

Longhorsley Groups 2021



A supplement to the **Longhorsley Tree**
The newsletter for the parish of St Helen's

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Since March 2020 we have very much missed many of the regular activities we used to participate in. But now that the Covid restrictions have been lifted and the majority of people have been fully vaccinated most of those activities are planning to restart during September at various venues and there are even some new ones to join.

We must, however, remember that we should be considerate to those who are more vulnerable. Please respect the wishes of venues and activity organisers when numbers are restricted or distancing and face coverings are requested.

If you'd like to participate in any group mentioned in this booklet but have any concerns please discuss with the contact person shown in the group details.

Every month the newsletter publishes an index of every group, class or club in Longhorsley or Wingates, that we know about, and provides regular updates. So always check there for the latest details

This booklet provides you with more general details about these activities and locations and who to contact if you wish to participate, start a new club, or hire a venue.

Welcome back!

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Exercise to Music



Start the week by enjoying a light hearted workout..... dances, keep fit routines, games, stretches. Monday mornings 9:15am to 10:15am in Longhorsley Village Hall.

Activities led by Age U.K. volunteer.

Contact **Mary Stephenson** ☎ **788232** or **Shirley Forster**

✉ shirlsgurc@gmail.com for more information.

Longho' Cinema Club

LONGHO' CINEMA CLUB PRESENTS

Popular modern films on the second Saturday of every month.

Longhorsley Village Hall

Doors open at 6:30pm for a prompt start at 7pm.

Refreshments £2 per person.

Contact **Clive or Pattie** ☎ **01670 788554**

Longhorsley Carpet Bowls

We meet every Monday at 7pm in the Village Hall. The season starts in September and finishes in June. We are a friendly bunch with different skill levels who just enjoy playing Bowls for fun. We also have a few competitions during the season. New members welcome - beginners or experienced.

Contact **Alan Etchells** ☎ **788847**

Wingates Carpet Bowls

Every Wednesday at 7:30pm in Wingates Village Hall. The season starts at the beginning of October. New members welcome.

Contact **Heather Leatherland** ☎ **01670 778413**



Toddlers' Group

Every Thursday from 9:30am to 11:30am in Longhorsley Village Hall.
[Term-time only]

A friendly toddler group run by local parents.
There are toys, snacks, singing and crafts for the children
and tea/coffee and cake for the adults.

Please come along and see how friendly we are! £2 entry.
For further information please contact

Joanna Reilly ☎ **07739 321737**

You can also find us on **Facebook!**



Mother and Toddler Group



This group meets from 9:30am to 11:30am each Tuesday morning, during term time, in the Longhorsley Mission side hall. Regardless of the title of the group, it is not restricted to mothers. Fathers, grandparents and carers may also come along with toddlers in their charge. Indeed they have been doing so, and are always very welcome.

While the toddlers play, those adults accompanying them enjoy a chat, tea and coffee and a variety of “eats”. There is no charge for attendance.

Contact **Win Pagan** ☎ **788263**

Bible Club

Every Friday during term time, from 6pm to 7pm, children of first school age meet in the Longhorsley Mission hall for Bible Club. For the first 20 minutes there is singing and a Bible story with a PowerPoint presentation. After a break of 10 minutes, for juice and biscuits, the final half hour is given to games or craft activities.

New members are always welcome.
There is no charge for attendance.

Contact **Ian Pagan** ☎ **788263**



Art Group



A small, friendly group meets in Longhorsley Village Hall on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 2 pm.

Whatever your interest or ability, you are welcome.

Come and join us as we try our hand at acrylics, pastels, watercolours, printing, design - or anything you'd like to do.

The first meeting will be **Friday, 10 September.**

Please come along to find out more. Contact **Maureen Taylor** ☎ **788508**



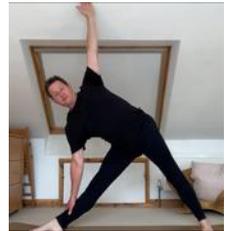
Yoga Class

Hi! The Longhorsley Village Hall YOGA CLASS continues on Thursdays at 7pm - except 1st Thursday of each month.

As ever we have a mixture of beginners and more experienced people. New people are always welcome to join the group.

If you are interested and would like more information, contact **Gordon** ☎ **07703 581171** or ✉ yogagord@hotmail.com.

There are some short video clips to give an idea of some of the basics of what we do on the YouTube Channel 'yogaintoto'.



Ballet Classes for Children

Friday afternoon in Longhorsley Village Hall in Term time. Two classes for different Age Groups, 5-6yrs and 7-9yrs.

Times to be confirmed.

For details contact **Miss Becky** ☎ **07944 659090**



Longhorsley Playgroup

Longhorsley Village Playgroup Community Interest Company was established in November 2000 and is run by qualified childcare practitioners who are all DBS checked and hold current Paediatric First Aid certificates.

