



# NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2010

## AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL

### A Summary of Parish Council Business – April 2010

#### WELCOME TO DAVID ROWE, NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR



David Rowe of 4 Weaver View was recently appointed to the vacancy on Audlem Parish Council. David was prompted to apply because he and his wife Lynn found such a warm welcome when

they moved to the village 10 years ago and feels he would like to give something back to the local community. David says “I am still feeling my feet and have a mass of night time reading getting up to date on Parish Council Procedures”. This was a difficult decision for councillors due to the high calibre of all six applicants. If, when the vacancy was first declared and advertised, ten electors from Audlem had written to Cheshire East’s Electoral Officer, an election would have taken place. However, as no such request was made, the Parish Council was instructed to fill the vacancy. The local elections to be held in May 2011 will involve all twelve seats on the Parish Council. Anyone aged 18 or over who has lived in Audlem, or within 3 miles, for 12 months is eligible to seek nomination and stand for election. (You would only be barred if you were subject to a bankruptcy restriction or interim order or if you had been convicted of an offence and had a sentence of imprisonment for a period of over 3 months without the option of a fine .....

#### UPDATE ON PROPOSALS FOR ALLOTMENTS

The following is an excerpt from the (unconfirmed) minutes the Parish Council meeting held on 12th April:

“Councillors discussed uncertainties connected with current proposals, and it was Resolved (unanimously): that the Parish Council’s review of land around the village be re-opened, the purpose being to identify and possibly purchase a site which could become a permanent public asset capable of providing, in conjunction with allotments, a variety of amenities (e.g. parkland/car parking/show ground).

The planned consultation regarding use of land at Paddock Lane was then discussed and it was Resolved (unanimously): that the planned public consultation be deferred until other options have been explored.

These decisions were to be publicised widely and interested parties informed.

Cllr Mrs Seddon’s resignation from the working group was noted with regret and Councillors thanked her for all her efforts over past months. Cllr Hill, Cllr Furber and Cllr Consterdine agreed to become members of the working group,

joining Cllr Bradbury-Smith, Mrs Christine Johnson and Mrs Ruth Kemble.

#### ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING ON 10TH MARCH

This second Cheese & Wine Event proved to be extremely popular, with numerous residents (too many to count) coming along to the Public Hall to look at displays and chat to members of the various organisations represented - British Waterways, Cheshire Carers, Cheshire East Tourism, Cheshire Constabulary, Trading Standards, ADAPT, Audlem Medical Centre’s Patient Representation Group, Parish Plan Group, Probus, Audlem History Society and the village’s Scouts, Guides and Brownies. Thanks to the Scouts, refreshments were extended to include hot soup – very tasty indeed!

#### Parish Councillors’ Contact Details

Kate Down - Chair 811160

Mike Hill - Vice Chair 811843

Frances Christie 811340

Bill Consterdine 811647

Richard Furber 811598

Peter Morgan 811575

David Rowe 812294

Pam Seddon 811282

Andrew Smith 811969

Irene Stockton 811828

Geoff Stretch 811011

Phillip Bradbury-Smith 811021

Your Parish Clerk is Jean White 01948 871383 or  
email [parishcouncil@audlem.org](mailto:parishcouncil@audlem.org)

*Parish Council meetings will be held in St James School on Mondays*

*10 May, 7 June and 5 July, starting at 7.30 pm.*

*At the beginning of each meeting there is an opportunity for residents to bring matters of particular concern to the attention of the Parish Council.*

*Everyone is welcome to stay and listen for the rest of the meeting.*

#### SCHOOL FAIR



St James’ school is planning the School Fair which will take place on Friday 25th June 2010 starting at 2.30p.m. till 5.00p.m. They hope it will be a village affair and are inviting the local shops to have stalls advertising their products in addition to other craft stalls, and lots of fun and games. Each class will put on a show in a sort of ‘Audlem’s Got Talent’ without the stress and all the fun. For more information or to book a stall contact Cecelia Bebbington Chairperson F.A.S.A (Friends of Audlem School Association) on 812300

## ADAS(Audlem District Amenities Society)

### AUDLEM IN BLOOM.

New trees that we planted are doing well as are the daffodils and narcissi that we planted up from lock 12. The bluebells by the bridge, a gift to the village in memory of a loved one, are spreading and their flower spikes will be glorious this Spring. Tulips are now in bloom and the summer plants are growing on well in the plant nursery. Work continues to improve the appearance of the village and surroundings. The Church bed will be refurbished following the severe frosts we suffered. In addition we plan to place more permanent shrubs etc in the car park bed. We have re-sited the millennium plaque onto the church wall as the wooden support by the mill wheel had rotted.

