

Somercotes Local

SUMMER 2019

A Somercotes Parish Council Newsletter

NEW INFORMATION BOARDS



The Council is delighted to announce the installation of four new Information Boards in the Parish.

The boards were funded by Derbyshire County Council (DCC) and illustrated by Somercotes Local History Society (SLHS) in conjunction with Somercotes Parish Council (SPC). The boards detail the history of each particular area and are located on Nottingham Road, Sleetmoor Lane, Birchwood Lane and on the side of the Dog & Doublet pub at Pye Bridge.

Pictured from left to right are: Sharon Wint (SLHS), Cllr John McCabe (SPC), Cllr Paul Smith, (DCC&SPC) and John Hales (SLHS)



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Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road,
Somercotes DE55 4LY Tel: 01773 609397
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Foreword

At the last meeting of Somercotes Parish Council it was my honour to be elected as Chairman once again.

First, I would like to welcome on behalf of the Council, our two new Councillors, Vicki Bonsall and Paul Slater. They are very welcome additions to the team and I look forward to working with them in the future.

I'd also like to extend a warm welcome to the newly formed Phoenix Bowls Club who will be playing on the outdoors green at Somercotes Park. If you would like to try your hand as this very sociable sport or are already a seasoned player, the club welcomes people who want to find out more. Contact Trev on 01773 765465 for further details.

On a less positive note, there has recently been an act of vandalism on Somercotes Parks. This will not be tolerated. The police have been informed and have increased their patrols accordingly. After last summer's disappointing hanging baskets display, the Council has a new contractor this year and although the baskets have just been installed they already look very promising.

The Parish Council has now completed the installation of a new defibrillator. It is located on the side of the Parish Council Annex on the Market Place Car Park, Somercotes. The Council will be arranging some training sessions for those interested in attending and these will be advertised shortly on Council Notice Boards; the Councils' website: www.somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk and facebook page www.facebook.com/somercotespc Finally on a more general matter, I can confirm that Amber Valley Borough Council has withdrawn its draft Local Plan due to residents complaints.

Clr John McCabe

Chairman
Somercotes Parish Council



Derbyshire Ancestral Research Group

Thanks to Margaret Brooksbank for this contribution.
Contact for Margaret: Tel 01773 604916
Throughout all editions was a regular item headed: Notes, whilst not about the Somercotes area, they did affect everywhere, as most were Government edicts.

SOMERCOTES AT LEISURE

1891 Feb 27th

On Tuesday evening Mr NEWHAM the Ventriloquist gave an entertainment in the National School. There was not a large attendance.

1916 Aug 11th

A Rose Show was held at the Rifle Volunteer on Saturday with 28 entries and some very excellent blooms were staged. The winners were: 1st J TAYLOR, 2nd E SPENCER, 3RD A SELWYN

1921 Feb 4th

Riddings and Somercotes HOCKEY CLUB had a good game against LOUGHBOROUGH on Somercotes cricket ground on Saturday and won 6 goals to 2. J AMOS Captain scored 4, J WADDOUPS & S GREAVES scored the others.

1926 Aug 27th

Mr GEORGE BEASTALL gave all the staff of the Premier Electric Theatre and Oporto House their annual outing to Wensley on Sunday. The company numbering 40 went by CHARABANC and spent a most enjoyable time.

1930 Feb 14th

Last Friday employees of Messrs GEORGE EDWARDS & SONS Hosier Manufacturers & members of EDWARDS Welfare made merry at the opening of the new Dance Hall on Somercotes Hill. The MC's were Mr E A HILL & Mr T JONES

1934 May 10th

FLETCHERS BILLIARD HALL Somercotes was crowded on Wednesday evening last week to witness exhibition games of BILLIARDS & SNOOKER between Miss RUTH HARRISON the British Ladies Champion and the pick of the local players. The audience was delighted with Miss HARRISON but the local gentlemen cuestas proved superior. Mr G SHEPHERD winning 200-192 & Mr J DAWES 200-180.

