

# Acton Bridge Jubilee 2022 Newsletter

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Diary Dates:

Friday 11th  
November:

Family Film  
Night

Sunday 27th  
November:

Christmas  
Lights switch  
on (4pm)

Tuesday 13th  
December:

WI Village  
Christmas  
Party

Diary Dates:

Roberts Bakery Band, Equestrian Excellence, Classic Cars, "Noah & Pipi" do well at the Dog Show, Programmes & Souvenir Mugs



# Acton Bridge Community Association

## SATURDAY JUNE 11th JUBILEE FUNDAY



Thank you to everyone who attended the Jubilee fun day on Saturday 11th June. It was great to see the village turn out for such a unique celebration. The day started with a Procession from the Parish Rooms to Chapel Lane, led by one of our youngest residents, complete with the Roberts Bakery marching band and a procession of classic cars. The day itself was formally opened by Cllr Bob Holt, in recognition of the many years' service he gave as Chairman of the Parish Council. Events during the day included "sports day" for both the young and the young at heart. The dog show had 68 dog entries all having excellent fun and the wellie throwing caused much hilarity. The evening celebrations were a great success; our very own Glastonbury. Lots of villagers, friends and family came together to drink, eat and dance the night away to local band "Spitting Feathers". We would like to thank everyone who was involved, especially our sponsors; National Lottery Community Fund and Acton Marquees, and to you all for attending the event. In particular we would like to thank Selina Rooney, the chair of ABCA for her hard work, together with her husband Gerry for kindly allowing the use of their land for the event and Neil Schofield for the straw bales. We would also like to thank Sarah Pendleton-Sharp for organising the procession, Susan Puffett for the dog show, Veronica Oliver and the WI for all their efforts and Vickie Fifield for organising the Jubilee mugs for the children of the village. **"God Save the Queen"**



"Let's get this party started!"

Barbara Benyon and Christine Gleave respond to Cllr Bob Holt.

# Parish Council News

The Parish Council continues to be busy, with significant progress on two major projects, bringing Fibre Broadband to the village (see page 4) and developing a Community Resilience Plan (see page 6 & 7).

Reducing speeding vehicles through the village also remains a priority. The Parish Council is now back up to full strength of 8 Parish Councillors with Leigh Wakefield being co-opted in May.

If you are interested in getting involved, for example with our resilience planning or being trained to use the speed detector please get in touch – our contact details are on our website: [www.actonbridgeparishcouncil.org](http://www.actonbridgeparishcouncil.org)

Cllr Trevor Brocklebank, Chair of Acton Bridge Parish Council

## Remembrance Service 2022

The Weaverham War Memorial lists the names of those who were from both Acton Bridge and Weaverham.

On Sunday 12th November 2022, the marching parade leaves Weaverham shops at 2.30pm, proceeding to the War Memorial at St. Mary's Church, Weaverham, followed by a Service of Remembrance c.3pm within St Mary's Church itself.

## Message from the Editor

Do you have an article of interest or an event coming up, for consideration for our next edition of the ABCA Newsletter?

If so please e-mail the editor Charles Fifield:

[actonbridgenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:actonbridgenewsletter@gmail.com)

The copy deadline for the Autumn 2022 edition is **15 November 2022.**

## 300 CLUB

Acton Bridge Community Association (ABCA) invites you to join a 300 Club in aid of Parish Room upkeep and maintenance funds. The 300 Club will consist of a maximum of 300 shares, each purchased at £10 per share.

The arrangements are a repeat of last year's format, being prizes of £100 and £50 for each month of September, October, November and December with Jackpot prizes before Christmas of £200, £100 and £50.

Additional prizes can be paid depending on the number of shares actually sold, 50% of net proceeds will be paid in prizes. The 300 Club for 2022 has been launched and our super volunteers are going around the Village selling the shares. You can pay by cash, cheque or on-line banking.


Please support this vital fund raiser for the Parish Rooms. If you would like to buy a share and haven't been contacted by the beginning of September, please contact Bob Holt, the 300 Club Promoter on 853698.

### Police Community Support Officer

**PCSO Michelle Gillett** is busy looking after us and has surgeries held monthly in the Parish Rooms. She is also looking for volunteers for community speed watch and neighbourhood watch schemes.

Northwich Police will be hosting a Neighbourhood Watch meeting at Cuddington Village Hall on Friday 9th September at 6.30pm to recruit more coordinators and members for schemes across Northwich and Winsford.

Michelle's contact E-mail: [michelle.gillett@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:michelle.gillett@cheshire.pnn.police.uk). Phone contacts are the normal 101 and then 999 for emergencies.



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# the WI

## INSPIRING WOMEN

The WI have enjoyed a variety of activities over the last few months. Archery, clay pigeon shooting, walks, our book club and a very successful outing with partners on the River Dee, on a beautiful day.

