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Meet friends from the village and enjoy a great breakfast

Big Breakfast 2018 Saturday 3rd March 9am to 1pm

The time rolls round quickly and its that time again to come along to the Memorial Hall and enjoy the "Packington Breakfast". For £7.00 you get the choice of all your favourite ingredients. Children's version and filled baps available @ £3.50.



This event would not take place without the many willing volunteers. You can join the team by offering a one or two-hour slot. There are many jobs from cooking, serving tea and washing up, to mention a few. Let me know please, I will be delighted to hear from you.

> JOIN US Saturday 3rd March

Mike.coke@talktalk.net or 560430.

Supporting Charities

Over the past six years the Big Breakfast has raised £6500 for good causes. This year the proceeds will be split between: Leicestershire & Rutland Air Ambulance and Harry's Fund.



The Air Ambulance was again in the village in December following a road traffic accident, landing on the recreation ground. Who knows when or where it may be deployed next? maybe for you!.



The Culwick family from Hall Lane are trying to raise £17,000 to send Harry to America for stem-cell treatment which could improve his mobility. Look for "Helping Harry" ran by 'Just4children' on www.justgiving.com to find out more.



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parish council

The Parish Council has met twice since the last report and here are some of the topics discussed and resolved.

Following an update of the HS2 project, it was agreed to thank the residents action group for their hard work in their continued efforts to get the best outcomes for Packington residents. In particular to R Jones and A Page who have, for personal reasons, retired from the group.

In the police report in December it was noted that there were incidents of thefts from farm buildings situated in Babelake St, Ashby Rd and Spring lane. At the end of December and early January, a number of road traffic accidents within the confines of the village were reported. Several of these incidents required the emergency services including ambulance and fire appliances. The Air Ambulance landed on the recreation ground but was not used, in conjunction with a traffic collision near the Bull and Lion.

The annual budget was discussed in December and approved at the January meeting.

Residents will be pleased to note that an increase in the Parish Precept has been avoided.

Street lighting being turned off at midnight has been a worry for many in the village. Some think it makes it easier for the criminal, some need the light when they leave for work in the early hours and some arrive home in the pitch black after midnight. The Council have continued to lobby to have street lighting on during all the hours of darkness but have met a brick wall with County Council Policy which has meant no change. Many of you have heard about the security CCTV planned for the entrances to the village. This project is going ahead, and full approval was given to the scheme at the December meeting. The paper work involved in getting the scheme up and running is time consuming and the Parish is indebted to Wes Ewing who has born the brunt of the work involved. The Parish Financial regulations were updated in December and approved at the January meeting. NWLDC have finally adopted their Local Plan and a hard copy has been received. Residents can find a full copy on the NWLDC website. It is worth a read! Finally, the Parish Council approved that the Memorial Hall Meeting room had been a convenient and pleasant place to use as a Polling Station and that it should continue to do so. Chris Miles (Chairman) 414378



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Recreation Ground Charity

Here is a short update of progress in additional facilities for the Recreation Ground. We have already met with one provider of equipment and he is preparing a quote. We have another three who we are meeting in the next week and hopefully we will prepare a scheme for Trustee approval some time in Feb/March. The facilities that we are having quotes for are: An Arial Runway; A 360 Basket Swing; All Age Multi Gym.





Do you want to get on the Packington Soapbox and get something off your chest? Send us your views and get on the Packington Soapbox in the next issue

hall farm

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On Thursday 11th January Dan Sturgess of Lychgate Homes Ltd, and Mark Smalley of David Granger Architectural design Ltd met with 17 residents of Hall Lane and Homecroft Drive, whose properties are contiguous with, or facing, the Hall Farm site, to discuss plans for the redevelopment of the site.

Nev Bray, the Neighbourhood Watch representative of Homecroft Drive, opened the meeting by welcoming Dan and Mark and said that all present welcomed the prospect of the development of the Hall Farm site.

Dan then outlined Lychgate Homes's plans, and confirmed that the development would follow the existing planning permissions granted to the previous owners. They hoped to commence building work as soon as the results of a bat survey have been analysed. This would hopefully be in the second half of 2018. In the meantime, work was scheduled to start on the trees and vegetation in February.

