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Produce Show Success

Classic sponges, foot-long beans and the rosiest tomatoes in the parish were on display at the return of the Gawsworth Produce Show on 10th September.

The show was well attended, with some very inventive entries in the Children's Section: An Animal from a Vegetable.

The Best in Show Cup was presented by Jill Longson MBE to Mark and Daryl Capes for their flower and vegetables entries.

Attendees enjoyed cream teas at the pop-up tea room on a very pleasant autumn day!



Free Defib Training

The Parish Council is hosting a free defibrillator and CPR training session to help ensure that the community knows these essential life-saving skills.

The Basic CPR and AED training will last two hours and is delivered by an external trainer and it is open to Gawsworth residents. If it proves popular we may consider repeating it in early 2024.

To book one of the remaining spaces visit:
<https://shorturl.at/hovP8>

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Help the show go on...

Cheshire Rural Touring Arts (CRTA) events at the Village Hall are a popular feature of Gawsworth Life. Andrew Bennett has been our local organiser for 12 years but the time has come to pass this over to a fresh face (or faces).

CRTA assemble a variety of shows to choose from and they book the artists. You would organise things in Gawsworth, gathering views on which acts to choose,

booking the Village Hall, advertising the show, enlisting helpers for the night and ensuring the performers are looked after.

You would be supported by the Village Hall Committee and GASS (Gawsworth Arts and Social Society). Andrew has also promised to help out with the transition. We book a couple of shows each year and we've had comedy, theatre, music and there

are also shows available for young audiences.

Like to know a bit more? Contact Andrew Andrew-bennett@sky.com

This Autumn's show is all set up and should be a lovely musical evening. Sarah McQuaid in Concert on Sunday 12th November. Check her out on your favourite music streaming service.

Our thanks to Andrew for all the memorable evenings he has brought us!

Giv hedgehogs a helping hand

We have a thriving hedgehog population here in Gawsworth and autumn is a time when we need to take extra care of these endangered mammals.

This year's youngsters may be found wandering in daylight, getting stuck in cattle grids and crossing busy roads. If a hedgehog is seen on the move in daylight hours, it usually indicates a

health problem. Don't feed on bread and milk or attempt to nurse them without advice. Expert care may be needed.

Useful contacts are: Lower Moss wildlife Hospital (www.lowermosswood.com) and Baddeley Green, Hedgehog Rescue (07917 161 491). Take care not to disturb nests when clearing gardens and raking leaves - and if you



are having any bonfires check them first to ensure no hedgehogs have made them home!

To encourage hedgehogs in your garden provide shallow drinking water and leave wild, sheltered areas of habitat for them to hibernate safely over winter.

Garden Party raised £1,700

The village fete, garden party and dog show on August 20th was a great success, raising £1,702 for St James Church.

The dog show had over 60 entries (of all breeds) competing for 'most handsome dog', 'prettiest bitch' and 'best veteran' to name but a few of the categories.

The organisers would like to thank the Richards family for hosting the event at Gawsworth Hall,

the John Upton Charity who contributed to the purchase of the gazebos and the cost of the singer and all residents and visitors who supported the event.

Thanks must of course also go to the Social and Fundraising team at St James' Church who organised the event along with a team of willing volunteers who helped set up and pack away on the day.

From Ben and Isla

We (Ben and Isla) are the head boy and head girl at Gawsworth Primary School, and we wanted to explain to the readers why Gawsworth Primary school is the best school in the area.

At Gawsworth School all of our staff are kind, caring and helpful. They go above and beyond, and it immediately feels like one big family when we are together. Before children officially start at Gawsworth, they tend to visit the stay and play group on a Friday morning, where parents and their preschool age children can get to meet some of the staff, make new friends and enjoy a cup of tea and biscuits.

Once children start in Reception Class the teachers help them to get to know the school, rules and routines and they make sure that they feel safe and happy.

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Planting the Green



Ranger Mark and Councillors Penny and Paul spent some time at the end of September planting trees, shrubs and perennials on the green at Penningtons Lane.

Gawsworth Hub News

On Saturday 23rd September, music and laughter could be heard coming from the Scout Hall as 70 Hoedowners danced the night away at the ceilidh. Maggoty band were outstanding with a varied playlist causing most hilarity with "Strip the willow" which produced a few interesting versions amongst the dancers in spite of the excellent calling instructions.

Ros Price and team served up some delicious burgers and hotdogs and David Smetham and team ran a well stocked bar. Thanks to the Plough at Eaton who donated a £50 voucher to the raffle and to other local businesses, Silktown Soap Company, Mollylou Candles and Quirkydo Hair Salon who also supported the event with donations. Thanks to everyone who helped out on the evening. The community tidy and clear up at the end is always a

reminder of what a lovely community we all live in.

We held a water colour painting workshop recently which was a wonderfully relaxing afternoon painting flowers and leaves. Marianne from Creative Roots gave us lots of ideas about how to create floral artwork. We will be running a course of 6 sessions (£16 each) starting in late October. If you are interested let us know, send an enquiry to accounts@gawsworthhub.co.uk or ask in the Hub.

October is a busy month for other workshops in the Hub. Knit and natter is on Wednesday 11th and Mollylou candles is holding a candle making workshop on Monday 16th from 2-4pm. Please book via their website at mollyloucandles.co.uk. Hazel Browne is returning to run another silk painting workshop on Wednesday 18th from 2-4pm. This is currently fully booked but there is a waiting list if you are interested for further

workshops.

There will soon be a Village Diary published and displayed on the Hub noticeboard. Thanks to Brenda Hughes who is collating information from all other groups in the village you will be able to see at a glance "What's on in Gawsworth" In the coming weeks and months. If you have any new events that should be part of this please let Brenda know or send your info to enquiries@gawsworthhub.co.uk

Following a current trend at the moment the hub is going to start holding a Repair Cafe on the first Saturday of the month from 2-4pm. If you are interested in helping with this, we would love to hear from you, so please get in touch by leaving your details at the Hub or dropping an email to enquiries@gawsworthhub.co.uk. We are planning to start this in November so pop down if you have things that you would like repaired.