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Carrshield Village Hall

Arts and Crafts Centre



CVH CHATTER JUNE 2021

WHAT HAPPENED IN MAY

Polling day saw a steady stream of villagers voting, many taking the opportunity to have a good look at the new hall and kitchen!

2nd pub afternoon went well with 19 hardy souls braving the weather and the music, and enjoying fast flowing fluids.

AGM and celebration saw 18 folk gather (socially distanced of course) to review the progress from 2017, and elect the new trustees and committee. This was followed with a buffet and drinks from the bar.

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE?

Warm welcome Wednesdays; from 2 - 4pm every Wednesday afternoon come to enjoy company, cake and coffee or tea for

£2.50. (**AKA knit and natter** but if you don't knit it really doesn't matter)

Monthly **Pilates** classes commence **June 3**

CVH committee will meet at the hall **June 3** at 7pm

Weekly **Games night** will start up on the evening of **June 10**

3D Felting workshop **June 12**

Girls' night out Friday **June 18** from 730pm. Ladies, book your late pass and your taxi home for a pub night just for us.

Official opening event will take place at the end of the month, unfortunately for invitees only due to COVID restrictions.



Carrshield Polling Day - our Behind the scenes adventure

Managing this Village Hall is definitely not boring! On Wednesday afternoon we went to turn on the heating so that the hall would be warm on Thursday. Polling Day dawned with wintry showers forecast. We arrived at 06:15 to find that the electricity was off and the hall was freezing cold and dark. Major panic! We checked the trip switches in the Hall, and all looked ok. After hauling all the boxes out of the store cupboard to retrieve the gas heaters and almost gaining a hernia carrying them into the main hall, at least we were able to provide some heat for the Polling Clerks. We then went up to the roadside box to see if there was a trip switch in there. Of course, the lock was frozen up! After a dozen attempts to open it, I gave up. We still did not know if it was a trip or power cut. We helped the girls get set up the polling station then barrelled back home (we did not have a mobile, which rarely works at the hall does not have any useful numbers anyway). A quick (did I say quick?) call to Northern Power Grid showed that there were no reported faults. Then we called our electrician who sounded rather sleepy (oops sorry, still only 07:30AM). He confirmed that there is a trip switch in the roadside box, but the key is hard to get into the lock. Really? He advised me to pour boiling water on the lock. Really??The idea of water, boiling or otherwise, on an 18KW electrical box did not appeal! We hurried back to the box, armed with instructions and a can of WD40. Bingo! Got the box open very easily after a judicious squirt And found the offending trip switch. Next, back to the hall to switch off all the trips in the box (a' la instructions from Electrician); then back to the box to flip the switch on. Finally, we returned to the Hall to switch the power back on. Hallelujah! Everything else went like a dream! The girls were lovely, and we chatted for ages. They had a great day meeting all our neighbours. We were told that 21 voters turned out and most of those were just there to look at the hall. I think we can expect a few new FoCVH to follow from this. Certainly, the Poll Clerk Assistant is a definite! All told another successful (if eventful) day!

J&A

AGM in brief; Trustees; Steve Agar, John Woodcock, Alwyn Woodcock, Ros Hill. Committee; Ian Boyd (Chair), John

Woodcock (treasurer), Alwyn Woodcock (Secretary), Susie Stafford (Bookings, Friends, events and publicity), Julie Smith, Kevin Smith, Peds Manuel and Emma Manuel.

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