They planned to complete the whole development within two years. **Residents expressed** concern about constant trespassing on the site, mainly by children and young adults at all times of the day and night. Suggestions were made on how to improve the security of the site and, after the meeting during an inspection of the Hall Lane frontage to the site, Dan and Mark agreed to take action to prevent access to the site from Hall Lane. The view of your correspondent, and I think all those present at the meeting, was one of optimism that at long last the main eyesore in our village would be transformed into a beautiful residential site. Adrian Mongredien.

HS2 Team Update

We requested a meeting with Department of Transport officials and HS2 Ltd. We were invited to meet with them on 28th November at HS2's Snow Hill Office, Birmingham. We provided a presentation setting out; the detrimental impact of the route on Packington and put forward a number of proposals that would mitigate the impact. The main elements we are proposing for consideration are: To reduce the height of the line to A42 level at Gilwiskaw Brook. This could result in a shorter bridge and embankment reducing the noise and avoiding an unsightly viaduct.

A cut and cover tunnel in the hillside above Vicarage Lane to reduce the blight that would be visible to many residents.

A deeper cutting on the Ashby Road stretch of the route to reduce the noise & visual impact.

We also covered concerns around construction putting forward proposals that would reduce the disruption in and around Packington. It was clear at the meeting we identified certain issues that affect Packington which HS2 Ltd had not been previously aware of. We were thanked for the thoroughness of our presentation and told that the content would be carefully considered. Currently we have no assurances that the design will be revised with our suggestions but have been invited to continue to engage with HS2 Ltd during the design development period. In the light of our positive engagement on this we anticipate; the County, **District and Parish Councils** will offer strong support to our proposals over the coming months in their meetings with HS2 Ltd. Sharon Bond SBond@richmondevents.com

well being

Heart Healthy Eating

An unhealthy or unbalanced diet is something most people experience at some point in their lives. The impact of diet on health is becoming more and more evident. Healthy eating is not about constant perfection in your food choices although we may try hard to do this. Something that is becoming common are high cholesterol levels in seemingly healthy individuals. Healthy eating to promote heart health is something we should try do particularly in relation to restoring health and reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease (high blood pressure, heart attacks, and stroke).

Plenty of Fibre

Aim for at least 30g of fibre a day but also make sure to drink plenty of fluid (1.5-2 litres a day) to offset constipation. Fibre helps to control cholesterol and is higher in whole-grains which help to manage blood sugar levels and to keep your digestive system healthy. Fibre is also present in fruit and vegetables.

Carbohydrate choice matters

Eating for your heart means minimising consumption of high energy refined sugars such as biscuits, cakes, pastries and added sugars. Instead opting for healthy complex carbohydrates such as whole grain / wholemeal breads, whole grain pasta, brown /whole grain rice, and plenty of vegetables is beneficial for your heart health and overall health. Fruits and vegetables should be the main aspect of your diet.

Eat plenty of fish

Omega 3 fatty acids have been shown to promote heart health due to helping to reduce blood cholesterol to healthier levels. It's recommended that we aim to have at least 2 portions of fish a week, 1 of which should be oily.

Nutritionist: Amanda Nyeke, BSc (Hons), MSc, Dip. AIT



Spa Day Out

Sam Culwick has not yet organised her "me time" Spa Day courtesy of Champneys. She hopes to arrange a date shortly and promises to let us know how it goes.

Measham Medical Unit

Volunteers Required who are able to share expertise with the community. The Medical Unit is currently working closely with Measham Library and Leisure Centre to provide a range of groups which will benefit the local area. Activities include walking groups, walking football, a Stroke and Disability Group and an Arts Group. A new group starting in February: Singing for Dementia. This is for patients who have dementia and for their carers.

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Could you help us to help others? These groups provide great, affordable opportunities for us to care for ourselves, and to improve our health. We may even find the GPs starting to prescribe the activities too! Do get in touch if you can help: <u>mmu.ppg@gmail.com</u>

Friends of Castle Medical Group, Ashby

After our success in funding a blood pressure machine, we are now embarking on providing a **Blood Centrifuge Machine** for the practice.

At present all blood tests have to be done before 11.00am. The new machine will mean that blood tests can be kept overnight and sent the next day for testing. This will greatly increase the number of blood tests that can be done daily and so much improve the speed at which tests, and their results can be dealt with, of major benefit to all patients! If you want to help, please send/drop in a donation to the Castle Medical Group Surgery on Burton Road, addressed to:

Tony Green, The Chairman, Friends of Castle Medical Group - FoCMG is the charity responsible for all fundraising to help support patients at the Practice.

