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Sedgefield NEWS

June 2012



Inside this 16 page edition, Ean Parsons & Sports Editor Chris Lines have put together a **Sedgefield Village Games 'pullout & keep' supplement**

Also, on pages 2 & 3, as well as in our Diary, you'll find an abundance of events in store for summer. Music and sports fanatics are particularly well catered for, but there's something for everyone, including lovers of flowers, photography and beer!

Sedgefield Parkrun 10

Sedgefield parkrun started on 17th March and celebrated the 10th event on the same day as Mediaeval Fayre. In these first 10 events, 438 different runners, including participants from 39 athletics clubs, completed 956 runs, including 240 new Personal Bests, covering a total distance of 4,780km.

Sedgefield's first monthly prize was awarded (free trainers, kindly donated by Sweatshop at the Metro Centre - many thanks for their continued support) to Liz Reed for her achievements during March and to Maxine Park in April. Both Liz and Maxine have shown great enthusiasm, commitment and improvement at the parkrun.

The 10th run saw our first junior runner to achieve 10 parkruns; Jamie Addison received a free '10' t-shirt, courtesy of Adidas. Well done Jamie; we hope to see more juniors wearing their '10' shirts very soon. Jamie's dad, Graeme Addison crossed the line first in a new personal best time and mum was a volunteer, handing out finishing tokens.

Seniors have to work a bit harder for their t-shirts, as they are awarded on completion of 50 runs! Who will be the first Sedgefield parkrunner to sport the red '50'?

Sedgefield parkrun is open to everyone. It is a free weekly timed 5km where participants can run, jog or walk. To register please visit www.parkrun.com or for more information please email sedgefieldoffice@parkrun.com.

The parkrun is held every Saturday at 9am starting from the Visitor Centre at Hardwick Park and everyone is welcome to join us in the cafe for post event refreshments.

Fun of the Fayre keeps spirits up despite damp start



Morris dancers stepped it up in the rain, tugs of war were won & lost, bold knights, buzzy bees and wearers of the Lincoln green shivered in the fancy dress parade. Happily, the sun did eventually shine on Sedgefield Mediaeval Fayre 2012, the volunteers smiled through it all anyway, and a grand day was had by all.



School Community Governor

Sedgefield Primary School has a vacancy for a Community Governor to join our very pro-active Governing Body. We need someone with enthusiasm, commitment and an interest in education, who will be able to support us in providing the best education for the children of Sedgefield and in our drive towards being an Outstanding school. No specialist qualifications are needed and you do not have to have a family member attending the school. If you are interested, or would like further information, please call into or contact the school for an application form. We look forward to hearing from you!

No4 exhibition of photos

The teasop in Sedgefield's High Street is currently showcasing 12 stunning images from local photographer, Ken Wilson. Ken was hand picked to showcase his work in No4 after they spotted his work at the Artsbank Gallery in Saltburn.

A photographer for more than 35 years and now retired, Ken dedicates his time to the creative aspects of capturing the ultimate shot.

His preferred subject matter is landscape photography, taking his inspiration from two modern day photographers in the shape of Joe Cornish and Charlie Waite.

Dedicating thousands of hours behind the lens provides the experience which gets results like the pictures currently to be seen in the new gallery at No4.

Local images include The Minerva and Gothic Ruin from Hardwick Park and an action shot from Sedgefield Races plus 9 others from the region.

More of Ken's work can be found at www.photographykenwilson.com

Flower Festival

Opens on Friday 15th June

in St Edmund's Church. Sedgefield's 3rd Flower Festival is a glorious celebration, in flowers, art & music, of Sedgefield over 700 centuries. Well worth a visit for the adult price of £3 (children go free).

Ceddesfeld Beer Festival

Friday July 6th from 7pm and Saturday July 7th from 6pm

Join us for two great, sociable evenings in Ceddesfeld Hall & Gardens, with 14 Real Ales and Bar-B-Q food on offer.

Swimathon 2012

Judith Edgoose, Suzanne Hopper, Alison Hodgson and Jimmy Seymour, incoming President of Sedgefield Rotary, are pictured (*right*) after taking part in the Swimathon at Spennymoor pool on May 13th.

On the left is Bob Theakston, who was the founding president of Sedgefield Rotary thirty years ago.

Three swimmers represented The Friends of St Edmund's, with half of their £300 sponsorship going to the Church Lighting fund and Suzanne's money to St Mary Magdalene's in Trimdon Village. The other half, as with all teams, goes to local charities nominated by the Rotary Club, who organised the event. The group found themselves in the water at the same time as five teams from Sedgefield Primary School who were raising money for Multiple Sclerosis research. Altogether the event will have raised over £8000.

Music in St. Edmund's Church

Saturday 7th July, 2pm - 4pm

Cream Teas & Jazz with the Alex Ord Trio. Tickets: £7 (available soon)

Saturday 1st September, 7pm; part of Sedgefield Folk Festival

Northumbrian Pipers, Lirica, Maxine & Lol Crallan and The Marske Fisherman's Choir. Tickets: £6

Sedgefield Lyrics Youth Choir & Sedgefield Hardwick Primary School Choir present...

a joint concert, showcasing the musical talents of our local young people.

Sunday 8th July at 6pm in Ceddesfeld Hall. Tickets: £3

Contact: Kristen 07572121443 or Sedgefield Hardwick Primary School

Sedgefield Blues Club

Saturday 7th July in the Parish Hall

The Larry Miller Band is here - if you check the website to see him in action you'll understand when I say "nuff said!" Tickets for this and all upcoming shows are on sale at the Post Office and online through the website. Apologies to those who missed out on a brilliant night with the Danny Bryant band last month; we only sell 120 tickets and demand grows constantly as the venue's reputation grows. There's a cap on website sales to give locals a chance to get to the Post office in time. We do it for you, so please get your tickets early!

Sounds of Summer with Sedgefield Lyric Singers

Friday 13th & Saturday 14th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Tickets £5 (£4 under 16), from Tickety Boo, Audrey Lofthouse on 620625 or any choir member.

Seventh Annual Sedgefield Folk Festival

30th August – 2nd September

Once again we're looking forward to our annual folk festival which promises to be bigger and better than ever. Tickets are on sale from 1st July from the Council Offices and the Festival Office at 48 Station Road, tel: 621347.

An extra event this year, on the Thursday evening in the Parish Hall, is the first showing of 'She's Fired', a musical narration of the 1880 Seaham Colliery disaster, performed by local musicians. This is specifically for the elderly, housebound & disabled and is free for these groups of people, with transport and refreshments provided. Weekend ticket holders can also attend.