1936 Feb 21st

About 70 people attended a FANCY DRESS PARTY organised by the YOUNG MENS FELLOWSHIP at the Wesley Church on Saturday. There were about 40 entries and the MC's were Mr W LEE and Mr S LATHWELL. Awards were Mr IS LATHWELL (Indian Rajah) Mr E MANTON (Rustic), Mr E HILL jun (Chinese), Miss VERA POYSER (early 90s), Miss L LATHWELL (The Pink Lady), Mrs E MANTON (African Lady).

1936 May 22nd

SOMERCOTES TOREADORS CARNIVAL BAND organised a parade and field day on Saturday last. The display was in the field adjoining the Rifle Volunteer Inn kindly lent by Mr WEIGHTMAN (Licensee). At 10pm there was a grand torchlight tattoo.

1936 Sep 11th

A HEATHER FAIR was a very profitable effort on Saturday at Birchwood Methodist Church. The schoolroom was tastefully decorated with HEATHER and sprigs were sold which helped considerably to swell the funds. There was fancy dress for the children, a Treasure Hunt was won by Mt J GENT Ladies ANKLE completion Miss DURHAM, Gents ANKLE competition Mr G NAYLOR

1936 Oct 23rd

Mr & Mrs BERNARD CLARKSON of Lower Somercotes have been very successful at various events during the summer with their baby boy BARRY who is 18 months old. He has taken prizes at Somercotes NURSING ASSOCIATION GARDEN Fete. His latest was to win a Silver Trophy at the GREAT BABY SHOW at CRYSTAL PALACE.

1948 Jan 9th

St Thomas's Senior and Junior Guild invited friends to the NEW YEAR PARTY last Thursday at the Church Hall. Games and Dancing were enjoyed to the RADIOGRAM and Supper was served by Mrs E BRENTNALL, the Misses IRIS & FREDA BRENTNALL & Mrs W CFATER. THE ELIMINATION WALTZ was won by BRYN O'CALLAGHAN & MAISIE CHALLIS



Somercotes guides go to sangam

1st Somercotes Guides experienced the trip of a lifetime visiting India in August 2018. With only 18 days to fit it all in, they had a busy time whizzing from one amazing experience to another. From visiting the Taj Mahal, riding elephants, curry cooking lessons, white knuckle tuk tuk rides, trying new foods, trekking hill forts and exploring colourful markets to teaching children English as part of a community project, they couldn't have asked for a more exciting, yet eye opening trip.

In Pune, at the World Association of Girl Guide and Girl Scouts centre called Sangam, the group met with Girl Guides and Girl Scouts from all over the world; making new friends from Argentina, Madagascar, Ghana, Rwanda, the USA and of course the UK.

The highlight of the Sangam stay were the community action projects with which the girls volunteered. Some went to Tara Mobile Crèche, an organisation that provides care and education for children living in extreme poverty. Others to Anand Gram, a school on a leper colony or to BKS, a centre for children with disabilities or to Maher which provides care for women with various difficulties. Each group had a brilliant time at their project, even though it was hard work and emotionally challenging throughout.

'As part of the task we were asked on the first day to do some arts and crafts; watching the smiles on the children's faces was so, so touching! It reflected that the smallest and most basic things could create such an amazing atmosphere of smiles and plenty of giggles!!! The children of the primary school were so, so clever, considering the environments they were coming from and the poverty they were living in, and leaving them was the most heartbreaking thing!'



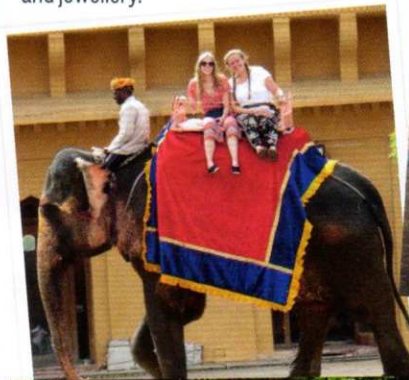
Back at Sangam the Guides cooled off in the pool, before learning about Indian culture, trying out 'laughing yoga', engaging in a 'Stop the Violence' project and body confidence sessions and of course shopping until they dropped in the local market.

'We went all giddy in the sari shop, with fabric flying everywhere as we searched for our perfect palette and patterns among the array of colours and sparkles.'

