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Your Monthly Higher Kinnerton Community Newsletter



## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022



In 2022, Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee after 70 years of service. Celebrations are planned throughout the year but specifically on the weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> June. Go to <https://platinumjubilee.gov.uk/> for further information and to see an interactive map of the events in our area.

In addition to a number of planned national events, people up and down the UK, are being encouraged to get together and bring the Jubilee celebrations into the heart of their own communities. For more information from Flintshire County Council about the Platinum Jubilee celebrations go to <https://www.flintshire.gov.uk/en/Resident/Events/The-Queen's-Platinum-Jubilee.aspx>. You can even apply to hold your own street party although please note the application deadline is 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

In Higher Kinnerton a number of activities have been planned. A timetable for the weekend is as follows:

Thurs, 2 June      The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour)  
Jubilee Beacons lit across the UK and Commonwealth

Fri, 3 June        Service of Thanksgiving, St Paul's Cathedral

Sat, 4 June        **Royal Oak Mini Village Day 12 noon-4 pm, with a BBQ from 1 till 3**

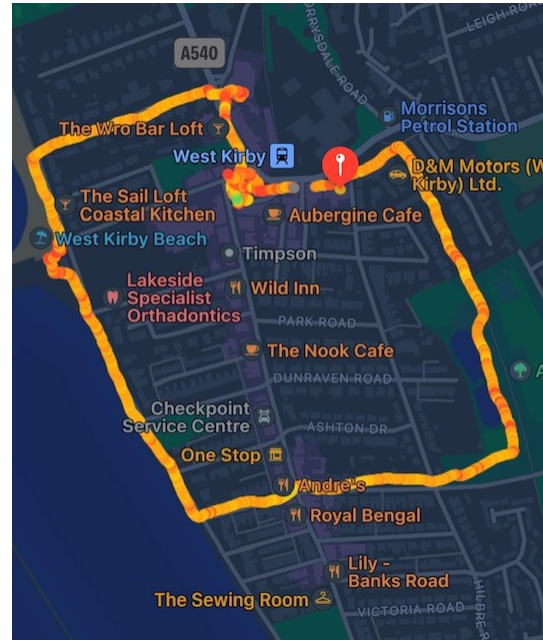
Platinum Party at the Palace. BBC staging live concert from Buckingham Palace

Sun, 5 June        **The Big Jubilee Lunch – Neighbours are invited to come together to enjoy street parties, bbq's, tea and cake or picnics.**  
<https://www.edenprojectcommunities.com/the-big-jubilee-lunch>  
for information

**Celebration Afternoon tea at All Saints Church.** Please keep an eye out for posters with further information

## Higher Kinnerton Walking Group by Michael Collins

Thursday 7 April was 11 years to the day that we formed the village walking group. So to celebrate our STEEL anniversary we headed to West Kirby on the train from Buckley. We enjoyed a 1.67 mile stroll around the town and along the blustery promenade before visiting The Dee Hotel for lunch. It was a great day out.



## Women's Hockey Junior World Cup

Congratulations to our very own Izzie Howell who was selected as **Welsh Captain** for the recent **Women's Junior Hockey World Cup** in South Africa 1st-12th April 2022.



Izzie attended Ysgol Derwen where she was first introduced to Hockey in Year 5. At 11 she played for Wrexham HC and then Neston HC before joining the Welsh programme at 15 where she quickly progressed through the age groups.

Whilst in her last year of school, Izzie began training with the Senior Welsh Team and made her international debut aged 18 at the Commonwealth Games in Australia in 2018. After the Games Izzie went on to study at Durham University where she played in both the National League and BUCS Premier League. Izzie currently studies and lives in Berlin playing for Zehlendorf Wespen in the Bundesliga.

She has represented the Senior Welsh Team in various Open Series Tournaments, multiple Test Matches and European Championships achieving 35 Caps to date.

All matches were televised on <https://watch.hockey> and can still be viewed here (by subscription). The competition was eventually won by the Dutch who beat Germany 3-1 in the final, the Welsh team eventually losing to Uruguay to finish the tournament in 14<sup>th</sup> place. Congratulations to Izzie and all the players as they proudly represented their country on the world stage.



## **Kinnerton Seniors' Society (KISS) ... only joking!**

The date's been set for our first meeting. We'll get together at the Royal Oak at 2 pm on Wednesday, 11 May.