There is an excellent line up of guests for the rest of the festival, including Stony Band, Pete Morton, Judith Haswell & Trish McClean, Bernard Wrigley, George Welch & Stewart Hardy, Elbow Jane, Jez Lowe, The Young 'Uns, Loose Connection, Maxine & Laurie Crallan, John Wrightson Band and Sedgefield Lyrics Youth Choir.

PLUS all the usual workshops, including a demonstration and free invitation to young & old to participate in Irish dancing, singarounds and dance groups; the ever popular World Spoons Championship with our own World Champion, Bertie Draycott and the Durham traditional music & songwriting competition.

Full details of the programme at www.sedgefieldfolkfestival.co.uk



Sedgefield Round Table, in association with SCA & Sedgefield 700, present

Ceddesfest 700 - Saturday 28th July

An outdoor community music festival in Ceddesfeld Hall Garden, celebrating Sedgefield 700 with "A History of Music So Far" - at least as far as possible in the time available! - featuring:

2.00-2.45pm: CEDDESFOLK

Sedgefield's own music troupe gets the day underway with lively and lovely tunes from medieval times forward

3.00-5.00pm: ENIGMA STRING QUARTET

An extremely talented, professional group of music graduates from the Midlands give us classical music from all ages; a perfect way to while away a few hours on a summer's afternoon.

5.15-6.15pm: PAUL LIDDELL BAND

Paul hails from Sunderland - a rising star with a large following. His music's difficult to classify, but "contemporary folk/pop with elements of jazz, blues & country" goes some way! An acoustic group to start your feet tapping.

6.30-7.30pm: TEES VALLEY JAZZMEN with THE FENNER SISTERS

The foremost group of jazz musicians in the area play trad, modern and swanee jazz; swing, ragtime & boogie woogie (and if you're not tapping something to this, you must be asleep!) Ably fronted by Sedgefield's own Fenner Sisters, providing the vocal harmonies to some classic melodies.

7.45-8.45pm: ENGLAND SCREAMING

Best known as Sedgefield's only "punk" band, this capable set of musicians will perform their other set - rock & roll and classic rock/pop covers

9.00-10.30pm: NOT THE ROLLING STONES

The UK's premier Rolling Stones tribute band - and you won't believe this isn't really the Rolling Stones! These guys not only sound like, but are the image of the originals. Dance away the final hours to classic blues, rock & pop from the great innovators of modern popular music. No better way to finish.

Bring your own picnic & refreshments for the afternoon, plus a blanket or something to sit on.

The bar opens in the early evening, and hot dogs and burgers will be available most of the day.

Organiser, Garry, says "Apart from being great fun, hopefully the day will send a few people home having experienced musical styles they would never normally bother with. So often I hear people say "It's not really my sort of music but they were quite good". Well, it's all good! **IT'S LIVE MUSIC and it's ON YOUR DOORSTEP!**

Tickets - only £20 - are limited in number, so please don't wait!

They are available from the Post Office, Council Offices, Ceddesfeld Hall bar or you can order by

Email: garry@ceddesfest700.com Phone: 07931448469, or Website: (payment by paypal)

Children under comprehensive school age go free when accompanied by an adult. Tickets available when purchasing adult tickets, but in limited numbers & on a first come first served basis.

Check Ceddesfest 700 website for all details.

It's Your Neighbourhood



If you ever shop at Theakstons, pop into the Golden Lion or live at that end of the village, you may well have seen this lady armed with trowel, stool & gardening gloves and making a wonderful job of the gardens around Crispin Court. She doesn't live there, but thought it needed some TLC and got stuck in. Barbara Smith is one of a growing band of Sedgefield in Bloom volunteers eager to improve our already lovely village. The RHS, organisers of Britain in Bloom, recently instigated 'It's Your Neighbourhood', encouraging people to take on projects, small or large, on their own doorstep. If you spot an area near you that could do with sprucing up, why not gather a group of neighbours and make a difference? It needn't be a huge task or involve great gardening expertise. You might clear litter, do a spot of weeding, cut back overgrown ivy. Sedgefield in Bloom is about people just as much as plants and the team is always glad to welcome new members. Let us know if you have an idea for an 'It's Your Neighbourhood' project. We might be able to help out - or at least take your photo! Contact details & other information on Sedgefield in Bloom's sponsor board outside the parish hall or ring 620091; email norma@neal.myzen.co.uk.

21 years service to Guiding



On 24th June, Joanne Tinkler and Joanne Lazonby (*the two ladies in the centre of the photo*) celebrate 21 years of being Leaders with 2nd Sedgefield Brownies. That's 21 years of providing girls aged 7-10 with fun, opportunities & exciting challenges, to make friends, to have the odd adventure, in short, to be a Brownie. The two Jos have provided not only 21 years of weekly Brownie meetings, but also 17 years of Pack Holidays (Flower Power, Pirates, Circus, Peter Pan to name a few), district and county events and plenty of fabulous parties. Bringing with them a passion to help & encourage, their enthusiasm has been very much appreciated by so many girls.

The pack has gone from strength to strength, with a long waiting list and currently boasts a great support team, including Caroline, a Leader of 14 years and the accountant and website bod; Elaine, a Leader of 8 years and resident art & craft person for weekly meetings and holidays; Eleanor, Mum to a Brownie 11 years ago who we never let go; Lauren, a Young Leader who has been part of our pack since she was 7 (she's now 18); and Megan, working towards her Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award and a past Brownie.

2nd Sedgefield Brownies will hold a party to celebrate, on Monday 25th June from 6 - 7.30 pm at Hardwick School. We're calling past and present Brownies, Guides or helpers to come and join us. Please contact Jo on 629225 or Caroline on 629225.



Free house swap website

A few local people have set up a free website to help Sedgefield homeowners to move to a larger or smaller home in the village by way of Part Exchange swaps. With the housing market so difficult many people have given up hope of moving. The website is aimed at putting together people who might be able to swap homes.

"It's a cheap and cheerful way of putting people together and I did it to try and see if anyone in the village might want to swap house with us. Two friends have also put their houses on it and new properties will be put on free of charge. We are not selling anything and our Estate Agent is the main contact on the website to ensure that all selling rules are complied with" says site designer Rodger Till.

We hope to have persuaded all the Estate Agents in the village to get involved by the time this appears in Sedgefield News. The more properties we have on the site the more likely it is to succeed and we plan to advertise in Sedgefield news in the future.