The next adventure was beckoning so the Guides flew off to the bright lights of Delhi. Here the Guides went all touristy and posed at every 'snapportunity' in front of mosques, temples and random rickshaws. The girls were also a hit with the locals, posing for so many selfies that it was like being famous!

At the elephant sanctuary the group learnt about how the elephants had been rescued from captivity and saw some of the beautiful animals at close quarters. They presented the 'elephant blanket', made as part of their fundraising, so a piece of 1st Somercotes will stay in India.

Then on to Agra and the selfie fest of the Taj Mahal. Everyone perfected their next profile picture amidst the awe of such a stunning building, before the heavens opened and the Guides waded their way around the Red Fort drenched by the monsoon rains. In Jaipur the sun blazed down again as the Guides explored the lanes of markets full of colourful fabrics, trinkets and jewellery.



After two years of fundraising, the trip was a life changing and life affirming experience for all of the group members.

'The trip has definitely shown that you can make any positive out of any kind of negative situation and to laugh no matter what! The whole group was completely out of our comfort zones but conquered every day'.

The Guides would like to say thank you to the Parish Council, people and businesses of Somercotes for all your support in helping to raise the funds to enable them to have this amazing experience.





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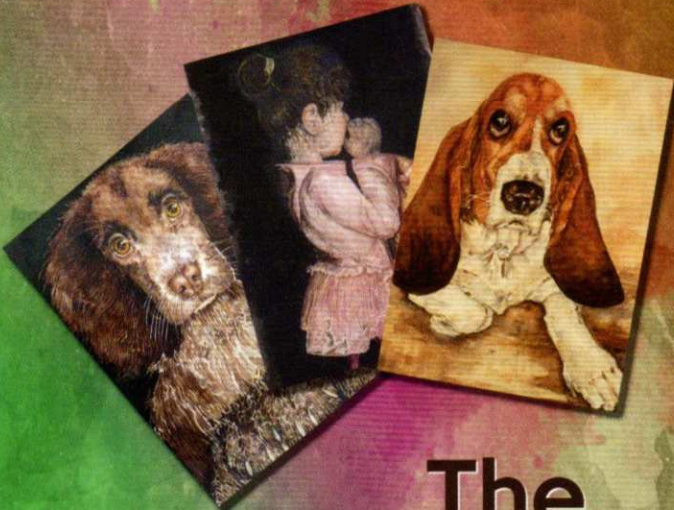
To receive your free Tea for Treetops fundraising kit:
www.treetopshospice.org.uk/t4t



Treetops Hospice Care, Derby Road, Risley, Derby DE72
355 0115 949 1264 | www.treetopshospice.org.uk
Registered Charity Number 519540

Watercolour Classes

SOMERCOTES COMMUNITY CENTRE
TUESDAYS 10AM - 12PM AND 7PM - 9PM | THURSDAYS 9AM - 11.00AM



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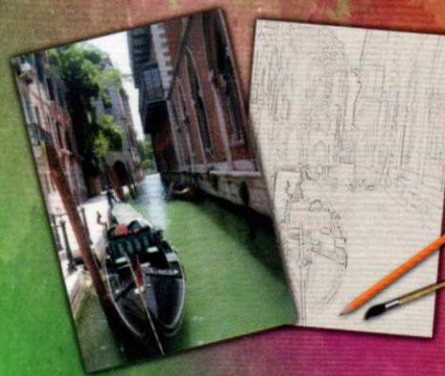
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Singing by Heart

A Dementia Friendly Singing Group

A glad heart makes a cheerful face
Proverbs 15:13

The Salvation Army

1 Sleetmoor Lane, Somercotes, DE55 1RB
(every second Friday in the month)



'Sing and Play'

For children aged 0-2 years old.
Every Thursday (during term time)

9.30am – 11.00am

Admission £1

(includes refreshments)



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Sleetmoor Lane, Somercotes, DE55 1RB
Enquiries phone: 01773 606945

Meetings led by Captain Vicky Owen
Enquiries phone: 01773 606945

Weekly Events

- Sunday Worship 3pm (pre-meeting prayer 2.30pm – 2.45pm)
Monday Friends and Fellowship 2pm
(except Bank Holidays)
Tuesday Care and Share Coffee Morning
9.30am – 11am (except Bank Holidays)
Thursday 'Sing and Play' 9.30am– 11am
Friday Prayer Focus 9.30 am – 10.30am

Monthly Events

- Craft & Cake First Friday of the month 2pm – 4pm
Come and share in fellowship with a cup of tea, coffee and cake. All materials provided to make craft items for various charities or bring your own. A donation of £1 would be appreciated to cover the cost of materials and refreshments etc.