The collection through our ADAS envelopes is well under way and the response from residents is very rewarding. Without this financial support we could not do all that we do. Please do remember to leave them at Williams Newsagents or at The Post Office.

This year the children of **St James School** will be growing sweet corn plants as their challenge for the summer. We feel it is very important that we involve the children as much as possible.

A **Table Top Sale** will be held on the 18th September in the Public Hall.

Any queries on ADAS please contact **Ralph Warburton on 812125** or any other committee member.



### AUDLEM MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL.

**May 27th to May 31st:** This is the biggest festival we have ever organised! The web site **Audlemfestival.com** gives the full details of what will be happening.- with music to suit all tastes from choral concert, classics, folk, rock, blues, and gentle acoustic guitar playing . Over 56 different performers and groups playing in the open air stages at the Lord Combermere and at the Bridge Inn, Canal Wharf, Butter Market, Coffee Lounge, St James' Church and the Scout & Guide Hall. There will also be an exhibition of Stitch Work in the Methodist Hall. More events in the Canal Shop with a **Hula Hoop** competition. **ALL FREE.**

A fabulous performance of **The Village** – a Comedy with Music by Colin Cliffe by the 5A's players in the Public Hall on Saturday Night (23rd) Tickets £5. Any queries please contact **Ralph Warburton on 812125.**

### AUDLEM CARNIVAL MONDAY May 31st

The annual Carnival will we hope be as popular as ever and we have booked bands and stalls plus the Great Fun Fair. Sadly there will be no parade again due to circumstances beyond our control but we will present a very good family day for all .The Carnival Queen will be crowned at 13.00 and the Fancy Dress competition judged afterwards.

Contact **Gwen Moss** on 811467 for more detail.

## AUDLEM & DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

**Thurs 20th May:** Alan Clarke (registrar Crewe) Marriages and Other Things

**June 16th Wed. pm:** Drive yourself visit must be paid for in advance £8.50. 1.00pm tour of Knutsford followed by refreshments and talk on their millennium tapestry.

**July 14th Wed:** all day coach trip to Bakewell and Haddon Hall stopping briefly at Bakewell for lunch. Leave 9.30am return about 6pm. Coach only, £9.50, plus entrance to Hall and gardens £16, plus guided tour £20

### **August No meeting**

All talks start at 8pm prompt, Please try to arrive by 7.45pm Membership £10 p.a. Visitors £2 per meeting Tea and biscuit 25p Contact Celia Bloor: 811260

### OVERWATER MARINA

Overwater Marina is now open and is a new facility catering for over 200 narrowboats less than a mile north of the village. Among other facilities, the marina incorporates a new branch of the Coffee Lounge offering similar fare to the existing shop in Audlem.

### THE CRESSY CRUISE - 3rd & 4th July



In 1939 Tom Rolt, a founder member of the Inland Waterways Association (IWA) travelled through the waterways of Britain in his boat Cressy and recorded his experiences in a book "Narrowboat" published after the war. That book inspired Robert Aickman and others to form the IWA and jointly to fight to save the canals which were rapidly becoming derelict. Without their campaigning the canals would have been lost forever. They were successful and we largely have them to thank for the benefits which the canals bring so widely for everyone and to Audlem in particular, today.

This year is the centenary of Tom Rolt's birth. To mark the occasion, the IWA are supporting a cruise by Ron and Mary Heritage in their narrowboat Heron over a similar route to that taken by Rolt all those years ago. He stopped at Audlem and mentions the town as "a group of old houses, inns and shops clustering about a church perched on a mound". A description which many of our canal visitors might still agree with. He bought "Chorley Cakes and homemade treacle toffee" and continued on his way.