Our members rallied around and produced a wonderful selection of cakes for the Village Jubilee celebrations as well as manning the very busy tea tent. Many of us were supporting the WI effort as well as running the dog show, ice cream stall, hotdogs and much more. That's what makes the WI such an integral part of the life of the village.



Thanks must go to some of the support group as well, of partners, who also contribute to our WI from behind the scenes.

After the August break, we will have our first meeting on Tuesday September 13 in the Parish Room, the subject Bread making tips and tasting! Activities to look forward to over the next few months, theatre outings Quiz competition, open water swimming, Gin tasting, and Fencing! As well as our usual, craft, book and flower club.



We are delighted to announce, that after a break because of the pandemic, we will be once again hosting the Village Christmas Party on Tuesday 13th December, starts 6.30pm (more details in next newsletter).



We're a lively group and enjoy each other's company and warmly welcome visitors and new members at any time meetings the second Tuesday of each month 7.15 to 7.30pm for further information contact the secretary: Veronica Oliver 01606 853226 or e-mail: [actonbridgewi@gmail.com](mailto:actonbridgewi@gmail.com)

Acton Bridge Parish Rooms. Monday & Wednesday Evenings.

Juniors 6.30 - 7.30pm      Adults 7.30 - 8.30pm

Instructor - Mr G Smithies - 4th Degree International Instructor

**Acton Bridge Community Association**

ABCA are all volunteers, as individuals or representing the various groups in the village, but all working together for the good of the village.

We are planning several events for the forthcoming months, including a Friday Night Film night on Friday 11th November and the Christmas Lights Switch on Sunday 27th November at 4pm.

We are looking to establish a "Britain in Bloom" working group for next year, if you would like to find out more about this or other aspects of ABCA, please contact our Chair Selina Rooney ([selinarooney@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:selinarooney@hotmail.co.uk)).

**ACTON BRIDGE RESILIENCE PLAN: FAQs**

**What is the resilience plan?**

The resilience plan identifies the resources that the Acton Bridge community could utilise in an emergency impacting on a significant number of residents eg. in a flood, fire, extended power outage, major transport incident etc. Although the plan is continually in place, it will only become active when there is an extensive (in Acton Bridge terms) emergency.

## **Who decides when the resilience plan should be activated?**

There is a small group, comprising some Parish Council and ABCA committee members, who with advice from CWC will decide when to activate the plan. They will consider the nature of the incident, the likely number of residents who will be affected and any likely time delay before professional services can take over.

## **How will I know if the Resilience Plan has been activated?**

Information that the Resilience Plan is activated will be posted immediately on the Acton Bridge Facebook Page and on the Acton Bridge Parish Council website and Facebook page.

## **How do I get help in one of these emergencies?**

There is an emergency phone number that will be live when the resilience plan is activated. This number is 07933 765928. It may be that you know of someone who will need assistance during the emergency period. Please call this number during the emergency and tell us who they are and where they live.

## **Can I call on the resilience plan if I have an emergency?**

Unless the resilience plan has been activated you will not be able to do this. If you have a personal emergency we would expect you to enlist the help of those you would normally ask – your family, neighbours, friends etc.. If you are in danger, please call 999.

## **Can I help with the emergency?**

A number of people have already contacted me to offer their services and these have been included in the plan. Thank you! If you are able to offer help, and have not already done so, please email:

**[david.charlton@actonbridgeparishcouncil.org](mailto:david.charlton@actonbridgeparishcouncil.org)**

## Weaverham History Society

### **Acton Bridge's Industrial Past (part 2): From metal to manure**

By 1855 W E Maude & Co was advertising Acton Bridge zinc of all the usual gauges and dimensions, or rolled, out of the best zinc from Silesia in Prussia. Sales were made as far afield as Glasgow but by 1871 the Acton Mill had been converted to manure manufacture (as shown in the 1882 map below).



In Cheshire Village Memories – extracts by members of the Women’s Institutes, we are told that “Bone carts” collected bones at Acton Bridge station for the “Works”.

*These loads of bones being covered with flies were most odiferous in summer and caused great annoyance to the Acton housewives. Small boys ran happily behind the carts collecting maggots into tins for fishing.*

Later, action by the Council caused the Company to provide covers for the carts. (Part 3 in next edition).

Submitted by the Weaverham History Society which holds meetings at Weaverham Primary School (Northwich Road) on the second Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm. Jacquie Williams: Chair Weaverham History Society: [www.history.weaverham.org.uk](http://www.history.weaverham.org.uk)



# Acton Bridge Tennis Club



The tennis courts are in “tip top” condition, having been professionally cleaned and repainted recently. We are pleased to advise that we have organised junior coaching sessions, on Saturday mornings, in various age groups starting at 9am for 5-8 year olds and going through the age groups until 12-1 pm completes the morning for 15-18 year olds. The sessions are run by a very experienced and exceptionally well qualified coach, Bill Connell, who does have some spaces available. Members have been advised of the details of the coaching but should you wish to find out more about coaching or joining the club please review our web site [www.actonbridgetennis.co.uk](http://www.actonbridgetennis.co.uk) or email us at [actonbtennis@aol.com](mailto:actonbtennis@aol.com). We are also looking for villagers interested in joining the committee which meets circa 3 times a year. Membership of the village tennis club is amazing value at only £40 for a family.