We hope to see senior Kinnertonians, both young and not so young, early retired, retired or still working, and we'll discuss what we want from our club, what events we fancy and what we want to be called! If you think you'll have difficulty getting to The Oak please ring Jane on 07401 369062 so that transport can be arranged.

If you fancy getting there earlier for lunch, remember that Emma and her team at the Oak do fantastic small plate meals between 12 and 3 Monday to Wednesday.

## **North Wales Community Alert**



**North Wales Community Alert** is a **free** community messaging service brought to you by North Wales Police and partners.

By registering you can receive up to date information on crime, missing and wanted appeals, crime prevention advice, engagement events and general policing activity in your local area.

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Signing up is quick and easy, there is a helpline number if required

## **Kinnerton WI News**

May sees Kinnerton WI out and about. On the 5th we are off to the Grosvenor garden centre for afternoon tea and I am sure a bit of shopping. Monday 9 May we are on a guided walk of Chester. The chap ( Stephen Shakeshaft is a blue badge Chester guide) has given two talks about the hidden Chester so we thought it was time we saw them in situ. In June we are having a Jubilee event, information to follow.

### **Future events**

July: Celia Drew will be talking about Wepre the great estate.

August: flower arranging with Carol Parker.

Just a quick note about our gin tasting it was great and many bottles were bought. Matt and his fiancée were very knowledgable and if you come across Mer y Wen gin you won't be disappointed. For further information please contact Hazel 01244 660751

## **Ysgol Derwen news**

### **Wellbeing Project: Wellbeing Area on Yard**

Following discussions with the pupil leadership group, they demonstrated a desire to have a quiet area on the yard for children who don't want to run around or play physical games. They also wanted more places for children to sit down during play times. The children's ideas have been shared with a local company who converted them into a visual plan which was shared with the children. The plans have been accepted by the children and the area is due to be installed in the coming weeks. It will include:

- Astroturf for all weather usage
- Bench tables with game boards incorporated
- Planters to attract nature
- Storage for quiet activities
- Seating benches



### **Exciting developments in the Foundation Phase Outdoor Environments**

Due to the building work which has been taking place at the school, the outdoor learning environments associated with the Foundation Phase will both need to be either replaced or relocated. We are really excited that both of our outdoor learning environments will be installed in the coming weeks and will hopefully be ready for the children to use soon after Easter.

#### **Lower Foundation Learning Environment**

This project includes a new all-weather surface, new storage, a shelter for sand and water activities and a play tunnel. The gazebo is already in place from the current provision.

#### **Upper Foundation Learning Environment**

Located behind the new build and the perimeter hedge. This is a much bigger project as the plans replace the old outside learning environment which was destroyed when the new build was located over it. It will cover a big area and will have a very natural feeling.

## **1<sup>st</sup> Kinnerton Scout Group news**

### **PLANTS**

If you have ordered bedding plants from us this year, they will be delivered to your door on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

### **AGM**

The Scout Group will be holding a Midsummer Mini Fest /AGM on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 6pm in the Scout HQ. A short AGM meeting will be followed by games and challenges for all ages presented by the young people, and followed by a BBQ. This is an opportunity for the Group to acknowledge the resilience shown by everyone over the past 2 years, and to celebrate the ending of restrictions. It is also our opportunity to show what improvements have been made to the building, and to explain the next stages of renovations.

### **RENOVATIONS**

The work has been made possible by a grant from the Landfill Disposal Tax Communities Scheme. Unfortunately Covid restrictions have caused delays in the work, but now we no longer have to observe strict guidelines, we are going to be able to proceed with the work. We have had a redesign of our storage and had a good sort out, and are in the process of moving equipment into new more accessible areas. The next phase involves paint brushes and volunteers. If you can spare a couple of hours to help us with repainting the kitchen and the woodwork in the Main Hall, we would be very grateful. All materials, including tea, coffee and biscuits provided. Just contact [kinnertonscouts@gmail.com](mailto:kinnertonscouts@gmail.com) or phone Lesley on 660579. Thank you in advance.

### **JUMBLE SALE**

We intend to hold a jumble sale around October time, and will set an exact date shortly. Because of all the work going on, we will only be able to accept donations close to the date of the jumble sale.



