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PARBOLD VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU

Parbold's Village Hall is a valuable asset to our community providing an accessible, well-equipped home for a wide range of activities, from concerts to coffee mornings, from badminton and bridge to big screen movies, from the flower club to family parties, judo, markets, pilates, weight-watching and more. Lancashire Life magazine has described it as "a Rolls Royce of Village Halls."

Our Village Hall is facing a crisis. First, there was the Covid pandemic, which kept many of our users at home and drained financial resources. Then came the Ukraine War and soaring energy prices. 'Soaring' is the right word: the hall's monthly charge for electricity trebled, to £2,100. These costs have put the future of the Village Hall at risk. We need your help.

The Solar Panels Project

There is a way forward. We have secured a significant grant toward the costs of installing Solar Panels. This will make a dramatic difference. Solar Panels will provide an environmentally friendly way to reduce our electricity costs by as much as 60 per cent, but, as is customary with such grant aid, we are required to contribute matching funding. Our contribution needs to be £14,000.

This is why we are appealing to the community, to local businesses, to anyone who can make a donation or help our volunteers in their fundraising campaign. Donation buckets and counter tubs are available.

How You Can Help.

Please help us in any way you can. Donations can be made in various ways:

- By Bank Transfer
(RBS – Account No: 11322587, Sort Code: 16-00-09, Account Name: Talking Pictures Support Group)
- At the Village Hall
- To any officer of the PCA (Parbold Community Association)



parbold Picture House
WN8 7DN

Find us at: **Parbold Village Hall, The Green, WN8 7DN.**

E: parboldpicturehouse@gmail.com W: www.parboldpicturehouse.org or
Telephone: 01257 463878 Follow us on Twitter – [Parboldph](https://twitter.com/Parboldph)

Sunday Screenings 7pm, Ricks Café open for pre-screening rendezvous at 6.30pm
Sunday Tickets: £6.00. All seats unreserved. No booking necessary.

Sunday 4th February, 7.00 p.m. The Great Escaper Cert 12A 97min

Dir: Oliver Parker Starring: Michael Caine, Glenda Jackson, John Standing

****Mail, Times, Guardian, Telegraph, Empire. 'unassuming tale about autumnal dignity and the quiet compensations of lifelong companionship'. Times. 'unexpected gravitas' Sunday Times/ 'moving story...terrific performances' Guardian A heart-warming true story of a war veteran's escape from his care home to join D-Day commemorations

Sunday 18th February 7.00 p.m. Oppenheimer Cert 15 181min

Dir: Christopher Nolan Starring: Cillian Murphy, Emily Blunt, Matt Damon, Robert Downey Jr

'a towering achievement' Observer. 'intelligent movie...an important topic... never less than powerfully acted and incredibly entertaining' Rotten Tomatoes.

'Deserves to be seen, as does Cillian Murphy's performance...and Robert Downey Jr' Los Angeles Times

The story of American scientist, J. Robert Oppenheimer, and his role in the development of the atomic bomb.

Sunday 3rd March 7.00 p.m. One Life Cert 12A 110 min

Dir: James Hawes Starring: Anthony Hopkins, Helena Bonham Carter, Johnny Flynn, Lena Olin

'stirring tale of the "British Schindler"' Observer.. 'so inherently powerful and moving and there is so much goodness and decency at work it will set you off' Spectator

British stockbroker's rescue of Jewish children before the onset of World War II, eventually to be called Kindertransport

Talking Pictures - Every Wednesday afternoon at 2.00p.m. Film and Conversation.

PARBOLD'S SUNDAY MARKET, 25th February 2024, 9am – 2pm, Village Hall, The Green, WN8 7DN. Variety of 30 Stalls, Refreshments Available. Entrance £1. For Stall enquiries contact Roger on Joeking.roger@gmail.com



PARBOLD DOUGLAS MUSIC

Saturday 17th February, 7.45pm - Martin Roscoe Piano Trio

Martin Roscoe, piano, Fenella Humphreys, violin, Jessica Burroughs, cello

Three of the UK's finest musicians present an evening of piano trios by Beethoven, Dvorak and Mendelssohn.

www.parbolddouglasmusic.org

01257 498452

tickets@parbolddouglasmusic.org

PARBOLD COFFEE ASSOCIATION

Come along to our coffee/tea mornings at Parbold Village Hall.

Next dates 13th & 27th February 2024

PARBOLD WI

The monthly meeting of the Parbold WI will take place in the hall on **Tuesday 6 February 2024 at 7.30pm**. The speaker this month will be Fiona Smithson, whose talk will be entitled "Curiosity Corner". Visitors and prospective new members are always welcome.