The local Branch of the IWA, the Shrewsbury District & North Wales Branch, will welcome Heron when it arrives here on the 3rd and 4th July 2010. There will be a short ceremony as they leave at around 2.00 pm on Sunday the 4th to hand them a medallion and maybe some "Chorley cakes and homemade treacle toffee" and to wish them well on their travels. We hope that civic leaders, a friend of Tom Rolt and people from



Audlem will join us at the ceremony at 2.00pm on Sunday 4th July – Janet & Denis Farmer, Social Secretary and Treasurer IWA. Shrewsbury D & N Branch.

### **AGE CONCERN THREAT TO DAY CARE**

Does the community realise that Day Care centers for the elderly in Cheshire, including Thornton House in Audlem, may close? Under new proposals from Age Concern, who are contracted to administer Day Care by the council, the present system will be replaced by unspecified alternatives. At a meeting on 6th April, the ladies and gents who attend Thornton House vocally raised objections making clear their wish to stay as they are. The alternatives seemed to concentrate on the individual, whereas everyone at Day Care emphasised that what they wanted was a familiar meeting place, to get out of their own homes and meet and talk with their friends; everything else was secondary.

The financial question was never explained. Everyone attending Day Care makes a contribution of £7.50, there are usually between 15 to 18 attending. The cost of hiring Thornton House is £30 for the session and £20 is spent on refreshments. Transport is provided by Dial-a-Ride and volunteers, who also provide the workforce. The excess monies collected presumably goes towards the expense of the two Age Concern employees who organise the Day Care but who also work in other Day Care centres during the rest of the week.

My concern is simple. That this Day Care facility will be lost, together with every other Day Care centre in Cheshire East, against the wishes of those Elderly people it serves and the communities that support it.

*Ian Walley*

### **A525 DEPRIMED**

The A525 through Audlem from Newcastle to Whitchurch has been removed from the Primary Route Network.

The announcement says: “Satellite navigation systems will no longer drive traffic into a rural area of Cheshire East. The A525 links the towns of Newcastle-Under-Lyme and Whitchurch and is currently listed as a Primary Route. This has now been re-classified. At the current time, all manner of traffic, including heavy goods vehicles, are often guided on to the road, which passes through small, rural communities by a satellite navigation system or atlas. As a result, in future, the road will not be shown as a preferred route in road atlas’ and satellite navigation systems.”

Many thanks to past and present campaigners, and in particular Parish Councillor Mike Hill, who has worked so hard to achieve this victory.

### **SOUTH CHESHIRE EMBROIDERERS**

The South Cheshire Embroiderers have had a wonderful start to their 2010 programme. In January, for the traditional Members Meeting, there was a “round-robin” of demonstrations with everyone encouraged to “Have A Go” including knitted and crochet bags from plastic bags, woven

heart containers, paper and wire handmade beads, crochet/felt fabric corsages, bead weaving using Brick Stitch and how to print images from a computer onto fabrics. February had us travelling to the other side of the world with Helen Smith’s talk on “Introduction to Japanese Kimono and Fabrics”, which took us through the various traditions of construction and wearing of the Kimono, as well as some retail therapy with some beautiful items available to buy. For the March meeting, we were entertained by Stacey Harvey-Brown, an enthusiastic weaver who enjoys breaking the rules to create her wonderful textural images, which ranged from seal pups to sand dunes.

The branch is looking forward to being included in the forthcoming Audlem Music & Arts Festival, when they will be holding an exhibition of work and demonstrations in the Methodist Church Hall for the three days of the festival.

### **AUDLEM W.I.**

The Women's Institute has been buzzing along to start the New Year. Since the New Year we have had our annual dinner at the golf club, joined in the songs of World War II and learned about the artists who sang them. At our members meeting we were introduced to Colin Ainley of ADAPT (Audlem and district acting positively for transition) which stimulated a good deal of discussion. This was followed by Christine Plume displaying and telling the history of her collection of bottles and jars dredged up from the stream which runs at the bottom of her garden. There was a theatre trip to see 'Hello Dolly' and a dozen of us attended a 'pamper' day at the South Cheshire college. At the end of April we had an outing to Llangollen and another one to Martin Mere is proposed in the summer. Our meetings are held on the first Thursday in the month and visitors and new members are always welcome. Further details from Christine Salisbury (President) 811110 and Anne Poole (Secretary) 811224