## **Kinnerton Oaks Football news**

### **Kinnerton Oaks U6s**

Kinnerton Oaks U6s have recently been supplied with some great looking new kit, thanks to sponsors Excell Supply in Mold. There is some real progress now being made on the pitch, well done lads!

Mark Bebbington writes "Kinnerton Oaks U6's (soon to be U7's) will be competing in the Flintshire League from July. Any kids in the local area, currently Year 1 (Year 2 as of September) who would like to be involved please get in touch.



We have had a few parents asking about next year's U6's. If there is enough interest this is certainly something we would like to set up, so again please get in touch.

Kinnerton Oaks are an established club with friendly, supportive (and awesome!!) coaches. We train one evening a week (on Mondays at present) at Castell Alyn, with home games also played at Casty."

### **Kinnerton Oaks U10s**

A great month so far for our two U10s teams.

Our team playing in the high ability red league have won all 3 games so far with great wins over the A Teams from Mold, Mynydd Isa & Connahs Quay. The win over Mynydd Isa was particularly pleasing as we were losing by 2 goals & came back to win 4-2. If we can go to Hawarden & win next weekend we can complete the clean sweep by beating the other 4 teams in the high level league in one round of fixtures.

Meanwhile our team in the green league also had a couple of good wins against one of the other Mynydd Isa teams and a tricky away tie against Halkyn on a slopey pitch and were unlucky to lose to Mold's C team in a close game last weekend.

Over the bank holiday weekend at the end of April 8 of our players (Austin Collis, Harley Tapp, Iwan



Jones, Lucas Day, Rafael Frank, Sam Lloyd, Seb Lewis and Xavier Lloyd) are representing Kinnerton Oaks, Flintshire and Wales in the UK International Cup Tournament taking place at the England camp training facilities at St George's Park. Over the 2 day event the team are staying in Derby for the weekend and will compete against 15 other teams from all over the country with teams from Edinburgh, Birmingham and Kent in our group for starters.

## **All Saints Church news**

### **Church Services:**

Services are held each Sunday at 9.30am.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month is Morning Worship, ideal for families, With Holy Communion on the other Sundays.

### **Coffee Mornings**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 10.30am-12.00noon. Next Coffee Morning is on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Thank you**

To all the knitters who made Easter baskets, chicks and rabbits, and to those who purchased them.

To all those who donated towards the Easter Lilies.

To all those who made Easter Gardens.

### **'Beetle Drive' with Kinnerton Scout Group.**

This was a super evening with lots of fun for everyone. Thanks to all for your support.

### **Food Bank Collection**

Once again the people of Kinnerton showed their generosity, thank you for your support.

### **Platinum Jubilee Celebrations**

#### **Afternoon Tea - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June, at All Saints Church**

*Look out for posters giving further details.*

Have you met the Queen? Have you any photos, documents, letters, etc to tell of your experiences? We would love to borrow items to display in the church over the Jubilee Weekend, 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> June. Contact Pam Andrews, 07816611370

### **All Saints Church 100 Club**

If you would like to join the 100 Club for a payment of just £12 a year, please contact Helen Francis 01244 660588

### **All Saints Flower Rota**

We have been unable to place flowers in the Church on a regular basis over the past two years due to Covid restrictions. We are now looking to resume a rota. Flowers are usually displayed at the front of the church and are often placed to remember loved ones or a specific date. Flowers are not placed in the church during Advent or Lent.

If you have previously been on the rota and would like to continue to place flowers in the church or would like to add your name to the list, please contact Pam leaving your name, contact details and a date you would prefer. If you are a keen flower arranger and would be willing to do an arrange for those who are less creative, please let me know. Please return the form below or contact Pam Andrews, 14, Beeston Road. 01244 660795 or [pamela\\_andrews@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pamela_andrews@hotmail.co.uk) (There is an underscore between pamela and andrews) Thanks, Pam.

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#### **All Saints Flower Rota**

Name:

Contact:

Preferred Date/s:



## Photo of the Month (sponsored by Walter's Coffee House)



Cliff Williams submitted this dramatic photograph of the silvery full moon peeking through tree branches on Llys Derwen in the village.

Cliff wins this month's free coffee and cake, kindly offered by Walter's.

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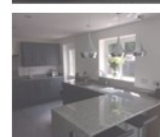
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