If you wish to book the hall, it is available for weekly sessions for classes or for private parties: it is increasingly popular for birthday parties and other events. Recent visitors have given very positive feedback on our improved facilities. Please contact Sylvia at sylvia.jwright@btinternet.com or ring the PWI booking line on **07984 274802**.

Parbold WI Annual Pancake Day

The members of Parbold WI are holding their annual pancake day on Shrove Tuesday 13 February 2024 from 10.00 – 12.30. The pancakes will be freshly made with a variety of toppings. Tea and coffee will also be served. All welcome – no need to book.

SHOWCASING PARBOLD STATION: This month Ray Thaw's photographic exhibition will move from the Southport Platform to Hoscote Station. It will be replaced by a display by local artist David Barrow. Why not visit both? Friends of Parbold Station as well as keeping our station green and tidy are responsible for two other cases courtesy of Community Rail. One case is for the History Poster and the other usually contains this newsletter in a larger font. *Friends of Parbold Station*

PARBOLD, NEWBURGH & DISTRICT GARDEN SOCIETY

14 Feb. Talk on Garden & Plant Photographs
Parbold WI Hall at 8pm. For further information call
John on 01257 462514 or David on 01704 821984.
E: david_pennington_rufford@hotmail.com

PARBOLD AND DISTRICT RAMBLERS

All walks meet at Parbold shops at 9.00a.m.
Next walks: **Feb 4** and **Mar 3**. Next
meeting: **Feb 20**, 8pm, Red Lion, Newburgh.
Next walks details are published
on www.parboldonline.info. See 'Walks' page and 'Events'
calendar.
For more information contact Jimmy Kelly on 01257 463057

PARBOLD & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB - 14th February

Talk by Liz Broad - Let's get started.

This event is open to members and visitors, everyone is welcome! All demonstrations are held on the 2nd Wednesday afternoon of the month. Doors open at 1pm and demo starts at 1.30pm. We welcome members and visitors. Visitors fee is just £7 including refreshments. No floral experience necessary, just come along to enjoy flowers and make some new friends! If you'd like to know more just call Eileen 01704 893124.

Red Lion Railway Circle - Next meeting **6th Feb** - The Red Lion Railway Circle is for anyone interested in railway photography or railways of any sort - past, present, home or abroad. We show railway pictures every third Tuesday (or so) from 7.30 to 10.30pm between September and May at the Red Lion, Newburgh - so if you are interested come along and perhaps bring some slides or a memory stick.

ORMSKIRK & DISTRICT NATIONAL TRUST SUPPORTER GROUP

Tuesday 13th February. Lecture on Murders and Misdemeanours in Liverpool - Ken Pye

All talks take place at the Toby Carvery, Ormskirk at 2.30pm with a nominal charge of £2 for non-members.

Single membership £10pa Family £15pa. For more information contact Fiona Duggan on 01695 570537/07710 543412 or visit <https://odantm.wordpress.com/>

PARBOLD WILDLIFE CLUB

The first meeting of 2024 will be on Tuesday 13th February at 7.30 in the Village Hall Studio room. There will be a talk from a representative of Chorley Hedgehog Rescue about their work looking after hedgehogs in the winter. This will be followed by the Group's AGM (members only). Refreshments will be available after the talk.

Parbold Parish Council Notes

Contact by e-mail: parboldpc.clerk@yahoo.com

The recent litter pick was successful, clearing a number of bags of rubbish from the village streets. Thanks go to Charles Bithell and team for their hard work to improve the area in which we live. Look out for information on the next litter pick in Spring, volunteers always welcome!

Ours is a village full of dog lovers, the vast majority of which are caring, responsible owners. However, concerns have once again been raised to the Parish Council about dog fouling, particularly close to the parade of shops on The Common. This seems to have increased as the nights drew in. Dog mess is the most unacceptable and offensive type of litter on our streets and is one of the issues that village residents are most concerned about. Please do the responsible thing and use the dog litter bins provided or take it home.

The Parish Council will continue to provide the village Christmas tree and a festive light display for the village in the future and would like to thank Keith Rudd and his team who expertly installed the tree on behalf of the Parish Council. This help was very much appreciated and volunteers are always welcome!

At **Christ Church Parbold**, there's a variety for everyone and here's a selection of what is coming up **in February**:

Sunday 4th February – Joint Service at 1030am at Parbold Douglas Academy, Lancaster Lane.

Sunday 4th February – Service of Light at 430pm – A special service of reflection, song and prayer in memory of loved ones. Names of those to be remembered will be read out and candles lit.

Sunday's 4th & 18th - 8am Holy Communion services.

Sunday's 1030am services in Church and Wednesday's 1030am Holy Communion from Parbold WI.

