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welcome to the

Six Streets

Autumn Newsletter 2016

Halloween



This year, residents in Six Streets are again invited to celebrate Hallowe'en on the 31st October.

If you would like to give small treats to costumed children, please display the orange poster delivered with this newsletter. As always, we ask everyone to respect those who choose or are unable to take part. This means we ask people to only call at those houses with an orange poster - even if the house is decorated, no poster means no treats are on offer.

Safety has to be a priority so we ask people to consider fire and road risks. Free tea lights will be available for residents - details at the end of this article. **If you do have candles as part of your display, please make sure that they are well away from visiting children's flammable Hallowe'en costumes.**

Given that it is mostly on street parking in our streets, could parents and carers please make sure that young children are accompanied at all times and older ones reminded about road safety and other risks such as stranger danger. It is good idea to make sure your children know what to do if they become separated from you.

New this year - Pop Up Cafes! Broadway Cubs and Markeaton School PTFA both hope to have cafes along Park Grove. Other residents may also choose to sell food and drinks, perhaps as a fundraiser for a charity. Six Streets is happy to offer advice on hygiene and other regulations but we don't expect anyone to ask permission, after all this is your area.

Another change...the pop up cafes mean there will be no refreshments or costume parade on

Newton's Walk which gives more flexibility on timing. We suggest that **trick'n'treating takes place between 5.30 and 8pm** with residents choosing when is convenient for them by only putting the orange notice up when they are ready to start and taking it down whenever they wish to stop giving out treats. They can then put up the white notice close to the doorbell to help excited children remember they should look for the orange notices.

These timings should give more people more time to wander round and enjoy the decorations, pumpkins and the buzz in the air. As there is no parade, we are looking for an independent and fair minded person to give out spot prizes to costumes that catch his/her eyes while out and about. **Please apply for this important role - or nominate someone you know!**

The Most Awesome House and Most Artistic Pumpkin winners will be announced on the Six Streets website, Six Streets Facebook page and also be on the Wheeldon Ave noticeboard (Kedleston Rd end). Hopefully the results will be known by the next day. Again if you would like to judge these, please get in touch. Diana Bruce

Derbyshire Police give out free eye catching **No Trick'n'Treating Posters** - ring 101 to get yours.

Residents can collect FREE battery tea lights from:

54, Wheeldon Ave on Sunday 30th Oct between 2 and 4pm or to have them delivered please email 6streetsderby@gmail.com or pop a note into 54, Wheeldon by Saturday 29th giving your address and how many you'd like (household limit of 4).

Carol Singing

Hark the Herald Angels - they're announcing that the Six Streets & St Alkmund's Carol Singing will be on Tuesday Dec 20th from 6pm!

As always, everyone is welcome to wrap up warmly, come along, perhaps with a lantern or seasonal attire - to make sure everyone is singing from the same songsheet, they will be provided.

Meet at the junction of Wheeldon Ave and Kedleston Rd.

We usually call into Bank Court to entertain residents there and if you are/know of a Six Streeter who is perhaps less mobile or would greatly enjoy us stopping outside their house, please let me know. The group do not knock on doors or collect money, it is done just for the joy of it.

Afterwards, singers are invited over for some nibbles and mulled wine.

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Our Facebook page
Six Streets Derby
is proving popular.
Pop and have a look
and give us a 'like'.

Contact us...

The Six Streets website and Facebook page are good sources of information about events in the area but you may not find what you are looking for there.

If you have any questions about Six Streets then please email 6streetsderby@gmail.com or put a note through the door of either 54 or 75 Wheeldon Ave with your details and we'll be in touch.

www.sixstreetsderby.org.uk

Advent Windows 2016

The Advent Calendar windows have become established in Six Streets with many people decorating a window to bring a little lift to dark December mornings with home made designs, quirky ideas and seasonal images.

There is no limit to the number of windows. When we have allocated all the dates from 1-24 December, we simply start doubling up. The more the merrier! In fact, you don't actually need a window visible from the street as we had an Advent Gate last year.

Jane and Paul Johnstone have again kindly agreed to host the Advent Calendar Tea Party at 53, Park Grove on Sunday 20th November from 2pm to 4pm to allow dates to be decided and advent number cards given out.