We are Ofsted registered and cater for children from birth to 9 years old. We are based in the village hall and also provide wraparound care for children attending St Helens First School from nursery to year 4. In our recent Ofsted inspection we were graded an overall good in all areas. The report dated the 9th December 2016 can be viewed on the government website.

We are open **term times**:

Monday - 10:30am till 6pm

Tues/Wed/Thurs - 7:30am till 6pm

Friday - 7:30am till 1:30pm



During school holidays we are open

Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday 8am till 5pm

For more information about playgroup or if you would like to come and see what we do please feel free to get in touch or follow us on **Facebook** or **Instagram**. Contact us on **07522 486910** or **07522 486953** or you can email us on ✉ longhorsleyvillageplaygroup@yahoo.com



Junior Football Club



We run football training sessions for children in the village and surrounding hamlets to enable them to gain fitness and skills as well as having a chance to meet new friends.

We have Under 9 and Under 10 teams competing in the Pinpoint League in Newcastle on a Saturday morning.

Training sessions are held on the village common between April and October, and at the Hardcourt next to the Village Hall during the winter months, November to March.

Under 9's training: Tuesday 6-7pm all year.

Under 10's training: Tuesdays 6-7 pm summer, Tuesday 7-8 winter.

Under 11's training: Tuesdays 6-7 pm summer, Thursday 6-7 pm all year.

Under 12's training: Tuesdays 6-7 pm summer, Thursday 7-8 pm all year.

Under 13's training: Please contact the numbers below.

If you know of any children that would be interested in joining our club then parents can contact our coaches for further details on teams and age groups and registration.

All of our coaches have been CRB checked and some are FA qualified.

Steven Dick ☎ 07803 026786

Ben McMorrow ☎ 07970 840587

Andrew Archibald ☎ 07810 115152



Women Together **NEW GROUP** (Formerly Ladies Fellowship)



This is a new activity to bring together women who are Christians, or who have an interest in the Christian faith.

The aim is to bring women together, for fellowship, hearing God's word, encouraging one another and being encouraged.

We will meet on a weekly basis on Thursday mornings.

Light refreshments will be provided on arrival. Occasionally a light lunch will be provided.

Proposed start date: Thursday **16th September 2021**

Time: 10:45am until noon.

Venue: **Longhorsley Mission** side hall.

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Contact **Win Pagan** ☎ **788263**

Christian Vision for Men

This activity is locally organised by a group of men from churches in the area, including Longhorsley Mission.

A **Men's Breakfast** is arranged on the last Saturday of each month at 8:30am in the Anglers Arms, Weldon Bridge.

As many as 40 men have been meeting regularly together on these occasions to enjoy a full English breakfast, lots of chat and banter - and black pudding!

This is followed by a talk, generally from a speaker with a Christian background, with lively discussion.

Numbers have grown steadily since the group started in 2008 and the folk at the Angler's Arms have looked after us very well

Other local CVM activities include walks, tours and discussion evenings. All men are welcome.

There is a £9 charge for each attendance, to cover the cost of breakfast.

For more details, contact **Jim Cockburn** ☎ **510130**

✉ jim.cockburn@btinternet.com

Visit the Christian Vision for Men website 🌐 www.cvm.org.uk



Walking Group

We are a social walking group and meet on the 1st Monday and 3rd Thursday each month.

We used to meet at 10am in the Shoulder of Mutton car park to organise car sharing, but during the Covid pandemic we meet up at the place the walk begins.

Walks are usually 4 to 6 miles long.

Afterwards there is often the option of lunch together, during the Covid pandemic this is usually a picnic lunch.

A drink and energy snack should be carried on the walks.

Details of each walk are published in the Longhorsley Tree.

If you'd like more information contact **Jan & Sheena** 📞 **07801 005634**



Zumba

Friday evenings in Longhorsley Village Hall starting at 7pm and lasting 45mins. Classes cost £5. Numbers are currently limited so it is essential to book a place in advance.

Email me at ✉ marianasantiago1980@aol.com

Check my website for more details 🌐 mariana007.zumba.com

Mariana Santiago-Mallaburn



Local History Society

We are a vibrant and enthusiastic local history society where members can learn about and research all aspects of village history.



The group meets at 7:30pm in Longhorsley Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday of alternate months starting in September each year.

We have illustrated talks on a range of subjects, free to members, small charge for visitors.

We welcome new members and, if you are new to the village, what better way to learn all about where you live and meet new people.

The history society preserves the records for the village and surrounds. We have an extensive archive of old photographs and documents and a very informative and comprehensive website.