### **ASSURANCE FOR AUDLEM PRACTICE PATIENTS**

On 15 April Audlem Medical Practice Patients' group met with representatives from the Western Cheshire Primary Care Trust (WCPCT) to discuss the transfer of the Medical Practice back to WCPCT. The meeting arose because in recent years, the Audlem Practice has operated within the Central & Eastern Cheshire PCT, as the Audlem area naturally gravitates to medical facilities in Nantwich and at Leighton Hospital. During those years, however, formal ‘ownership’ of the Audlem area has, largely for historical reasons, remained with WCPCT. Money was transferred from Western Cheshire to the Central & East Cheshire PCT to cover Audlem and district’s medical facilities.

This move had led to concerns that local patients may have to travel to different locations for some treatments or that their medical treatment may be affected.

In January, there had been reports of both Leighton Hospital and the Spinal service not accepting Audlem patients for physiotherapy and there was concern about other PCT services, such as Podiatry and Cataract services, which may require longer and more difficult journeys than before the switch of PCTs. The patient panel, however, received a clear



# ORGANISATIONS SOCIETIES

**Organisation**                      **Contact Person**                      **Position**                      **Telephone**                      **Website**

## SCHOOLS

|                         |                         |             |              |   |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|--------------|---|
| Audlem Education Fund   | Mrs J Spurrier          | Clerk       | 01270 589513 |   |
| Brine Leas              |                         |             | 01270 625663 | <a href="http://www.brineleas.co.uk/">http://www.brineleas.co.uk/</a>                 |
| Malbank High School     |                         |             | 01270 611009 | <a href="http://www.malbank.cheshire.sch.uk/">http://www.malbank.cheshire.sch.uk/</a> |
| Reaseheath College      |                         |             | 01270 625131 | <a href="http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk/">http://www.reaseheath.ac.uk/</a>               |
| South Cheshire College  |                         |             | 01270 654654 | <a href="http://www.s-cheshire.ac.uk/">http://www.s-cheshire.ac.uk/</a>               |
| St James' C of E School | Catherine Nolan-Burnitt | Headteacher | 01270 685120 | <a href="http://www.audlemstjames.org.uk/">http://www.audlemstjames.org.uk/</a>       |
| Treehouse               | Avril Harrison          | Supervisor  | 01270 811829 |   |

## HEALTH

|                                   |                |                  |              |   |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|---|
| Audlem Community First Responders | Nikki Ball     | Responders       | 01270 811803 | <a href="http://www.AudlemCommunityFirstResponders.btik.com/">http://www.AudlemCommunityFirstResponders.btik.com/</a> |
| Audlem Medical Practice           | Helen Matthews | Practice Manager | 01270 811440 | <a href="http://www.audlemmedicalpractice.nhs.uk/">http://www.audlemmedicalpractice.nhs.uk/</a>                       |
| Boots Pharmacy                    |                |                  | 01270 811245 |   |
| Carer Support Group               | Dawn Brown     |                  | 0800 0850307 | <a href="http://www.carers.org/local/north-west/northwich/">http://www.carers.org/local/north-west/northwich/</a>     |
| Hospital                          |                |                  | 01270 255141 |   |
| Hospital Car Service              | Irene Price    |                  | 01270 811695 |   |

## VILLAGE SERVICES

|                               |              |               |               |   |
|-------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---|
| Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB) |              |               | 01270 625565  | <a href="http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/">http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/</a>                                 |
| Dial-a-Ride                   |              |               | 01270 617143  |   |
| Fire                          | Gill Dimelow | Watch Manager | 01270 811625  | <a href="http://www.cheshirefire.co.uk/">http://www.cheshirefire.co.uk/</a>                                       |
| Mobile Library                |              |               |               | <a href="http://www.cheshire.gov.uk/Library/MobileLibrary">http://www.cheshire.gov.uk/Library/MobileLibrary</a>   |
| Police                        | Ken Maple    |               | 0845 458 0000 | <a href="http://www.supportcheshirepolice.net/audlem/team/">http://www.supportcheshirepolice.net/audlem/team/</a> |
| Post Office                   | Andrew Smith | Postmaster    | 01270 811211  |   |