Don't worry if you can't attend, you can still take part by dropping a note through the letterbox at 19, Statham Street with your name and

contact details or email 6streetsderby@gmail.com Please do this before Sunday 20th as organising number cards and printing the posters takes some time.

The only 'rules' are that you display your number in your window from Friday 25th November, you reveal your display first thing in the morning on your allocated date and your window stays open until the end of the week after Christmas.

Pictures of previous years' windows are on the Six Streets website Photo Gallery page www.sixstreetsderby.org.uk, so you can see the wide variety and maybe pick up an idea or two (recycling and upcycling allowed!)

There are no prizes as artistic talent is not a prerequisite - children's input is welcomed and in the past Whitecross and Central nurseries have displayed windows created by their children.

Lyndsey Ramsden with Jane & Paul Johnstone

Six Streets Arts Trail 2017

An initial meeting resulted in the core group deciding they are willing to organise the 4th Six Streets Arts Trail next year, so put 24th and 25th June in your diaries!

In order for this community event to be as successful and enjoyable as in the past, more volunteers would be welcome - whether you are a whizz with a spreadsheet, publicity etc, whether you would like to open part of your home or garden as a venue or if you are a local artist who would like to exhibit.

All of these are enjoyable and/or useful in their own way, obviously we hope any local artists will reach a wider audience, helping to organise the Trail can be a way of building

up your cv and hosting a venue is fun with its opportunity to interact with “your” artists and visitors as well as giving you impetus for a tidy up!

We look forward to hearing from anyone interested in being part of 2017 Arts Trail, please email tinalhampton@ntlworld.com or drop a note into 75 Wheeldon Ave

For more background, check out the dedicated Arts Trail website - www.sixstreetsartstrail.co.uk

Looking forward to hearing from YOU

The Six Streets Arts Team Group

Six Streets Prints & Cards

Six Streets commissioned Rebecca Morledge to paint a picture showing ‘A Year in the Life of Six Streets’ and a print of this painting makes a very good Christmas present.

Prints can be ordered by emailing 6streetsderby@gmail.com or drop a note into 54, Wheeldon Ave. The cost is £80 for 40cm x 50cm size (16 x 20 inches) and 28 x 35 cm (11 x 14 inches) is £50.

The cards are blank for your own message, but make good Christmas cards and can be bought for 75p each or 6 for £4. Email as above or drop a note/ call into 54 or 75 Wheeldon Ave, 19 Statham St or 112 Kedleston Rd.



Six Streets Meal Service

I'd like to say a big thank you to everyone from the Six Streets Meal Service who helped my family and I out following my recent operation.

My husband would have had to manage but it was a lot less stressful as he was able to concentrate on our children (and bringing me cups of tea!), while delicious hot meals were delivered to our door each night - especially when I know it's not always easy catering for dietary requirements such as ours.

I'm so grateful to be part of the Six Streets community. It has made my recovery so much easier.

Thank you! Jo



A year in the life of Six Streets dates for you diary...

January	Food Bank (1st Sunday of the month) Walking Together (2nd Sunday of the month)	July	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out
February	Food Bank Walking Together Half Term Playing Out (weather dependent)	August	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out
March	Food Bank Walking Together Six Streets Newsletter Easter Event (if Easter Sunday is in March)	September	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out
April	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out (1st Friday every month until autumn) Easter Event (if it wasn't in March)	October	Food Bank Walking Together Six Streets Newsletter 2 Playing Outs (half term one being weather dependent) Hallowe'en is the 31st
May	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out	November	Food Bank Walking Together Advent Window Tea Party
June	Food Bank Walking Together Playing Out Arts Trail (biennial event, next one 2017) or Street Sale (biennial, even yrs)	December	Food Bank Walking Together Advent Windows Carol Singing

Diana Bruce



Six Streets Meals

We have had the privilege of providing meals on a short-term basis for a couple of Six Streets families in recent months; in one case during major building work and in the other, following surgery.

The feedback we have received from them has been excellent and really encouraging to the team of volunteers who kindly cook the meals. We are always on the lookout for more volunteers to help provide meals to families in the Six Streets area who are

coping with ill-health, bereavement, building work or the arrival of a new baby. We aim to provide an inexpensive, home-cooked meal and volunteers are under no obligation to cook a meal every time a request is received.

