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#### **Little Chester Newsletter February 2023**

#### CHESTER GREEN ENTERTAINMENTS TEAM



Thanks to everyone who took part in this year's super Xmas Window Trail and Hunt the Pud Competition. Thanks for your continued support for all things CGET, we're looking forward to bringing more exciting community events to you in 2023.

A huge congratulations to Oscar Grace who won the *Hunt the Pudding* Competition and many thanks to all who took part!

It's our first QUIZ NIGHT of 2023 on FRIDAY the 3rd FEBRUARY at the Centre with our lovely Quiz setter Rhian in charge! Doors open at 7 for a 7.30 start - admission £3 CASH per quizzer in teams of no more than 5 to keep things fair.

\*\*\*BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AS THE BAR WON'T BE OPEN DUE TO STAFFING ISSUES (please take your empties home)

There's a prize for each winning team member so sharpen your wits ready for a brilliant night working those little grey cells!

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#### DERBY BEGINNER ANGLING

The calendar for 2023's Derby Beginner Angling Events will be published shortly. If you wish to receive a copy and be informed of upcoming local fishing events for youngsters please email s\_clamp@hotmail.com

Most of the events are held locally at a pond not far from the rugby club.

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#### A New Tree on the Green

When 95 year old John Paxton read in the October 2021 Newsletter that the council would welcome funding from individuals to plant a tree on the Green he was delighted! His father had been vicar of St Paul's and he spent his boyhood during the Second World War playing on the Green.

John was living in a care home in Oxford and read the Newsletter on line and with the support of Friends of the Green he made a request for a tree to be planted in memory of his childhood. This council took a long time

to follow up his request... however on 30th November 2022 the council planted a beautiful semi mature tree (opposite the barber's).

John was over the moon with the photos of the newly planted tree and was very grateful for the support given to him. Very sadly John passed away 3 weeks after the planting. I am sure he would be so pleased with the enjoyment and pleasure that his tree will give to our community and all the future generations using the Green.

If you would like to find out more about sponsoring a tree planting please text 07757 923 873

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#### St. Paul's Church Warm Space

St. Paul's Church will be hosting a 'warm space' 10am - 12pm on Wednesday mornings in the Church Hall (Seale Street). They'll be free hot drinks and biscuits available, and a space for conversation and meeting new people. All are welcome!

#### Our City Our River

Thank you to everyone who attended and provided feedback at the Consultation Meetings held on 8th and 15th December 2022 to review the Public Art and Parkers Piece Storage area.

Designs for the Parkers Piece cricket storage unit were on display as they needed to be promptly finalised and approved. This was to enable preparations to get underway in order that cricket can be played this coming season.

The council promised to arrange further consultations on a public art and heritage trail planned for Little Chester.

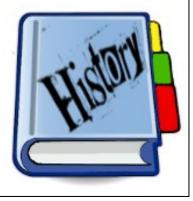
(EDITOR'S NOTE - I've asked for any details discussed at the event to be provided, as many couldn't make the day-time events. If I receive any further details, I'll share!)

#### LITTLE CHESTER HISTORY GROUP

A very happy and healthy New Year to all our group members, families and friends. Sadly, we have had to cancel our social evening due to an exceptionally low response from members. The cost of the buffet and entertainment requires a really good turn out. We will try again in July. The programme for the year will be as follows (usually 7.30pm at Chester Green Community Centre):-

- February 16th Downstairs at Calke Abbey by Karen Kreft
- March 16th Derbyshire Firsts by David Fearnehough
- April 20th Guide Dogs by Guide Dogs for the Blind
- May 18th Inn Signs and Local History by Robert Mee
- June 15th Vintage Radio Programmes
- by Mary De Ville
- July 20th Social Evening

We hope to see you all for the next meeting.



#### **Chester Green Food Bank Donations**

Times are getting very tough for a lot of people and this winter will see many struggle to make ends meet.



Our local community's efforts to help others is truly remarkable with food bank donations at Assa's shop on Mansfield Road still being made. If you haven't been able to make a donation or weren't aware of this facility please ask at the shop.

#### CHESTER GREEN BOOK EXCHANGE:

This was started during the main lockdown period in 2020 by several residents of Marcus Street, using 2 paste tables! It provided a lifeline for avid readers who couldn't replenish their supplies, on a completely free basis, whether or not books were exchanged. It continued to be held in the open air, weather permitting, but has recently moved into the Community room on Old Chester Road, opposite the end of Marcus Street.

We are open on the first Saturday of the month, from 10am to approximately 11am, so pop in and see us. There is bound to be something you'd like to read among our large stock of books, and now you can have a cuppa whilst browsing!