For information about the Charity and the Patient Support group as a whole, please go to our website www.castlemedicalgroupppg.co.uk



school news

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As always, we had a very busy run up to Christmas, with lots of fun and exciting things going on:

FANTASTIC RESULTS!

We were delighted to see that our SAT's results ranked us as 6th best primary school in the County and in the top 200 schools in the whole of England! Our results consistently place us as one of the best schools in the area and we are extremely proud of all of our pupils.

Panto & Nativity Performances

Our Key Stage 2 pupils performed this year's Panto of 'What a Knight' and everyone was impressed with the high quality acting, marvellous singing and comic timing. The hard work of the pupils really paid off and staff were delighted to see them performing so confidently.

Our Reception and Key Stage 1 pupils performed this year's Nativity 'The Very Hopeless Camel' beautifully to parents and grandparents. Everyone was amazed with the fantastic singing and the confidence of the speaking and acting.



Christingle

Church members and Mrs Avery helped the children make Christingles for the Church Service on 3rd December. The school took a very active role in the service with a large ensemble of pupils singing 'This Little Light of Mine'. Our pupils were also involved with giving the reading and leading the prayers. It was lovely to see so many families attending the service.



Upcoming events

During the month of February we will once again be collecting for the Ashby Food Bank. Any donations can be brought into the school office from Thursday 1st February. A list of items they need most can be found by visiting www.ashbyfoodbank.org.uk/s hopping

Brownies

1st Packington Brownies currently have spaces for 7 – 10 year-old girls. We meet at Packington memorial hall on Tuesdays between 5.45 – 7.00pm This term we are concentrating on travel, world cultures and the environment. **Further details from Janice Sumnall tel: 411984**

Guides

Since the last Packington Post was printed Packington Guides have enjoyed the Parliament week activities and completed the "Chocolate Go For It" as well as planned both unit and individual badges for the Spring Term.



In the Spring Term we plan to do the Trefoil badge and "Globalistic Go for it". We will also be attending Thinking Day and going on an Apple Store Field Trip to learn about video editing. We are all looking forward to helping at the Packington Big Breakfast and hope to see you there.

The Guide Unit meets Thursdays in term time at Packington Memorial Hall from 18:30-20:00 (unless we are out and about!) There are currently spaces for girls aged 10-14 and anyone with an interest in Girlguiding would be welcome to join as a Unit Helper or Leader. Whether you are an adult or a child feel free to come along to one of our meetings.

If you would like to know more please contact: Allison Buswell – Unit Leader Tel: 01530 224240 or E-mail: packingtonguides@gmail.com

soap box - letters

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Dog Fouling

Who in their right mind would let a dog leave its poo on the pavement!!

Well someone is not in their right mind in Packington. In fact, it may be more than one person!!

In December I noted that a very large dollop of dog poo was left on the middle of the pavement just over the bridge towards the Bull and Lion on Bridge St.

Another was encountered by a small boy on his way to school in Mill St Just opposite the Thatched Cottage. Mum had to scrape him down initially, then disinfect him when he got to school and then the School had to re trace his steps to see if any residue had been left as he walked into the playground. Then I believe the whole school has to be checked.!!!!!!

I believe there has been new rules when walking dogs. You must have a receptacle to pick up your dogs poo and don't rely on just one bag. I know from experience that a dog can have two or three calls of that nature when walking out. So please be prepared and watch your dog all the time. There is no excuse for leaving poo about!!

Concerned Resident



Dear Valued Customers,

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank you for continuing to support Daybreak Services throughout 2017. In a digital age where convenience is king, we continue to face many challenges and have made changes to our business to reflect these. 2017 has been a great year for Daybreak Services.

We continue to supply many of the local pubs and restaurants, and the retail business has continued to expand. Our partnership with many other local growers, butchers and producers means we always have the freshest produce and as always "if we don't have it, we'll get it".

This year also saw the introduction of our new contactless payment systems making it easier than ever to pay for your goods (you can now use ApplePay to Pay for your Apples!). So what does 2018 have in store?

