

On behalf of the Belthorn Village Committee



FORTHCOMING EVENTS



14th October 2011 at
The Pack Horse

As advised in the previous link, Belthorn Village Committee is having a Charity Race night on Friday 14th October 2011 at the Pack Horse.

All of the dinner tickets for this event have now been sold and for those with dinner tickets the evening commences at 6.30 pm. The first race will be under starter's orders at approximately 8.30pm. Anybody else who wishes to attend the Race Night please arrive by 8.00pm. There will be a nominal entrance fee of £1.00 for the race night.

The race night consists of 8 races with 8 horses per race and this will be shown on the big screen at the Pack Horse.

We are also selling ownership of the horses at a cost of £2.00 per horse, as well as the jockeys too at a cost of £2.00 per jockey. People who have purchased a horse or a jockey will be entitled to enter the race night free.

The betting is for the winner of each race. In addition there is also a tri-cast for the last race for the first 3 horses.

There has been a very positive response to the Race Night so far and we hope that you will support this event. All proceeds will go towards village funds for future events.

The Race Sponsors are:

- Race 1 – The Pack Horse Derby
The Pack Horse
- Race 2 – The Burlington Runners
Burlington Motors, Blackburn
- Race 3 – Avon Make-Up Challenge Stakes
Hazel Baxter
- Race 4 – The Butcher's Stakes
Frank Littler & Sons Butchers
- Race 5 – The Grey Mare Challenge
The Grey Mare
- Race 6 – The Dog Inn Chase
The Dog Inn
- Race 7 – The Belthorn Dexters
Chris & Jean Nuttall
- Race 8 – Keough Clan Runners
Keough Joiner & Building Services

Thank you to all of the sponsors and to Christine and Cathryn at the Pack Horse for hosting this fund-raising event. A full list and contact details for the sponsors will appear in the next link.

CHILDRENS' XMAS PARTY
Monday 5th December
2011 at
The Dog Inn

This event will be primarily for the children in the village up to the age of 11 years of age. The event will be a **ticket only**. In previous years tickets have been £7.50 per ticket per child. This year we have received a donation towards events primarily aimed at Children from UK Insulations (see below). The costs of the tickets for this year will therefore be £5.00 per ticket per child. For safety reasons there will be a strict allocation of **55 tickets only**.

Tickets will be available from the **Dog Inn only** from 10th October 2011 and will be issued on a 1st come 1st served basis. The cut off point for purchasing the tickets is the **FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER 2011** to allow Santa's little helpers adequate time to search for presents for those children attending. The event will take place at the Dog Inn from **6.00pm until 8.00pm**.

There will be entertainment for the children. The Committee has asked Father Christmas to attend to give out presents if he can spare the time out of his busy schedule. There will also be the usual fun and games. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Food will be available.

The village committee are grateful to Simon and David, the landlords of the Dog Inn, for their effort and co-operation in arranging this event.

OVER 60's XMAS PARTY
Sunday 11th December
2011 at
The Shed

This annual event will take place at The Shed on Sunday 11th December 2011 from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. It is open to all those over 60 and their partners. Entertainment, food and drinks will be provided. The Committee gratefully acknowledge the time and effort of Jim and June at The Shed for allowing this event to take place. For all those wishing to attend please contact chair@belthornvillage.co.uk before 4th December. If anybody wishes to donate prizes

for a raffle, please use the contact details above.

HALLOWEEN PARTY
Friday 28th October
2011 at
The Dog Inn

On Friday 28th October there will be a kids party from 6 - 8 pm. Come in fancy dress for a spooky disco and fun & games! Entry is £2.50 which includes food. For more details please contact Simon or David at the Dog Inn on 07851264271 or thedoginn@hotmail.com

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT
Wednesday 12th October
2011 at
The Dog Inn

Jim Fletcher will be hosting a Quiz Night in the Dog Inn on Wednesday 12th October 2011 from 7.30pm for 8.00pm start. £1.00 per person with a maximum of 4 people per team. All are welcome with all proceeds going to Jim's nominated charity.

VILLAGE NEWS
Village Committee Garage

This is being erected on 18th October 2011 between 7.00am and 12.00pm. Please could residents parking on James Street / Holden Street please ensure that their is suitable access onto the garage area for the delivery and erection of the garage. Thank you for your co-operation.

Village Traffic

As mentioned in the last link the traffic passing through Belthorn, particularly at rush hour in the morning has increasingly become a problem for the village. Not only does it make it increasingly difficult for villagers to get out of the village in the morning but it raises safety issues. The police and council are aware of the issues which have been raised at PACT (Police And Community Together) meetings and the village committee meetings.

One suggestion which is being considered is reducing the speed limit through Belthorn to 20 mph.

Please could villagers e-mail their response in favour or against the proposal to Peter Britcliffe at:
peter.britcliffe@hyndburnbc.gov.uk .

Another suggestion put forward at the village committee meeting was making Belthorn "access only". The committee are looking into

what steps may have to be taken for taking this matter forward such as obtaining villagers views on such a proposal and also how to best influence the powers that be.

Mobile Library

The mobile library now comes to Belthorn on a Thursday on a 2 week rota stopping at the following locations:

2.30pm – Top Fold
2.45pm – Rydal Mount
3.00pm – Dog Inn

Dates:

06th and 20th October 2011
03rd and 17th November 2011
01st and 15th December 2011.