Captain Vicky Owen will be leaving Somercotes in July and taking up a new appointment in Stapleford. She would like to thank all the friends and colleagues she has made from various churches whom she has enjoyed working with and sharing fellowship during the last eighteen months. Thank you for making me so welcome.

The new officers replacing her are Lieutenants Callum and Zsofia Thompson who will be taking up the appointment on Monday 22nd July. The email address will be callum.thompson@salvationarmy.org.uk and the contact telephone will be 01773 606945.

Please pop along to the hall and say hello, they will be really pleased to meet you.

All existing times and programmes will continue as at present.

Sing and Play (for 0 – 3 years olds) 9.30am – 11.00am will recommence on Thursday 5th September and Singing by Heart (Dementia awareness group) will re-commence on Friday 9th August, meeting every second Friday in the month from 2 – 3pm.

Somercotes Choral Society appeals for singers for October concert

Somercotes Choral Society's April concert 'As Time Goes By' was well received by a capacity audience at Somercotes Village Hall on 27th April.

Now the society is starting rehearsals for their October concert on Saturday the 26th at the same venue.

Jen Adams, the society's Chairwoman, says they particularly need more men. "Currently we only have six male singers compared with over 20 women so we could do with a better balance.

"However, the six men performed gallantly at the last concert though we could do with a few more to join them. Women are also very welcome."

Jen added that there are no auditions and there is the support of the other singers and also a CD for each singing part.

"So there is no need to be able to read music, but it is nice if people can sing in key! So anyone interested can ring me or just turn up on a Tuesday evening."
Jen is on 01773 789079.

The choir practises at Swanwick School and Sports College, Hayes Lane, Swanwick every Tuesday evening at 7.15pm. Their website has more information – www.somercoteshoralsociety.co.uk

For further press information contact:
David Storer on 0115 854 3489 or 07949 322 717
emaild.storer@ntlworld.com

St Mary the Virgin & All Souls Church, Highbury Road, Bulwell, Nottingham, NG6 9AD

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Est 1903

Saturday 29th June 2019, 7.30pm

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Light refreshments and raffle available.

Make a date in your diary and come along with family and friends and enjoy a great evening's entertainment and fun. All proceeds raised from the concert will be used towards repairs to the church tower.

In the last six years the Pye Hill & District Male Voice Choir has toured Surrey, Norfolk, Durham, Devon, South Wales and the Isle of Wight and regularly perform in front of capacity audiences and raise thousands of pounds for charities and good causes. The choir are equally at home singing in large venues or more intimate surroundings. The choir are privileged to have the renowned Linda Darnell as its Musical Director.

This concert marks Colin Dutton's 50 years of choral singing, which began at St. Mary the Virgin & All Souls Church. Colin remains the longest serving member of PH&DMVC and the evening will be special for Colin and all concerned.

Why not come and join the choir and start a new activity? It could not be easier; it's fun, inexpensive, you will make new friends and it will put a smile on your face. Whether you are experienced or a non-experienced singer of any age, you will be made equally welcome and given every assistance.

The choir practice at the Dale Club, Jacksdale every Monday evening at 7.30 p.m., other than Bank Holiday weeks. Music, practice CD's, Musical Director, Accompanist and uniform are all provided for a modest price. You have nothing to lose, but a great deal to gain by coming along on a Monday evening and giving it a go!