Sunday 18th February - Muddy Church 930am at the Hut. An hour of outdoor fun and craft activities. This month 'Love is the Way'

Sunday 25th February - Little Fish - under 4's provisions during our Church service at 1030am and **Junior Church** super group for 4-13's at the Hut.

Sunday's 4th & 18th February from 6-730pm - Soul Action Cafe at the Hut. Youth group for 12s upwards.

There's also twice weekly **'Faith Moments'** via our Website <https://www.christchurchparbold.co.uk/> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/parboldchristchurch/> Please refer to our website for all of the latest information.

Contact Geoff for more info: christchurchparbold.admn@gmail.com

Youth Club at Parbold Evangelical Church runs alternate Fridays from 7:30 - 9, available to Y6 upwards, cost £1.50. For more information, contact Dave Taylor on 07786 401 121

PARBOLD, NEWBURUGH & DISTRICT U3A

Tues 13th Feb: Talk by Marjorie Hayward & Susan Forshaw; "Friends for You" - The story of a charity helping people following loss from death, divorce or disability

Tues Feb 27th: Talk by Graham Kemp; "War of the Roses"

Our bi-monthly meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the afternoon from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at the Hut-on-the-Hill, Parbold. The entrance fee for Horizons is £3.00. For more information, contact Peter Bennett on 07396 381892

Douglas Valley Creative Stitchers

10th February 2.15pm to 4.00pm. Talk: 'Celtic Design' with Margaret

24th February 10.00am to 4.00pm. Talk: 'Tyvek Flowers' with Kath Roberts.

Visitors always welcome.

For more information contact: Sue Chisnall-Sumner 01772 461714

Email: suechisnall@btinternet.com

PLEASE SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Donations can be left at the Village Hall

Wednesdays 1 - 4pm

Thursdays 9 - 12. 3 - 8pm

Antiques Valuations - Parbold Village Hall - 16th February 10.30am - 1pm

David Elstob, renowned for his appearances on popular television shows such as Flog It, Bargain Hunt, and Antiques Road Trip, along with Clive Taylor from Parbold Antiques, will be available to offer their expertise and provide you with a complimentary auction estimate for any items you are considering selling.

ARTISAN MARKETS – 3rd & 4th Feb - AppleCast EcoCentre, Cobbs Brow Lane, Newburgh, Lancashire, WN8 7SF.

Entry is £3.00 per car which includes one free hot drink. For further information please email mary@applecast.co.uk

T: 01257 463012

PARBOLD LIBRARY – SPECIAL EVENTS

Staying Safe Online with Lancashire Adult Learning - 9:30am to 12:00pm Thursday **08/02/2024**

Staying safe online is essential to protect yourself from being targeted. This taster session will provide you with the information on how to get online, and how to keep yourself safe. Booking required – either call in to the library or book at <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries> in the Events section - What's On

Coffee Morning - 10:30am to 11:30am Wednesday **21/2/24** - Just drop in for coffee, cake and company. Join in playing one of our board games or have a chat.

Author Visit - Local Poet, Phil Barnett - 10.30 am to 11.30 am Thursday **22/2/24** - Join us for the event where Phil's will read from his new poetry book.

All our regular and special events are listed on the Lancashire Libraries website - <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries> in the Events section - What's On. Parbold Library, Cultural Services, Lancashire County Council, T: 03001236703, W: www.lancashire.gov.uk

Parbold Pink Panthers - Friendly inclusive running club for women of all ages and fitness levels. Local club runs twice a week. For further details contact Jane Warner jane.warner29@gmail.com

Oh Crumbs! Bakery & Cake Shop have been overwhelmed by the number of people who have come into the shop to welcome them to the Village. The Bakery opens at 7am Mon to Fri offering a selection of breakfast pastries and coffees for commuters and early risers. Lunch pastries are available from 10:30am. www.da-celebrations.co.uk or shop phone: 01942 938188.

Parbold Badminton

Join us for an evening of social Badminton in the Village Hall on Thursdays – 8pm to 10pm.

Spaces for new members.

Contact Chris Hiley on 01257 464134 or at christopherhiley@hotmail.com



Organisation Contacts - Please inform the editor of any changes

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Karate (Village Hall)	Roy	07902 609258	Slimming World	Carol Littler	07854 252501
Karate T.S.K.S Parbold (Shotokan)	Dave	07591 428400	Swallows and Amazons Youth Group	Linda Ashcroft	01257 464122
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Macmillan Info & Support Service		01695 656533	Talking Pictures	Tessa Rowe	463493
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OL&AS Nursey	Shaun Kearon	462466	Yoga	Maia Singleton	07827 854353
OL&AS Toddler Group	Susan McClusky	07730 701614	Youth Club (Parbold Evangelical Church)	Dave Taylor	07786 401 121
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