## Christ Church Crowton School

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We’d be delighted to welcome you to visit our vibrant village school; please phone the school office to arrange to come and see what we do. We also have 2 open days on Wednesday 28th September and Friday 14th October, between 9.30-11.30am and 1.00-2.30pm.

T:01928 788230    E: [admin@crowton.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@crowton.cheshire.sch.uk)

Website: [www.crowton.cheshire.sch.uk/](http://www.crowton.cheshire.sch.uk/)



# Weaverham Library

Our opening hours are as follows:

Monday and Friday:	9.30 - 1, 2 - 7pm
Tuesday and Wednesday	9.30 - 1, 2 - 5pm
Thursday Closed.	Saturday 9.30 - 1pm

New books are arriving all year round and can be reserved for £1. If you can't find what you want on our shelves you can reserve one from another library for just £1 – a bargain at any time of the year. Audio books are also available for a small rental charge.

Baby bounce - Tuesdays 10.30am – 11.00am (booking essential)

Rhyme time - Fridays 11am to 11.30am (booking essential)

Lego drop in - Saturdays 10.30am - 12.30pm

Remember the library is free to join. It only takes a couple of minutes!

Members have free internet access for 1 hour every day on our public computers. Non-members are welcome and are charged.

**Come along and see us soon: Gill, Carol, Ann and Val.**

Weaverham Library, Russet Road CW8 3HY -

01606 274344

## Cheshire West & Chester Mobile Library

**The Mobile library also visits Acton Bridge Parish Rooms car park from 10.55am - 11.15am on the following Thursdays:**

**8 September, 20 October, 10 November, 1 December and 22 December.**

# Village Contacts: 2022

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Gill Spanton	Parish Rooms Bookings	01606 852356
Charles Fifield	Newsletter Editor	01606 854294
John Spanton	Acton Bridge Art Group	01606 852356
Dianne Leigh	Flower Arranging	07842 057377
John Mahan	Flat Green Bowling Club	01606 593886
Graham Soutar	Scottish Dancers	01606 883496
Gary Smithies	Tae Kwon Do	07754 801190
Dee Smith/ Anna Alexander	Distaff Singers	01477 532982 01925 658447
Peter Richards	Tennis	07802 885010
Cheryl Hamilton	Verdin Beaders Group	01606 852878
Jane Caldwell	Weaver Vale Art Society	01606 851008
Veronica Oliver	WI Secretary	01606 853226
INCIDENT DESK	LOCAL POLICE	0845 458 0000
NON EMERGENCY		101
NHS medical advice		111
Cheshire West Council		0300 123 8123

# Village Contacts: 2022

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Legal



For all your legal requirements speak to one of our friendly team on **01606 74301** or email

[reception@mosshaselhurst.co.uk](mailto:reception@mosshaselhurst.co.uk) or visit [www.mosshaselhurst.co.uk](http://www.mosshaselhurst.co.uk)

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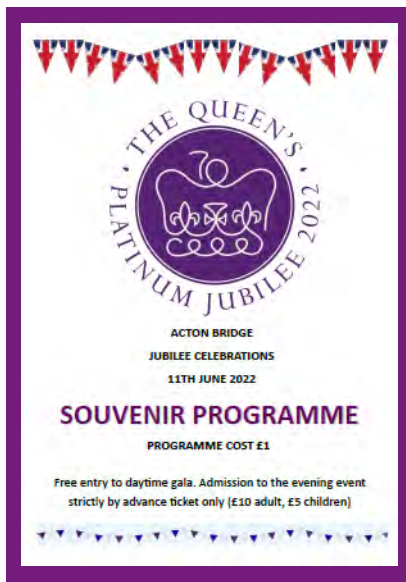
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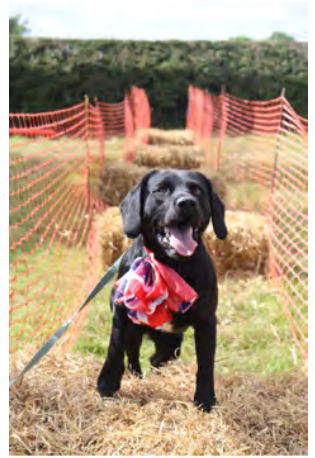
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The day gets John Winder's approval, "field of dreams", classic car display, "Monty" Fowler in action, Bob Heaton keeping us safe, "Flukes Ukelele Group"