#### Update from the Village Life Magazine Committee

Welcome to the first issue of the third year of our Village Life magazine – and for the first time we have had to leave out some of the items we wanted to publish this month! Apart from the need to keep our costs within budget, we also have the problem that including more than 40 pages starts to make the magazine unwieldy and difficult to produce – but don't stop sending us items for future issues, we will just have to do our job as an editorial committee and decide what to include and what to leave out.

On that topic, a number of departures over the year has left us with several vacancies on the committee, so if you want to join us, please give me a call on 01691 770677 or drop in and make yourself known at the Centre.

We also need another person to replace the departing Brian Latham to deliver to 89 houses in the School Lane and Coopers Lane area – can you help please?

Finally, advance notice of a new project starting in St Martins. November 2018 will mark the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the closure of Ifton Colliery, and some former miners (led by Terry Ellis) want to mark that by creating something permanent in the village to preserve the memory of the colliery and its impact on the development of St Martins. The Parish Council has given its support to the project and Village Life will keep everyone informed of progress, including the fund raising initiatives that will be needed to pay for the project.

John Stevens (Chair of the Editorial Committee)

If you wish to submit an article or advertise in the next publication please email it to stmartinsvillagelife@gmail.com

by no later than Friday 15th July 2016

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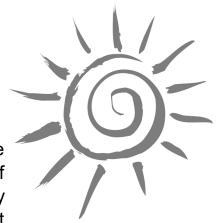
#### **Parish Council**

#### From the Chair

Hello Everyone

How nice it is to see a bit of sunshine.

April 21st saw our Annual Meeting of the Parish, this is where clubs and groups come together and give a short overview of what they have been up to over the last year. I'm sorry to say that there were only a few of us to hear of the very important



and interesting things that go on in the village. We heard about the Ifton Colliery Band and their 100th Birthday celebrations and what is happening up at Ifton Meadows. Rainbows and Brownies have done some very exciting things this year and little by little the footpaths around the village are getting kissing gates, making it easier to access the walking trails that crisscross the village and surrounding country side. The History Group sent in an interesting report on their investigation and WI charted their year. Isn't wonderful to see just how much each group can pack into a year?

It's good to see the planters are up. The council employed Neil Rhead this year and we are looking forward to seeing the floral display gracing our village again.

#### HELP, we need someone to water them through growing season

If you can help please contact the Parish Clerk. Brian Swain has taken on the 3 tier planter this year and I'm looking forward to seeing them blossoming through the summer.

We are sorry to say that Brian Latham has resigned as he has moved home outside the County. We wish him and Kathy, all the best in their new home. This leaves a space on the Council and nominations will very soon be called for. Is this something you could do? Do you have a passion for our village and can you add to the skill set we already have? Each and every member is important and can give at least a different view point to any question. Life skills and experience are very important abilities for this job - you don't have to have a University degree to be a good councillor, although people with knowledge of business and law etc. are also needed. We don't get paid, but we can look with pride at our village knowing we had something to do with it. We are in very trying and testing times and we need you!

Some of you may have noticed that one of the seats the Memorial Garden is missing. It needed some repair which has been done, but we are just waiting for the base to be put right then we'll replace it.

What a treat for the eyes! The new seat by the 'Stute car park to honour the miners and which was especially commissioned. I think it's a real nice way to show respect.

Sue Schofield
Chair of St Martins Parish Council

#### Report from St Martins Parish Council Clerk

The Annual Meeting of St Martins Parish Council was held this month in The St Martins Centre. Cllr Sue Schofield was re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council with Cllr Glenn Pennington being re-appointed as Vice Chairman. Members of the Parish Council were also appointed to a number of sub-committees which include Executive, Recreation Services, Finance, Planning and Street Lighting.

This meeting was then followed by a Full Council meeting. The Parish Clerk reported that Cllr Brian Latham had resigned from the Parish Council due to moving away from the parish. This vacancy has now been advertised.

Unfortunately due to holidays and staff issues there was no police report or presence at the meeting. Members were still concerned over the speed of approaching traffic, especially HGV's from their right at the mini roundabout by the school and opposite Stan's Superstore where there had been a number of incidents. Another issue that was raised was the riding of 'Off Road' motorbikes in the Moors Lane area including along the canal towpath.