If you require any further information on joining the choir, concert bookings and arrangements, please ring Malcolm Hill on 07706036946 or 01773 602743, or visit the choir's web site on www.pyehillmvc.co.uk

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WWW.CT4TC.ORG.UK

WEEKLY EVENTS AT SOMERCOTES VILLAGE HALL

Mondays	1.30 pm – 4.00 pm In the Lounge 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm In the Hall	Welfare Rights (Derbyshire Unemployed Workers Centre) 1st Somercotes Guides Group for girls aged 10-15 years	No appointment needed Call into a meeting for more details	
Tuesdays	9.15am & 11.15am In the Hall 10.00 am 12.00 noon and also at 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm In the Lounge 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm In the Hall 7.30 pm – 10 pm In the Hall	Slimming World Watercolour Classes Newcomers always welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. Somercotes Beavers Group for Boys and Girls aged 6 to 8 Somercotes Ladies Every Tuesday except 1 st in each month	Sue Rutter Norma Gent Steve Hewitt Eileen Wilkinson	07738 118130 01773 609251 01773 836907 07857 845954 01773 603177
Wednesdays	5:30 pm – 7:00 pm In the Hall 7:45 -8:45 In the Hall 8.00 pm – 8.45 pm In the Hall	Weight Watchers Taekwondo Juniors & Adults Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness	Just call in Just attend 5 mins before class starts Dey	 07910600724 Dey Zumba Liz Lopez 01773 836907
Thursdays	9.00 am – 11.00 am In the Lounge 9.45am – 10.45am 6.00 pm – 7.15 pm In the Hall 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm In the Lounge 7.30pm – 8.30pm In the Lounge	Watercolour Classes All abilities welcome. Lovely atmosphere, friendly people. Somercotes Walking Group Walking for Health 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Brownies Group for girls aged 7-10 years 1st Somercotes (St.Thomas) Rainbows Group for girls aged 5-7 years Burlesque Chair Dance	Norma Gent Alan Rowe Call into a meeting for more details. Sharon	 01773 609430 07425938421
Fridays	10.00 am – 11.30 am In the Lounge 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm In the Hall 7.30 pm – 8.15 pm In the Hall	Hatha Yoga Calms your mind and strengthens your body. All ability class Taekwondo Juniors & Adults Zumba Fitness Latin inspired, calorie burning, dance fitness	Rav Paul Just attend 5 mins before class starts Dey	07963 350868 07910600724 Dey Zumba Liz Lopez
Saturdays		None at Present		
Sundays	9.30 am onwards In the Lounge In the Hall	Parish Church of St. Thomas Sunday School Coffee after Church Service	Rachel Watson (Churchwarden)	01773 607131

Anyone for Bowls?

On a bright hot Sunny Summers Morning 1st of June just as the mist was clearing, a strange sight was seen in Somerlea Park. Sherwood Street Leabrooks.

After 4 long years of absence a mythical creature called the Phoenix was spotted on the bowling green. Yes, they had returned, and what a sight for sore eyes they were, a group of FLAT GREEN LAWN BOWLERS known by the name of the PHOENIX BOWLS CLUB they were playing the ancient game that Sir Francis Drake played on Plymouth Hoe, so history and legend goes.

The people of Somercotes and the surrounding area can once again sit in the park on a hot summers evening watching and enjoying the great game of bowls that is open to all, young and old alike. The Committee and club members welcome new players and are actively seeking them, from beginners to experienced league players, so come along and join our happy band, of like minded people.

It is planned to hold taster bowling sessions on a Saturday Morning for anyone interests in trying their hand at this great game, pop along and give it a go, when these have been organised. This Phoenix is very welcoming and does not bite. You may even discover that you really like the game, it's not that difficult to learn.

The committee would also like to thank Cllr John McCabe and Cllr Paul Smith for their help in sponsoring the club and in acquiring the old Tennis Court Pavilion and returning it back into use by the Phoenix Bowls Club for the benefit of their members, and the people of Somercotes and the surrounding area.

To join the Phoenix Bowls Club or find out more details please telephone 01773 765465



Treetops Hospice Care Needs Your Help!

Do you have some free time?

Would you like a volunteering role that you can fit around your other commitments? Treetops Hospice Care is looking for a Community Ambassador for your parish.

