# MIDGLEY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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### Midgley Open Gardens & Studios

Gardeners and artists throughout Midgley will be welcoming visitors to their gardens and studios on Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th June, 11am to 5pm, both days. Tickets are £5 per adult (accompanied children free), available, on the day, from Midgley Shop and other venues.

18 gardens will be open, ranging from tiny courtyards to large woodland gardens, all displaying their own individual style to suit our unique Pennine environment. Many gardens have fabulous views over the Calder valley. Lunches and refreshments will be served in the Community Room and some gardens. See programme for details.

#### Help needed:

As usual we are asking for help to make this event as successful as ever. If you can volunteer for a few hours on one, or both days, to sell tickets or help with catering, please contact Jean Tallis on 07786 702813 or email: <a href="mailto:jean.tallis@gmail.com">jean.tallis@gmail.com</a>.

We're also asking all you bakers to get busy baking cakes (Gluten Free and Vegan too). Please drop off your baking on Friday (anytime) or Saturday morning (before 10.30) into the Community Room. It would be helpful to list the ingredients for allergies, and no fresh cream nor chocolate icing as it will melt if it's hot weather.



# Join the Balsam Bashing Party in Brearley Woods

Himalayan Balsam endangers biodiversity and wipes out existing plants and can cause bare earth, landslides and erosion in our precious woods. Previous years' balsam bashing sessions have proved very successful. But we need to keep on top of it!

So, we have 2 dates for pulling Balsam again. Wednesday 12th June 7pm and Sunday 23rd June at 3pm. Its more fun with lots of people so please come and join us. No experience is needed. It's advisable to wear gloves and long sleeves.

Meet at Bloomergate House entrance to the woods down Midgley Road HX7 5QY. For more information contact Magdalen Maguire on 07900 007308.

### Community Clean Up

11th June - From 6pm

In order to spruce up our village to help it look its best ready for the influx of visitors to Open Gardens, we are holding a Community Clean-Up on the evening of 11th June. This will combine litter picking and weeding so please come armed with bags and gloves and trowels or forks, if you have them. Alternatively just tidy up the street outside your own property, in your own time, that week. If everyone did their bit we could keep our village looking smart.

#### Quiz Night & Midgley Breakfasts

Quiz Nights and Midgley Breakfasts are taking a break for the Summer. They will, hopefully, resume in the Autumn – watch out for posters/newsletter with details, nearer the time.

If you would like to help to serve or prepare food for these events or run a quiz we would love to hear from you. Contact Anne Holdsworth on 07985 128737.

# **Everyday First Aid Awareness**

This was a very interesting session with lots of useful advice, as to how to deal with first aid situations. Thanks to everyone who attended and especially to Matt and Leanne who gave such clear and concise instructions.

WhatsAppeningMidgley - to be added to the WhatsApp group please text Anne on 07985128737. For items to be included in the next newsletter please contact Abbie-Lee on abbieleehollister@amail.com or 07770 899869.





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#### Well Dressing

A huge thank you to all you imaginative people who dedicated your time to dress the wells of Midgley on May 5th. The diverse range of interpretation of the theme, Our Local Landscape, brought interest and joy to locals and visitors alike. If you took any photos of the Wells please send them to the Midgley Website for all to see. The address to send them to is <a href="https://buzzz.uk/postbox">https://buzzz.uk/postbox</a> (N.B. 3 x zzz!).

Thanks to Mathew and Adam Sim who lead the walk around the wells to keep the tradition set by their mother Rema. Rema used to organise this annual event and lead the walk, before her passing in 2022. It is a lovely tribute.

### **Midgley Community Forum**

Wedsday 11th September 2024 7:30pm - Midgley Community Room

Midgley Community Forum includes everyone in our Community so you are invited to an informal gathering to share ideas for future events in Midgley and priorities of the Forum. The bar will open and snacks provided.

The Forum has run on the energy and ideas of its fantastic volunteers. For example, the Social Group has done an amazing job organising lots of events. To keep our forum going we need more of us to get involved.

We want to take on board your ideas and priorities. Do you want to see more Arts events? Children's activities? Something for young people? Foodie evenings? Or something else? Please share your ideas and find out how you can get involved.

# **Trim Trail Opening Celebration**

We officially opened our new Trim Trail at the beginning of May. It was lovely to have Graham Hill, Chair of Midgley Forum and Ian Lindsey, the Grants Committee Chair of Hebden Bridge Rotary Club at the opening celebration.

The trim trail cost just over £6000 in total. Part of the money was raised through an enterprise project that the pupils ran. Each pupil was given £5 and they had to think of an initiative that would make as much profit as possible. Some pupils chose to work individually creating produce such as dog biscuits, resin keyrings and baked goods to sell. Other pupils chose to club themselves and their £5 notes together and do a joint venture! One of our groups borrowed the use of Midgley Community Room on a Saturday morning to run their own little café!

We were extremely grateful to receive donations of £2000 from Midgley Community Forum and £585 from Hebden Bridge Rotary Club. The pupils absolutely love the Trim Trail so thank you very much to all who helped us!