Please contact Cathy Travis on 07773206136 if you would like to join the team. You can also contact Cathy directly if you, or a neighbour of yours, would appreciate some home cooked meals for a few days.

Snow Patrol

It's that time of year again – and who knows it might actually snow sometime before spring, so if you are already a Snow Patroller, please let me know that you are willing to continue.

If you have been thinking about becoming one - email in or pop a note through my door as it is much appreciated by other Six Streeters and is also excellent exercise.

If you have no idea what Snow Patrol is; well, it all started with an idea from Laura who became the first co-ordinator of a merry band of volunteers who are supplied with grit and a snow shovel (wheeled shovels available for those with bad shoulders/ big stretches to clear). The aim is to clear enough of a path along at least one side of each street so that older people aren't stuck at home if snow lies for days, children can get to school (and Darley Park to sledge!) and the rest of us can continue life without visits to Casualty.

Every volunteer is asked to cover a specific section and to clear it as soon as possible after snow falls (given that it is the sort that stays). If you are away or unable to do it for some other reason, then don't feel guilty - it is possible that a reserve Patroller could be called in.

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Six Streets 'At homes'

Come along on the first Friday of the month from 6.30 - 8.00pm for this exclusive to Six Streets event. If you can only pop in for 30 minutes, it'll still be fun.

Bring a glass, your favourite tippie and something to nibble .

It's a chance to catch up, make new friends and just spend some time together without anyone having to cater or wash up afterwards !!

Dates for your Diary:

Friday 4th Nov chez Rachel
75, Wheeldon Ave

Friday 2nd Dec chez Julie and Ian
8A, Park Grove

Friday 6th Jan chez Diana and Nick
54, Wheeldon Ave

Friday 3rd Feb chez Tamsin
23 Wheeldon Ave

Would you like to host a future Friday?
Pop a note into 75 Wheeldon or email
6streetsderby@gmail.com

Hope to see you there. Rachel Clarke



Welcome to Six Streets Students

Six Streets aims to welcome all new residents and that includes University of Derby Students - we hope you enjoy and profit by your time in Derby. If you have any questions that you think your neighbours could answer, please post them on the website or email 6streetsderby@gmail.com

Did you know? By law, your landlord should only have one board advertising that your house is To Let and they should remove it within 14 days of agreeing the next year's lease.

All Six Streets events are open to you and it could be that volunteering with Six Streets, with the Arts Trail, for instance, would help with your cv.

Diana Bruce

Six Streets History

Six Streets History have just come to the end of their two year Six Streets & World War One Heritage Lottery Fund project. We all celebrated with an evening out at Mr Grundy's on Ashbourne Road - Clifford Grundy was living on White Street when he was called up for military service in 1916.

A group of Six Streets residents enjoyed a bus trip to York in early September - principally to see the newly recreated hospital train on display at the National Railway Museum but many of us took the opportunity to sneak off and do other things! Thanks are due to Chris Newman for organising the trip and applying to the Centre for Hidden Histories: Community Challenge Fund at the University of Nottingham for a grant which subsidised the trip.

As we have now finished the funded part of our project we are going to take things a bit easier for a while - as part of collecting evidence for the HLF end of project form we calculated that we contributed 392 volunteer days over two and a quarter years - quite an achievement for such a small team!



We will be carrying on the research though - just before we formally wrapped up the project this photograph of a family at 55 Statham Street came to light.

We knew that three of the Taylor brothers were away fighting but this photograph shows a fourth brother (who lived at 11 Cedar Street) and also a younger brother who was probably a cadet and obviously eager to follow in his brothers' footsteps.

Taken in the back garden at 55 Statham Street the photo shows them with their five sisters. What is also interesting is the ramshackle porch on the back of the house. We will be researching the family's history and once we have checked with the family that we have all our facts right a profile will appear on the Six Streets website. We are also investigating an autograph book that has come to light in the Midland Railway Archive that was signed and illustrated by soldiers convalescing at "Haye Leigh" our local Auxiliary hospital on Duffield Road and that belonged to a VAD nurse who lived on Kedleston Road.

As Chair of the group I would like to thank the **History Team** who have done such a wonderful job – for us all it is a hobby and to contribute such an amount of time shows true dedication. We would also like to thank the Six Streets group for their continued support - it has been much appreciated!