Only one planning application was considered which the parish council made no comment on. This was for the erection of industrial units with associated external works for B1, B2 and B8 use at Bank Top Industrial Estate, St Martins, Oswestry, Shropshire. SY10 7HB. Members also noted that planning permission had been granted for the Redevelopment of Petrol Filling Station at Gledrid A5 Services, Weston Rhyn, Oswestry, Shropshire. SY11 3EN. This will result in this station being closed for a number of weeks.

The next meeting of the parish council will be a Full Council Meeting on Thursday 9th June 2016 at 7.00 pm in the Community Centre, St Martins.

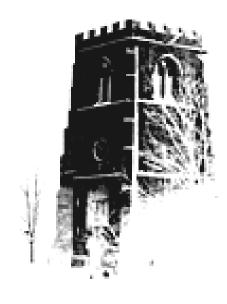
**Edward Davies** 

Fellow ILCM St Martins Parish Clerk.

#### **St Martins Parish Council**

Quotations are being sought for the watering of (20) Summer Hanging Baskets, (1) Three Tier Planter & (2) Tubs in St Martins Memorial Garden for the period June – October 2016 on a fortnightly basis or more frequently if required. Please forward your quotation (based on price per visit) to the Chair of the Parish Council, Sue Schofield, at 6 Greenfields, St. Martins, Shropshire. SY11 3AG by 31st May 2016.

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Ashley Allum	01691 770042		
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Gordon Fryer	01691 774520		
Neil Graham	01691 778427		
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John Lewis	01691 774676		
John Sands	01691 772394		
John Stevens	01691 770677		
Sue Schofield	01691 777710		



### St. Martins Parish Church

Special Events coming up.

Sunday FIRST Family Worship Service is on Sunday 5th June at 11:00am. It is a half hour service with music, story and prayer and afterwards we go into the hall for coffee, cake and some craft activities.

**June 12th - A Service to Celebrate the Queens 90th Birthday -** 9:30am at St. Martins + celebration refreshments afterwards.

**June 19th - Baptism and Confirmation with Bishop Mark Rylands** of Shrewsbury. If you would like to be baptised or to be Confirmed by the bishop then please contact Rev. Stuart.

#### Weekly events:

Tuesday Coffee morning at 10:30 in the church hall

Wednesday 9:30am Mid week Communion.

There are various home bible study groups that take place at different times - please ask if interested.

St. Martins and Weston Rhyn Church Youth Group - Fridays 7:30 at Weston Rhyn Church.

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### **Shropshire Council**

#### **Councillor Steve Davenport**

Unitary Councillor, St Martins School Governor, Chair of St Martins Centre Trustees

I always seem to start with bad news as a County Councillor, but it gets tough having to deal with cuts in our financial situation. As a council we have had over a £100 million pounds taken from our budget, but we are still trying to deliver a good service with the help of our Town and Parish Councils.

As well as the work I do in the village, I am part of the planning committee for the north of the county, also just starting a new group to help tourism locally and your suggestions would be welcome.

It was good to see a great turn out at the School on Saturday for the Big Local big celebration, where amongst others things we signed a charter against illegal money lending. If anyone needs confidential advice please call in at the Centre.

I also would like to congratulate the Ifton Miners Institute on the new seat dedicated to the miners.

I would also like to thank Sue Lovcey and her team who I know are taking the School from strength to strength.

Please call or email me if you have any queries
Tel 07944097876 Email: steve.davenport@shropshire.gov.uk



Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap,
but by the seeds you have planted.



#### **St Martins Youth Club.**

The St Martins Youth Club meets at The St Martins Centre on Friday evenings (term time only) from 7.30 – 9.00 and caters for young people in year 6 and older. Activities include Pool, Table Tennis, Table Football, Air Hockey, PS3 (FIFA 16), Crafts and Cookery. All activities are free with each young person paying £1 as they sign in. All staff are volunteers with any spare cash after paying bills going towards equipment etc (FIFA 16 cost over £40!)

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£1 entry.

#### **St Martins Allotment Association**



We gardeners are simple folk. We don't ask for much – just for good weather, good growing, and to be left alone to get on with doing what we love. We had a small working party to try and get the wildlife area/orchard area into shape and although the party was small, we managed to get quite a lot done. My thanks go to John, Helen, Tony, Martyn and Marion for giving up their valuable time to help 'the cause'. Unfortunately, bureaucracy has stepped in and we are now unable to have any more working parties due to needing extra insurance which is far too expensive.

