

# STUDLEY VOICE

## Winter Newsletter 2006

### Christmas in Studley 2006

Both Studley Parish Council and the Studley Together Committee would like to thank everyone who has given money to the Christmas Lights Appeal.

We have been lucky to receive donations from Studley Community Infants School and St Mary's Catholic Primary School. A Snowman light is being erected in their honour. The Churches have also sent a donation of £500 for which a Star is being installed. We have also received donations from John Williams the butchers on Alcester Road and £1000 from McCarthy Stone as well as donations from Studley Priory WI, Lunchtime Club and residents. Action Studley has also raised funds through their popular quiz nights.

As a result we have been able to purchase a further five new lights making a total of twelve. We are now progressing well down the High Street. Studley should look more festive again this year. It is disappointing that some of the larger businesses in the village did not contribute, as we may have been able to complete the display down the High Street.

Don't forget our Christmas Celebration Evening at the Village Hall on Friday 8th December. Both the Infant School and St Mary's Catholic Primary School will be taking part as well as the Alcester Silver Band.

There will be stalls galore, children's fair ground rides as well as Santa's Grotto. Doors open at 6.30pm. Refreshments will be available in the hall and the Scouts will be doing their popular hot dogs.

**PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT THIS VERY POPULAR EVENT**

### Shopper Coach for the over 60's

Following a recent survey with the users of the Shopper coach it has been decided by the Parish Council that the service will remain unaltered.

The service is open to anyone over 50

Due to the increase in fuel charges, with effect from 1st January 2007 the Parish Council has had no alternative but to increase the fares to **£1.00**  
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### STUDLEY FILM CLUB

#### Studley Village Hall

Studley Film Club has proved to be very popular. The next screening will be 'Brief Encounter' on Saturday 16th December.

It is £5.00 to join the Club and members must be 16 years or over to join.

To apply please contact the Village Hall between 1pm and 4pm Tel 01527 854489.

Membership entitles you to purchase up to 4 tickets for each performance.

## **PUBLIC OPEN SPACE**

A Support Group has now been formed. It has agreed a plan of the site which will be maintained as a Nature Reserve. Members of the group have agreed to make a bid for Lottery funding to lay a path for wheel chair access. Warwickshire County Council has promised a radar controlled gate for wheelchair users.

The aim of the group is to encourage a wealth of wildlife, preserve part as a wildflower meadow and create a minimum of disturbance. A short gravelled path and a longer grass path round the site will be maintained and for the rest a natural habitat will be encouraged.

Help and advice is being sought from Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and Warwickshire Conservation Volunteers.

A competition is being organised to give it a name. Some old names associated with this area are Victoria Brickworks, White Lench House and New Farm (all since demolished). Your ideas are welcome. A small prize is promised to the winner. Write your entry on a piece of paper with your name and address or use the tear off below and hand it into the Parish Office in Studley Village Hall or via the Parish Council website [www.studleyparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.studleyparishcouncil.org.uk) or by post to Bill McCarthy, 24, Holt Road, Studley B80 7NX For more information **WATCH THIS SPACE**

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**name for Public Open Space:**

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Name.....

Address.....

Telephone.....

## **BICYCLE FOR GARETH**

All the funding has now been received. He has managed to raise enough money to buy the bicycle and all the equipment. The order has been placed for the cycle although some of the equipment will take two months to arrive. Once his training has been completed we should see him cycling around the village by the early part of the new year.

He would like to thank everyone who has contributed as without their help it would not have been possible

## **WALKING THE WAY TO HEALTH**

### **Studley Accompanied Walks**

Organised by Stratford District Council

- People are invited to join these accompanied walks
- We meet at Studley Youth Centre for a 2pm start every Thursday afternoon
- A walk for approximately 1 hour intended to improve general health

- Everyone is welcome ! Just turn up
- Shorter or slower walks can be organised for those eager to make a start. **This is not Power Walking. Just people keen to walk for energy**

**For more information contact Paul Evans Active Communities Officer at Stratford District Council Telephone 01789 260639 or 0797 389020. Alternatively call into the Parish Office in Studley Village Hall or contact the Clerk Mrs Mitchell 01527 853204.**

**Thursday 7th December & 18th January**—Walk out to Studley Castle across the big meadow returning via the Priory up the High Street to the Youth Centre.

**Thursday 14th December & 25th January**—Walk out to Sperrall returning via Sambourne.

## **STUDLEY CREDIT UNION**

### **HELP FOR CHRISTMAS CLUB MEMBERS!**

Stratford upon Avon Credit Union are able to offer help to anyone in Studley who has lost money in the Farepak Christmas Club collapse.

At the most expensive time of the year, particularly for parents of young families, the Credit Union is able to offer instant loans to Farepak members so that they can meet these expenses.

Anyone affected who would like more information, can call the Credit Union Shop on **01527 857152** or call in person at 51b High Street, Studley during the following hours:

<b>Tuesday</b>	10am to 12 noon
<b>Wednesday</b>	10am to 12.30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	7.00 pm to 8.00 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	10.30am to 12.30pm

**A Credit Union** is a non profit making financial co-operative run entirely by volunteers, offering a convenient local savings and low cost loans service to its members. Membership is open to anyone living or working in the Stratford District Council area, regardless of their previous financial history.

The Credit Union intends to launch its own Christmas Club in the new year so that local people can save with confidence, knowing their money is safe and protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

## **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY REFUSE ARRANGEMENTS**

**There will be no collection of refuse or recycling on Monday 25th , Tuesday 26th December 2006 and Monday 1st January 2007.**

**Details are available from Stratford District Council or can be found on the Parish Council's noticeboard or website [www.studleyparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.studleyparishcouncil.org.uk)**