



MAWDESLEY PARISH COUNCIL

SUMMER 2020 NEWSLETTER



Chairman's Chatter

I've just read the Chairman's Chatter we published in January. As a village we were very active over the previous months and had a lot to look forward to in the coming year. Then on March 21st the world stood still. The clear blue skies were free of vapour trails and the traffic disappeared from New Street – completely. Suddenly the village was quiet. The phrases “self-isolating” and “social distancing” entered our vocabulary and if we didn't know what two meters looked like, we do now.

Like most people I wondered how we would survive the restrictions with few of the resources of the major towns and cities. I needn't have worried. Within days an army of volunteers emerged to support our vulnerable people.

The Parish Council would like to thank all our residents for their support in keeping Mawdesley and the community safe in these exceptional times. A group of volunteers worked together to form “Mawdesley's help each other out” to provide support for the elderly and vulnerable. The response to the request for help was fantastic. We quickly reached the position where we now have volunteers looking out for residents in every street in the village. The volunteers have shopped, run errands, made PPE and more importantly been there to listen and talk to the isolated and lonely.

I would like to pay a special tribute to the management and staff at Spar who have been heroic in keeping the store stocked and ensuring those that were house bound received their orders. It's hard to imagine how difficult life would have been without their efforts.

Coronavirus looks likely to affect us all. However, we have the wonderful privilege of living in a caring village community and between us we can make sure that no one is left unsupported.

Life is gradually returning to some level of normality. The Parish Council had its first ever virtual meeting this month on Zoom with a few members of the public looking in. If you fancy logging into one and don't mind your councillors being tonsorially challenged, the next virtual meeting will be on July 8th at 19:30. Look out for the links on the noticeboard and on Facebook.

You may have noticed an increase in Openreach activity throughout the village. This forms part of an extensive project to improve broadband in the region and will involve the erection of new telephone poles. This is a permitted development and, whilst we have made our feelings felt, there is nothing the Parish Council can do to prevent the pole installations. As an aside, some residents were worried that this work was being carried out to bring 5G into the village. At a 'socially distant' meeting with the Openreach Area Manager we were assured that the work is only to install fibre optic cables and was definitely not 5G.

As for the future? Well, as far as we are aware the events referred to in January's newsletter are on hold until such time as government restrictions are lifted or relaxed. It's a pity really, I think the Open Gardens event this year would have been spectacular with all the gardening everyone's been doing.

Keep safe, best wishes,

Mike Henty Chairman, Mawdesley Parish Council

It's a community effort... ...Mawdesley villagers unite against coronavirus isolation

The Parish Council would like to thank our residents for their support and assistance in keeping the special parish of Mawdesley and the community safe in these exceptional times.

The huge impact of coronavirus and c

COVID-19 had a huge impact on Rainbow Hub – the local charity which supports children and young people with physical and neurological disabilities.

Not only did the centre in Salt Pit Lane have to close its doors due to the extreme vulnerability of the children who use its services, but it has also had to cancel many of the events that bring in the vital funds needed as the charity does not receive any statutory funding and has to raise all of the money needed to continue and develop their services so every penny counts.

For those who don't know them, Rainbow Hub is an amazing charity and is a lifeline for the children and parents they support. Its aim is to ensure that each child achieves his or her individual potential – in most cases, these are things most of us take for granted like walking, speaking, playing and feeding themselves.

But, although the charity had to close its building they did not give up on the children. They set up online videos, one to one virtual sessions and advice for parents so that the children can maintain some of the therapies at home that make such a difference to their lives by keeping movement going using conductive education therapy .

And they have now started a new communication group where one of the team members will read stories, teach sign language and encourage participation using a variety of different methods. Rainbow Hub believe that this is the first group of its kind to be used to assist the children with their communication skills.

Fund-raising is also a major issue. Normally, at this time of year, Rainbow Hub would have been organising hundreds of people who would have been rambling 5 or 11 miles around the Lancashire countryside but they had no option but to cancel the event in the current situation. But they didn't give up and decided to try a Virtual Ramble asking people to stay safe but to make a donation and use their daily exercise or

A group of volunteers have worked together to form “Mawdesley Help each other out” to provide support to those who are elderly and vulnerable in the community and who need it. There has been a good response to a request for volunteers to help.