If you are interested in a house swap or want to put your house on the site, visit www.sedgefieldproperty.moonfruit.com

or call Melissa at Bighouselittlehouse on 01740 620560. She is selling all three properties currently listed on the site.

Remember Gimli & Joxer?



Well, they're off again, with John Phillips from Fishburn providing the horsepower for their marathon trip. No torch to carry, but John's contribution to our Olympic year is a 3 week Bike Ride beginning on 30th June. He will travel by train to London, then, pulling Gimli and Joxer in their Tailwagon, he'll wind his way home from the Olympic village via various Sustrans National Cycle Network Routes - a journey of around 600 miles.

The ride is to raise funds for St. Catherine's Church, Fishburn and John hopes to find more sponsors. If you would like to help, please send your name, address, postcode and the amount you would like to donate, to jjpjjp@sky.com. John and the dogs will ride round to pick it up on their return.

sedgefieldsquashclub

Free Coaching

Places available for beginners and racketball

Open to non-members on Sunday mornings throughout summer

Contact Chris Rowsby on 621125 for more detail

www.sedgefieldsquashclub.co.uk

30 years of "Partnerschaft" is celebrated with our German partners

23 members of Sedgefield Twinning Association were royally entertained by welcoming hosts in our twin town of Hamminkeln at the end of April, and we all agreed that the programme had been one of the best ever. This was partly because we didn't have organised tours every day, leaving plenty of time for socialising with our friends over there – some of them friends of 30 years' standing - others who have joined us more recently.

Our Chairman, Derrick Lofthouse, was Mayor of Sedgefield in 1982 when the original Twinning Charter was signed. He was especially pleased to be able to be present this week, and in his speech at the welcome reception on the first day, he remembered others who worked so hard 30 years ago but who sadly are no longer with us; in particular Heinrich Meyers, who was then Mayor of Hamminkeln. Derrick's wife Audrey and Edith Davey, who were at the signing 30 years ago, were also in our group this week.

At the younger end of the scale, we were delighted that 14 year old Megan Devine came with us this week. By all accounts she had a wonderful time and commented especially on the friendship shown to her. She even had the chance to go into a primary school and answer the children's questions in English! Just to mention some of the highlights, we had a full day tour to Düsseldorf, with an excellent guided tour in German and English, and a tour, also in English, of the "Landtag" (the extremely modern parliament building for North Rhine Westphalia). Sadly, that was the only day that it really rained hard, so we decided to forego a shopping trip in Düsseldorf, but we did have an excellent pub lunch!

Another full day tour was to the pilgrimage town of Kevelaer, this time on foot. An excellent English speaking guide showed us the magnificent churches with their stunning stained glass. After a champagne reception and a tasty meal, we heard a recital by the organist of the monastery church, on the largest Seifert organ in Europe - quite amazing! The young man invited us to go up to watch him play – all improvised – how did he manage so many keyboards *and* his feet? And the sound was stupendous.

On Friday, we had a wonderful Rhine trip, first to see the area where gravel is being excavated using enormous floating excavators, then a relaxing tour upriver past Wesel and back. Finally, on Saturday, we were invited by the church choir in Marienthal for Coffee & Cakes (they must have spent all week baking!) and after attending a church service and visiting the grave of Heinrich Meyers, we were all treated to a barbecue in the church community centre.

A small delegation from Hamminkeln will be coming over in July to help us celebrate our 700th anniversary, and we look forward to the return visit of a larger group in 2013. If you would like to be involved, please do make yourself known to us. We organise a variety of fundraising events throughout the year – the next one is a barbecue at Ceddesfeld Hall on July 21st – and new members and friends are always welcome. Contact Martin King, secretary, on 620424, or any member of the Committee.

Sedgefield Fun Club kids have fun, fun, fun!

Despite our awful weather, children who attended Sedgefield Fun Club at Easter enjoyed some great Spring activities. Places are available to all children aged 3-12yrs during school holidays (they don't need to attend in term time or go to Sedgefield schools).

So if you are looking for affordable quality childcare over school holidays, phone Paula (manager) on 623565 or pop in for a visit. Also check out our new Facebook page for all the latest info of what going on at the club!

To advertise in these pages, email
sedgefieldnews@hotmail.com



Hamminkeln, proud to be twinned with both Sedgefield and a town in Poland

SPORTS UPDATE

Squash

The formal end of the Sedgefield Squash Club season was marked by club finals night and the annual presentation evening. Sporting celebrities and Hollywood 'A list' stars once again failed to respond to their invitations. However, a transformed Ceddesfeld Hall was filled with club members for a family night, quiz and the presentation of trophies. The roll of honour looks like this:

	Winner	Runner-Up
Under 11s	Jack Stephenson	Chloe Hill
Under 13s plate	Flynn Robinson	Chris Warburton
Under 13s	Oliver Walls	Daniel Toas
Under 15s plate	Thomas Dunlop	Cameron Storey
Under 15s	George Peden	Oliver Larcombe
Girls plate	Chloe Hill	Eleanor James
Girls	Hannah McIntyre	Gemma Hill
Junior handicap	George Peden	Oliver Larcombe
Junior plate	Daniel Toas	Calum Dunlop
Juniors	Robert Pearce	Oliver Walls
Mens XL	Steve Welton	Chris Bunting
Handicap	Oliver Walls	Stephen Rowsby
Ladies plate	Marie Priest	Sue Smith
Ladies	Emma Rowsby	Emma Larcombe
Club plate	John Cant	Rob Emery
Club closed	Robert Pearce	Mark Simpson
John Rowntree Trophy	Robert Pearce	
Ladies' Player of the Year	Sharon O'Donnell	
Men's Player of the Year	Mark Simpson.	

This season's success by the ladies (second in the Durham & Cleveland County Division 1, and winners of the league cup, was recognised, along with individual praise for Sharon Brown, who won the Durham and Cleveland individual Ladies Masters competition earlier in the season. Squash activities continue throughout the close season with adult & junior coaching programmes and a Sedgefield Village Games event.

Cricket

The awful weather has meant games being called off regularly. The first team, in their first season in the North Yorkshire and South Durham Premier League, have started well. All games have been close affairs. Hartlepool inflicted the only defeat so far, but draws with Thornaby, Middlesbrough and Richmond and a fantastic home win against Stokesley, have left the team in touch with the pack. Professionals Steve Naylor and Mohammad Zahid, and local lads Chris Gillespie and Justin Preston, have been the stars of the show so far.

