

Local Trades Directory

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Community Hall Website: www.westbury-leigh-community-hall.org.uk



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Next Village Association Meeting: Wednesday 22nd May, 7:30pm at the Community Hall (upstairs).

Craft Fayre & Afternoon Tea - Saturday 29th June 1pm to 5pm

Anyone who has attended one of our Christmas Craft Fayres will know what talented local individuals we have from the fantastic stalls we have had on display. Our summer event will be the same only more so, with a wonderful afternoon tea, a Children's Miniature Garden Competition, and a Children's Sewing Workshop alongside all the craft items that will be on sale. So come along. Browse around the stalls with your family and friends, and then relax and enjoy a homemade cream tea.

Stalls

If you haven't booked your stall yet we do have spaces for a couple more, but don't wait any longer, give us a ring asap.

Children's Miniature Garden Competition

This is open to all children in key stages 1 and 2. Application forms will be issued to children in Westbury Leigh School during the week commencing 3rd June. Completed gardens should be submitted to the school on Friday 28th June ready for judging later that day. All of the gardens will then be on display in the upper hall. If your child doesn't attend Westbury Leigh School but would like to take part then please contact us. Entry fee will be £1 and each child will be given a seed tray to build their garden in.

Children's Sewing Workshop

This will be in the upper hall. All materials will be provided and most of the cutting out will have been done. There's no age limit, but we will be using manual sewing machines so parents should please stay to supervise very young children.

Bottle Tombola

OK, there's nothing 'crafty' or 'cream tea' about this one. But it's great fun, and you could be the lucky winner of a very nice bottle of wine.

Community Hall website

The Westbury Leigh Community Hall website has been upgraded and you can now check availability and then make your booking and pay online. The Community Hall is at the Church of the Holy Saviour in Westbury Leigh and is a lovely venue for special celebrations. And most days there are regular activities such as exercise classes, bridge and dancing. Have a look at the website at www.westbury-leigh-community-hall.org.uk and see what you're missing!

Scallywags Mother & Toddler Group Moves to Westbury Leigh Community Hall

Following the closure of Westbury Leigh Baptist Chapel and hall the Mother & Toddler Group has now moved to the Community Hall.

The group meets on Wednesday mornings 9:30 – 11:30am, term time only, and welcomes babies from birth to 4yrs old with their mothers. The children are given a healthy snack and the mums have tea/coffee and biscuits. The children enjoy play, craft and singing time and the mums all enjoy a chat, The charge is £1.50 per family and everyone is welcome.

(n.b. Scallywags meets in the upstairs room once a month when the market is taking place in the main hall)

The Hollies Inn

Charlie and Laura would like to welcome you to the newly refurbished Hollies Inn. We are open every day from 5pm and all day at the weekends. We have a selection of cask marque ales and an ever growing range of bottled ales and wines. Our new kitchen is close to completion along with the re-designed patio area. We will be releasing our menu within the week and would love to hear your feedback. Visit [facebook.com/theholliesinn](https://www.facebook.com/theholliesinn) to see it on-line or pop in to take one home. With a traditional pub fare menu running alongside, a lunch time modest portions and chargrill steak menu I'm sure there's something for everyone. Once the kitchen is up and running we will be looking at hosting everything from themed nights through to markets.

We have met so many fantastic people so far and the local support has been fantastic!

See you soon, Charlie & Laura

World Book Night

Where were you all? The Village Association celebrated World Book Night on 23rd April (Shakespeare's birthday) with a book sale and free World Book Night books at the Community Hall. The turnout was disappointing compared with the past 2 years, but those who did come got some great bargains as well as their free book.

Quiz

If you missed World Book Night, or just like quizzes, come along to the Community Hall at 7.30pm on 1st June. Come in a team of up to 6, or just turn up and form a team on the night – a great way to get to know new people! As added attractions, there will be a raffle and a fish & chip supper.

Garden Visitors

The long cold winter has meant that the local bird population has continued to appreciate our garden feeders, along with a grey squirrel which has enjoyed the peanuts even though to reach the feeder is a full length stretch! One day however, it must have blown off the tree branch we had hooked it onto, and yet the squirrel still went to the same place and seemed most cross and confused when there was no feeder!

We have had the usual birds visiting our feeders including sparrows, blue, great and long tailed tits, chaffinches, blackbirds, robin, black caps and up to 6 goldfinches. More unusual have been 3 siskins (2 males and 1 female) which enjoy the niger-

seeds along with the goldfinches. Our youngest daughter first spotted the siskins, but we were not sure what they were, until checking in our bird books. It seems they are usually associated with conifer plantations, but are known to visit garden feeders, so we are pleased to have seen them.

Also noticed have been redwings and the odd fieldfare, together with more common wood pigeons and doves, which are generally farmland and hedgerow feeders. But no doubt after the wet summer last year and longer cold spell recently, they are finding natural food harder to find, so will visit urban areas to forage.

At least the spring seems to have arrived now, but the birds still like to use the feeders, which hopefully will mean they are in good condition for a successful breeding season.

It is a pleasure to see the spring blossom, the leaves bursting on the trees and hear the bird song, especially the dawn chorus!
by Brian Osborne

Tree Works completed?

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, work on various trees in and around the copse at the end of Church Lane was approved, and the work has now been completed. The 2 White Poplars in the south west corner have been removed along with the 2 rather sorry looking Elders. The main copse has been thinned, hopefully to ensure that a number of the better trees have room to grow and mature. Some sections of the trunks of the poplars have been left in the copse to enhance the habitat, and it looks as though most of the thinnings have also been shredded and left.

One of the large willows along the eastern boundary has been pollarded, which is probably a good thing from a safety perspective as it is next to and was overhanging the footpath. Surprisingly the other large willow on that side and the smaller willows at the corner of the site where the footpath follows around the boundary have not been touched.

The Field Maple has been planted near the corner where the 2 Poplars have been removed, and it looks as though there is a good crop of ash saplings through much of the copse, which may need removing in the future?

Village Events and Activities

Drop in Market: 10 am till 12 noon on the first Wednesday of every month except January (when there's no market).

Westbury Folk Dancing Club: Eileen Dredge: 822469

Exercise Classes: Alison Jacobs (Monday evenings): 07748 407753
Sue Jackson (Monday afternoons): 824267

Westbury Playford (Country Dancing): Susan Swann: 01985 212556

Bingo (Popular sessions – First Friday of the Month):
Beryl Drake: 823971

Yoga Classes: Fiona Fallon (Wednesday evenings): 01985 846133
Dawn Teasdale (Tuesday evenings): 07974 744930

Sewing Club: Sue Taylor (Thursday mornings): 822659

Bridge Club: Sue Taylor (Tuesday mornings): 822659