Treetops Hospice Care provides nursing care & emotional support for adults living with a life-limiting illness whilst offering bereavement and counselling services to help support families at one of the most difficult times of their lives. Our ambition is to make every day count for patients and families living with life-limiting illnesses or affected by death and dying; our vision is that everyone living within the communities we serve has access to end of life care of the highest quality.

As a Community Ambassador you will promote Treetops events in your parish through posters and word of mouth; set up and run collection/information stalls in your local area; introduce the work of Treetops to your network; promote Treetops to local community groups and voluntary groups; manage collection tins in local shops and businesses. You will be fully supported in your role by our Community Fundraising team.

Book A Speaker

Are you a member of a community group that would like to hear more about the work of Treetops Hospice Care?

We would love to come along to one of your meetings and explain how we support families in your parish and how our services can be accessed.

For an informal chat about becoming a Community Ambassador or to book a speak contact Christine Selden, Community Fundraiser on

0115 949 1264 or email cselden@treetopshospice.org.uk

Somercotes Library

Opening Hours:
Mon: 2pm – 5pm
Thursdays: 9am – 1pm & 2pm-7pm
Fridays: 9am - 1pm & 2pm-5pm
Saturdays: 9.30am – 1pm

Somercotes Library provides an excellent service to the local community and has been doing so for the last 25 years. The library staff are very friendly and always willing to assist those using the services.

The library has a Reader's Group on the first Friday of the month. Contact the library for details of which book is currently being read.

Our address is Somerlea Park Junior School, Bank Street Somercotes. DE55 4JE. Tel: 01629 533970
E-Mail: somercotes.library@derbyshire.gov.uk
or view the website www.derbyshire.gov.uk

Home Library Service

The Home Library Service now delivers to around 120 people in the Somercotes area. The service works from Alfreton Library and delivers once a month. For people who enjoy reading or listening to books, but who cannot get into a local library, or for those who are unable to carry the items they need, the service is free and could help. Books, large and normal print, books on tape and CD and also music CD's. All are available.

Places of Worship

Parish Church of St. Thomas

The Revd. Imogen Black 01773 603793 | Mobile No: 07949304436
Churchwardens Rachel Watson 01773 607131 and Michael Woods 01623 723653

Regular Services:

Sunday: 9:30 am Sung Mass
9:30 – 10:00am Sunday School in the Village Hall
6:00pm Evening Worship (Last Sunday in the month)
Wednesday: 10.00am Said Mass followed by refreshments

Services:

Saturday 6th July Coffee Morning in the Village Hall 10am-12 noon
Saturday 3rd August Coffee Morning in the Village Hall 10am-12 noon & Car Boot Sale from 10am (outside if dry, inside if not) £5 a car/table
Contact: Rachel Watson 01773 607131
Saturday 7th Sept Coffee Morning in the Village Hall 10am-12 noon

All are welcome to join any of our services and events.

Birchwood Methodist Church

Minister – Rev. M Dilley Tel. 01623 752349
Service each Sunday at 3pm and a morning service once a month at 10.30am
Coffee Morning – 2nd Wednesday in the Month 10am-12noon

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US
PLEASE SEE OUR NOTICE BOARD FOR DETAILS**

Leabrooks Christian Centre

67 Main Road, Leabrooks, DE55 1LA | Telephone 01773 608737
www.leabrookschristiancentre.uk email: lynne@leabrookschristiancentre.uk
Minister: Pastor Lynne Clarke

Sunday Services Morning Service 10.30am
Tuesday: Ladies Meeting 10.30am-12noon
Reading the bible, prayer and sharing over coffee followed by a light lunch.
Prayer Meeting 6-7pm
Friday: Coffee Morning 10am-12noon. Pop in for a cuppa & a chat.
Monday 'More than Just a Meal' is once a month for over 55's to come together to enjoy a yummy home cooked meal.
No charge, but a donation appreciated.
Wednesday 17th July Gabriel and Daniella Corradini, Church planters in Asturias sharing what God is doing in Spain.
7.15pm start, refreshments from 6.45pm

Carers and Bereavement Groups have started on Fridays at Somercotes Medical Centre

Carers Group

Carers: - If you look after someone at home and can get away for an hour between 2pm and 3pm on the 1st and 3rd Friday in the month, please drop into the Surgery and meet others in the same situation for a chat, cup of tea and cakes and a little pampering.