## SPORTS

|                         |                    |           |              |   |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|---|
| Aerobics                | Lisa Ratcliffe     |           | 07967 821592 |   |
| Audlem Ramblers Society | Andy Davidson      |           |              |   |
| Cricket Club            | Tom Measures       |           | 01270 811105 | <a href="http://audlem.play-cricket.com/home/home.asp">http://audlem.play-cricket.com/home/home.asp</a> |
| Cycling Club            | Tim Ball           | Chairman  | 01270 811803 | <a href="http://www.audlemcyclingclub.co.uk/">http://www.audlemcyclingclub.co.uk/</a>                   |
| Dance                   | Debi Pritchard     |           | 01948 871304 | <a href="http://www.pritchards-academy.co.uk/">http://www.pritchards-academy.co.uk/</a>                 |
| Fitness Pilates         | Lynn Scott         |           | 01270 663958 | <a href="http://www.nantwichpilates.co.uk/">http://www.nantwichpilates.co.uk/</a>                       |
| Ju Jitsu                | Margaret Partridge |           | 01270 812018 |   |
| Snooker                 | Bob Godwin         |           | 01270 812077 |   |
| Table Tennis            | Elma Moss          |           | 01270 811019 |   |
| Tennis                  | Adriana Roscoe     | Secretary | 01270 812251 |   |
| Yoga                    | Mandy Wheatley     |           | 07780 500746 |   |



## D I R E C T O R Y O F B U S I N E S S E S

**ACCOMMODATION**

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Berry Cottage, Monks Lane, Audlem | 01270 811573 |
| Caravan Club Site                 | 01270 811493 |
| Combermere Abbey, Burleydam       | 01948 662876 |
| Coole Hall Farm                   | 01270 811232 |
| Little Heath Farm, Audlem (B&B)   | 01270 811324 |

**AGRICULTURAL CONTRACTORS**

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| B S Parker     | 01270 811420 |
| Richard Furber | 01270 811598 |

**BUSINESS SERVICES**

|                                   |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Audlem Accounting Services        | 01270 812538  |
| David Parry Racing Partnerships   | 01270 812229  |
| hedworth moore                    | 01270 811653  |
| JMS Business Coaching             | 01270 811043  |
| Mortgage Aid                      | 0845 603 1992   |
| P S Secretarial/Computer services | 01270 812061  |
| Pippin Designs                    | 01270 812061  |
| Recording Studio - Hollow Floor   | <a href="http://www.studios.hollowfloor.co.uk/">http://www.studios.hollowfloor.co.uk/</a> |
| Reverberate Public Relations Ltd  | 01270 811093  |
| Root Media                        | 01270 812353  |
| SLS Courier Service               | 07912 205538  |
| ThenMedia - Website design        | 0161 408 5777   |
| Twin L Services                   | 07977 063357  |

**FOOD AND DRINK**

|                                      |                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Bonnell's County Catering            | 01270 811399        |
| Cafe - The Coffee Lounge             | 01270 811554        |
| Cafe - The Old Priest House          | 01270 811749        |
| Fields Farm                          | 01270 811070        |
| Fish & Chips - Just the Plaice Too   | 01270 812242        |
| George's Pork                        | Danny - 07814080173 |
| Hankelow Cottage                     |                     |
| Milkman - Stuart's Doorstep Delivery | 01630 653288        |
| Pub - The Bridge Inn                 | 01270 811267        |
| Pub - The Lord Combermere            | 01270 812277        |
| Pub - The Shroppie Fly               | 01270 811772        |
| Takeaway - Kebab Land                | 01270 812226        |

**HAIR, BEAUTY & FITNESS**

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Chesters Hair Salon                | 01270 811500 |
| Eden Beauty                        | 01270 811197 |
| Hairdressers - Braids              | 01270 811540 |
| Personal Trainer - Kirsty Armitage | 07792 461964 |
| Personal Trainer - L R P Training  | 07967 821592 |
| Personal Trainer - Tash Edwards    | 07527 795453 |
| Pilates - Rebecca Burton           | 07899 877011 |
| Reflexology                        | 01270 811919 |