A very cold and wet April has held us back with our planting for this season. I planted some runner beans and covered them with fleece to keep off the frost, but it was to no avail – the frost killed them stone dead. Guess I just have to start again with some new seeds. Fortunately a nice warm (even hot) spell has now got everything going and hopefully it will all soon catch up

I would like to welcome 2 new plot holders. Helen and John Stollery and Eileen and Terry Rosamond. We wish them every success in their new venture. Val Williamson  $_{\rm 6}$ 



# St Martins Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. Heather Wilson 01691 769164

Thursday Coffee Mornings 10.30 - 11.30

Come along and join us for coffee, biscuits & a chat.

St Martins - 10.00	June 5 <sup>th</sup> M Bennett	June 12 <sup>th</sup> Moors @ 11.00	June 19 <sup>th</sup> 11.00 MESSY CHURCH	June 26 <sup>th</sup> Rev Shoreman 11.00	
Moors 11.00	J Jackson	H.Watts	AWT	St Martins	
St Martins 10.00	July 3 <sup>rd</sup> M Bennett	July 10 <sup>th</sup> Moors @ 11.00	<b>July 17<sup>th</sup></b> Walker	<b>July 24<sup>th</sup></b> Rev Wilson	July 31 <sup>st</sup> Chirk Bank @ 11.00
Moors 11.00	Holmes	Rev Wilson	Molyneux Chapel Anv. 6.30	Rev Wilson	Chirk Bank @ 11.00

St Martins 10.00	August 7 <sup>th</sup> Moors @ 11.00	August 14 <sup>th</sup> Edlington	August 21 <sup>st</sup> AWT	August 28 <sup>th</sup> M Bennett
Moors 11.00	Nankivel	AWT	Mathews	J Jackson

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or Enid Pritchard on 690289

### Daughter of St Martins caught up in the Brussels Bombings

Morwenna (my daughter) was caught up in the Brussels bombing. She was on her way back from Freetown, Sierra Leone where she was working for the British government, having spent 15 months as a program manager dealing with the Ebola outbreak for which she received an Ebola medal for service to West Africa.

She had to change flights at Brussels and was in the airport building not far from the American airlines desk where the bomb went off. Thankfully she was unhurt.

The following day having spent the night in a Hotel nearby, she managed to get a taxi to the station and a train to Amsterdam airport. Then a flight to Manchester arriving back in the UK 7:30pm Wednesday night. She returned without her suitcase and with only the clothes she was wearing.

Fortunately the medal she received was in her hand luggage.

Another opportunity for me to be proud of my children.

Morwenna now lives in London.

**David Berth-Jones** 





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### **Fly Tipping**

Dear Editor,

Over a number of years I have witnessed the fly tipping of materials on the public footpath that runs between Overton Road and Ifton Old Colliery. There has been an assortment of bags, electrical goods, a fridge freezer and even the butchered remains of a sheep carcase. On each occasion I have reported this to the Shropshire Council Environmental Services who have removed the

Remember when it used to be all old fridges round here?



offending material. Last week I made another report. On this occasion polystyrene beads, a table, bags of rubbish and an old vacuum etc. were dumped on the path and into the wood.

I cannot understand the mentality of the people responsible. This wood has a great range of wildlife, Woodpeckers, Tree Creepers, Nuthatches, Robins to name but a few; there are orchids, newts and toads and lots more besides.

### Does anyone know who is responsible? Has anyone seen vehicles on the layby on Overton Road?

We the residents have the power to stop these people spoiling our village and I would encourage anyone with information to contact the Council, their fly tipping report page is on the Council website. You can report anonymously or, even better, give your name, give the council evidence and get these people in court and

#### stopped from spoiling our village.

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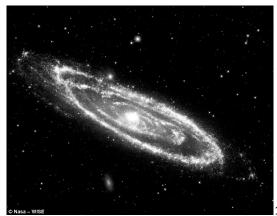


#### **MAY QUIZ**

All answers are connected to confectionery. Why not get the children to help?

- 1. A place for big cats to drink?
- A piece of snow?
- 3. 2001 (lateral thinking here)?
- 4. Musical insects?
- 5. Wobbly little children?
- 6. Roman God of war?
- 7. A type of fishing boat?
- 8. Al fresco meal?
- 9. It's in the night sky?
- 10. American money?