We have reached the amazing position where we have volunteers looking out for residents in every street on Mawdesley. Volunteers have shopped, run errands, made PPE and most importantly been there to listen and talk to the isolated and lonely.

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Challenge for local charity Rainbow Hub

activity at home to take part and over 400 supporters took up the challenge and raised a significant amount of money for them. It was also a perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the children and many of them set their own personal challenges. Harry Hughes, age 4 from Preston officially started the Virtual Ramble on his special walker; also from Preston, Phoebe Fahey, age 11, learnt to ride a bicycle and cycled a mile; whilst Luke Carter (11) from Preston and Chris Jeffs (40) from Chorley both completed bicycle challenges. Alex Macpherson (14) from Chorley completed 50 football kicks; and Arlo Beniston (3) from Poluton-le-Fylde, Dylan Blundell, (5) and William Ballantyne (5) from Preston and Katie Maddison (13) from Formby all successfully completed walking challenges. Finley Crosby (2) from Chorley and his family did a 5 mile walk and Finley's dad James who is a gardener, offered to do a garden free for the person who matched his donation of £100.

These Superhero challenges represent huge efforts on the part of the children and can be seen on Rainbow Hub's Facebook page. Lyndsay Fahey, Head of Fundraising at Rainbow Hub, said “we are amazed and delighted with the support we have received – it is a fantastic result and it was brilliant to see the community coming together to support a local charity. We are extremely grateful to everyone who took part or donated.”

She continued, “but we have also had to cancel our very popular Ladies Day and Cross Bay Walk and have to find other ways to raise funds so we are looking at how we can use more virtual events to raise more funds. In the meantime time we would like to thank all of the organisations and individuals who are supporting us.”

If anyone would like more information on the work of Rainbow Hub or would like to make a donation, please go to their web site www.rainbowhubnw.org or you can find them on Facebook, Twitter [@rainbowhubnw](https://twitter.com/rainbowhubnw) or www.justgiving.com/rainbowhub.

COMMUNI



I would like to thank Emma Robinson from Bispham Green, who along with other volunteers made scrub bags and filled them with chocolates, creams and other toiletries. I work in the operating theatres at Wrightington hospital and although all elective surgery was postponed due to COVID, we have been doing regional orthopaedic trauma cases. We have been wearing PPE with the addition of respirators, so we are using the bags for our respirators. The generous gift of time to produce these bags, has been gratefully appreciated.

Thank you from Heidi Bamford

An active mother of two who is usually busy creating unique celebration cakes adapted her business to offer locals fresh affordable treats. It was not only something to look forward to in uncertain times, but it was really delicious and far better for you than anything a supermarket could offer. It could be some time before I kick the cheese scone addiction but at least I'll enjoy trying.

Thank you so much Hannah Evans

A family farming enterprise kept going throughout to provide folk with top quality local grown produce & even added a delivery service for those who could not leave their homes. This was one of the few places home bakers could obtain flour too...which was becoming quite scarce. Here there were no nasty queues or people falling out over how far away two metres actually is ! It is always such a pleasure to see their friendly faces which in itself is a tonic and I would like to thank them on behalf of Mawdesley folk and beyond for the ongoing effort they give to our community all year round.

Thank you to The Ashcroft family and friends at Owd Barn

Never have I felt so reassured and comforted to see the milk continue to be delivered to my door. Mawdesley is home to such a well kept and happy herd of cows who keep on delivering the goods so we can enjoy a nice brew or a bowl of our favourite cereal first thing in the morning. I know everyone will join me in sending out our love and appreciation for all the hardworking team at Rowlands Dairy who have gone above and beyond to keep wonderful healthy offerings appearing on our doorstep like magic.

Thank you the team at Rowlands

From the offset this amazing lady saw a need to create an online support group for Mawdesley. Here anyone could find, ask or offer help to anyone in need. This lady single handed created the largest group of volunteers ever seen and swiftly designated each one an area to watch over. I can't help thinking that had this been a war it would have been won and over with in a week so everyone could go back home to their loved ones. Her quick thinking and ability to put in this kind of infrastructure of support online and in real life has been a godsend to so many who could not leave their homes. I thank her and all those who gave their time to help the vulnerable in our community.