**HOME SERVICES**

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Advantage Projects Ltd                   | 01270 812547 |
| Allan Mitchell Designs                   | 01270 811635 |
| Annabel Thornton - Artist                | 07903 224348 |
| Child minder - Lorraine Joyson           | 01270 811045 |
| Children's Entertainer - Sarah Middleton | 01270 811826 |
| Cleaning Services - Audlem Angels        | 07775 834832 |
| English tuition - Fiona Bardsley         | 01270 812983 |
| French Tuition                           | 01270 811614 |
| G & T Designs                            | 01270 812808 |
| Garden Services - Joe Hoyles             | 01270 811926 |
| GForce Fuels                             | 0800 614247  |
| Home Laundry Service                     | 01270 812029 |

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|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Jo Halden - Artist                | 07944 089222  |
| Local Colour Framing              | 07891 367171  |
| Over the Moon                     | 01270 627623  |
| Pauline Hobbs - Tuition           | 01270 811886  |
| Riding Instructor                 | 01270 811488  |
| Sewinstead Creative Embroidery    | 01270 811 296 |
| StyleMaker (UK)                   | 01270 812250  |
| Susan Wilkinson - Tuition         | 01270 811057  |
| Window Cleaner - Danny Fallows    | 01270 811276  |
| Window Cleaner - David Bebbington | 01270 812300  |

**PET SERVICES**

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Carry on Canine         | <a href="http://www.carryoncanine.com/">http://www.carryoncanine.com/</a> |
| Dogs R Groovy           | 01270 812739  |
| Marycare                | 01270 812578  |
| Rookery Cottage Cattery | 01948 871617  |
| Santoshia               | 01270 811314  |
| The Grange              | 01270 811264  |
| The Pet Sitter          | 01270 811032  |

**SHOPS**

|                                |   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Audlem Dry Cleaners            | 01270 811593  |
| Audlem Mill                    | 01270 811059  |
| Audlem Pine Furniture          | 07855 438506  |
| Audlem Upholstery              | 01270 811155  |
| AudlemCycleSport               | 01270 811333  |
| Bo'tique by Sarah Allan        | 01270 812958  |
| Butcher - C E Vernon           | 01270 811227  |
| Funeral Directors - Tressiders | 01270 812512  |
| Hoc's Fat Pigeon               | <a href="http://www.hocsfatpigeon.co.uk/">http://www.hocsfatpigeon.co.uk/</a> |
| Mandi Boo                      | 01270 812391  |
| The Co-operative Food          | 0800 023 4708   |
| The Flower Company             | 01270 812434  |
| The Salad Bowl                 | 01270 811554  |
| Williams Newsagents            | 01270 811210  |

**TRADES**

|                                  |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Audlem Electrical Services       | 01270 811845  |
| Building Maintenance             | 07792 291 205 |
| Construction Management Services | 01270 811221  |
| D R Jones                        | 01270 812368  |
| Decorator - Colin Rycroft        | 07710 871608  |
| Elmbreck Technical Services      | 01270 812600  |
| Grout Building Company           | 01270 811751  |
| Pete Popovic                     | 01270 812557  |
| Plumber - Pete Webb              | 01270 812071  |
| Plumber - S R Booth              | 01270 811449  |
| W B Plasterers                   | 01270 811370  |

**TRANSPORT**

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| Campervan Hire          | 01270 812068  |
| Driving Tuition         | 01270 812 420 |
| Fox Vehicle Refinishing | 07946 386731  |
| Gilbert's Taxis         | 01270 812617  |
| J & J Motors            | 01270 811411  |

**VILLAGE INFORMATION & NOTICEBOARDS**

|                            |                          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| ADAS noticeboard           | outside the Kebab Shop   |
| ASET noticeboard           | outside the Post Office  |
| Cheshire East noticeboard  | at the car park          |
| Tourist Information        | at Williams (newsagents) |
| Parish Council noticeboard | outside the Kebab Shop   |
| Village diary of events    | at Williams (newsagents) |
| WI noticeboard             | outside the Post Office  |

For more information on all these businesses  
visit the village website at  
[www.audlem.org](http://www.audlem.org)



guarantee that there would be no changes whatsoever as far as patients were concerned as a result of the change of PCTs. This assurance was given by Dr Maureen Swanson, Medical Director, and Alison Lee of Western Cheshire PCT. It was agreed that this assurance could now be published.