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# ST MARTINS COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Hillsborough. 27 years ago. We have all watched the terrible tragedy on TV then, and again recently.

There were tens of thousands of people in the stadium and yet I saw no pictures of anyone carrying out CPR on the victims. In those days it would have been rare for anyone other than a few policemen and ambulance crews to know how. I have

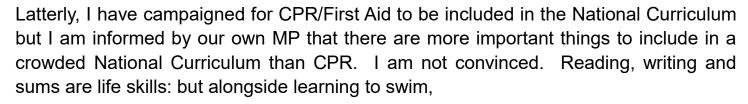
listened to the tales of witnesses distraught that they didn't do enough, that they didn't know what to do. We hear that half the victims might have survived had they received swift treatment. Would CPR have helped? The likelihood for those asphyxiated that

day is Yes. And if it hadn't worked at least the bystanders would have felt they had been able to try.

#### Would it be any different today?

When I was teaching, on wet days (I was a PE teacher) the group was taken into a classroom for PE-related activities. Every class of mine at some time during the year was taught CPR and first aid.

### I hope every past pupil still remembers those lessons.



#### CPR is <u>THE</u> Life Skill.

It only needs to be taught once, with an annual reminder throughout a pupil's school life, just like swimming. Scandinavian children all leave school with CPR embedded as one of their life skills and statistics have shown that cardiac arrest outcomes are higher there than anywhere else.

If we were involved in a horrendous incident like Hillsborough today would we spend the rest of our lives wishing we could have done more?

Don`t put it off.

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You could save a life.



#### CHIRK HOSPITAL CIRCLE OF FRIENDS.

Chirk Hospital Circle of Friends invites everyone to come and help us celebrate the 90th Birthday of HM Queen Elizabeth II on Saturday June 11th when we shall be holding an Indoor Street Party at Chirk Parish Hall from 2pm - 4.30pm. The children from Ysgol - y Waun will be entertaining us and there promises to be lots of goodies to eat - there is no charge for this - just come along and enjoy yourselves in patriotic style!!

This will be followed on the evening of June 11th with a Grand Concert when we are delighted to be welcoming Porthywaen Silver Band and Cor Meibion Dyffryn Ceiriog - this will commence at 7pm and tickets costing £8, which includes light refreshments, can be obtained from Daisy Chain Florists Chirk, or by calling 01691 772321 or 01691 773642. There will be further celebrations on Saturday July 16th, when we are holding a special

There will be further celebrations on Saturday July 16th when we are holding a special Anniversary Cream Tea to mark the 25th anniversary since Chirk Community Hospital was built. This will take place at Chirk Hospital from 2pm onwards and a warm welcome is extended to all to come along.

We are delighted also to be holding a Grand Auction Valuation Day on Tuesday July 26th when well known auctioneers Trevanion and Dean from Whitchurch will be at Chirk Parish Hall from 10am - 1pm. There will be a small charge of £1 for each item valued - so do come along and you never know you may be holding a real treasure in your attic! Tasty refreshments will be on sale to further whet your appetite.

Chirk Hospital Circle of Friends would like to give their heartfelt thanks to everyone who supports us in helping to provide essential items and comforts at Chirk Hospital.

#### How irresponsible is this!

As a follow up of the dog fouling article in the last issue, this was found on the children's play area one Monday morning. Are the irresponsible dog owners not aware that dog poop carries many diseases that could infect you or a child.

Go to any number of website, type in **Human Diseases Transmitted by Dog Poop** and you will see some pretty awful accounts of diseases you or a child could pick up



from Dog Poop, so why let your dog do this in a Children's Play Area. It looks bad enough on the streets and not recommended to leave the poop in your garden either.

I would say to any dog owner 'If you don't want to pick up the poop, don't have a poop maker'.



Some might think, if it's left in the grass it will fertilise the ground, but that is false. If it is left in the grass the pathogens seep through the ground into the water system. The waste water system is not designed to filler out these pathogens. Check out ILoveDogs.com

Nearly every time I walk through this village I have to side step dog poop, does this make this village a dirty place to live!