The second team have played two and won two in the league (with four games rained off!) and sit at the top of their division; they have also made it into the league cup semi-final after beating Whitby and Darlington RA. Mal Dickenson with the bat, with Ben Young and Martin Worthington with the ball, have been the stand out performers. The third team have only managed one game so far, romping to a convincing win against a strong Hartlepool side. Graham Hughes and Luke Henderson scored well with the bat, while John Cavanagh and Ryan Boardman took bowling honours. Get team news, in-play score updates & results at @SedgefieldCC1 on Twitter.

Boxing

Due to unforeseen circumstances, a planned night of amateur boxing at the Hardwick Hall had to be cancelled rearranged and has been rearranged for 2nd June, when South Durham ABC will hold an afternoon show at Fishburn club. It should be a high class event, with the highlight being Jeff Saunders' defence of his North East championship belt.

The recent Senior ABA finals involved two club boxers at the Royal Albert Hall. Each boxer gave everything and can be very proud of his achievement. Unfortunately, Jeff Saunders lost his semi-final, and Declan Fusco was a losing finalist. Bradley Saunders won his second professional fight, with a first round stoppage as part of an undercard at the Royal Albert Hall. Recently, Jeff Saunders fought and beat the army champion, a four time ABA champion. He travels next to Barcelona, where he meets Spanish and Dutch champions. Following this event, a Spanish and Dutch select team will travel to England to meet a North East select team at Peterlee Leisure Centre. Both Jeff Saunders and James Archer will fight on this bill.

with Sports Editor, **Chris Lines**

Sedgefield Harriers

The inaugural Marathon of the North in Sunderland gave Sedgefield Harriers a chance to shine. Justin Cox finished strongly to be first Harrier, in 2:56:10 (8th overall) and Ian Blakemore came in soon after in 10th place and 2:56:58 to give the club two finishers in the top ten. Gail Bell put in a storming finish over the last five miles, timing her run perfectly while others were tiring, to finish fourth lady and 114th overall in 3:27:42.

The weather was kind, with the sun shining but a slight nip in the air, and the route proved interesting and varied as it toured the City of Sunderland. Conditions changed when the route went north of the river, the last 6 miles proving undulating with wind off the sea adding some difficulty in the closing stages. Harriers had eleven competitors in the race, including 4 marathon virgins, Jason Catterall (3:42:02/224th) Graeme Addison (3:49:38/291st), Steve Forman (4:01:14/431st) and Sarah Duell (4:41:31/823rd), all of whom performed well. Others competing were Ean Parsons (3:30:25/141st) John Haycock (3:53:26/329th) Diane Baines (4:07:29/489th) and Doreen Huxley (4:22:36/634th). Three Harriers; Chris Lines, Christine Hearmon and Helen Parsons; ran the 10k event on the same day, with Chris Lines the highest finisher in 40:43 & 61st place. Rebecca Mott had run well in the junior races the day before, finishing in a very good 6th place.

Throwing for success

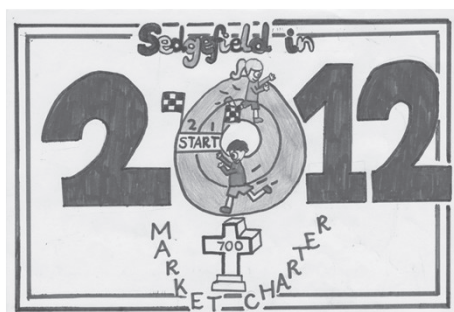
The throws group is the newest addition to activities at Sedgefield Harriers, designed for young athletes in the intermediate age group (Year 6 upwards) and with an emphasis on the development of throws for both competition and fun. It came about after a conversation between volunteer parent helpers, Kate Devine, Sue Dobson and Tim Dredge, who decided to have a go at coaching the throws, adding to the choice of disciplines for intermediate athletes and building on the work Marie Walker does with younger athletes.

The group started with a dozen athletes in the Spring of 2011 and is the only one of its kind in Co Durham that is dedicated specifically to throwing events. They focus on the four Olympics throwing events as the basis for its work: heave throw for hammer; pull throw for javelin; push throw for shot put; and sling throw for discus. As the children have realised, these throwing skills are used in numerous other sports with children transferring their skills to and from the group with such sports as basketball, netball, cricket, rugby and many more. The group also makes up games with anything they can throw - hoops, beanbags, quoits, frisbees and balls of various shapes and sizes.

In each session, children in the group build up their skills using throwing based games, as well as working on the technical points for each throw. The group also uses the England Athletics Flying Coach and 365 programmes. Given the lack of a throws circle and cage at Sedgefield, the group has developed remarkably, with a strong emphasis on agility, balance and co-ordination to help master the throws techniques. Competition entry This encouraged, though this not compulsory.

It has already been a record breaking season for throws in Sedgefield. In the month of April alone, 10 medals were won, doubling the total for the whole of last season. Seven girls have achieved top three placings in four different throwing disciplines, while seven boys have also achieved top three positions, in three different disciplines. The group is now aiming to build on this early success throughout the rest of the track and field season. You can find out more about the various Sedgefield Harriers sessions and groups at www.sedgefieldharriers.co.uk.

That's all for this month. In the next issue I will, belatedly, include a final summary of the Sunday league football season, which was relatively tense towards the end, but probably didn't quite match the conclusion of the English Premier League season! **As ever, if you have any sports news, please send it to chrisjlines@aol.com**



The Sedgefield Village Games

17th June - 11th July

A community celebration



Below is an overview of the Sedgefield Village Games programme. For more details, please see overleaf.



Sedgefield Town Council



Sedgefield Lyrics Youth Choir



Zumba with Jane



1st Sedgefield Scout Group



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Sedgefield Harriers

Running Club sedgefieldharriers.com



Sedgefield Tennis Club



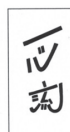
Sedgefield Community College



SEDFIELD CRICKET CLUB



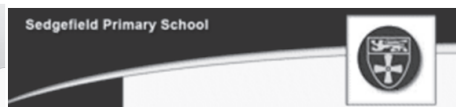
Sedgefield Ishinryu Karate Club



Sedgefield District Wind Band

	Week commencing 17th June	w/c 24th June	w/c 1st July	w/c 8th July
Sun	OLYMPIC TORCH & OPENING CEREMONY			Village Fun & Games Afternoon Choir Concert
Mon		Karate		
Tue	Rugby	Archery Golf	Archery Golf	Wigglets
Wed			Junior athletics	GRAND FINALE & CLOSING CEREMONY
Thu	Football Zumba	Tennis	Senior athletics	
Fri				
Sat	Cricket	Boxing	Squash parkrun	

Wigglets



It is thanks to the invaluable input of the clubs, societies and organisations listed on this page that the Sedgefield Village Games has been made possible. Along with many other individuals and groups, they have created an exciting programme for the benefit of the whole community. Please take advantage of the opportunities outlined here and get involved!

