept has been set following a review of the budgets set by the Council.

The Council continually reviews its position and has adopted risk assessment and smoothing reviews to ensure that

Parishioners contributions are used as efficiently and effectively as possible.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

The Parish Council will be holding the following meetings at the Committee Room on Hazelwood Road to commence at 7.00pm unless otherwise stated. All meetings are open to the public and Parishioners may bring items of concern to members' attention at the beginning of the meeting. Details on how you can do this are included in the document library on the website.

The next scheduled meetings

 Tuesday
 February
  $16^{th}$  

 7.00pm
 Parish Council

 Tuesday
 March
  $9^{th}$  

 2.00pm
 Recreational
 (Sub)

 Tuesday
 March
  $16^{th}$  

 7.00pm
 Parish Council

 Tuesday
 March
  $23^{rd}$  

 7.00pm
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Parish Councillors for Duffield

You can contact your Parish Councillors through the Parish Office at the Weston Centre, Tamworth Street, **Duffield, DE56 4ER** Tel: 01332 842740 **Derbyshire County Council:** 08456 058 058 **Amber Valley Borough** Council: 01773 570222 Warden Dog 01773 841335 **Police** non emergency 0845 123 3333

The Clerk is available every Monday and Wednesday morning at the Weston Centre between 10am and 12am.

No appointment necessary. (Closed for Bank Holiday).

You can Contact the Clerk, in an emergency on 07836244818.

You can also contact the Parish Council via email us through the contact button at www.duffieldpc.org.uk

## CRIMESTOPPERS CAN BE VERY HELPFUL...USE THEM

This month I thought it would be useful to repeat some information about Crimestoppers which is a national scheme which relies on people giving information anonymously about what is happening where they live and about who is committing crimes.

Calls to Crimestoppers go through to a regional centre and the information is then passed onto officers in Derbyshire who build up intelligence on for example, drug activities with the ultimate aim of arresting and convicting dealers. Action may not be taken straight away when information is passed on as it may be that more evidence is needed and observations carried out before positive action such as an arrest can be carried out.

So information may form part of ongoing investigations but all the information received is confidential and will be used.

Ideally Crimestoppers needs details such as names and addresses of dealers, locations they deal from or the registrations of vehicles they may sell drugs from. The more specific the information the better but every call is appreciated. It's the help of ordinary people that can make a difference.

## Callers can also give information about ANY crime

It is an effective way of passing information to the police for people who may be reluctant to contact them via normal methods.

Some may be in fear of their safety, or feel threatened by family, neighbours or fellow workers who may be involved in criminal activities.

Once an informant has supplied the Crimestoppers

Unit with information it is researched and passed to the respective force liaison officer for further action/development.

The Crimestoppers line gives people the opportunity to do their bit but also remain anonymous as many people may not wish to pass information about crime onto the Police through fear of reprisals but by using Crimestoppers they can pass important information on that can really help with the fight against crime.

## Crimestoppers is a national scheme, their national web site is:

http://www.crimestoppersuk.org/

## CRIMESTOPPERS 0800555111:

Phone anytime on 0800 555 111 - FREE call anywhere in the Country Name, address or phone number will not be asked Callers will not be contacted Crimestoppers will give a phone number to ring back if

An anonymous cash reward, paid by CRIMESTOPPERS TRUST, may be available if the information results in an arrest or charge

necessary

The informant will not have to go to court

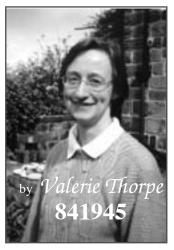
No one will know who gave the Police the tip off

# This is an item I recently received from the police regarding the Restorative Justice project which was launched in April.

Local crimes are dealt with in a way that achieves a positive outcome in accordance with the victims' wishes without the case going through the court process.

The crime is recorded as usual but dealt with in a more proportionate way.

