# Kingsley Village Hall



Newsletter Autumn 2016

### News..

# Want to get involved?

Ring Martyn Hordern on 01538 750657 for more details.

## Redecoration of hall

The hall committee are very grateful to County Councillor Mike Worthington who has donated £500 to assist in our redecoration. District Councillor Elsie Fallows and Alfa Aggregates also donated. Many thanks to all three!



#### Leek Post

The hall was recently featured in the paper highlighting how important a facility it is to the community and to lose it would be a disaster.

Please do support and sustain your hall.

### Want to hire the hall?

Contact us via the website, or the numbers on this newsletter.

**Welcome** to this our latest newsletter detailing events and news from the village hall. In this issue we update on the challenges faced by the hall, a fantastic concert being held in November, our Christmas Lights event which is this year followed by Breakfast with Santa, and Kingsley Wakes 2017?

### Breeze and Wilson with Misner & Smith

4th November with doors 7.30pm

After two previous sell outs from the boys, this time we see them supporting the very talented Misner and Smith who are coming all the way from California (I kid you not!) A truly magical night of acoustic music awaits. Tickets are just £10, there will be a bar and do bring your own food if you wish. More details on the website or call Martyn on 01538 750657 to order your tickets.

We will deliver locally.

### **Christmas Lights**

now a fixture at the hall this years event promises to be the best ever. Held on **Friday 2nd December** at **6.30 pm** When the lights on the tree will be switched on. We hope to have carol singers, mulled wine, mince pies and a fantastic night. Entry is free. For more details please check out the halls website and Facebook page from November onwards.

# Hall faces funding Challenge

Following the loss of some regular hirers over the last few months the hall now finds itself in a difficult position in terms of day to day costs. As a committee we are determined to see the hall through this period but we need the communities help. This can be by supporting our events all of which are community focused, hiring the hall for private functions and making use of the services provided by the hall especially the satellite Post Office which is our biggest funding source.

We are also keen to recruit similar like minded volunteers who want to see their community flourish.

Interested ?Get in touch or come to our **AGM 12th October, 730pm** at the hall and see what we are about plus see the freshly decorated hall.



Christmas Lights Friday 2nd December 6.30 Pm @ The Hall



Breakfast with Santa
Saturday 3rd December 9am—2pm
Full English and a visit to Santa for the Kids

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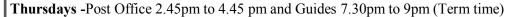




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Mondays—Post Office 12.30 to 4.30pm and Yoga 7.30pm to 9pm,

**Tuesdays** - Mothers and Toddlers 2pm to 3pm (Term time)





**Kingsley Mini Wakes 2017!** The committee are in the early stages of planning to put on a 'Mini Wakes' centred around the hall. We are heartened to have already had offers of help and suggestions. If that continues and there is a groundswell of support it may extend onto the rec (subject to permission from the council) We welcome any comment and suggestions and will be submitting a bid for funding shortly. Suggested activities are a BBQ, face painting, coconut shy, bouncy castle, welly wanging and a scarecrow hunt. The event would be held on the traditional wakes weekend of the third Saturday / Sunday of June. We are keen to stress this is not designed to compete with the Church's Flower Festival and we have already spoken to the church of our plans and how together we can make this a fantastic family event and weekend in the community. If interested in being involved get in touch plus any ideas are welcome.

**Regular Hire**— if you are interested in hiring the hall on a regular basis then please do contact us. We offer very good discounts and through our Facebook page and this newsletter can advertise new and existing groups very well. Contact Martyn Hordern on 01538 750657



Saturday 3rd December 9am—12 midday. Following the previous nights lights event we will be back at the hall for another of our famous full English breakfasts (vegetarians catered for) for all the family but with a special treat for the children. Santa will be in his grotto for the children to meet as the magic of Christmas arrives at the hall.

Breakfasts are £3.50 for adults purchased in advance, and £4 for children which includes a visit to Santa and a small gift. To pre order your breakfast call Martyn on 01538 750657 or go via the hall's website. We will deliver your tickets in advance of the day in the local area. On sale from late October onwards. (Pre sales help us to cater accurately)

**Events planned @ The Hall for 2017** we aim to do another Easter Breakfast event on Saturday 15th April and of course hope to work towards the Mini Wakes Event in June. The World War 1 project will have its concluding event at the end of 2016 or early 2017 when the book will be available and the results of the project displayed for all to see. We intend to continue to put on concerts with a wide appeal and urge the community to use its village hall.

**World War One Project** The project is drawing to a close and the resulting book is almost ready to go to the draft stage with a launch either later this year or early next. The book will cover not only the 27 men to die from the Parish but around 130 men that have been identified as having served and survived. Please do contact the team if you have a relative who served and was born in the parish or lived here during the war. A lot of facts are known but the stories behind them are not—photographs and family history bring these men back to life. Please contact Martyn Hordern on 01538 750657 with any information or photographs. As above there will be a concluding event later this year or early next. Also do visit the project website at **www.kingsleyremembers1914.org.uk** 

**Leek Post & The Hall** - as mentioned on the front page the hall featured in the Leek Post (dated 28th September) We are grateful to Leslie Jackson the reporter, who understands the issues affecting local communities and has written a very good piece. It would be a tragedy to lose the hall and often alarm bells are rung at the eleventh hour. We are not at that stage yet by a long chalk but the signs are there and it is only right that we draw this to the communities attention so we can all do something about it. Remember this is your hall, we just look after it for you.