I plan to continue making small changes to improve the lines that we offer through the shop and am always on the look out for new products that we can stock. I'm very excited that in early 2018 there will be a coffee shop opening next door, which I hope will provide a relaxed environment for villagers to meet and chat. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Best Regards **Sete and Seam**

Traffic Issues

Dear Sir,

I have lived in Packington since 1982 and have seen many changes within the village. My biggest concern is with the speed of vehicles that enter and leave the village on all routes. I have contacted the Parish Council and have been informed that Leicestershire County Council are not very interested in providing extra speed restriction measures until a major incident occurs. A serious accident did take place on the 7th December 2017 at the High Street/Heather Lane/Bridge Street junction but thankfully all occupants of the vehicles did not suffer any lifethreatening injuries. Is it possible that the Post and the Parish Council could also raise this issue before a very serious accident does happen? Name and address supplied

Grit Boxes

Dear Editor

How many more winters will the residents of this village have to cope without any gritting on the slopes of Hall Lane, Homecroft Drive, Mill Street, or Nethercroft Drive. Other villages have a communal grit box from which supplies can be obtained. In our village whenever a suggestion is made to deal with the ice on these roads there always appear to be insuperable reasons for not addressing the problem. The pavements aren't wide enough, or the County Council or District Council are blamed for lack of action and the problem is shelved until the next time we have snow or ice. Is there really nowhere that grit can be stored for immediate use when needed or do we have to have a fatal accident before action can be considered? Yours sincerely **Adrian Mongredien**

holy rood church

Services at Holy Rood

Sun January 7th 11 am Morning Prayer 6 pm Evening Prayer

Sun January 14th 11 am Holy Communion

Sun January 21st 11 am All-age service

Sun January 28th 11 am Holy Communion

Sun February 4th 11 am Morning Prayer 6 pm Evening Prayer

Sun February 11th 11 am Holy Communion

Weds February 14th 7.30pm. Ash Wednesday A service of Holy Communion at St John's Church, Donisthorpe to mark the beginning of Lent

Sun February 18th 11 am All-age service

Sun February 25th 11 am Holy Communion

Sun March 4th 11 am Morning Prayer 6 pm Evening Prayer

Sun March 11th Mothering Sunday 11 am All-age service for the whole family

There is also a service of Holy Communion on the first Wednesday of the month at 10 am.

Sunday Club for the children meets on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 11 am in the back of church

Advertise Your Products & Services editor@packington.info Mary and Joseph on tour A big thank you to all who hosted Mary and Joseph on their travels – they seem to have had great fun as well as being on a serious journey.



If you want to read of their adventures, their diary is at the back of church or visit the website:

www.packingtonandnormant onchurches.org.uk

Carol singing at the Bull and Lion



This was another successful evening. Mulled wine was enjoyed by all and a grand sum of £474.91 was given for the work of the Salvation Army.

Charity Coffee Morning

A belated thank you to everyone who supported this event in October. £535 was raised for the British Heart Foundation

Ready Steady Stick

Packington Church

Thursday 15th Feb

2.00 to 4.00

Crafts Junk Modelling Games and Stories



For children under 11 years (under 5s need to have an adult to stay with them) £1.00 per child More information contact: Ceriann Kelly (Children's worker) 079463 76500 woodfieldchildrenswork@ gmail.com

Coffee & Chat

On the Third Wednesday of every Month



9.30 to 12.30 In Packington Church All ages very welcome

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interview by marie caren

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Pete Swift Daybreak Services



What's your connection to Packington?

I was born and raised here, and I have my business, "Daybreak" in Packington.

Tell us about your home life?

Home life is limited as I spend so much time at the shop, my wife and I enjoy going for a walk and a coffee on a Sunday, Calke Abbey is a favourite.

What is your profession?

I am a shop keeper and everything that goes with running a large Village store.

What role do you play in the community?

Although there are younger people moving into the

village, a lot of the older residents rely on Daybreak for papers, food and sometimes a chat. I also cut the grass in the churchyard with Terry.

Can you tell us one thing fellow villagers may not know about you?

I used to manage around 200 people when I worked at a meat packers many years ago.

What's your favourite Packington event?

The Packington Horticultural show is my favourite as I help with the set up and it's great to see locally grown products.

Why would you suggest more people get involved in the village?

For the village to survive and grow we need local people to get involved and support all activities and all the local businesses.

How has the village changed since you've lived here and how would you like to see it change in the future?

You can't play football on the road as I did as a lad, for the future I'd like to see that old and new villagers continue to support all local activities, to ensure Packington stays a fantastically lively, popular village.