Bereavement Group

If you have been bereaved recently, or some time ago, and would like to meet others in the same situation, please drop into the surgery on the 2nd and 4th Fridays in the month for a chat, cup of tea and cakes. This group will also meet between 2pm and 3pm at the back of the waiting room at Somercotes Medical Centre

We have a grant from Amber Valley CVS to do this. It will cost you nothing and is set up by volunteers from the Patient Participation Group with the support of the surgery.



Somercotes
Local History Society

SOMERCOTES HERITAGE DAY

Saturday, 21st September 2019 10am - 4pm

at SOMERCOTES VILLAGE HALL, Nottingham Road, Somercotes.
Exhibitions, Displays, Videos by Somercotes History Society and other Local Societies



Langley Avenue Somercotes



Cotes Park Colliery 1926 Miners Strike



Riddings ARP at Stanton Ironworks Pye Bridge June 1941



Patrons of the Black Horse Pub

Please bring along any photographs, letters, documents or anything that will help us retain our heritage for others to enjoy. With your permission, all material, can be copied and returned.
Light refreshments are available on the day at a reasonable charge.

RECREATION GROUND SOMERCOTES

The Council is receiving a lot of comments about the condition of the Recreation Ground in Somercotes. There have been many incidents of dog fouling where dog walkers have not picked up after their dogs and other anti-social behaviour such as vandalism and drug use.

PLEASE

If you want to see anti social behaviour challenged and the Recreation Ground an area which all the community can enjoy – **THEN REPORT INCIDENTS WHEN YOU SEE THEM!**

Amber Valley Borough Council is responsible for the Recreation Ground and can be contacted on:
Dog Fouling: 01773 841335
or email:
www.ambervalley.gov.uk/environment/dog-control/dog-fouling.

Anti-social Behaviour: 01773 570222
or email
www.ambervalley.gov.uk/community/community-safety/anti-social-behaviour

They cannot act if they aren't informed!

SOMERCOTES PARISH COUNCIL YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

Councillor John McCabe
Councillor Brian Lyttle
Councillor M Barron
Councillor P Smith
Councillor P Curran-Bilbie

Councillor S McCabe
Councillor S Walker
Councillor V Bonsall
Councillor P Slater

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Caretaker:	Carol Hopkinson	Tel: 01773 609397
Relief Caretaker	Virginia Smithurst	
Parish Wardens:	Colin Rick Les Briddon	
Bar Supervisor:	Victoria Jones	

Please make all booking enquiries by dropping in or calling the Village Hall on 01773 609397 or 07516 493430 or email: caretaker@somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk

For all other enquiries contact:
Somercotes Parish Council, Somercotes Village Hall, Nottingham Road, Somercotes, DE55 4LY
www.somercotesparishcouncil.co.uk | email: somercotespc@btconnect.com

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS In the lounge of the Village Hall

Ordinary PC Meeting 19 July 2019 6.30pm
Ordinary PC Meeting 20 September 2019 6.30pm
Ordinary PC Meeting 15 November 2019 6.30pm

YOUR AMBER VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

Cllr Brian Lyttle/Councillor John McCabe will be holding surgeries in the lounge of Somercotes Village Hall on:

Saturday 6 July 2019	Saturday 3 August 2019
Saturday 7 September 2019	Saturday 5 October 2019

All Surgeries 11am to 12noon. County Councillor Paul Smith will also be present.

NEW PARISH COUNCILLORS



My name's **Paul Slater** and I'm 34 years old and have been with my partner Kelly for 9 years. I have 4 children.

I have lived locally all my life and was born and raised in Leabrooks so as they say it's in my blood.

Having seen many changes throughout Somercotes, there is one thing i want too do as a councillor and that is to bring the community spirit back.

Vicki and I have some ideas for the parish and I look forward to discussing them with my fellow councillors in the months ahead.



My name is **Vikki Bonsall**, I have lived in Somercotes for 10 years. I would like to help and support the local people to work together in dealing with issues they may have and in growing community spirit.

