

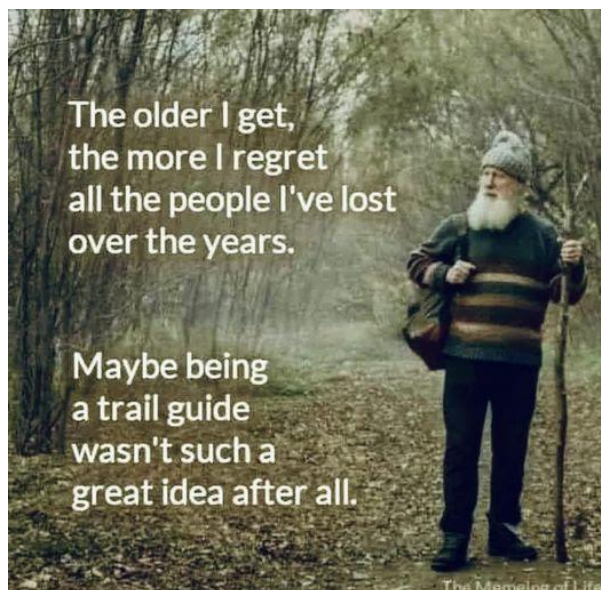


Mawdesley and Neighbouring Villages u3a

12th January 2024

The newsletter is compiled and published by the press team of Sam and Christine.

Thank you to all members who have contributed to this publication



Something to think about

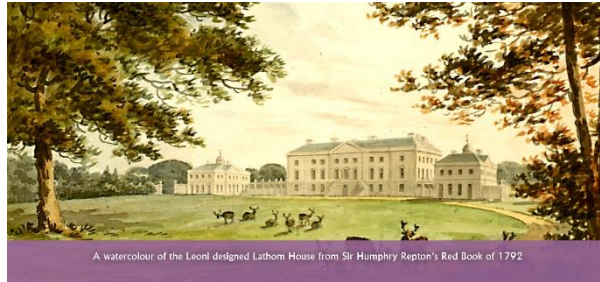
Albert Einstein once asked

“If a cluttered desk is the sign of a cluttered mind,

of what, then, is an empty desk a sign?”

It’s a valid point.

Archaeology Talk - reminder



History and Archaeology of Lathom House - Talk by Dorothy Hawkes

Mawdesley Village Hall

Tuesday 16th January 10.30 - 12.00

All members welcome

Dorothy Hawkes, of Lathom Park Trust will present a talk on the history and archaeology of Lathom House on Tuesday 16th January 10.30 am - 12.00.

Lathom House has a fascinating history extending from the medieval period, through the civil war and 18th century.

Dorothy was brought up locally and now lives on Lathom Park. She is passionate about local history and in particular the story of Lathom House, and is well placed to spread the word as trustee and secretary of the Trust. She has enthusiastically participated in the excavations at Lathom House and Park.

Several members have expressed an interest in a talk on Lathom House, and I am sure this will be a good one.



The Big Garden Bird Watch

Sign up and take part from 26th to 28th January

www.rspb.org.uk

Clog Dancing Taster Session

Beginners welcome

Monday 22nd January at 7.30 - 8.15

St Agnes Church Hall, Ecclestone.

Clogs provided

Cost £6

Contact Alex [07858 456787](tel:07858456787) or email via the link below

[clog dancing](#)

2024 New Year Resolution



Improve your balance and mobility

Why not join the weekly Thursday afternoon class from 2 - 3 pm

known as 'Keep fit - Keep moving'

at Mawdesley Village Hall L40 2 QT

All abilities welcome - £4 per session

Contact Barbara on [01704 822468](tel:01704822468) for more information

New Year, New You?



Why not try Circle Dancing?

We are looking for new members to join our Circle Dancing group.
If you would like to take some gentle exercise and enjoy dancing in a group, why not come along to one of our sessions.

We always explain every dance each time, so no previous experience is needed.

Sessions run from 1.30 – 3.00pm on the

1st & 3rd Tuesday in the month in

Mawdesley Village Hall Annex (entry at the side of the building)

Next session will be Tuesday 16th January.

All welcome – just come along and try it.

Walking In Foreign Lands

Sun, sea, sand and walking in the mountains of Spain! Could you ask for more?

Our next walking holiday is to be based in the Mediterranean seaside town of Calpe, Spain between 3rd and 10th October 2024.

Costing just £989 per person (£140 single supplement) this presents a great opportunity to enjoy some of the lovely hill villages in a very popular walking area within the Costa Blanca mountains. Our three walks will be led by experienced local guides and will each cover some five miles with a longer option of some eight miles for those who prefer.

An optional day trip will be available and of course walkers can recoup in the three swimming pools at our 4* accommodation close to the beach.

Bookings commence at next Wednesday's Community Morning, 17th January. See Kevin for more details at the walking table

French Conversation



Our next French Conversation will be at **10h00 - 11h30 on**

Friday 19th January in the Mawdesley Village Hall Lounge.