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### St Martins Centre

#### Hi All

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## NEXT CAR BOOT SALES 18th June & 16th July 11am—3pm

The outside of the Centre has needed to be painted for sometime now and is looking quite tired. We are hoping that some of the guys from Cadburys (Mondelez) will provide the labour.

We want to thank Morgan's Decorators Merchants and Colour Supplies of Oswestry for their very real help in supplying a lot of paint and rollers and brushes.

We have a few sessions available for hire in either the Activity room or the Lounge, so if you're thinking of starting a new group, keep fit, yoga, painting, dance classes, children's group etc., please come and talk to us - perhaps we can help you to get a new venture off the ground.

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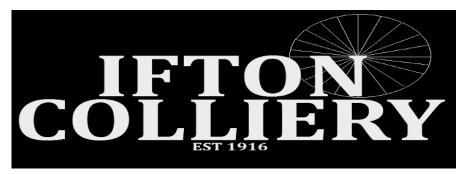
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It has been a very busy second quarter of the year for the band! Under the direction of our new musical director Mr Scott Lloyd, the band have been working hard at expanding our repertoire as

well as preparing for concerts and competitions.

Our Centenary concert that was held at the Ifton Miner's Institute, was a huge success with a fabulous evening of entertainment and prizes. On behalf of the band I would sincerely like to thank all those who attended and supported the band for this very special birthday celebration! We were overwhelmed with the kind donations for the raffle and the car boot stall we held as well as the attendance at the concert on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

We have recently competed in the Buxton Spring Festival on the 8<sup>th</sup> May, where the band came away as **3<sup>rd</sup> Section Champions** and also took the best euphonium section prize!

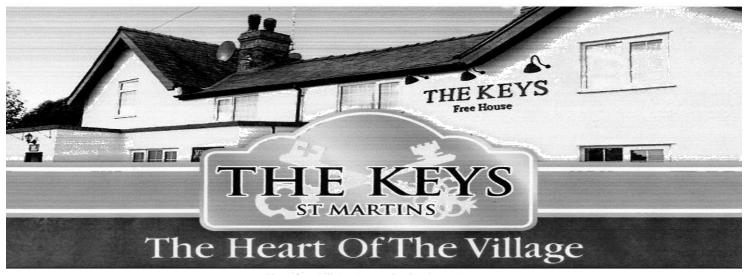


We are in the midst of rehearsing for the Whit Friday marches that will take place on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May in the Tameside and Saddleworth areas of Manchester. The band hope to sweep up a couple of prizes over the course of the evening. We will also be appearing in Cae Glas Park in Oswestry on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June, so come along for an afternoon of light entertainment, hopefully in the sunshine.

The new bench dedicated to our miners in the village past and present is a wonderful tribute and the band were very proud to be a part of the unveiling. Well done to all involved in creating a lovely lasting memorial to our dedicated friends and family members from the pit.

If you have an event that you would like the band to be involved in please do not hesitate to contact us on 01691 770348 <a href="mailto:kingrachael9@gmail.com">kingrachael9@gmail.com</a> or pop into the open rehearsals at St Martins Community Centre on Sundays between 7pm and 10pm.

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#### Monday Night Curry Night 5pm-8pm

Curry and a pint £8.50

#### Tuesday Night Fish Night 5pm-8pm

Beer Battered Cod, Breaded Plaice, Scampi or Salmon and a pint £9.95

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### **Sunday Social Club**



#### Are you at a loss to know what to do on a Sunday Afternoon?

This may be because you live alone and your family do not live close or are involved in other activities on a Sunday Afternoon. If so, we invite you to join us at

#### St. Martins Centre on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30 p.m.

when we are arranging a social gathering where we can meet and chat with like -minded people and will also be sharing a cup of tea, sandwiches and cake.

It is hoped that these events will take place on a monthly basis and a small subscription of £1.00 will apply.

We look forward to seeing you there. We are using this first one afternoon to commemorate the Queens official birthday.

If mobility is a problem it may be possible to provide transport if you live not too far from the Centre. If you require assistance in this regard please leave your name and details on the slip at the bottom of the page and drop it into the Centre.

If you have any queries please contact Valerie Thompson on 01691 658756.