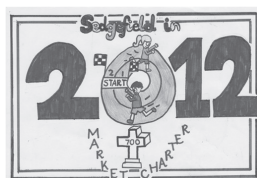
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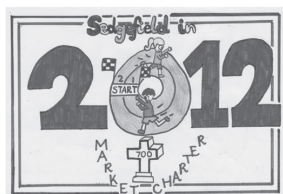
Programme of Sporting Events



Event	Date	Time	Location	Details
Rugby	Tues 19 June	18.30-20.00hrs	Rugby Pitch (behind cricket club)	Open evening hosted by Sedgefield Rugby Club. Learn to handle the oval ball along with some touch-rugby games
Football	Thu 21 June	17.30-19.00hrs	Community College	Martin Gray Football Academy - A number of skill based challenges from the renowned regional academy, headed up by the ex Sunderland star
Zumba	Thu 21 June	20.00-21.00hrs	Sedgefield Primary	For Ages 14 and over, hosted by Zumba with Jane. A mixture of dance and exercise. Get fit while having fun!
Cricket	Sat 23 June	09.30-11.00hrs	Cricket Club	Hosted by Sedgefield Cricket Club - quick cricket, practice nets, and fielding skills
Karate	Mon 25 June	19.00-20.00hrs	Community College	Open night by Sedgefield Ishinryu Karate Club. Ages 8+. Sample some of the techniques. A great way to improve coordination and flexibility
Archery	Tue 26 June	18.00-20.30hrs	Cricket Club	Hosted by 1st Sedgefield Scouts. Ages 6 and above. An adult will need to accompany child. Fancy yourself as a modern day Robin Hood?
Golf	Tue 26 June	18.30-20.00hrs	Cricket Club	Hosted by Knotty Hill Golf Centre. Practice shots, nearest the flag competitions etc
Tennis	Thu 28 June	18.00-19.00hrs (U11s) 19.00-21.00hrs (11-16yrs)	Community College	Open evening hosted by Sedgefield Tennis Club. Coaching, fun games and competitions
Boxing	Sat 30 June	10.00-11.00hrs	Fishburn Gym	Hosted by Fishburn Boxing Club. Previous experience not essential!! Try a workout with the pads
Archery	Tue 3 July	18.00-20.30hrs	Cricket Club	Hosted by 1st Sedgefield Scouts. Ages 6 and above. An adult will need to accompany child. Fancy yourself as a modern day Robin Hood?
Golf	Tue 3 July	18.30-20.00hrs	Cricket Club	Hosted by Knotty Hill Golf Centre. Practice shots, nearest the flag competitions etc
Junior athletics	Wed 4 July	18.15-20.00hrs	Community College	Hosted by Sedgefield Harriers. Open to anyone in Year 3 upwards. A series of running, jumping, throwing and agility events where children will be put into teams
Senior athletics	Thu 5 July	18.00hrs	NetPark	Hosted by Sedgefield Harriers. Coached adult running session for all abilities
Squash	Sat 7 July	09.00-11.00hrs (11-16yrs) 11.00-13.00hrs (Under 11s)	Squash Club	Hosted by Sedgefield Squash Club. Come along and have a go with some fun games and basic racket and ball skills for the younger participants
parkrun	Sat 7 July	09.00hrs	Hardwick Park	5K fun run / walk for all. Come dressed as your favourite Olympian or London icon. Please register at www.parkrun.org.uk
Village fun and games afternoon	Sun 8 July	12.30-17.00hrs	Cricket Club	A social event with fun and games for all the family. Bar open! Come and join in with rounders, welly throwing, 5-legged race, wife carrying, quick cricket etc
Wigglets	Tue 10 July	09.30, 10.30 and 11.30hrs	Methodist Church	Special Olympics themed events for Under 5s. Please contact wigglets@tiscali.co.uk if your child is not a regular member

Look out for attendance cards - get them signed and returned to the library before 31 July, and attend:
 1-2 events for a special **Village Games Certificate**
 3 events for a **Bronze Medal**
 4 events for a **Silver Medal**
 5 or more events for a **Gold Medal**





Cultural events



Sun 17th June

Olympic Torch Relay and opening ceremony

11.00-12.30hrs

Performances from choirs of Sedgefield Primary, Sedgefield Hardwick School and the Sedgefield Lyrics Youth Choir. Art exhibition. All in Ceddesfeld Hall

14.00-14.20hrs

Olympic torch is expected to come through the village

14.30hrs

Village Games opening ceremony on Village Green.
Presentations from Princess Helena

Catering provided by 1st Sedgefield Scouts (BBQ) and Escape (Tea and Cakes)

Sun 8th July

Singing Together!

18.00hrs

A joint concert in Ceddesfeld Hall by Sedgefield Lyrics Youth Choir and Sedgefield Hardwick Primary School; showcasing the talents of our local young people

Admission £3.00. For tickets, contact Sedgefield Hardwick Primary School or Kristen on 07572 121443

Wed 11th July

Grand finale and closing ceremony

18.00-21.00hrs

A joint celebration to mark the end of the Village Games and Sedgefield 700 Anniversary - on the Village Green

Performances from: North Tyneside Steel Band, K Danz, Sedgefield Community College Dance Group, Sedgefield District Brass Band

Demonstrations from many of our sports clubs and organisations

Authentic West Indian food!

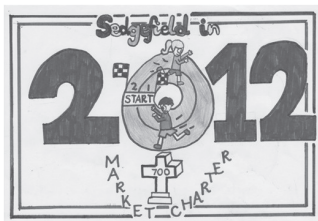
For the latest news and information about the Sedgefield Village Games, keep an eye on:

www.sedgefieldgames.com

www.facebook.com/sedgefieldvillagegames

www.twitter.com/sedgefieldgames





What are the Sedgefield Village Games?



