



Hurst Farm Community Newsletter



Hurst Farm Activities *(continued)*

Derbyshire Dales District Council provide a number of activities for Hurst Farm residents, including:

Walking Group – Meet every 1st & 3rd Monday of the month outside Hurst Farm Community Centre. Walking distance and location will vary depending on abilities, usually the walk will last for 1 hour. Bring your Gold Card for the bus, car sharing also available if we decide to walk further afield, and bring money for a cup of tea. Wear suitable walking shoes or boots, bring waterproofs and a drink.

Stretch & Relaxation – A gentle stretch & light exercise session with relaxation. Suitable for everyone, especially older adults. Ideal to increase flexibility & mobility, reduce tension & improve mood. FREE tea & coffee included. Wear loose clothing.

Music & Dance Night – Dance Taster sessions by KR Dance & Fitness, with bingo & music quiz. All

ages and abilities welcome. Fancy dress optional. Fun guaranteed!

Boxercise – Get fit with a boxing circuit, including pad work & core strengthening. Anyone 14+ welcome.

Zumba – A dance fitness class. Get fit and have a giggle whilst dancing. Anyone 14+ welcome.

Half Term Halloween Holiday Fun – Halloween based holiday games for kids aged 5+, pumpkin carving, piñata, fancy dress, bingo, music and other Halloween games. FREE packed lunch also included.

Contact: Helen Emmerson, Sports Development, Derbyshire Dales District Council, Matlock Town Hall, Bank Road, DE4 3NN.

Email: helen.emmerson@derbyshiredales.gov.uk or call 07890 313445

Who to contact...

Problems with:

Graffiti, vandalism, anti-social behaviour: Dial 101 and report to police

Fly tipping and general littering: contact DDDC on 01629 761215

Grass cutting on spider and helicopter parks: DDDC on 01629 761215

Grass cutting on communal areas: Waterloo Housing on 0800 435 016 option 4

Waterloo Housing tenant: Rent issues on 0800 435 016 option 3

Waterloo Housing emergency repairs: on 0800 435 016 option 1

CONTACT US by email at enquiries.fofh@outlook.com

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Thank you

Friends of Hurst Farm Reg. Charity 165343

It's Party Time!



Deadline for contributions to our January edition due to the Christmas holiday is **Tuesday 19th December!**

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about community
events here.

Welcome

Welcome to the first edition of the Hurst Farm Community Newsletter. Our aim is to share information about events within the community, while also highlighting the work of various providers and organisations offering events both at the community centre and the social club.

The newsletter is for everyone on the estate to not only read, but also to share events close to your heart. So if you celebrating a milestone in your family, such as a wedding, anniversary, birthday, or other and you want to share it with everyone, get in touch and we will feature it here.

Are you fund raising for a charity? Holding a garage sale and want to advertise it more widely? Then contact us via enquiries.fofh@outlook.com or put a note through the community centre letter box and we will feature it in the next newsletter. We plan to print four newsletters a year: October, January, April and July.

In this edition you will find information about Derbyshire Community Bank, Waterloo Housing, Hurst Farm Social Club, Friends of Hurst Farm and the Regeneration Project.

We are also planning to feature one resident from the estate who has contributed to the community in some way, in each newsletter. Our first feature is Michael McLarkey.

Featured person



Michael
McLarkey



Michael McLarkey came from a small town in County Mayo, Ireland, when he was only a small boy, along with his two brothers, mother and father, Bridget and John.

Michael, nicknamed Mucker, worked at Firth Rixson, for many years before going on to work at the Co-Op. He was a much loved and respected member, not only of Hurst Farm but also of the whole of Matlock. He will be sadly missed.

In tribute the Friends of Hurst Farm have donated the charity cup to be played each

year on August Bank Holiday. The match has been instituted by his friends at the Social Club in memory of a much loved member.

The picture above, next to Michael, is of this year's winners, and the first recipients of the cup, the under 30s' team. Well done on a brilliant win!

(Thank you to Tom Casey for sharing about Michael who sadly passed away in July this year. Fondly remembered.)



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Partnership information

Waterloo Housing and **Derbyshire Dales District Council** are looking into trialling a manned Data Hub at the Community Centre. The Hub will be available for residents seeking help accessing Home Options in order to bid on houses, either with a view to moving to a new area, upgrade to a larger home or to downsize. Keep an eye on the next issue for more details.