I would Like to come to the Sunday Social Club but would need some transport.
Name:
Address:
Telephone:



#### St Martins F.C.

After the excellent start to the year, the Saints went final stages of the the season verv optimistically. due However, to injuries and absenteeism, the results were not as good as we had hoped for. On the Plus side, there were good wins over Penncroft, Werns Nest and Bustleholme, which should see us finish our league fixtures in a commendable top six spot. The League Cup also yielded excellent wins against Wrens Nest and local

rivals Wem Town and the team eagerly looks forward to the Semi Final against Kington Town.

#### With the 2015 / 2016 season

coming to the end the club look ahead with continued optimism to next season. Our present management team of Ryan Butcher and Mike Barton are already planning for the new campaign with the introduction of a few new faces.

#### The first team

made the ninety mile journey to Kington Town in the semi final of their League Cup only to come away on the losing side of a 4-3 defeat after extra time. The performance deserved a better result, but they can be proud of the effort with goals from James Derman, Callum Bennett and Carl Baily.

#### The reserve team

continued to show good league form with excellent wins against Claverley and Coven UTD. The highlight of their season is reaching the final of the League Cup at the Bucks Head ground in Telford where they beat the League Champions Madeley 2-0 with goals from Tom Nash and Keiran Barry to complete a very successful season. Congratulations to all involved.

With the summer break soon upon us, the club's focus will shift to fund raising activities, which will "KICK OFF" with a Prize Draw, and the Winners will have been announced during the club's presentation evening at the Keys on May 20th.

We would like to acknowledge the support of local businesses and friends of the club for donating prizes, also thanks to Sue Schofield for her organisational assistance.



#### **ST MARTINS ANGLING CLUB**

The St Martins Angling Club uses Arthans Pond, on the Ellesmere Road at the east end of the village. The pond is well stocked with **Carp, Rudd, Roach, Tench and Perch.** 

#### Membership for the season costs £20

with Day Tickets costing £5 (on sale from Martins Service Station).

Anyone under 12 years old must be accompanied by an adult with Junior Season tickets costing £5 and day tickets £2.



Early reports from Anglers say that the pool is alive with fish at the moment. The club which is run by volunteers holds regular working parties. Jobs for this season include health and safety work on the banks and decking areas and pond weed control.

More details from Keith Allum on 07752438392.

# Cedar Close Community Room Weekly Activities

Mon:	10:00 – 11:00 14:00 onwards	Coffee Morning Cards	Tea/Coffee, Biscuits, Raffle & Chat
Tues:	9:00 – 14:30	Age UK	Games, Armchair Keep Fit, Bingo, Handy Craft, Quiz etc.
	19:00 – 21:00	Bingo	including Raffle, tea/coffee
Wed:	14:00 – 16:00	Craft Group	Knit, Crochet etc.
	19:15 – 21:00	Historians	1st Wed of each month
Thurs:	12:00 – 14:00	Funday	Tea/Coffee Games, Films etc.
	14:00 onwards	Cards	
Fri:	10:00 – 11:00	Coffee Morning	Tea/Coffee, Biscuits, Raffle & Chat
Sat:	14:00 onwards	Cards	
	19:00 – 21:00	Bingo	Including Raffle, tea/coffee

### What's on in June!

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Thurs 2nd	Walk with the Head Gardener	Chirk Castle	1pm
Sun 5th	Sunday Social Club	St Martins Centre	3:30pm
Sun 5th	Car Boot Sale	Whittington Castle	9am start
Tues 7th	WI Lisa Jones Silhouette - Pampers	Ifton Miners Lounge	7:30pm
Thurs 9th	St Martins Parish Council	St Martins Centre	7pm
Sat 11th	Indoor Street Party And Grand Concert	Chirk Parish Hall	Party 2pm Concert 7pm
Sun 12th	The House of the Black Star. Medieval Living History Day	Whittington Castle	10am - 4pm
Sun 12th	Green Gym	Ifton Meadows Main Entrance	1:30pm
Tues 14th	IMMC Meeting	St Martins Centre	7:30pm
Wed 15th	Weston Rhyn Gardening Club Outing to NGS	Tremynfa Llanymynech	
Sat 18th	Car Boot Sale	St Martins Playing Field	11am - 3pm
Sat 25th	Neil Edwards Memorial Football Match	St Martins Playing Field	KO 3pm
Sat 25th	Chirk Fun Day	AAA's Groun, Chirk	12noon - 4pm
Sun 26th	Planthunter Fair	Whittington Castle	10am - 4pm