Thank you Jude Causer

ITY THANK YOU'S

Without a doubt the main hub of our village has delivered the goods with astounding effort from a small but perfectly formed team. If anyone has super powers then it's got to be these guys who have kept on spinning plates to deliver all our daily essentials like Prosecco and beer ! No one went without during the hardest of times because of all their hard work they truly sail the flag of Team work makes the dream work!

Thank you Tom & Steph Poole and your able crew at Mawdesley's Spar

One of the things I miss most is being able to head to one of our wonderful pubs for a tippie of something nice and conversation with friends. Who doesn't love a good pub quiz and there is in my opinion no finer offering than the one Andy Gaskell has provided for many years at the Eagle & Child pub. Every Monday we have tuned in to hear Gazza go live from Winter Hill where he broadcasts to us all around Lancashire and beyond... some say as far as Chorley but I think they are pulling my leg! This has kept our rusty cogs turning swiftly and provided much entertainment to us all in a time we needed it most. I still think someone could have home delivered our chip butty's but none the less I'm incredibly grateful to have him in our diverse and eccentric community.

Thank you Squire

I think it's lovely to be looking for people who have gone above and beyond. As part of the team of volunteers, I would find it hard to nominate one individual as everyone of the group has done a sterling job. I would however like to see recognition for Tom and Steph Poole at the Spar plus their team of staff. They have worked tirelessly and consistently to meet the needs of the village, as well as completing deliveries to the vulnerable in the village.

Many thanks from Lisa Rutter

I set up the Mawdesley Helping each other out but wish to thank everyone who has helped by volunteering in the village. I would particularly like to thank the following people who have helped administrate the group and who helped with the printing and distribution of the initial volunteer cards. Laura and Phil Petts, Lisa Rutter, Emma Robinson and Rachel Robinson. We have helped lots of vulnerable members of the community with prescription pickup, shopping even washing for a lady whose husband was very ill and her washing machine broke. We have also helped promote local businesses and advertised items for people to collect that are no longer needed. We plan to carry the group on as a way of bringing the community together. I have received personal feedback on how it has helped many people. I am proud of the community we live in. I have lived in Mawdesley all my life and feel privileged to do so.

Thank you Jude Causer

My Wife and I have been self Isolating for the past 8 weeks. Our Son and Daughter both live away and so we were left without help until Marie volunteered. We answered her note through the door during the first week and since then she has been absolutely brilliant. She has done all our shopping and also taken letters and parcels to the post. Nothing is too much trouble for her.

Regards David and Christine Lloyd



MAWDESLEY MILLENNIUM GREEN

HURST GREEN, MAWDESLEY L40 2QT CHARITY NO. 107575

Hi everyone.

First and foremost, it is hoped that everybody has managed to keep safe and well during the present crisis. It is also an appropriate moment to highlight and thank all the volunteers

in the Village whose selfless efforts have contributed in no small measure to the safety of the elderly and more vulnerable members of our Community. Thank you indeed.



The space provided by The Millennium Green has proven a valuable asset during recent weeks and has been well used for both recreational and exercising purposes. Whilst it has been kept neat and tidy throughout, restrictions placed upon social gatherings have meant the cancellation of all fundraising activities to date. This has come at a considerable cost to The Green with lost income amounting to several thousands of pounds.

The initiative to hold a Virtual Open Gardens event this year has provided some stunning pictures of people's gardening talents and creativity. It has also given The Green's many supporters an opportunity to donate via the Just Giving web page which has been set up specifically for this event (donate via Mawdesley Virtual Open Gardens 2020 Facebook page). Hopefully, as lockdown restrictions ease, some fundraising events will be possible later this year. So:-

- Keep training for the annual 10k run in September!
- Watch out for a big Breakout Party on The Green if time and weather permit!
- The fireworks for the November Bonfire Extravaganza have been ordered!
- A Travel Talk for all those who won't have been able to get away this year!

As ever, the Trustees are optimistic about the future and although disappointed not to have been able to celebrate The Green's 20th anniversary with members of the Village this year, they are really looking forward to a rousing chorus of "21 Today" at a birthday party in twelve months time!

Take care everyone and many thanks for your ongoing support.