The Sedgefield Village Games have come about as a result of many sports clubs, organisations, schools and Sedgefield Town Council wanting to do something special to celebrate the 2012 London Olympic Games and Paralympic Games. A Sedgefield Village Games Committee was formed early in 2011, with representatives from all parts of the local community, giving their time voluntarily to plan the Games for the summer of 2012. Along the way they have raised grant funding and donations to support the events in the programme. The Sedgefield Village Games Committee also wanted to provide every young person who lives in Sedgefield, or who attends a school or a club or organisation in Sedgefield, with a memento of the Village Games, which they can keep along with their memories for the rest of their lives.

The Sedgefield Village Games is one of a special group of initiatives throughout the country that have been recognised by the organisers of London 2012 and been awarded their coveted 'Inspired by' mark.

In addition to all that has been planned locally, Sedgefield is very fortunate to have the Olympic Torch passing through the village on Sunday 17th June, which is a tremendous honour for our community.

The 'Torch Day' has been chosen by the Sedgefield Village Games Committee as the day that the Village Games will be declared open and the fun will begin. The grand finale and closing ceremony of the Sedgefield Village Games will be a special celebration, planned for the evening of Wednesday 11th July.

In addition to all of the events taking place and the distribution of the mementos and the awards for taking part, the Sedgefield Village Games Committee is ensuring that there will be a legacy for the clubs, schools and organisations taking part in terms of increased awareness, interest and membership, and the fact that any equipment purchased will stay in Sedgefield for future use.

The Sedgefield Village Games Committee, which will disband following the Games, has been an initiative in the true spirit of the great community that exists in Sedgefield. The committee hopes that the events that have been organised will be enjoyed and remembered by everyone.

A note from Councillor John Robinson - Mayor of Sedgefield

Over the years, it has been my privilege to be involved in the planning of many events in the village - 2012 marks a new high in their importance and potential impact. This year, our community has an unparalleled opportunity to put together a tremendous programme of celebrations and I am certain that '2012' will be remembered in Sedgefield for many a year. I must pay tribute to my immediate predecessor as Mayor, Allan Blakemore, who has done a tremendous amount of work to help create the Sedgefield Village Games.

In and around Sedgefield we are blessed with a vibrant community, with many sports clubs and organisations who are determined that the Olympics will be remembered locally as well as nationally. Many of these groups have worked together as volunteers to organise these events in Sedgefield that will celebrate the London 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.

The guiding principle has been that anyone who would like to try one of the sports involved can come along and have a go for free under the watchful eye of skilled and qualified coaches, in sports from squash to athletics, rugby to archery and football to karate (to name just a few), all of which we are very fortunate to have in Sedgefield

I am so proud of what we have in our village and I really hope that you will all take the opportunity to have a go and be a part of Sedgefield Village Games 2012.

John Robinson



Sedgefield Village Neighbourhood & Crime Watch Panel

Anti-Social Behaviour in the village with attendant Damage

Expressions of discontent were made at April N/H/Watch, the May Residents' Forum and the Annual Town Council meetings, regarding Anti-Social Behaviour in the village over recent months. Most people tend to say the Police are not doing their job when in fact it is the persons causing the problem who should cease their damaging activities. We wish to appeal to those people, young & older - please don't rip plants out, please don't smash the bus shelter, please don't try to destroy the "Youth Shelter", please don't intimidate some of the older generation just because there's a few of you, please don't smash glass. Why not just value what you actually have in Sedgefield; be a little less selfish and consider others more.

Assuming the request goes unheeded and residents continue to need support & action from Police, anyone concerned should contact Police in person. Without a complaint or record of an issue the Police will not know and they are certainly not going to appear in the village. Already other locations report more than we in Sedgefield do; so that's where the Police are sent (more often than not). When N/H/Watch asked, we were informed that there were 17 calls in Feb, 14 in March and 7 in April to our Police about ASB (affecting individuals, property and general public) in Sedgefield - an interesting trend!

If you are bothered with ASB or acts of vandalism please pick up the phone and dial 101, provide the details, get a crime number and ask for feedback ASAP. If you don't get satisfaction, your next call should be to Sgt Brian O'Connor on 101 (ex 661 4670) or by email: brian.oconnor@durham.pnn.police.co.uk. He will definitely respond (but be aware he has days off like most employees. Finally why not come to the next N/H/Watch meeting and have your say, report your experience directly to our Local Beat Officer, help improve our village.

Local Police: 101 (Try to keep notes & get an incident number). Calls are 15p

Durham County Council Wardens: 0300 123 70 70

Community Liaison Officer, Neil Langthorne: 01325 742755

Crime Prevention Officer, Mark Pheasant: 01325 742714

Sedgefield Town Council: 621273

Community Lawyers: 07899 022 133



Jottings from the May meeting of the Residents Forum, where there was lively discussion. Communication had finally been gained from Durham County Council (DCC) regarding outstanding issues on s106 monies connected to the Cunningham Court development. Unfortunately despite the fact that it is now 10 months since DCC purchased the woodland at Neville Drive with £20k of the £53K owed to the village, little progress has been made; a tree is to be felled immediately for safety reasons, other work deferred to October. There has not yet been any consultation with residents or information on the spend of remaining monies. The Forum agreed that since it has proved so difficult to get information via post, email or phone, it may be prudent to seek an appointment at County Hall. We note the Town Council agreed at their March meeting to ask for an update on the issue; they are aware of the Forum's activities on this and it will be interesting to see if they receive the same response from DCC. No representation or report from the Town Council or Area Action Partnership reps so no information on several issues previously discussed was available.

There was much discussion on the County Durham Plan (proposed 300 more homes for Sedgefield) and the

fact that STC and Sedgefield Together Partnership were to put together a response on behalf of the village. The Partnership had arranged 3 open events to gather views but the Forum has always maintained a comprehensive survey of residents views should be carried out before any final view is given on further development. STC's view is that DCC's stance is non negotiable, but the Forum has not seen any rational justification of how DCC arrived at their proposals for Sedgefield. We will send in further comment and questions; there will be a further major consultation by DCC from 10th September on their Preferred Options Draft of the plan.

The refusal of the wind turbine application for Spring/Foxton Lane renews hope that residents' views are sometimes heard and addressed. All credit to the hard work of Spring/Foxton Lane residents; they ran an excellent campaign. No one can imagine the impact campaigning has on your life until you have been involved. However, the residents acknowledge they may not have been successful without support from the Sedgefield community, Town and County Councillors, MP etc. and wish to express their enormous thanks to everyone who helped, turned up at Hearing days, etc. Well done

PC Todd

Crime remains low in the village with only two crimes reported to police; theft of a picker attachment for plant machinery in Melgrove Way and a break in at the race course stables where tools were stolen.