COUNTY CONTACT NUMBERS



If you want to report a matter to Derbyshire County Council you can ring 'Call Derbyshire' on 01629 533 190
They are open Mon-Fri 8am-8pm and Sat 9.30am-4pm



Amber Valley Borough Council, Town Hall, Ripley, Derbyshire Tel: 01773 570222
Planning applications can be viewed and commented on using Amber Valley Borough Council websit www.ambervalley.gov.uk then click on the planning application register.



Police Contact Numbers

If you want to contact the Police or Police Community Special Officers to give information or report crime you can telephone: Non-urgent Police matters 101 (calls charged at 15p)
www.derbyshire.police.uk
Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

Please do report incidents. We are all aware that incidents such as vandalism, theft, etc. are occurring in Somercotes. However, unless the police have reports the assumption (based on reported statistics) is that there are no problems and the end result is that police resource will be redeployed.

Other useful numbers:

Derbyshire Fire & Rescue	01332 771221	Central Networks (Electricity) (loss of supply helpline)	0800 056 8090
Gas Emergency line	0800 111 999	Floodline	0845 988 1188
Sovereign Water (water leaks and bursts)	0800 783 4444	Derbyshire Neighbourhood Watch	01773 572 938
Victim Support Line	0845 3030900	NHS Direct	0845 46 47
UK Flu Information Line	0800 1 513 513	Amber Valley Housing	01773 573 100
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111		

Call anonymously with information about crime



With possible shortages of fresh vegetables and fruit looming on the horizon with Brexit, now is the time to become a tenant at Birchwood Lane Allotment Association, and grow your own. Taste fresh fruit and veg as it should taste and smell like, become part of a friendly Association, gain from the exercise and being outside, that a plot at Birchwood Lane Allotments would help deliver. Plots are £19.50/year, £13 for the first year. We have 3 plots vacant at Birchwood Lane, if you would like further information, please ring **Col** on 07912 887 90, or email secretary@birchwoodallotments.co.uk
www.birchwoodallotments.co.uk

DOG POOP BAGS

Somercotes Parish Council provide free dog poop bags to residents.
It's a great service and very popular. You can pick them up from the Village Hall or alternatively from the parish wardens, Colin and Les.
Please note that when applying you will be asked for proof of residency.

DISPOSING OF NEEDLES SAFELY

Modern Living involves many hazards: One problem can be needles and syringes that have been discarded without care. If you find a needle, **DO NOT PICK IT UP**. Please call Amber Valley Borough Council's needle hotline 08000 92 51 31 free anytime day or night. Their aim is to collect a needle within two hours of any reported incident.

Birchwood Lane Allotment Association

A better place to garden

OPEN DAY

As part of National Allotment Week

Sunday 18th August 2019 11am – 4pm



Free Entry at the Lower Gate
Birchwood Lane, Somercotes, DE55 4ND.

Bar-B-Que, Refreshments, Tombola, Fresh Veg Stall, Toy Stall
Home Made Cakes, Face Painting and more!
Food tastes that much better home grown.
We have plots available to rent!

Ring Col on 07912 887 904 or Email secretary@birchwoodallotments.co.uk

www.birchwoodallotments.co.uk

The Little Izzy Express

Somercotes Parish Council Waste Disposal Skip

Somercotes Parish Council Waste Disposal Facility will be on Somercotes market place between 8am and 10am the first Saturday in every month. No waste accepted after 10am. This facility is for the residents of the parish of Somercotes only.

All residents will be asked to provide evidence that they live in the parish. Please be prepared for this when bringing items to the skip.

**NO TRADE WASTE | NO TOXIC WASTE
NO ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT | NO ASBESTOS**

Derbyshire Police

Amber Valley Safer Neighbourhood Team

PCSO 12778 Daniel Frederickson is our newly appointment PCSO Supervisor. He has responsibility for the day to day running of the PCSO staff and will be heavily involved in building relationships with the Parish Council and other local organisations such as Speed Watch and Neighbourhood Watch. He joined Derbyshire Police in 2016 and has worked as a PCSO in Derby City before joining us at Amber Valley.