Dr Madeline Moulden OBE will present:

‘My Life as a Prison Governor’ Part 2.

Following her very well received presentation last year, Madeline has more interesting and moving stories to tell including her visits to prisons in Russia.

As usual, her presentation will be in French, and text will be displayed on the large TV screen in both French and English.
There will be opportunities to ask Madeline questions and discuss her experiences.

Theatre Group

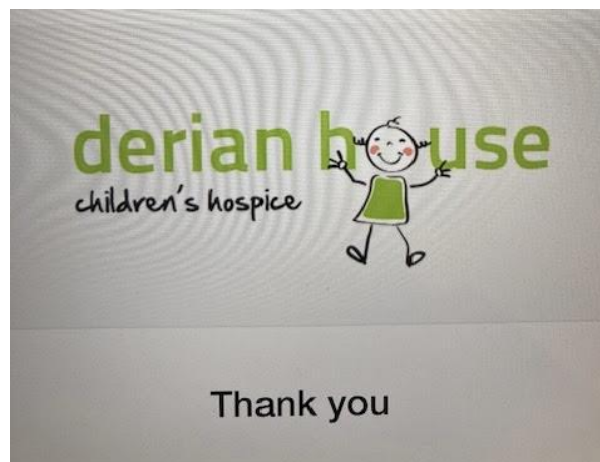
Interest only at this stage

“An Officer and a Gentleman “

Wednesday July 24th at the Liverpool Empire.

Please see Jackie either next Wednesday or better still give her a call. Her mobile number should be on the Website.

Remember the auction before Christmas?



Donation Date: 23/12/2023

Amount: £42.50

Dear Mrs Darling,

Thank you so much for your donation, and for helping to support children and young people with life-limiting conditions from across the North West and South Cumbria.

Because of you we can continue to help children and young people, whose lives are too short, to make happy memories.

“Derian House has given my daughter Isla and myself continuous support. Each one of the team are outstanding caring individuals who I feel I can talk to as friends.

Derian enables Isla to do so much more than we would have been able to. Isla absolutely loves splashing around in the hydrotherapy pool and playing with other children at playgroup. We feel at home each time we visit and when the family support team visits us it's just like our friends are calling. They really are superstars! We are so grateful to have Derian supporting us."

If you would like to keep up to date with what's happening at Derian House, please follow us on [Facebook](#).

Thank you once again for your generosity and for helping us to continue to care for the children and young people who need us most.



Where am I?



Where was I?



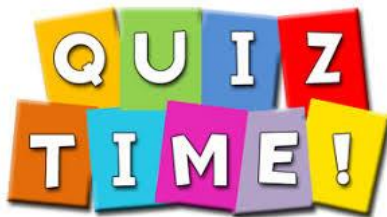
**Answer: Slaters Bridge .
Little Langdale Tarn, with an awful lot of water swooshing under it.**

Quick 4 Quiz To Celebrate 2024 Guess the Year

Here's the clue the year of the event ends in a 4

1. Meccano Ltd introduced the first Dinky Toy.

2. Match of the Day first aired on BBC TV.
3. The FTSE 100 index starts.
4. First National Lottery Draw.
5. The Government introduces plans for English Universities to charge fees.
6. The first international Rugby League match was played between England and Other Nationalities at Central Park, Wigan.
7. The Fabian Society is founded in London.
8. Imperial Airways forms in Britain.
9. Edward Heath resigns.
10. Celebration of the end of rationing..



Quiz 183 Questions

1. On an Ordnance Survey map, what is indicated by a blue "x" with a horizontal line?
2. What variety of pleasure-seeking is named for a Greek philosopher born on Samos in 341 BC?
3. How many yards is the penalty spot from a soccer goal line?
4. "Barnwick Green" is the signature tune to which long-running drama?
5. Which common vegetable was used by Johann Gregor Mendel to formulate his theories on genetics?
6. In which town is the Royal Agricultural University located?
7. In which city is Ben Gurion airport?

8. David Sylvian was the lead singer with which band?
9. Into which sea does the river Dnieper flow?
10. What term is given to a sculpture where the figures project slightly from the surface?

Quiz 182 Answers

1. San Salvador
2. Eyes
3. Sue Johnson
4. Jay-Z
5. Siam
6. France
7. Hyper Text Mark-up Language
8. Co-operative Movement
9. Piano
10. Henry 111

Year Quiz .Answers.....4

1. 1934 , 2. 1964 , 3. 1984 , 4. 1994 , 5. 2004, 6. 1904 , 7. 1884, 8. 1924 , 9. 1974, 10.1954

Pause for thought

I went to the butchers the other day and i bet him 50 pounds that he couldn't reach the meat off the top shelf. He said, "No, the steaks are too high.

HAVE A GREAT DAY