Asked how any patient should complain if they did encounter any problems with PCT services, for example being asked to go to a different location for a particular treatment, they should contact the WCPCT's Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS): email [pals@wcheshirepct.nhs.uk](mailto:pals@wcheshirepct.nhs.uk) or telephone 01244 389292 / 0800 132996, or write to:

The Patient Experience Manager,  
FREEPOST (CS1528),  
1829 Building,  
Countess of Chester Health Park,  
Liverpool Road,  
Chester CH2 1YZ

### MORE NEW SHOPS - HOC'S FAT PIGEON



Opened in March and stocks a range of organic and fair trade foods and cleaning materials including, among many others, dried pulses, fruits and nuts, flours and cereals, coffees, teas and snacks, plus a range of 'free from' foods for diabetics and

allergy sufferers. This is a new venture for Ian Haughey and family and they offer an online order and delivery service at [www.hocsfatpigeon.co.uk](http://www.hocsfatpigeon.co.uk) or phone 01270 812424

### MANDI BOO



Mandi Boo is a fashion and lifestyle boutique and has a range of brands on offer such as Avoca; by Ti Mo; Nymph and Hush. Also available is a range of funky jewellery, scarves, bags, footwear, gifts and a beautiful range of cards, soaps

and lavender products. Mandy Nickson has been in the fashion retail business for many years but this is the first time she has had her own business having dreamed of this moment for a very long time. I hope my boutique will have something for everyone and I will work very hard on sourcing the right blend of products to suit all tastes, ages and pockets." *Mandi Boo is in Shropshire Street in the new Moseley's Yard*

### GEORGE'S PORK

George's Pork is at Gorse Croft Cottage, Bunsley Bank, Audlem, and is run by Danny (tel: 07814080173) and Amy (07815895266)

They say: "We produce Free Range Home Reared and Cured Pork, Chicken and Turkeys, also Chicken, Duck and Quail Eggs on our small holding just over a mile outside Audlem. Also Beef and Lamb very soon. We are situated just outside Audlem right by the Audlem Cricket Club. Free local delivery on orders over £25. Please contact us with any queries."

### TROOP BOXES THANK YOU

Chris and Rosemary Lewis would like to thank all the kind people who gave items for the Troop Boxes. They were overwhelmed by the response and had to make daily collections to Williams' Newsagents! They took 3 van loads of donations to Crewe to be packed and forwarded to Afghanistan. Also thanks go to Stead & Simpson in Market Drayton who supplied the shoe boxes and Home Base for the supply of wrapping paper. Feedback has been most encouraging and all the many boxes were much appreciated and enjoyed. So a BIG thankyou to everyone for being so generous.

### ASET (Audlem Special Events Team)

Celebrating our 10th year, ASET is again pleased to announce details of our 3 events for 2010. The dates for your diary are:

#### **Sunday 20th June – Audlem Festival of Transport**

This year's transport festival will feature hundreds of vintage vehicles but also a fantastic display of historic canal boats at Audlem Mill. In addition and new this year, a children's quad bike course, helter-skelter and children's treasure hunt plus the usual stalls and attractions.

**Saturday 17th July – Midsummer Music on the Park.** A fantastic night is in store for all with not 1 but 2 headline acts this year. Back by popular demand are The WestEnders with favourite songs from West End shows like Grease, Mama Mia, Hairspray, Oliver, West Side Story and many more.

We are also delighted to announce the other headline act for 2010 is King Pleasure and The Biscuit Boys. Well known for their lively and immensely entertaining performances, this popular jazz swing has been described by critics as "Excellent and entertaining". Don't miss them as they appear for the first time in Audlem in July.

**Saturday 6th November – Bonfire and Fireworks Spectacular.** Our famous traditional bonfire and fireworks evening returns to amaze us all.

More details of all the ASET events can be found on the ASET web site at [www.audlem-aset.org](http://www.audlem-aset.org), calling into Audlem Post Office, by emailing [info@audlem-aset.org](mailto:info@audlem-aset.org) or phone at 01270 811211.