The Millennium Green Trustees and Volunteer Support Groups.
Email: Barbara Nichols - nichols545@btinternet.com

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'Hello' from Small school, BIG opportunities SS Peter & Paul's School

Greetings from SS Peter & Paul's! This article is being written just as schools in Lancashire have been given approval to welcome back wider groups of pupils who have been Home-Schooling since lockdown began in March.

It has been a strange time for all of us involved in education and we are delighted at the thought of seeing the happy, smiling faces of our children in the coming days. You've no idea how quiet and tidy a school is without children!



During lock-down our children have been continuing to amaze us by their home-schooling. We have been receiving, via e-mail, regular updates and have had children working hard on their phonics, cooking up a storm by trying out WW II recipes, taking part in quizzes organised by Miss Murphy on Zoom, doing lots of outside activities such as walking and bike riding; the list is endless! We are all very proud of the children who have adapted to the new regime well. A special 'Thank You' goes to the parents who have supplied us with regular updates and photographs; we are sure that some of them will be glad to hand over the educational responsibility once again!

Remember to look out for our next update in the Parish Council Magazine!



St Peter's C of E Primary School

"Mawdesley St Peters C of E Primary School have continued their education by home schooling their pupils since lockdown. They have been using their school SeeSaw app to implement their lessons via computers, laptops and tablets. Thank goodness for technology!! The dedicated staff, pupils and parents have used the school's ethos of perseverance and resilience and achieved more than was ever expected in these unprecedented times. Daily maths and English have been continued with reading, spellings and handwriting. Our teachers' excellent story-telling has continued via video links for all to enjoy! Not only have the children, with the expertise of their parents, continued to excel they have had continual feedback from their class teacher throughout the day. Other subjects have been achieved weekly including physical activities and our Christian faith through religious education, even some science and cookery! We, as a school, would like to thank all our pupils and parents for their continued support to achieve a valuable part of their education.

Not only this, we have, of course, provided a safe haven for the children of key workers to thrive throughout this pandemic. We thank all staff that have put themselves on the frontline to continue their education and wellbeing during these difficult times. Our dedicated staff have provided excellent opportunities for these children, when you see the smiles on their faces during the day makes it all worthwhile! The afternoons have been filled with art, PE, nature walks and all the great things that filled a rural child's education 'back in the day'...

Please visit our Facebook page- Mawdesley St Peter's CE Primary School and look at some of the activities that our lovely keyworker pupils have enjoyed. The one part that has kept us all going as a small village school is the lovely messages from our wonderful pupils sent to each other to say how much we are missing life at Mawdesley St Peters! Even the staff have created their own message!

If you can't access Facebook, go onto our website for some feel-good videos and pictures.

The rainbow will continue to shine brightly over our school until we can all meet again soon!"

With my thanks to Janet Wilson for writing this whilst shielding her son during lockdown!



Mawdesley Bowling Club

During lockdown a small team have been maintaining the green, doing an excellent job whilst social distancing.

The Green is only allowed to be open to members due to Government Lockdown Restrictions. All our league games have been cancelled and only practice is now permitted under very strict conditions. We are only allowed to have a handful of people on the Green at any one time. There is no doubt that members are missing the camaraderie that is normally evident at our Club.

We had hoped to invite several new players this season but to date this has not been possible, nor in the foreseeable future.

Watch this space...

Dave Taylor
Secretary



Singing for Fun!

Singing for Fun, which had been held at the Cricket Pavilion before the virus, moved online in May of this year and we now have weekly zoom sessions. They involve a lot of laughter, some breathing exercises and physical warm ups before singing a variety of rounds (some silly!) and working through our repertoire of songs, which include some by Abba, The Carpenters, Labi Siffre, John Denver and many more.

Because of the success of these sessions, I am now looking to start another online community singing group for anyone who enjoys singing and is perhaps missing their regular choir or group at the present time, as well as people who haven't sung for years and feel it may be worth a try.

Anybody who is interested in more information, please email me - judiblakemore@hotmail.com



Mawdesley in Lockdown



This rainbow and doctor teddy are synonymous of the lockdown. What a strange time.

On day one, ducks self-isolated on the bottom of our drive. Later it could be seen the lambs social distancing but not the cows – they just wanted their photo taken.



When we walked around the village on V.E. Day we met Freddie, aged 3 1/2, visiting relatives on Brookfield but still social distancing.