A growing trend is for persons to cut the fuel line under vehicles to steal fuel; this has occurred in both Mordon and Fishburn. If you park your vehicle at Castle Eden Walkway, please remove valuables from sight or you may find your vehicle broken into. Recently I noticed a two vehicles with bags on show. Advice was given.

You may have read recently the tragic story of the male found dead in woods near Wynyard. He was not local and had left a note indicating he had remained there for 18 months. He was treated with respect and dignity and I am sure his family are grateful that he has eventually been found. Our thoughts are with them.

P.A.C.T.

At a recent meeting it was agreed that the Beat Team would focus attention on parking problems in Stockton Road, Malton Terrace and St Edmunds Terrace. Please park in a sensible manner to avoid our attentions.

Pub Watch

At a meeting in the Dun Cow it was agreed to increase the ban to a local male for a further 3 months after persistent attempts to gain entry into member premises. More breaches will not be tolerated. Another male received a written warning for his unacceptable behaviour.

Until next time, Keith

everyone. Such action is the only way to get the community voice heard and concerns addressed. The police were not available to address PACT issues but strong concerns were raised about increasing anti-social behaviour and criminal damage by some young people. We emphasise, **some** young people; we must not blame the whole younger generation and we hope that responsible young people who are the majority can influence the behaviour of offenders. The Forum, via Neighbourhood Watch, have sent a request to the police for targeted action, but it is essential that all incidents are reported. Don't rely on others to report - do it yourself - it's better that incidents are reported more than once than not at all.

A comprehensive update was given by our Health Representative. The GP Patient Panel meets regularly. The GP practice looks to further improve communication but still experiences an unacceptable level of patients not turning up for booked appointments. Please, if you are unable to keep an appointment let the practice know as soon as possible, so that they can allocate the appointment to someone who is waiting.

The next Forum meeting is at 7pm on July 2nd in the Fletcher Room, Parish Hall. Come along & give your views.

June Events Diary

Hardwick Park in June

Saturday 2nd June, 10am-2pm

Art Walk: Taking a line for a walk
With artist, Sophie Nixon. Bring sketch pad, pencils and something to sit on
£4 adults, £10 Family, under 5s free

Wednesday 6th June, 11am - 3pm

Twit, twoo, an owl for you!

£2 per child. Take part in a fun trail & make an owl friend to take home.

Friday 15th June at 7.30pm

Outdoor Theatre: Romeo & Juliet

£12 adult, £8 child, £35 family ticket
To book tickets or to find out about more activities, call 01740 621505.

Pick up a full programme of events for the season at the Visitor Centre

Sedgefield Farmers' Market

Sunday 3rd June

Eddies@4

Sunday 3rd June

Informal service for 2-6 year olds
4pm, Welcome Room, St Edmund's
Contact J Rowsby, 621125

Local History Society

Monday 4th June

7.30pm in Ceddesfeld Hall
Robert McManners
The Zurbarans at Auckland Castle

Sedgefield WI

Wednesday 6th June

7.15pm in the Parish Hall
Speaker to be announced
Members' competition:
a dancing memento
Visitors always welcome - fee £2.50

Sedgefield Veterans

Special Meeting

Thursday 7th June

7pm in Ceddesfeld Hall

Country Market

Friday 8th June

Parish Hall 9.30 - 11am
Tea, Coffee, cakes, cards, gifts & plants

Summer Taizé Service

Sedgefield Methodist Church at 10am

Sunday 10th June

People of all faiths or none, and seekers of faith are welcome

NECP Concertina Workshop

Sundays 10th & 24th June

1pm Ceddesfeld Hall. All levels welcome
Contact 01642 588197

Methodist Wives & Friends

Monday 11th June

Summer Night Out

Monday 25th June

AGM & supper

Neighbourhood Watch

Panel Meeting

Tuesday 12th June

7pm, Fletcher Room, Parish Hall
ALL Welcome

Ladies Club

Tuesday 12th June:

John Asquith, The Weardale Railway

Tuesday 26th June:

Evening out

Sedgefield Players present

The Beauty Queen of Leenane

by Martin McDonagh

in the parish hall at 7.30pm

Thursday - Saturday June 14-16th

Tickets £6, £5 concessions
available from Tickety-Boo,
the council offices and on 621771

Sedgefield Show

Thursday 14th June

8pm in the Nag's Head

Sedgefield & District U3A

Friday 15th June

2pm in the Parish Hall

"Magistrates in the Community"
a very interesting talk by Stockton
magistrates, followed by the AGM

Olympic Torch Relay

Sunday 17th June

The Olympic torch is carried through
Sedgefield

Family History Group

(Branch of Cleveland FHS)

Monday 18th June

7.45pm Ceddesfeld Hall

"Hatch, Match & Dispatch"

by Carol Cook

Visitors welcome. For more details see
www.sedgefieldfamilyhistory.org.uk
or call S. Hall - 620367

Ferryhill, Sedgefield &

District Flower Club

Tuesday 19th June

7.30pm in the Parish Hall

Susan Hall, Northumberland & Durham

Demonstrator: "Fragrant Aromatics"

Everyone welcome

Sedgefield Wildlife Group

Thursday June 21st

Short walk around

Bowesfield Nature Reserve

Meet Parish Hall Car Park 6.30pm

Call Steve Ashton 620559 for more info

Everyone Welcome

Coffee Morning

Fundraising for Sedgefield Veterans

Friday 29th June 10am-12noon,

Fletcher Room, Parish Hall

Everyone welcome

This service is free to non-commercial organisations

Annual Garden Party

Sedgefield Community Hospital

Saturday 30th June

2pm in the hospital gardens, with
band, magicians, face painting
and refreshments

June in the Library

Craft Club: Tuesday 12th & 26th,

Book Circle: Wed 13th, 2pm

"A Good War" by Patrick Bishop

Tickle Time: Monday 18th, 2.15-3pm

Rhyme Time: Wed 20th, 10-11am

Half Term activities - please contact
library for details

Regular Events

Bridge Club

Meets every Sunday & Tuesday at 7.30pm in
Ceddesfeld Hall. Beginners welcome. For
more information call Jen - 01740 620434

Winterton Wayfarers

Walking Group - Weekly Sunday walks, from
5 - 10 miles. Contact 620034 or 620434

Sedgefield Pop In Club

for the elderly & disabled at Ceddesfeld Hall

Join us for Tea or Coffee and biscuits on

Tuesdays 9.30 - 12; Wednesdays 10 - 12.30

Thursdays 1 - 3.30

Sedgefield Playgroup

Methodist Church, Mon-Thurs 9:15-11:45.
Spaces for children 2+ years Contact 620923

Sing for Health

2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 1pm in the
Methodist Church Hall

Sedgefield Handbell Ringers

Wednesdays 7.45pm Ceddesfeld Hall

(First week of month - Monday)

Beginners welcome, contact 621292

Rotary Club of Sedgefield

Wednesdays 7.15pm, Nag's Head

New members welcome.