Some form of remorse, apology, reparation or compensation by the offender is required for restorative



justice to take place. This could include being given words of advice, giving an apology, completing reparation work or compensating the victim. Crimes which can be dealt with in this way include criminal damage, minor assaults and minor theft. Many of the victims wanted an apology from the offender either verbal or written. Examples of restorative justice include a teenage girl who admitted writing graffiti on a wall and wrote a letter of apology to the victim. A man who ordered a taxi ran off without paying. He admitted to the offence, apologised to the taxi driver and paid the fare.

# Reader's letter Hello You may recall that a couple of issues ago you kindly ran an advert in support of our son Jack's fundraising efforts (he devised a quiz on China).

I wondered if it would be possible to include something like the following thank you in a forthcoming edition of the Scene: "Thank you to all who helped sell or participated in Jack Edwards China Quiz. Jack raised £54 which he has decided to donate to the central fund for the whole year 10 group travelling to China next year. Congratulations to Karen Williams who won the prize with an impressive 37 out of 40!"

Tony Edwards



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### FOOTBALLERS SUPPORT DOGS FOR THE DISABLED

This year's annual Good Friday football match between the Marrieds and the Singles of the village takes place on Gray's Recreation Ground, Snake Lane, Duffield on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2010 kick off @ 10.30 am.

Over the years we have tried to support both national major and local smaller charities. This year we are proud to support Dogs for the Disabled.

Probably a little known charity, the local element will be detailed in next month's issue of the Duffield Scene, Dogs for the Disabled is a charity based in Banbury that was formed in 1988 by Frances Hay operating from her house in Kenilworth, Warwickshire.

Frances, like many other dog owners, appreciated the affection and companionship that her dog afforded her and started to realise that her dog could help her with her own mobility difficulties.

From this the idea of having a four-legged friend and helper spawned the formation of Dogs for the Disabled.

Frances, herself an enthusiastic dog trainer, started to develop her dog's

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skills to help her in her every day activities such as collecting the

post, fetching the phone, finding 'lost' key and wallets/purses plus other activities that most of us take for granted.

Frances' pioneering work led to an alliance with the Guide Dogs for the Blind who made their dog training facilities in Learnington Spa available to Frances so that the selection and training of the dogs could follow their high and exacting standards.

They also helped to advertise her work and assisted with the matching of dogs to owners and helped with the training that the new owners needed to get the best out of the placements.

Over the years the scope of



the dog's work has been expanded to include children with a variety of difficulties including autism.

It has been found that autistic children, who often have a problem forming relationships, accept the dog as 'their special friend' who is undemanding and nonjudgmental, allowing them to start to love at their pace. Such friendships are invaluable.

Frances' untimely death in 1990 was a major blow to the charity but her vision, commitment and dedication means that many people will benefit from the help and joy that only a four-legged friend can give.

We hope that you will agree that this is a worthy cause and join with us supporting

Dogs for the Disabled this year at the match and afterwards at the King's Head.

Many thanks,

Kevin Thompson Good Friday Football Committee KPT@Onetel.com



## DUFFIELD STILL IN HUNT FOR SQUASH HONOURS

A rousing display by the Benz Bavarian Duffield team in front of a packed audience saw them beat Pontefract by 4-1 and get back into contention for the play-offs in the Premier Squash League.

Four of the team, Tania Bailey, Indian number three Sid Siddsuchde on his debut, Joel Hinds and Andy Whipp all won their matches 3-0 and Pontefract's only success came when the Indian number one Saurav Ghosal defeated Duffield's South African Steve Coppinger 3-2.

It was nearly a clean sweep for Duffield as Coppinger put up a tremendous display before losing in the g=final game of the night.

Nick Matthew, Duffield's

World number two star, who missed the narrow 3-2 loss at Nottingham earlier in January, was again missing from the team, but manager Felix Frixou was delighted to report Nick will be back for the two upcoming home games against Chapel Allerton and Oxford.

"These are vital games for us as we push for a play-off place.

"The return of Nick will be a real boost for the team who have shown great fighting spirit to be where they are after so many players missing vital matches," said Felix.

"Hopefully that won't be the case during he run-in and at full strength we are capable of beating any team," added Felix.

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