What is the best thing about living in Packington?

A holidaying customer, who was staying at Hill farm said he had never seen as many stars in the sky in his life as he did looking up from Packington! life. That's Packington.



Do you enjoy reading the village interviews? Can you suggest who Marie should interview in the future. **Contact Marie Caren** 07876765677



book & film club

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Book Club

Packington Book Group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7.30 in the Meeting Room at the Memorial Hall. If you enjoy reading and would like to join us you would be very welcome. Over the next few months we will be reading:-January 24th Our favourite poems February 28th The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend by K Bivald March 28th The Soldiers Return by Melvyn Bragg April 25th The Hills is Lonely by Lilian Beckwith May 23rd Moriarty by Anthony Horowitz June 27th Any novel written by Donna Leon

If you would like any further information please get in touch with Kate Mongredien <u>kate.mongredien@tesco.net</u> or on 01530 564613

Rainbows

1st Packington Rainbows will be celebrating 25yrs at the beginning of March. Is there anyone out there who started at Packington Rainbows in March 1993, if so we'd love to invite you to our little party celebrations. Please email Judith Dennis at

judithdennis70@gmail.com for further information.

Film Club Film showing Friday 9th February

After attracting both media and police attention for accidentally knocking <u>Kate</u> <u>Moss</u> into the River Thames, Edina and Patsy hide out in the south of France.



Film Club



Film showing Friday 9th March

Queen Victoria strikes up an unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk named Abdul Karim.

CONTEXT 01530 411337



groups and clubs

Table Tennis

The Packington Table Tennis club continues to progress and has just started its 3rd calendar year! We started back after Christmas on Wednesday 3rd Jan with the plan to run <u>through every</u> <u>Wednesday until 11th July</u> at the Memorial Hall.

The autumn session will then start on September 5th until Christmas.

Numbers vary between 10 and 24 which means the 4 tables are always in use for either singles or doubles. There is always a warm welcome for all levels of player from beginner to advanced. The cost remains frozen for a 3rd year at £2.50 per adult and £1.50 per junior

A recent article from Renowned physician, psychiatrist and brain imaging expert, Dr Daniel Amen, says that 'Table Tennis is The <u>World's Best</u> <u>Brain Sport</u>!

The following was what Dr Amen had to say about table tennis:

'You still may think that calling table tennis a sport is silly, but I think it is the best brain sport ever. It is highly aerobic, uses both the upper and lower body, is great for eye hand coordination and reflexes, and causes you to use many different areas of the brain at once as you are tracking the ball, planning shots and strategies, and figuring out spins. It is like aerobic chess. Table tennis, or Ping Pong, is the second most popular organized sport

in the world. What is even more impressive is that it is the youngest of the world's major sports. At the competitive level, players hit the ball in excess of 90 miles per hour across the table!' For more information call **Graham Saunt on** 07764471917

Silver Swans

A lady, called Hannah La Trobe, is setting up a Silver Swans Ballet class in the Memorial Hall.

Aimed at the over 55's with the intention of running term time on a Tuesday 4-5pm. Hannah will provide a FREE taster session on Tuesday, 23 January 4-5 pm for people to come along and see if they like it.



If you are interested and want more information, then please contact **Hannah** 07985 202283 or email to <u>onyourtoesdanceschool@</u> <u>gmail.com</u>

Check out the web site for more information. <u>www.rad.org.uk/learn-to-</u> <u>dance/silver-swans-1/why-</u> <u>silver-swans</u>

Advance Notice

The date for this year's **Party In The Park** has been set for **Saturday 7th July**. So put it in your diary for what we hope will be another fun day for the village.



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Also there are a few, of the lovely Packington calendars left, all profits going to Party In The Park. For further information contact Terry 415764

Welcome Pack

Remember to tell Becky Taylor if you see new residents moving into the village.



This pack is well received and contains the latest "contact card" as well as information about the village, and details of some of the regular events that take place. Becky Taylor 411027

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Cricket Club

January is a time of planning for the cricket club as we don't start winter nets until February 5th We are looking to recruit new regular and occasional players from the community. We run one men's team playing in the Derbyshire County League, Div. 7. This is competitive cricket. but we like to have fun with it. Games are played on Saturday afternoon throughout the summer. Home games on the Ashby School playing field, Range Road.