Call 629070 or 620562

Round Table

Sporting, social and charitable events.
1st, 3rd & 5th Thursdays. New members
welcome. Contact Rob on 629079

Ceddesfeld Hall Art Group

Small, friendly group: 10-12 noon, Thursdays

Café@St Catherine's

Friendly chat & latest Fishburn gossip!

Fridays 9.30am - 12noon

Tea, coffee, toast & conversation

Ready Steady Grow

At Sedgefield Methodist Church., term time
Fridays, 9.30-10.30am. For Parents, Carers &
Children. Crafts, Songs, Bible stories,
Refreshments. Call Margaret Glass; 621618

Cupcake Café

Sedgefield Community College, 10am-12,
term-time Fridays. All profits to charity

Lyrics Choirs

2 choirs welcome new members. Ceddesfeld
Hall, Fridays. 7-18yrs at 6pm; Adults 7.30pm

YOUR Letters

Some 'Big Thank You' letters

... to everyone involved with delivering Sedgefield News at the end of April. Several of the usual volunteers were away in Germany (including myself) and many others also picked that week to go on holiday! But, as usual, my standby helpers came up trumps and as far as I know everybody got their News. If by any chance you didn't, or you got two (which did happen in some cases), we apologise, and will try not to let it happen again!

Judith Edgoose

... to everyone who supported my fundraising coffee morning at the Sedgefield Methodist Church on the 21st of April. Due to your generosity, I raised over £330 and also £100 of sponsorship for my Tyne Bridge Zip Wire Jump on the 17th of June. To further help with my fundraising, I'd be happy to collect any unwanted clothing or shoes that may be recycled (Tel: 01740 620525) Thanks again for all your support.

Rob McGuinness

... to everyone who got involved and attended our Pub Quiz on the 30th April. I hope that you had an enjoyable evening.

I would particularly like to thank the Nags Head Pub for holding the quiz (and providing the beer & chips!); the ladies who made the delicious pies - my step-Mum Julie Nuttall and fellow Brownie leader Joanne Dunn; my friends, the Blocki family who co-wrote and presented the quiz; and everyone who donated raffle prizes. The evening was a huge success and we raised a total of £148!

Stephanie Nuttall,

Brown Owl, 1st Sedgefield Brownies

And last but definitely not least ...

Julie and Andrew Towler send a massive thank you to Andrea Wren, who this month reached 20 years service with Jaiz Hair Salon. She joined our team all those years ago to save some spending money for a forthcoming family holiday. That family are now grown men and have made Andrea a nana!

Andrea is a very much valued and respected by other staff and clients alike. We felt that a letter in Sedgefield News would be a great way to let her know how very much her loyalty to us and her customers is appreciated. We hope to employ her for the next 20 years. Thanks again Andrea!

Julie and Andrew x

Sedgefield in Bloom

I was shocked, saddened and dismayed that last month's article did not praise the village gardeners, Stephen Young and part-time assistant Roy Cairns. Stephen, village gardener for over ten years, is qualified and experienced and the brains and expertise behind the village's continued success in the competitions. The only mention of them was in respect of them continuing "undaunted" when vandalism occurs to the plants. Articles praise the Bloomers' ideas and work. Laudible though may that be, let's never forget that none of the accolades this village has enjoyed, or hopes to enjoy in the future, would be possible without Council gardeners past and present, Stephen in particular.

Reflecting on the projects the Bloomers are undertaking leads to a question about the cut-out on the bank of the church green. Could someone explain its purpose, the long-term intention and the reason for this seeming desecration of the church bank, and who was responsible for the mis-matched, badly laid turfing at its base? I disagree with the writer who praised the Beacon Lane box because it looks untidy and is without structure or colour.

Please, as a village, assign praise where it belongs - to the continued hard work of the gardeners, their thoughts, expertise and ideas, and acknowledge that without their driving force and experience this village would not have received the awards and praise from experienced and qualified judges.

Name and address supplied

Hardwick Park parking charge controversy

I urge Durham County Council to reconsider implementing charges for parking at Hardwick Park. My concerns are:

1. It is too expensive - for £75 (season ticket price) a family can buy a year's English Heritage membership, which offers better value and better facilities throughout the whole country. Some visitors come just to use the Cafe, are they going to want to spend extra for that privilege? Extra cost to visitors coming for Ranger led activities (which they pay for). Park Run and other groups including those running charity events will be put off using Hardwick Park in favour of nearby parks with free parking.

2. The impact on local community. As a resident family of Sedgefield we use the park regularly, sometimes we walk/cycle over, sometimes with car [packed with games, dogs, picnics etc. We will have to reduce our usage of the park. We all feel the financial squeeze: individuals not just local authorities. I predict visitor numbers will fall as a direct result of parking charges, which will affect the cafe staff, rangers, visitor services, etc

3. Dangerous, illegal parking of vehicles. Near neighbours of the park will have cars parking on their land as a direct result of such expensive parking charges. To avoid paying some people will park on the bypass etc. How will the council manage this as a safety issue?

The good work of the Park needs supporting, not undermining by charges which will kill visitor numbers, leading to a decline in our wonderful Park, all for a revenue quick fix. It will cost money to put meters in and to police the scheme. Parking policy needs to be seen as a way to attract visitors to Hardwick Park, not just a lazy way to raise short term revenue. I would back the raising of revenue if it were a sustainable scheme, for example a project that generated more jobs for rangers, education staff or the cafe in the park. The cafe could be bigger, the education and events programme could easily be extended, all would bring in more money. Even charging just £1 per car per visit would bring the money rolling in.

Just last week I paid for 11 children to attend the excellent Track and Field event. The booking would not have been made if all the parents who dropped off, had a walk, bought coffee, had a meal in the cafe etc had to pay £2/£3 just to park their cars. Please consider my comments and think about the long term future of Hardwick Park, its visitors, staff and those who live nearby.

Ailsa Quarmby

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