We have walked every footpath and lane around Mawdesley – what a delight! We are so lucky to have such wonderful scenery and everybody we have encountered have been very friendly and chatty.

It has been very tranquil with only the melodious birds singing, especially the skylarks and blackbirds.



Wonderful! We have seen so many species of birds and wildlife in the glorious weather and even a young deer was spotted on Tarnbeck Drive.

(One negative observation is that some motorists appear to be exceeding the speed limits on our local roads and have been a danger to pedestrians and cyclists).

Finally, to the tune of a well known song -

We have walked five thousand steps

And we will walk five thousand more

Just to reach our daily target

Of ten thousand steps or more or more ...



Walking Day & Tea Party Day

Walking Day and Tea Party Day has had to be cancelled in the normal way this year. However, it is planned to celebrate it in other ways. It is such an important Day and brings a lot of people together. Historically it is both a Walk of Witness and a Celebration of our Community. It's spirit of joy and unity can't be lost during these difficult days.

On behalf of Rector Michael and the Tea Party Chair I have been asked to find ways we can celebrate.

One idea is to hold parties and picnics in your garden or other favourite place with family and allowed circle of friends. A little like VE 75 Day. This happens already on Walking Day when people host parties in their gardens along the route.

Another idea is to post on the two Mawdesley Facebook sites (Mawdesley Memories and Mawdesley - Help each other out.). Why not dig out ANY old or recent photos of family (weddings, baptisms, Waking Days, anything really). Tell us the stories that go with them. Let us create a sense of community by doing this.

After, or during the day, post your pics and tell us how you celebrated. We could even run a competition for the most imaginative ideas and stories.

Rev Michael and I intend to record a short service to start things off on the Saturday (live congregational services not allowed at the time of writing). And yes you'll get the chance to sing your old favourites, Onward Christian Soldiers and The Church's One Foundation!!

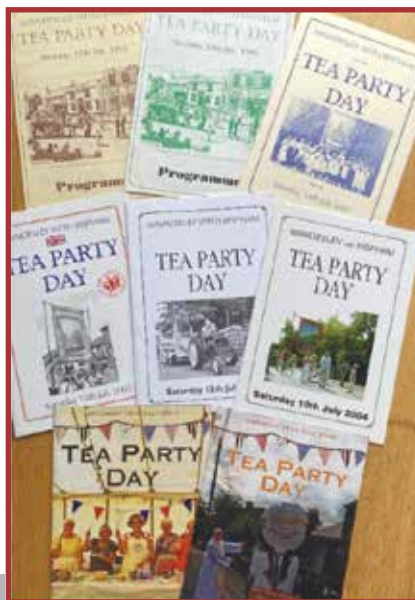
We could start postings and photos the week before and that would build up excitement for the Day. I've got some great old and recent ones, really clear, which I will start to post.

Please contact me with any ideas. You will find my contact details below or through those Facebook sites.

All love

David

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Cricket Club News - Summer 2020



Difficult Times

Well after six months of almost continuous rain, the Club managed to get the Cricket Field re-seeded in early April, only to be faced with the driest spring on record running in parallel with Coronavirus, all which transpired, at the time, to scupper any chances of playing any cricket this year. As we write in mid June, things are actually looking up, the rain has returned, the grass is leaping up and the Covid restrictions are being slowly relaxed with training currently allowed again in small groups, and perhaps some proper cricket will be played in July or August. Let's hope.

What's On / Outdoor Cinema

Unfortunately this year's Classic Car Show had to be cancelled due to the restriction on mass gatherings so the Car Show will have a year off but will be ready and raring to go again in 2021 when it will return to its normal date on the Bank Holiday Monday at the end of May. The Walking Day organisers have told us that the Village Walking Day Dance in the Marquee has also had to be cancelled which is a great shame and this is also enjoyed by many in the Village.

The Club are planning however, subject to the restrictions at the time, to hold a family outdoor cinema night on one Friday evening and the end of July / beginning of August. Plans are still being put together but it is hoped to show a feature film, probably "Kes" which has universal appeal, after a few cartoons for the children. Given the light nights, the film show will only start from about 9.30pm so folks will be invited to come along earlier from 8pm and enjoy a BBQ and a drink. Watch out for more information nearer the time on social media and notice boards.