We have been responsible for a number of very successful projects in the last few years:

- Compilation of all the headstones in the old graveyard as a permanent record and resource for those seeking family and local history.
- The Longhorsley village, Community Wood and Moor trail leaflets.
- An ongoing project to record the oral history of the village in WW2.
- A plaque of notable local people, which is on the village green, and contribution to the Emily memorial plaque nearby.
- The Emily's Longhorsley book and a booklet on the village in WW2.
- WW1 airfield memorial plaque and plinth on the moor.

We welcome help with projects, to research and investigate new ideas. We have a few ideas for future projects such as:

1. Longhorsley's water mill
2. Local wells & water supply
3. Longhorsley Moor's coal mines
4. Horse-racing on Longhorsley Moor.

Though any topic that sparks your interest can be pursued

Contact **Derek Knox** ☎ **788329** ✉ derekknnox6710@gmail.com

For a comprehensive insight into our activities please visit our website 🌐 sites.google.com/site/longhorsleylocalhistorysociety or Google "Longhorsley Local History Society"

Embroidery Group



The first Friday of every month at 2pm in the Village Hall
[Not January or August]

As well as sewing/embroidery, members enjoy a variety of needlecrafts including tapestry, cross stitch, crochet and knitting. Members work on their own projects and some items are made for charities.

Advice, if needed, is always available for the less experienced crafter and everyone is welcome, whether beginner or expert. Some members also enjoy outings to Craft Fairs such as the Pins & Needles Exhibition.

We are a very relaxed, informal group. There is a lot of chatter and laughter at our meetings and of course, we always finish with tea and cake. So why not come along to enjoy/share your needlework hobby with friends?

You will be very welcome. Contact **Daphne Morrison** ☎ **788547**



St. Helen's Coffee Mornings

Due to St Helen's Church being closed for the time being the monthly Saturday coffee mornings will be held in Longhorsley Village Hall - usually the 1st Saturday of the month at 10am.

Coffee & Chat will be held at the Vicarage on alternate Wednesdays at 10am. Check the newsletter for dates.

All welcome.

Mary Stephenson ☎ **788232**



Women's Institute

The WI was originally set up in the village in 1923 and, despite being suspended for 14 months in 1983/4, is still going strong.



We meet on the first Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in Longhorsley Village Hall (except for August & December).

Under normal circumstances, apart from our very varied monthly programme of speakers/demonstrations, we go out for visits, theatre outings and informal lunches. Under lockdown, we were able to keep in touch with monthly meetings on Zoom.

Our members have the opportunity to join in walks, competitions (such as Car Treasure Hunts, Scarecrows, the Annual Federation Craft Day, etc) and sample various art, craft, cookery and sports days organised by the Northumberland Federation. To our credit, we have had repeated success in the annual Federation Quiz!

Before lockdown, several of us enjoyed well-organised County weekends away, the last one being a trip to Norfolk, including Sandringham. A trip to Dundee for the V & A is planned.

We take an active part in village activities, having adopted 25 trees in the Old Church community wood (see picture below) and continue to honour Emily Davison by placing flowers on her memorial on her anniversary and by presenting an annual award to a deserving young lady for community involvement.

Do come along as a visitor and see what we get up to. We would love you to join us. Contact **Marian Chilvers** ☎ **788351** for more information or just turn up on the evening; new faces and ideas are always welcome!

Website: 🌐 www.thewi.org.uk



Adult 5-a-side Football **NEW GROUP**



There's a group of us who play 5-a-side on Sunday evenings around 6.30/7pm for an hour either at the MUGA or on the Common, if light permits.

We are always looking for fresh faces to welcome into the group.

I would be the point of contact for anyone interested in joining us.

Steven Bates ☎ **07793 888 311**

Body Blitz

Wednesdays 6:30pm - 7:15pm at the MUGA. Meet outside Longhorsley Village Hall. Contact **David Johnston** ☎ **07887 350842**

Wingates Reading Group

Pre-pandemic we met at 7.30pm on the second Thursday of each month in Wingates Institute Hall.

Currently meeting online at the same time with no decision yet as to when there will be a return to physical get-togethers.



The meetings are informal, lively and we do not use predetermined questions to control the discussion. When in the hall the cost of the meetings are £2 to pay for the hire of the hall and light refreshments. The bar is also open, if you wish to purchase a cold beverage.

If you would like to join us please contact

Carol Fowler ☎ **07726 938897** ✉ carolsfowler@yahoo.com

Wingates Bridge Club

Pre-pandemic we met every Tuesday at 7:30pm in Wingates Institute Hall - £2 per week.

Currently meeting online at the same time using the very friendly  trickstercards.com site.

No decision yet as to when there will be a return to physical meetings. It's informal bridge, suitable for people of all levels.

If you think you may be interested, please do get in touch.

