

THE WARLEY LANTERN



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE
WARLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Looking Forward to 2013

For sports fans and proud Brits, 2012 was a great year for celebration and in the village the Association too played its part, bringing the community together with a series of events and activities which were bigger and better than ever before.

However, we also had our disappointments, particularly when Calderdale Council recently reneged on their promise to introduce reduced speed limits. Perhaps of even more concern has been the Council's apparent disregard of our 300 signature petition and the document we produced which detailed the multitude of road safety issues raised by our residents. Nonetheless, we do not intend to lose sight of these issues and we will be renewing our attempts in 2013 to engage with the Council in what will hopefully prove to be a more fruitful dialogue.

As we are all aware, Council spending on some of our services is being cut and, with it, local groups are being increasingly encouraged to take a more active role in determining their own destiny. So there are ways in which we can organise ourselves to counter these threats and in 2013 we will start looking at what we can do to influence the protection of community services and infrastructure, alongside securing the funding required to improve things.

GET THE NEWS AS IT HAPPENS

Have you checked
out our NEW
website/blog?

www.warleyca.co.uk

you can leave comments
there for us too!

New style COMMUNITY meetings

We have been listening to you and so in 2013 our meetings will be stripped of the 'committee' style content which have dominated in the past and will instead focus on being more social. We will present updates on community activities and also, at times hear from service providers at first hand, such as the Police and the Council about what they can and can't do for us.

**Please come along to the first of our new style meetings -
25th FEBRUARY. 7pm. MAYPOLE INN.**

There will be a presentation of our planned activities for 2013 and an open forum on traffic and safety issues, including our response to the Council's decision NOT to reduce speed limits after all.

KEEP
CALM
AND
CRAFT

The Warley Institute lives again!

The newly formed WARLEY INSTITUTE CRAFT CIRCLE meets monthly, with the first meeting on Monday 11 February 2-4 pm.

This is a friendly and fun crafting social group for Warley residents to learn and share skills and make crafts for Warley Community Association events.

The cost is £5 per meeting, which includes tutorials, materials, and food & drink refreshments. Numbers are limited to 12. Further details - telephone 01422 839458.

WANTED: Food and personal hygiene items

Things which can be easily stored and are necessary to meet basic needs.

Warley is supporting the Ebenezer Food and Support Drop-in Project in Halifax - this enables vulnerable people who have a 'chaotic lifestyle' to access support and guidance and collect a free food parcel on a weekly basis. As reported in the Halifax Courier, the project is receiving great support from many quarters. **The Warley Community Association provides a collection point** at Carr Cliffe, Stock Lane, telephone 01422 839458 please contribute if you can. www.foodandsupportdropin.org.uk

Historical audit

In the Warley area, history is all around us. From mullioned windows to half-forgotten pathways, there are all here on our doorstep. The Association has begun a project to record all such items - obvious and important items like the fountain in the village centre to small hidden things like kerb stones, way markers and gate posts. All will be recorded.

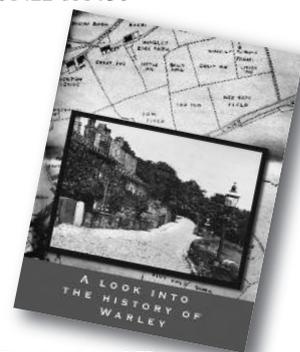
If you know of anything like this on your property please get in touch. If you see members of the association down on their knees, camera in hand - don't be alarmed. No need to ring the Emergency Services! Members will carry ID cards to allay any worries. The results will be published on-line as they come in.

**ANYTHING INTERESTING?
please get in touch - telephone
01422 833 036.**

**"This book takes you
on a wander through
your mind"**

First produced in 2010 by the Warley History Group and still hugely popular, this great little book, allows you to take a walk around Warley, whatever the weather. Full of interesting historical detail and richly illustrated with old pictures.

Only £4.99. To get your copy phone 01422 833036



**Warley Local History
Meeting - Monday 4 March. 7.00pm
Maypole Inn. ALL WELCOME**

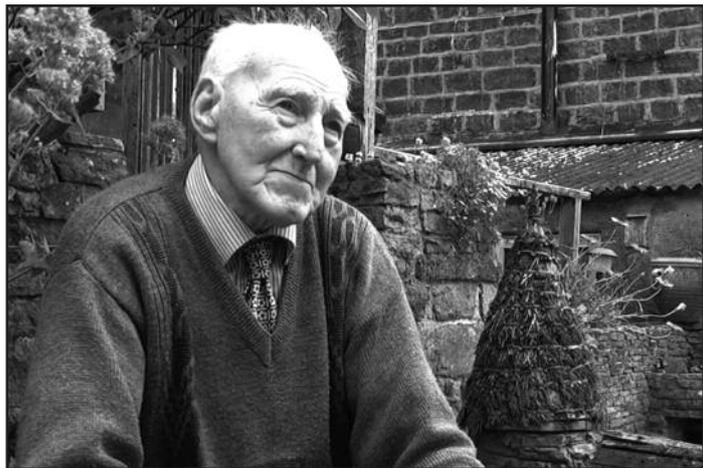
**"Don't leave your keys in your
car with the engine running"**

said Police Sergeant Rob Barton at a recent WCA meeting. We are noticing more cars being stolen whilst the owner is in the house, or at the postbox etc. **"Your car insurance will probably be invalid too".**

From the Archives

Grant Pedley. 1915 - 2012

Although born near Sherwood Forest, many people think of Grant Pedley as the archetypal Yorkshireman. Grant played a starring role in the Association's DVD "A world away - memories of Warley Town" and played the part to perfection! Grant's childhood years were lived out during the infamous 1920's when the ravages of poverty and decline hit his family badly. The struggles of family life in his early years had a deep effect on Grant and on his attitudes to life, giving him real empathy for the poor and a concern for the good stewardship of the world's resources.