It has a good selection of books including children's books.

Garden Waste (Hyndburn only)

For those residents who live in the Hyndburn part of the village can have up to 6 bags of garden waste collected every month if you call 01254 399988.

Community Grow Project?

A suggestion has been put forward at the village committee meeting for a community grow project (ie) to grow own vegetables etc. If anybody would be interested in this please contact Hazel via e-mail to hazelbaxter500@btinternet.com. If there is sufficient interest and some suitable land could be rented or if any landowner would be interested in a land sharing option (use of land for the purpose of growing veg they would receive say 10% of the yield), it could perhaps be organised like a club. It is being suggested that villagers participate in the care of plots who would then qualify for free vegetables and any surplus could be sold with a view to raising funds for the village. At this stage the suggestion is simply being put forward to see whether there would be any interest from villagers in taking this forward. If any landowners are interested in this please contact Hazel as detailed above.

NOTICES FROM BELTHORN SCHOOL

As from 1st October 2011 Belthorn Primary School has successfully obtained academy status under the Academies Act 2010 and is now called Belthorn Academy Primary School.

The Giving Machine:

Next time you shop on-line the school could profit from your purchase

If you shop online, the Giving Machine is a website (www.thegivingmachine.co.uk) which could assist in supporting the school. Purchases you make via this website trigger retail donations to school. It costs you nothing! If you sign up www.thegivingmachine.co.uk, which only takes a minute, the retailers will donate to a charity of your choice when you shop online at the numerous stores available.

Currently Belthorn School is a registered beneficiary. Hundreds of stores are available, including Amazon, eBay, Next, Boden, Interflora, take a look and see what stores are available. Just by buying from these stores (via thegivingmachine.co.uk) they will donate a percentage of the sale price to your chosen beneficiary. So, when doing your shopping or Christmas shopping online, do it at www.thegivingmachine.co.uk, and support Belthorn village school.

(A request from a villager) CAR SHARING

"I am looking for someone who travels from Belthorn to Blackburn at approximately 7.30a.m. Monday to Friday and from Blackburn to Belthorn at approximately 4.30 pm Monday to Friday for car sharing. I can offer domestic cleaning, dog walking or basic gardening in return! Please call Carla on 07871 335796"

THE POLICE SECTION

The next PACT (Police And Community Together) meeting will take place at 7.30pm in the Dog Inn on 7th November 2011 prior to the village committee meeting at 8.00pm It has now been confirmed that for the immediate future these meetings will continue to take place every other month. The PACT meeting precedes the Belthorn Village Committee meeting. If anybody has any issues they would wish to raise with the police concerning the village please feel free to attend. Alternatively the Community Policing Team can be contacted **01254 222135**. For other police matters the main police station number is **01254 51212**. It has also been confirmed that a new PCSO has joined the team which covers Belthorn. The police are also aware of the ongoing traffic problem and there will likely be an increased police presence around the school run to address issues of illegal / inconsiderate parking and speeding.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

(1) UK INSULATIONS LTD.

The village committee has recently received a £500.00 donation from UK Insulations of Syke Mill, Belthorn Road, towards village events and those particularly aimed at children. This is the single most money donated by any individual or company in recent years and one which is greatly appreciated and acknowledged on behalf of the Belthorn Village Committee.

(2) MARK BANYARD CARPENTRY & JOINERY

The Committee wishes to thank Mark Banyard for constructing and erecting two new village notice boards, one of which replaces the old notice board by the pond, and the 2nd which is now by the bus stop on Tower View.

(3) THE DOG INN

The village committee holds their meetings on the 1st Monday of every month, unless otherwise advised, in The Dog Inn, commencing at 8.00pm. The Committee is grateful to Simon, the new landlord of the Dog Inn, for continuing to allow the village committee to meet and hold its meetings and

also in relation to forthcoming events, including the Children's Christmas Party.

SPONSORSHIP

The Link is distributed throughout the village (over 220 households). If anybody or any business would like to advertise or sponsor an edition of the Link at £20.00 or £30.00 for the Link and the website. Please contact the Committee at chair@belthornvillage.co.uk. The monies go towards village funds / production costs.

DONATIONS GENERALLY

The Committee is reliant upon donations and fundraising in order to continue putting on events for the benefit of the village and its residents. All donations go into Committee Funds. All donations received are accounted for in the Committee meeting's minutes unless received at an event in which case they are accounted for generally by the treasurer when reporting to the committee on the amounts received from an event. Should anybody wish to donate to The Belthorn Village Committee, all contributions towards village funds are gratefully received. The Belthorn Village Committee is the generic name for The Belthorn Village Hall Fund which is a registered charity. The Committee is run by volunteers who are villagers (or connected to the village) and donate their time and effort for the benefit of the village and its residents. Any monetary donations received will go towards future village events and projects.

VILLAGE COMMITTEE MEETING

The next village committee meeting will take place at **8.00pm on Monday 07th November 2011** in The Dog Inn.

Contact details:

Belthorn Village Committee:
chair@belthornvillage.co.uk

Belthorn Website:
www.belthornvillage.co.uk
- go to contacts page

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