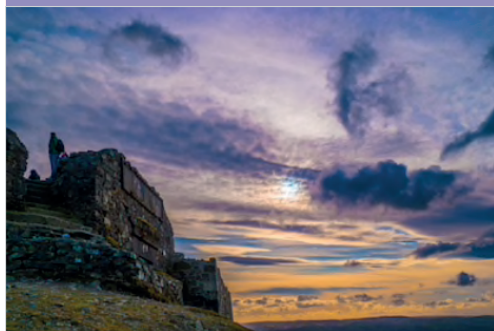


Happy February everyone! It's great to see the bulbs that some residents helped to plant appearing around Curzon Park – hopefully Spring is on its way.

Did you know February is the first of five months to have fewer than 31 days and the only one to have fewer than 30 days? And of course – this year is a leap year!

We know the newsletter is important to you, but producing it has always been one of our biggest expenses. In order to save money, a CPRA resident has kindly agreed to do the design and layout. We've also bought a printer to produce our own printed copies. We hope these changes will bring substantial savings going forward - thus ensuring that we can continue to bring you the newsletter. We hope you'll enjoy this edition and will support the upcoming events we have planned. Happy reading!

WALKING GROUPS



WEEKEND WALKS

KELSALL

Saturday 7 March
– led by Dave and Jenny

BURTON AND NESS

Saturday 4 April
– led by Mary

ERDDIG

Saturday 2 May
– led by John and Christine

LLANDUDNO

Saturday 6 June
– led by Jenny

MID-WEEK WALKS

MOEL FMAU

Thursday 13 February
– led by Jenny and Janet

WILLASTON

Tuesday 17 March
– led by Alison

LLANGOLLEN

Thursday 16 April
– led by Jenny

ALYN WATERS

Tuesday 19 May
– led by Alison

WHITEGATE

Thursday 18 June
– led by Mary



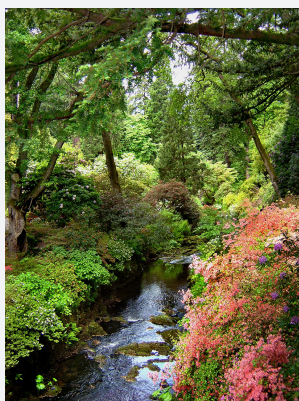
FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Coffee Morning

Monday 11 May Chester Golf Club

The next Coffee Morning will take place on Monday 11 May from 1000 - 1200 at Chester Golf Club.

The guest speaker will be Chris Clayton, who will give a talk about development proposals on the Roodee.



Garden Trip

Wednesday 20 May - Bodnant Gardens

A visit to Bodnant Gardens has been arranged for Wednesday 20 May, with lunch afterwards at The Groes Inn. If you've not done it before, it's a great opportunity to walk through the famous laburnum arch.

Transport is by coach from Curzon Park, so if you're interested, please book your seat with Jacky Arrowsmith on 01244 677266.

Spaces are limited, so don't delay!

Visit the U-Boat Story, Birkenhead Woodside

Take the train to Liverpool, then a ferry across the Mersey to Birkenhead Woodside.

The provisional date for this event is Thursday 25 June, so please contact John Bowyer on 07887 688871 if you're interested in this trip.



FIRST MONDAY

Meet club

First Monday Meet

If you'd like some company on a Monday morning to socialise with other CPRA members, or do some craft work like knitting or drawing etc. then Beryl Duggan has booked a room at Chester Golf Club for six months to have a meeting on the first Monday of every month from 10.45 - 1.45. Coffee and lunch can be ordered. The gathering can be called First Monday Meet club!

Please contact Beryl on 07570 989897 for further details.

Thank you

A big thank you from the Management Committee to Ben Jones of Ben Jones Veterinary Surgery in Saltney, for his continuing support of CPRA. Ben's surgery offers a wide range of services such as annual health checks, microchipping and dental treatments – so if you have a pet, please consider making use of his services.



Chester Croquet Club



Fancy trying croquet?

Croquet is essentially just six hoops, four balls, two mallets and a patch of grass. But it's also a game of skill and strategy, and one that offers friendship, fun and competition.

In addition, it doesn't need strength, so men and women play on an equal footing, and the handicap system allows people to successfully play at all levels.

Our members range from 21 to 88! Interested to find out more? Or have you played before, but it's been a while? Come along to our taster session to learn all about the sport and be introduced to one of the friendliest clubs in the North West – based in Westminster Park.

Taster day

Our taster day is on Saturday 18 April and runs from 10 am to 3.30 pm.

Refreshments and a light lunch are provided, as is all equipment.

Cost is £5, payable in advance. Places are limited, so please contact Sally Slater (membership secretary) on **01244 677645** or springboard_sally@hotmail.com if you're interested.

Also, take a look at the website:
www.chestercroquet.club

Coffee morning - in a garden...?

Would any members be willing to host a coffee morning in their garden during the summer?

No guest speaker, but perhaps your garden would be a good talking point? Don't worry about not having enough cups, other residents will no doubt be able to help out as required – and might even bring biscuits or cake! If you're interested – please contact Jacky Arrowsmith on 01244 677266.



Highways Information

Grass verge damage

A number of residents have contacted the CPRA Committee about excessive damage to verges recently. This includes using the verges for vehicle parking by contractors, and as storage areas while work is being carried out.

Unfortunately, as a residents' group, CPRA can do nothing about individual cases. We can only urge you to talk calmly to neighbours and contractors about the problems caused.

If you are having building work done, you could make it clear to your builder, workers, contractors and delivery drivers that parking on the grass verges is not acceptable, as well as being against the bylaws, and any accidental damage to verges must be repaired as soon as possible. On-going concerns can be raised directly to our local councillors.

Hedges causing pathway obstruction

It's been highlighted that a number of properties in the area are allowing garden hedges to encroach onto public footpaths, making it difficult for pedestrians and reducing room for wheelchairs, pushchairs, etc.

We'd like to remind households that they have a duty of care to ensure they maintain hedges so as not to impinge right of ways.

Should any member of the public wish to raise concerns regarding these issues, they can do so directly on the Chester Council website by going to www.cheshirewest-andchester.gov.uk and following the instructions below.

You can then follow the below instructions to submit your concern/complaint. The council will then contact the homeowner to ensure the situation is rectified.

Go to:

- Report a Highways Issue
- Report a Fault
- Fault Details
- Click "Report a New Fault"
- In 'Type of Issue' select "Footway"
- In 'Fault' select "Obstruction"
- Input street or postcode details and plot where on the map the obstruction is
- Input information and the fault description and upload a photo (if possible)
- Input your details then submit.

The council will log the request on their system and you'll be able to follow progress on-line.

Curzon Park yearly tidy-up

We're looking for volunteers to support the annual Curzon Park tidy up prior to spring starting. The aim is to litter pick and to cut back some of the foliage that may be looking a bit unsightly. We're meeting Sunday 8 March at 10am by The Dingle Bank steps. We're looking to get the councils support on providing rubbish and recycling bags, gloves, etc. Anyone with sheers and pruners to help cut back some of the council's overgrown hedges along paths would be appreciated.

GDPR Update

The CPRA has recently updated its Privacy Policy in line with GDPR requirements.

The Privacy Policy will be uploaded to the CPRA website within the next few weeks and addresses use and storage of residents' personal information.

Any queries should be raised with Mike Davies, CPRA Chairman and Data Controller at chairman@cpraonline.org

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