Grant moved to Halifax and worked as an apprentice engineer at Roberts and Hirst in Cote Hill before his deep, heartfelt need to be out of doors took over and he became a gardener - working first for the Mills family of Willowfield and then moving to the then Royal Halifax Infirmary, where he stayed for the rest of his working life. Grant had responsibility for the grounds of the other hospitals in Calderdale too, including the old Warley House - which meant that Grant looked after most of the Warley hillside! Grant married Winifred and they set up home in a little cottage in Peter lane, Warley Edge, where they spent the whole of their married life and bringing up two children - and where Grant continued to live for a total of 71 years. Grant always had to be busy; to him to be inactive and idle was positively sinful. The Protestant Work Ethic drove him on to the very end of his life. His willingness to help others and to work tirelessly for the benefit of others led to him being presented with The British Empire Medal in 1979. Winifred died very suddenly in 1990 only a year before their Golden Wedding and Grant never really fitted comfortably into life without her. However he carried on fiercely and struggled to maintain his independence to the end. He will be remembered for his example as a Christian parent, his creativity and love of work, his amazing energy and drive, his kindness and willingness to help others and his insatiable appetite for the challenge of overcoming hardship with good.

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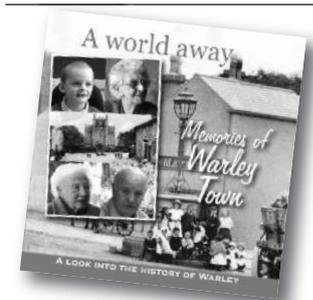


Totally independent: The Warley Community Association is run for and by the residents of Warley and is not affiliated to, nor in any way controlled or influenced by any group, society or organisation. NEXT MEETING:

**25 Feb 7.00pm Maypole Inn.
ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME**

Goodbye 2012

A final look back at 2012 shows that Warley Community Association continued to gain support from residents, did much to enhance to village and also put on many events through the year culminating in the Warley Victorian Christmas on 1st. Dec. Attended by Halifax Town Crier, Les Cutts, and opened by the Mayor of Calderdale, Councillor John Hardy, this regular Christmas event went with a swing, helped by carol singing from the St Johns song group and accordionist Dr Ian Smith. Father Christmas honoured us with a visit for which we have to thank Keith Hutson. Keith has been working away a great deal recently but he did have a word with Santa to make sure the children of Warley could see Santa in person. There was also a visit from Benedict the Christmas donkey, to give children rides around the cricket field. Thanks to Eliana Bailey, the driving force behind the event. Eliana, is one of the many residents who are committed to keeping the lifeblood of Warley flowing. Eliana, along with all other members of the Association are always keen to find new volunteers for the cause. **If you would like to help please email us mail@warleyca.co.uk**



"A fascinating snapshot into village life"

John A Hargreaves. Halifax Antiquarian Society. **DVD Now Only £3.00.** If you haven't seen this yet you're missing a treat! To get your copy phone 01422 833036

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Join High Five's new Scottish Country Dancing group.

You don't need a partner, just bring soft shoes - and a sense of humour!
Thursdays 1-30 to 3-00pm
Highgate Methodist Church,
Stretchgate Lane, Pellon.
£3-00 (First class free)

Warley St John's Church

9th Feb - Quiz and Supper 7.00pm St John's in aid of the Mara Porridge Project - contact number for tickets 07877708831

13th Feb - Joint ASH WED. service to mark the beginning of LENT. 7.30pm at St Hilda's Church, Gibraltar Road, Halifax.

17th Feb & 17th March - MESSY Church (young families) 3.00pm at St John's.

10th March - MOTHERING SUNDAY service 10.15am Family Worship at St John's.

24th March - Joint PALM SUNDAY service 10.15am Family Worship at St John's.

29 March - GOOD FRIDAY 10.15am Meditation service at St John's.

31st March - EASTER DAY services 9.00am Prayer Book Communion, 10.15am Family Communion.

On other Sunday's during February and March besides the service's highlighted above, there will be the usual 9.00am Prayer Book Communion service and 10.15am Family Worship service.

Any queries in respect of church matters should be directed to The Rev'd Tony Street, Warley Vicarage, 466 Burnley Road, Cote Hill, Halifax HX2 7LW
Tel: 01422 363623

Plants, Pie and Peas at the club

**20 March 2013
Vandals Clubhouse**

**Spring Planting
by Keith Hutson
Talk / Raffle /
Pie and pea supper**

Keith, a professional horticulturalist and an expert on spring planting gives his recommendations for success on the difficult terrain of the Warley hillside.

Also: brief presentations on gardening related projects in the village.

A splendid evening is guaranteed with a superb pie and pea supper included. Bar open all evening.

Only £5.00 per person
Halifax Vandals RUFC Clubhouse, Warley Town Lane. Plenty of parking. Tickets: 01422 839458

From under t'lantern

A Yorkshireman's dog dies and as it was a favourite pet, he decides to have a gold statue made by a jeweller to remember the dog by.

Yorkshireman: "Can tha mek us a gold statue of yon dog?"

Jeweller: "Do you want it 18 carat?"

Yorkshireman: "No, yer daft bugger, I want it chewin' a bone!"