

What's On

Friendship Group meets 2pm at the Church

February - Wednesday 14th

**And from then on it is to be the
second Wednesday of the month**

Coffee Morning Every Monday 10.30 a.m. until 11.30 in the community centre in Sutton Drive. Drop in for a natter and a cuppa.

Digital photography. Meet with others to develop your skills, No charge. Call 607771.

Parish Council. Meets the second Thursday of each month, 7.00 p.m. at Doxey Primary School.

Doxey Community Association. Next meeting is on Wed.14th February at 7.00 p.m. in the community centre, Sutton Drive.

Life support project. Learn how to save a life with one of our local doctors. Call Joan on 251622 for details, dates and times.

ADVANCE NOTICE Please keep your eyes open for the announcement, in next months issue of Doxey Times, of further **Indian Dance classes.**

TV or not TV

A big thank you to those people who offered their old TVs to the Youth Club. We had a fantastic response and were able to find homes for most of the sets offered.

Christmas Raffle

Doxey Friendship Group's raffle produced the following lucky winners:

Mrs. J. Beech

Mrs. J. Johnson

Mrs. H. Caine

Mrs. A. Reid

Mrs. J. Moore

Mrs. F. Nye

Jeanette

Our congratulations to the above.

Christmas Meal

Mark Smith was away at university this year but the tradition he started was carried on by friends and family when, on 9th December the senior citizens' Christmas party took place in the church hall.

About 60 Doxey residents sat down to a three course meal followed by entertainments and singing of carols. The cost was covered by a donation from Doxey Community Association and the meal was prepared by a team led by Gill Smith. It was beautifully served by friendly volunteers of all ages.

Following the meal, the company gathered in the church to hear entertainment by local talent and, new this year, a selection of songs from the Stafford Grammar School choir.

The evening finished with communal carol singing and good wishes to all for the festive season.

A big thank you to all who worked to make the event such a pleasure.

Doxey Burn Out

Many of you will have heard of the fire which left one of our community, with their home and belongings badly burnt. To enable them to get back on their feet as soon as possible Michelle Elliot, from the Sutton Centre, is coordinating donations from the community. If you have something that you think they might be able to use then please give Michelle a ring on **252889** and she will let you know if it is still needed and how the arrangements for delivery are to be made.

Thanks for your help in anticipation.

What is the DCA?

Doxey Community Association exists in order to bring the people of Doxey together to improve the community life of the village. It works with and supports any organisation which promotes the interests of the people of Doxey and will run its own activities where appropriate.

Activities which the Association has organised include: a weekly coffee morning, trips to Blackpool and Walsall Illuminations; clear-out days; visits from the Mikron Theatre Company; sculpture workshops and other arts activities, the Doxey Pantomime, litter picks; fun days; courses in life support and in digital photography.

Doxey Community Association is a registered charity and as such has a membership which costs just 50p a year. However, anyone can attend meetings and decisions are usually taken by mutual agreement. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month.

For more information call **Anita on 605 653**.

The dates for the DCA meeting for 2007 are:

Wednesday 14th	February
14th	March
11th	April
9th	May AGM (Church Hall)
13th	June
11th	July
8th	August
12th	September
10th	October
14th	November
12th	December

All meetings taking place at the William Sutton Centre at 7pm, unless otherwise advertised.

Parish Council Accounts

The parish council accounts for the year 2005-2006 have been audited. The law requires that members of the public may inspect these if they wish. For this purpose a copy of the accounts is available at the Doxey Stores. Just ask at the counter if you wish to look at them.

Plant Sale

We are once again hoping to hold a plant sale at the end of April or the beginning of May. If you are a keen gardener then perhaps you could sow a few extra seeds in the coming weeks. We could sell them to help others who are less green fingered and swell the DCA's funds at the same time.

For the previous few years Joan and Stephen Moore have arranged the event but unfortunately they are now unable to do so. The DCA would be interested in hearing from anybody who would like to take on the role. The volunteer would be fully supported by the DCA and plants have already been offered for the next sale. If you can help please ring **Anita on 605653**

Support the Panto.

Items are required for donation towards a community car boot sale. All profits raised will be put towards this years pantomime Puss in Boots. Please ring **Anita on 605653** to arrange collection. Please note that we are not permitted to sell some items so please do not take offence if we have to refuse some donations.

Volunteers needed

We are still in need of volunteers to help run the youth club on a Monday evening at the Church.

If you think you could help then please contact Nigel Barnett at 247 Doxey for more information