Diane Moss

I would like to say that I have heard so many positive comments about the **History Team** and personally I can not praise them enough. So thank you to the team for all your excellent work researching not only World War but the history of the area and particular houses as well.

Diana

Welcome Letters

For quite some time, Six Streets has had the aim of letting new residents know about the group.

So volunteers have tried to notice when someone new moves in and drop a welcome letter in - this has not always worked as some streets don't have a "welcomer", some streets are so long it is difficult to know if there is a new person at the other end or the welcomer may be away when the wheelie bins mark the removal lorry

parking slot. So apologies if you didn't get a letter when you moved in, please take this as your welcome. If you didn't get a letter, it seems there is a need on your doorstep!

Please volunteer to be a welcomer for the houses around you, it is not an onerous task. I can supply you with a batch of the letters and if you don't choose to put your name and contact details, you can always put mine.

Diana Bruce

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Walking Together

It used to be that some Six Streeters would meet up and have a pleasant walk through different parts of gorgeous Derbyshire countryside. And then for one reason or another, it stopped happening – so how about a relaunch?

Walks could include a stop at a tea shop or pub, could be shorter to allow children and less mobile people to join in, could be longer in the summer, could include a site of historic and ... well, be whatever the person planning the walk wants it to be. If you have a favourite walk, please share it with your neighbours.

Car sharing is to be encouraged as it saves on petrol & any parking charges as well as increasing chance for meeting new people and catching up with friends.

The first walk will be on Sunday 13th November and as the days are getting shorter, we'll aim at a 10am start. The meeting place is outside the pharmacy on Kedleston Rd.

If you let me know that you're coming, then we promise not to leave on the dot of 10 if you're not there!

This is a no drive walk, the route starts out through Markeaton Park, then up the track past Markeaton Stones farm and onto Vicar Wood. From Lower Vicarwood Farm, it goes across fields to Mackworth village, along the street to the Church and then across fields again back to Markeaton Park. There is a cafe in the nearby garden centre as well as the one in the park for any who don't have to rush off.

It is about 4 miles long, with no steep sections, parts will be muddy and dogs will have to be on lead for sections – the pace will be leisurely so children shouldn't find it too much (especially if a fair few come)

Diana Bruce

pop a note into 54 Wheeldon Ave or email 6streetsderby@gmail.com

Calling all Crafty People!

At this time of year as the nights draw in, we tend to spend more time in the home and I find myself looking for projects to keep me busy over the winter months, anything from sewing, knitting, cooking or card making.

Some skills have been passed down from generation to generation, some learned through formal education but some of the most creative ideas have come from spending time with friends sharing our skills and knowledge with some fantastic results.

This has given birth to a new idea of setting up a craft group, whether you are a complete beginner or an old hand, if you are a natty knitter, a sublime seamstress or a complete beginner wanting to learn new skills, all are welcome.

The first meeting will be on the 7th November at 23 Wheeldon Avenue, 7.30pm start. Initially, I hope to get together to share our thoughts on what crafts we all would like to try with a view to meeting on the first and third Monday of each month. Hopefully this will be an opportunity to make friends, learn new skills and have some fun.

Tamsin



Advent Food Bank

Every month, Jenny and the team pick up donations from houses across the area and deliver them to the Red Cross Food Bank. This year, they are linking in with Advent Windows and encouraging people who may never have donated before to give some food and/or Christmas items e.g. crackers, puddings, sweets & chocolates as well as toiletries.

Lyndsey, the Advent Window co-ordinator, is acting as the collection point. Please give what you can – Derby food banks do co-operate when they have any surplus items

to make sure as many people as possible benefit from your generosity.

All Advent Food Bank donations can be taken to **19, Statham St on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December between 2pm and 4pm - thank you.**

If you would like to know more about the monthly collections, please email 6streetsderby@gmail.com or drop a note into **10, Wheeldon Ave.**

Lyndsey & Jenny

Celebrate!



September 2017 marks the 10 year anniversary of start of the Wheeldon Avenue Group. This was the forerunner of Six Streets Group and so we have an excuse to celebrate!

Watch this space for details of celebrations ...Please email 6streetsderby@gmail.com or drop a note into **54 Wheeldon Ave** if you want to help make the 10th memorable.

Rachel