Neil Fowler ☎ **07770 641385** ✉ neildfowler1@aol.com



Group Summary

Toddlers' Group		Every	Ths	9:30am - 11:30am	L'horsley V Hall		Term-time
Mother and Toddler Group		Every	Tue	9:30am – 11:30am	Mission		Term-time
Bible Club		Every	Frd	6-7pm	Mission		Term-time
Playgroup		Every	Mon T/Th Frd	10:30-6 7:30- 6 7:30-1:30	L'horsley V Hall		Term-time and some holidays
Ballet Classes		Every	Fri	tbc	L'horsley V Hall		Term-time
		Apr - Oct on the common			Nov - Mar on the Hardcourt		
Junior Football Club	<9's	Every	Tue	6-7pm	Every	Tue	6-7pm
	<10's	Every	Tue	6-7pm	Every	Tue	7-8pm
	<11's	Every	Tue	6-7pm	Every	Thur	6-7pm
	<12's	Every	Tue	6-7pm	Every	Thur	7-8pm
Longhorsley Carpet Bowls		Every	Mon	7 - 9pm	L'horsley V Hall		Sept-June Starts Sep 6th
Wingates Carpet Bowls		Every	Wed	7:30pm	Wingates Institute Hall		Oct-May
Women Together		Every	Thur	10:45am	Mission		Starts Sept 16th
Coffee and Chat		Alt	Wed	10am	Vicarage		Starts Sept 8th
St Helen's Coffee Morning		1st	Sat	10am	L'horsley V Hall		Not Jan or Aug Starts Sept 4th
Embroidery Group		1st	Frd	2pm	L'horsley V Hall		Not Jan Not Aug
Women's Institute		1st	Ths	7:30pm	L'horsley V Hall		Starts Sept 2nd
Local History Society		2nd Alt Months	Tue	7:30pm	L'horsley V Hall		Sept 14th
Christian Vision for Men		Last	Sat	8:30am	Anglers Arms		Sept 25th
Art Group		2nd & 4th	Frd	2pm - 4:30pm	L'horsley V Hall		Not July/Aug Starts Sept 10th

Walking Group	1st	Mon	10:30am	SofM Car Park	Or start of walk
	3rd	Ths			
Exercise to Music	Every	Mon	9:15am - 10:15am	L V Hall or MUGA	Not Aug Not Bank Hols
Adult 5-a-side Football	Every	Sun	6:30/7pm	Common or Muga	
Cinema Club	2nd	Sat	7pm start 6:30 door	L'horsley V Hall	Start date tbc
Yoga	Every except	Thur 1st	7pm	L'horsley V Hall	
Zumba	Every	Fri	7pm	L'horsley V Hall	
Body Blitz	Every	Wed	6:30pm	MUGA	
Bridge Club	Every	Tues	7:30pm	Currently online	Normally Wingates Institute Hall
Reading Group	2nd	Thur	7:30pm	Currently online	

Wingates Village Institute Hall



The Hall is available for private hire. It can accommodate up to 100 people - 60 comfortably seated at tables in the Hall. Numbers are currently restricted due to Covid.

The Hall has a fully fitted modern kitchen comprising of a double oven, ceramic hob, microwave oven, dishwasher, fridge and crockery and cutlery.

With a grassed area at the front of the Hall and a garden area to the rear with fabulous views over the south of the County.

The Hall has modern male and female toilets with disability access.

We are a Highlights promoter so we've seen some wonderful musicians, comedians and theatrical events at the Hall.

Check the newsletter for future events. Check our website for updates

sites.google.com/site/wingatesvillageinstitute/home

Contact **Robert Famelton** ☎ **01669 620512** ✉ famelton@rothbury.net

Longhorsley Village Hall

The village hall is re-opening for most activities in September.

In pre-pandemic times we've had events - coffee mornings, theatre, music, pantomime - and group activities, that cater for all ages.



There are two rooms - main hall and side hall - available for hire.

We have kitchen facilities, some media equipment and plan to have internet access again soon.

There is a car park, plus disabled access and parking.

Both halls and media equipment are available for hire.

Equipment is only for use in the Village Hall.

Contact **Jane Gibson** ☎ **788711** ✉ stephen848gibson@btinternet.com

Full details and Booking documents can be found on our website

🌐 northumberlandvillagehalls.org.uk/longhorsley-village-hall

Chairman: **Paul Mooney** ☎ **07713 157 357**

Secretary: **Garry Ritchie** ☎ **07713 583 311**

✉ longhorsley.hall@gmail.com

Touring Companies:

Highlights Rural Touring Scheme

This scheme provides entertainment in rural venues including Wingates Village Institute. Acts have included drama, music and comedy and are always of a high standard. At Wingates there is usually a raffle in the interval as well as a bar and snacks.

Northumberland Theatre Company

NTC is a professional small-scale touring theatre based in Amble.

This excellent team produce 2 shows and a pantomime each year to put on for rural communities, including at Longhorsley Village Hall.

For 2021 we have booked the pantomime for St Helen's Longhorsley and Walton first school children to attend in December.