Derbyshire Community Bank are a Credit Union and are run on a not-for-profit basis. We aim to help people control their money - encouraging them to save what they can and only borrow what they can afford to repay.

We now have our head office in Derby and was formerly known as Erewash Credit Union, based in Ilkeston, where it still has a branch. It has now changed its name to reflect the fact that it now covers the whole of Derbyshire.

We have re-branded from a credit union to a community bank to make it easier for people to understand what we do. Credit unions, which have been around in Britain for more than 50 years and differ from the payday lenders and banks in a number of ways.

The bank already has more than 3,500 members and around £1.2 million in savings and £1.4m in loans. We are particularly competitive in the small loan area, especially in relation to our competitors such as the payday and door step lenders.

We hold a regular surgery in the Community Centre every Tuesday from 10am – 12pm. You can call in to use the computers to apply to become a member, set up a savings account or apply for a loan.

Sam Taylor, Community Development Officer is on hand to assist you and can help with completing paper forms or any other enquiries you may have. If you would like to find out more about what we do or how you get £25 FREE into a savings account please call in.



Golden Club

Just a little bit of information regarding **Golden Club** at Hurst Farm Community Centre.

If you are in your Golden years or on your way (!) why not come along and join us?

Entry is £1 and this entitles you to unlimited tea/coffee & cake. There is a free food giveaway every session before 2pm. We play bingo & prices to play start at 50p.

We also hold a raffle - tickets are 50p per strip. Bingo and raffle are optional - you don't have to play.

We love a good old chat and we always put the world to rights! We are open fortnightly on a Wednesday 1.30 - 3.30pm. For more information call Anna on 07867 566298.

Meeting dates up to Christmas: Wednesday 1 November, Wednesday 15 November, Wednesday 29 November, Wednesday 13 December.

Youth Club

Every Monday at 5.30 is **Youth Club** for 5–11 years.

During the autumn and winter months we will be meeting at the Social Club thanks to the generosity of their committee, however we are in great need of volunteers as our numbers are growing very quickly.

Can you help? We need volunteers willing to commit to at least one Monday a month. You must be 16+ and happy to undertake training for volunteers run by Derbyshire Dales District Council. Anyone looking to get back into work,

wanting to work with children, or simply looking to share your skills are welcome to come! Please contact Amanda or Lea at the Social Club or drop a note into the community centre. All volunteers are expected to pass a DBS check.

During autumn and winter, youth club will be moving to the social club in order to allow more space for indoor activities!

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank the social club committee for the use of their facilities.



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Introducing Marie Schmidt Regeneration Project Manager

Dear Hurst Farm Residents,

I would like to introduce myself to you. At the beginning of September I started as the new Estate Regeneration Manager for Hurst Farm.

I am a chartered Landscape Architect with experience in community regeneration based at Derbyshire Dales District Council. My post will lead on developing a new strategic vision and masterplan for the estate.

We hope to look at the road system and parking, the maintenance of the green spaces and to capture the history and stories of the estate. Working closely with the Friends of Hurst Farm, the Primary school and the Social Club we want to bring more community facilities and services to the estate.

Unfortunately, despite the rumours circulating, there is at this stage no grant funding for physical improvement projects on the estate. However, we believe that the strategic plan will provide the evidence needed to draw in more funding to allow future improvements on the estate.

Only with the help of you the residents and all the stakeholders can we ensure that the vision created reflects the actual desires on the estate. I therefore, ask for your support by working with me over the next two years to establish your vision for the estate.

There is no doubt that you will see a lot of me on the estate and I would be happy to speak to you and to listen to your thoughts. There is more information on the Derbyshire Dales District Council website www.derbyshiredales.gov.uk/hurstfarmproject and I will keep you updated on progress and events through this newsletter.

With best wishes from your Estate Regeneration Manager.

Sincerely Yours,

Marie Schmidt

Hurst Farm Activities

Dates	Time	Activity	Location	Cost
Mon 30 Oct	0930	Walking Group	Meet at Hurst Farm Community Centre	FREE
Thurs 26 Oct	1100-1400	Half Term Halloween Holiday Fun	Social Club	FREE
Thurs 2,9,16,22,30 Nov & 7 Dec	1700-1745	Zumba	Social Club	£20 (for 6 classes)
Mon 6,20 Nov	0930	Walking Group	Meet at Hurst Farm Community Centre	FREE
Mon 13,27 Nov	0930-1100	Stretch & Relaxation	Hurst Farm Community Centre	£2 per session