Interested in joining?? Come along to our winter nets.

Winter Nets Practice

When – weekly from Monday 5th February What Time - 8pm to 9pm Where – Ashby School, Leicester Road building Or contact Gary Downing – garydowning@ymail.com or 07429 152147

History Group

The Village History Group will hold its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 30th January at 7.30 p.m. in the Memorial Hall (side room). All are welcome to join us we will aim to set prioirities for what the Group will do in 2018, so please bring your ideas along. Contact Yvonne Eaton 412269

Men's Group

On Thursday 14th December eighteen members of the group enjoyed an excellent meal at the Bull and Lion. The evening was rounded off well with a seasonal quiz. In January the group were treated to a musical evening led by Nick Gravestock. This proved to be very informative and most enjoyable. Nick played renaissance music on lutes of different shapes which produce different sounds and tone.



We were told that lutes were plaved at Court. on stage and in churches. Information was provided on the main composers of day and how technical difficulties such as producing a deep note were overcome. This was an excellent evening. Our next event on Tuesday February 13th will be the Annual lunch to be held at the Bull and Lion 12.30pm for 1pm All men welcome, bring a neighbour and your ideas for the 2018 programme of events.

More information from David Fill 560228

Lunch Club

Twenty members met for a delicious Christmas lunch cooked by our lovely chefs, Rachael, Mel and Hattie. There was a choice of turkey or beef meal, including all the trimmings, with homemade bread sauce and very special stuffing. The meal was was followed by Christmas Pudding or trifle.

As Play Group had finished, we were able to meet in the hall to eat our Christmas meal. After the first course, the Melody Makers arrived from school to entertain us. They went on the stage and sang three carols and did very well. After this the children helped to serve out puddings and make sure everyone had had what they ordered. Next, they helped to hand out raffle prizes and eventually handed out the lovely red hampers containing lots of Christmas goodies. Several of our members thanked the school children, and teachers for making this an excellent start to our Christmas.

We would like to thank Peter Swift for his continuing help, support and encouragement, and of course our grateful thanks go to Rachael, Mel and Hattie for providing lovely meals throughout the year; to Chris Miles and Cath Miller, who help prepare food, and wash up afterwards and to Janet Baldwin, Valerie Smith and Pauline Miles, who set the tables and do the admin.



This is a very happy club and if you would like to join please contact **Rachael 413795 or Pauline 414378**

youth club

Youth Club

Happy New Year to the residents of Packington from All of us at Youth Club. We start our 2018 activities on 15th January at 6pm with what we hope will be the first of many fun packed evenings. The end of 2017 was busy for us all with our Halloween party turning some of us into Mummies.



And others had the chance to show off their Apple Bobbing skills.We hoped to have a visit from the Fire Service in December, but due to them getting called out we had to change our plans, and instead were led by the Culwick family in learning some of the sign language relating to emergency services. We are now invited to visit the fire station in Coalville which should be a great experience for us all.

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Now we are into our 5th year of Running Youth Club and due to increasing numbers we have been joined in our leadership team by Sallie-Anne Stretton which means that we can now cater for a maximum of 30 young people. We currently have 26 regular attendees including our four teenage Young Leaders who help us organise and run the sessions We suggest that if you have a young person in your family who is in Year 5 (or older) who is interested in joining us please e-mail to confirm space!

Our usual meeting time is on a Monday during term time at 6pm to 7pm starting in the Memorial Hall Meeting room. It only costs £1.00 per session and we have 20 an action packed evenings of events planned through to the Summer Break, including our Family Fundraiser Big 'Pub' Quiz just after Easter.For more information about Packington Village Youth club contact carla@harris-marsh.com sarah.marvin@btinternet.com

First Wednesday Coffee Meeting Room Memorial Hall 10 am to 12 noon



Next Dates Feb 7th & Mar 7th

Ladies Group

The year started with an informal drop in coffee morning plus a 'bring and buy' stall at 13, Babelake Street. A total of £62 was raised on the stall, which is to be given to one of our charities later in the year. The next meeting will be on 7th February at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall meeting room. This will be an illustrated talk entitled 'Offering hope to addicts in Santa Cruz, Bolivia' by Rachel Burton, daughter of a former vicar of Packington. There will also be a chance to meet Alison Burton – can't believe it's 22 years since the family left the village!

Doreen Gasson 412012

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