Junior Summer Camps

Following on from the success of last year's Summer Camp, the Club is planning to run three camps during this year's summer holidays as there might be restrictions on numbers allowed to attend each camp. The camps will be three half days in duration and will start on the 20th July, the 27th July and the 17th August. This is a great way for young players to start playing the game if they are new to the sport no matter what age they might be. Of particular interest to younger children will be the soft ball camp aimed at children in Reception up to and including Year 4 which will be held on the 27th, 28th and 29th July. For more details on all the camps please contact Alex Berry alex.berry-94@hotmail.com

New Members, all ages, as always most welcome

As always, the Club is always looking for new players, male, female, young and not so young. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Martin on **01704 821023** for more information.



Hoping to see you soon!

I was going to start this piece with the usual stuff about “lockdown” and “pandemic” but then decided that we need to look beyond these difficult times to where we hope to be in the future.

We’ve all been affected by the events of the last few months but people keep saying “When will things return to normal?” “Who knows what the future holds?” – What we do know is that there is a future and we all want it to be something that we are all part of.

Though the village hall has been closed since March, we will re-open and we hope that as many people from Mawdesley and surrounding area will be part of our future.

From Monday, 29th June, we will be supporting Mawdesley St Peter’s School in their re-opening by providing space for classes for three weeks until the summer break, within the hall. Both we and the school have undertaken Risk Assessments to make sure the environment is as safe as possible. Pre-school plan to open from September.

The hall was pretty much in full use during the day and evenings, Monday to Friday, and we had a number of larger functions booked for the weekends. We will be open for business soon and will welcome the return of our regular users and we are currently looking at how we can open our facilities for local people.

We have tried to use the lockdown period to our best advantage – the upgrade of the toilets (asked for by many in our consultation exercise) had been planned for August – we have brought this forward and it should be completed by early July – the latest non-touch technology has been added to make the facilities fit-for –purpose for the future.

We are currently looking at how we can offer the local community what people need – the bar has recently been upgraded and we are considering further refurbishment, so that we can offer the people of Mawdesley a venue for getting together again.

If you have any ideas or suggestions about how we could offer something for you in the future, please talk to us at mvh.finances@gmail.com.

Hope to see you soon!

Finlay Robertson - Acting Chairman, Mawdesley Village Hall.





Red Admirals

At what would normally be one of the busiest times of year for Red Admiral Music Academy, with concerts, walking days and numerous summer bookings the last few months were not what we have become used to! Our last face to face rehearsals were in March and understandably all events we had planned have been cancelled.

That hasn't stopped us playing though! Early into lockdown we started to produce 'Red Admirals – Keep Playing'. A regular newsletter to our members with practice exercises, new music and various competitions to keep everyone engaged, interested and to help them continue to develop their playing skills from home.

Red Admiral Music Academy's strapline is *"Making Music Fun, Making Music Together"* and in recent weeks we have been able to do just that with live Friday night rehearsals and quizzes via Zoom.



Red Admiral Music Academy

Each year since our launch, we have held an annual summer concert to celebrate Red Admiral Music Academy's anniversary. Last year we filled Chorley Town Hall! Whilst we are unable to physically get together, we still intend to celebrate our 6th Anniversary and are currently working on producing a virtual concert which will feature pieces played at previous events and a new special recording! Please keep watching our Facebook page for details of this.

Over the last few weeks, we have been immensely proud to see so many of our players helping lift the community spirit in these challenging times. Red Admiral Members have been playing outside their houses across Lancashire during each of the Thursday evening Clap for Key Workers, some playing on their own, some as family units. One of our youngest players 7 year old Samuel Laithwaite spent a day playing cornet in his front garden to raise funds for Derian House. He raised nearly £300! We were also able to help Philip Whitehead from Gorsey Lane celebrate his 98th birthday by sending one of our family groups to play happy birthday in his garden.

Possibly the most poignant day for us all during lockdown was VE Day. It was great to see so many people celebrating in their gardens with tea parties. Again, Red Admiral Members rose to the occasion, some playing wartime songs and many leading the 2 minutes silence in their neighbourhoods by playing The Last Post.

Playing on your own is not an easy thing to do and we were incredibly proud of all of them.

We don't yet know when we will be able to return to full rehearsals, it definitely won't be before September. We are hoping some of our Christmas events may be able to take place but at this stage it is too early to say.