### AUDLEM & DISTRICT BRANCH CONSERVATIVES

Audlem is part of the Eddisbury Conservatives Constituency Association and with the boundary changes effective from the General Election on May 6 the Parishes of Hankelow, Austerson and Coole Pilate will transfer from Crewe and Nantwich to Eddisbury and be covered by Audlem Branch

For further information about the Branch and its events contact Roland Hall (812530) or Alan Cross (811974)

### SPEEDWATCH GROUP TO CURB SPEEDS



The newly formed Audlem Speedwatch group has been given tips by Crewe traffic police on nabbing high-speed drivers through the village. The six-strong group of volunteers attended a briefing by

Cheshire Police Traffic Management Officer Tony Hall at Crewe Police Station last Saturday where they tested out the speed gun they will use to trap motorists driving at more than 30mph through Audlem. Members of the group will be out in force later this year at key troublespots in a bid to curb high-speed drivers. They have already identified locations where they hope to carry out speed checks and traffic control officers will be checking these out soon to ensure they meet health and safety regulations.

A spokesman for the group said their main purpose is to act as a deterrent to high speed drivers who consistently flout the law.

He added: "Community Speedwatch is designed to support the police by making us all aware of the dangers of travelling too quickly in a village area. Statistics show that one out of 10 children die when hit by a car doing 30mph. That figure rises to five in 10 at 35mph and to nine out of 10 at 40mph. That is one reason why we think village speed limits should be observed at all times." The Speedwatch volunteers will operate in partnership with the Cheshire Police Area Strategic Road Safety Partnership. They will work in pairs and wear high visibility jackets while using the speed gun.

The volunteers will also monitor general traffic speeds through the village and figures collected may provide statistical evidence to support any proposed traffic calming measures that may be considered in the future

#### **AUDLEM & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB**

*Ben Clark completed his successful year as President at the end of March and his successor for 2010/11 is Norman Derby. Two founder members of the club have been honoured, Bob George becoming a Life Member and John Marsden, who has, as well as being a founder member, served as a club officer in a number of roles including President in 2004/5, been awarded Honorary Membership.*

*The Club meets at the Brookfield Golf Club on the 2nd and 4th Thursday each month (except August) commencing 10 am for coffee followed by a guest speaker. The future programme includes How to raise a money smart child, North Country Folklore and Falconry. A full social programme is arranged starting with the trip to East Anglia, and later we will be visiting the Jewellery Quarter in Birmingham and chartering a canal boat through the heart of the City. In August there is a tour of RAF Shawbury. In addition there are the usual lunches and social evenings plus monthly walks.*

*For further details contact our President Norman Derby on 01630 647196 or Rex Rayner 01270 811896*

#### **NEW KEEP FIT/PILATES CLASSES**

A combination of low impact Exercise to Music + Pilates based stretch & toning combining two classes together to form a unique workout to suit all ages. Beginners this session will be held on Tuesdays at 1.15 pm in the Scout & Guide Hall,

Audlem shortly (taking names & telephone numbers) ready to start first week in May. Also being held, if you cannot attend an afternoon session, is an evening Pilates class for Beginners in Audlem - from 6.15 pm - 7.15 pm - again starting in May. For details and to book, contact Lynne direct on 01270 663958.

#### **Pilates**

Rebecca Burton now runs a Saturday Pilates class in the Scout & Guide Hall. It's at 10.30am and classes are each Saturday aimed at all levels, ages, those with injuries or who just want to improve their mobility, strength and fitness. They last 1 hour, and cost is £5 per class with a deduction for those paying for ten sessions. For queries, please call 07899 877011.

#### **AUDLEM ONLINE VOTE POLE**

Our website Audlem Online recently conducted a vote pole asking "Should Audlem's Public Toilets be replaced" The responses so far show 58% would like the toilets to be demolished and replaced with a more modern facility. Let's hope action will follow!

#### **HAVE YOUR SAY**

If you would like your views in the Newsletter or on the Website contact: Newsletter editor Margaret Roberts on 812942 or newsletter@audlem.org or post your item in the box situated in the Post Office. For the website email editor@audlem.org or go to 'Contact Webteam' on the website.

**The closing date for items for the summer issue is 10th July 2010. For distribution during the first week of August.**

**Please Note:** All items submitted will be given careful consideration. However, the Editorial Team is responsible for the content of the Newsletter and the final decision for inclusion rests with it.