

Welcome to all new recipients of the Doxey Times, a newsletter of the Doxey Community Association (DCA). The DCA was formed as a means of improving our community and we have been running now for 16 years.

The DCA has organised many things from clearout days to pantomimes since its inception and would welcome you joining us at future events

We have two shops in the community, one on the main Doxey road and one in Bradbury Rise. As you leave Doxey on the left going away from town there is a farm shop. We have two churches, St Thomas and St Andrew's and The New Testament Church of God. There is a good Primary school with a pre school attached. On Reed Avenue there is the Universal Sports and Social Club, more about which later. All of these will offer you a warm welcome.

Deliverers needed

People move areas, become ill or go on holiday so we are always looking for volunteers to push a few Doxey Times through letterboxes in their area. If you could manage this on odd occasions or more frequently then please ring John on **604233**.

Socially Minded?

Are you aware that there is an active social club here in Doxey

Associate membership is available at the Universal Sports and Social Club, in Reed Avenue (entrance to the Redrow Estate).

You can have a quiet drink or be involved in the various sections such as bowls, football and snooker (3 tables).

In addition there are traditional club games, weekly prize bingo, and premiership football on TV.

Children, accompanied by an adult, are welcome in most areas. A private function room is available for hire.

For more information please contact Sharon on 01785 251022 or just call in.

Crumbling Bricks

A resident of Virginia Park this year successfully claimed against The Baggeridge Brick Company (owner Weinerburger) for the replacement of the top layer of bricks on his garden boundary wall, as the bricks had deteriorated to such an extent that they were breaking up. Apparently bricks have a long guarantee period in the order of 50 years.

Following the complaint the brick company organised a contractor to replace the top layer of bricks free of charge.

There are many boundary/garden walls on the Virginia Park estate that appear to have this problem.

Individuals wishing to follow the same action should contact Mr. Marcus Franklin, Tel. No. 0845 3032524 at The Brick Company.

Dates for your Diary

Luncheon Club

St. Thomas & St. Andrew's Church hall
1st Tuesday of the month
12:30 to 2:00 pm.
All Welcome, small charge

Craft Group

St. Thomas & St. Andrew's Church hall
1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
7.30-9.30 p.m.

Whether you are a crafting novice or expert you will be welcome to join this social group.

There is a cost of £2 per night (to cover room hire). For more information call:
Denise on 0792 356 4094

Doxey Community Association

The Sutton Centre
2nd Wed of the month (except in May)
7:30 pm

Please come along with ideas of activities and events you would like to see in Doxey.

Plant and Produce Sale

Saturday May 12th
10:30 till 12:00

At St. Thomas and St. Andrew's Church

Donations will be very welcome (from 10am please)

Ring 604233 for information

Coffee Morning

The Sutton Centre
Every Monday
10 am to 11 am.

All welcome for a chat over a cuppa.

Jubilee meeting

Thursday April 19th

7:30 pm

At Universal Social Club

If you can offer help or advice to make June 4th a memorable day then please come along.

Advance warning

Monday June 4th will be the day when Doxey will be celebrating the **Queen's Diamond Jubilee**.

Please keep your diary free.

Local history talk and display

Some of Jesse and Delia Brough's two year investigation into Universal's history will be on display on:

May 9th at

St. Thomas and St. Andrew's Church Hall

4:00 pm till 7.30 pm

Virginia Park Activities

Is there anything going on in Virginia Park that you want people to know about?

Is there a group or activity you want to start up?

Do you want to get to know your neighbours better?

If so then contact Mark or John on 604233 and get it in the Times.