As with many voluntary organisations, COVID-19 has had a huge financial impact on us. To quote the film *Brassed Off*, the summer months "are a good chance to swell the coffers" with events such as Brass on the Grass, Proms in the Barn, our Anniversary Concert and the numerous summer bookings we get, being our main source of income for the year. Not having these has severely impacted our ability to invest in the development of Red Admiral Music Academy.

Many people in the village have enjoyed listening to the music we have shared online over the last few months and our small plea is that when we are able to put on our next concerts, please come along and support us. We can guarantee you a fantastic time and your support will mean that we can continue to invest in musical development for everyone's enjoyment

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Here at Clear Care we have been busier than usual during the last few months. For many of our customers we have taken on extra responsibilities for their health and overall wellbeing as families have been unable to visit or provide their usual support.

As an important part of our care is providing companionship and each person has their own small group of carers we have built up good trusting relationships with our clients and their families, so everyone has been happy for us to take on a wider role.

The most frequent question we have been asked is not 'will I get the virus' but 'when can I get my hair done'? Many of our customers usually have weekly visits from their hairdresser and this helps to lift their spirits. We have therefore taken on hairdressing duties with wash and sets becoming a speciality and there have even been a few haircuts.

Our customers have also missed going out, as usually we accompany people on shopping trips, pub lunches, garden visits and afternoon teas. Even though we have explained that many venues are closed, one couple took themselves off to the local hostelry for a pub lunch and could not understand why it was locked and no one was there!

A key focus of our care has been on making sure that people have a positive frame of mind and supporting their general feeling of wellbeing. We have been encouraging people to stay mobile and active. Where they are unable to walk far for fresh air and a change of scenery, we have been taking people out on socially distanced wheelchair walks. On the basis that a little of what you fancy does you good one client has a weekly home cooked chip butty night as she was missing her Friday night fish and chips from the local chippy. One client who is 99 years young has been busy crocheting blankets for premature babies and completing one of her prize-winning embroideries.

As people have been unable to attend hospital appointments these have been replaced by telephone consultations. Many clients are hard of hearing, so we have been there to support the calls. In advance of one such consultation I asked the client who is 96 'are you in pain, they will want to know'? His response was 'I can't remember!' I said, 'I think we can safely tell them you are not in any pain as I am certain you would remember if you were'.

As many people have recently come to realise, the care profession has long been undervalued by a lot of people. Over the past few months, we have been central to keeping a lot of people in our local community safe, healthy, happy and most important of all living in their own homes.



CHIROPODY & PODIATRY SERVICES



Fiona Stanforth MCPod., BSc (Hons) Pod.

WE ARE OPEN!

COVID-19 UPDATE

Department of Health Guidelines for Podiatry Appointments

We can now provide ALL routine podiatry treatments for everyone

To protect our patients and staff, normal service will resume for scheduled appointments only

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Require care or support in your own home?

- Personal Care (washing, bathing, dressing etc)
- Companionship, Overnight care
- Housekeeping, Medication & Meals
- Out & About – medical/social appointments
- Respite / End of Life Care
- ✓ Many customers in Mawdesley since 2011
- ✓ Insured & regulated – rated “GOOD” by the regulator
- ✓ 30 minute calls, or more
- ✓ Kind well presented carers
- ✓ Experience with Alzheimers, Parkinsons, Stroke, Cancer
- ✓ Supporter of Mawdesley Community events

CUSTOMER TESTIMONIAL

“We started using Independent Living in 2012 and found them to be reliable. At various times we have asked for temporary increases in care due to holiday cover and ill health. At short notice Amanda and the team have always helped us. If we didn't find them good we wouldn't have used them for over 4 years!”

Mr & Mrs X

Please call Amanda or Lillian on 01257 696 050 from more information



WE'RE RECRUITING

In September we will begin training for a new Under 6 intake (school year 1).

We provide a fun, inclusive & safe environment for all children, boys & girls, to enjoy playing footy.



As well as year 1, we also have teams for school years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7. There are spaces available in most squads for any interested children.



If you think your child might be interested, or you would like to know more, please contact Jordan Bailey on 07788 552724.

We are a charter standard club. All our coaches are DBS checked, trained in Emergency First Aid and hold current FA coaching licenses.



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