

Grow It, Make It, Show It

Another year done, another year full of surprises. We had some fabulous help this year to set-up the room, it's never been so quickly done, Our thanks to Nick, Rob and Tommy Pickle, Steve Davenport, Terry Rosamond and Morgan, The lack of entries in the Fruit and Veg section was purely down to the weather, but the Judge said that it was "on a par with all the other shows" he had Judged at this year. The Judge for the Flower and Pot Plants commented that the standard was "quite remarkable". There was also a lack of entries in the cookery and craft sections this year - where are you cooks and crafters, come on the competition could be more contested, would you not like to be crowned the best Cook or Crafter in the village? The Prize Draw this year beat its previous record and made up for the lack of entries from a finance point of view, so you will be pleased to hear that we have enough money to put on next years show. Steve Davenport our County Councillor did a fab job in presenting the trophies and helping with the draw.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED, TO THE COMMITTEE AND ALL WHO BOUGHT A RAFFLE TICKET.



**Jude Williams—
Chris Pearson—Man, Cake
Flowers & Plants**

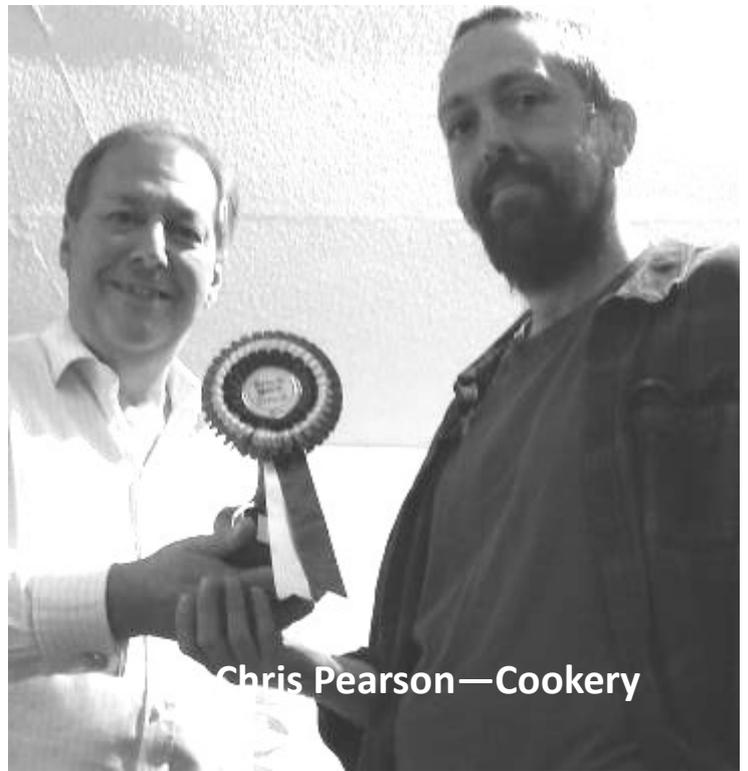
Jude Williams—Allotment Special

**Gay Jackson—
Fruit & Veg**

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Morrie Hughes—Craft



Chris Pearson—Cookery

Rebecca Eton
 Was the
 Winner of the
 Photographic
 Section with her
 delightful picture of
 a single Flower



LILA REEVES
 Winner of the
 Children's Section
 and was also
 voted as
BEST IN SHOW

Lila was not able to be with us to receive her trophies as it was her birthday (she's 8] and her family had taken her out for a party with her friends.

What's on in October 2019!

Tues 1st	WI Dave Walker - KNOTS	St Martins Institute	7:30pm
Wed 2nd— 4th	Paintings in the Pub – Jon Young Art and Holly Hayward Art	The Keys St Martins	12noon - 8:00pm
Wed 2nd	Hearing Aid Clinic	Oswestry Library	10am - 12noon
Friday 4, 11, 18	Singing for Health with Chloe Murray	Oswestry Library	10:30am - 11:45am
Sun 6th	Sunday Social Club	St Martins Centre	3:00pm
Tues 8th	IMMC	St Martins Centre	7:30pm
Thurs 10th	St Martins Parish Council	St Martins Centre	7:00pm
Sat 12th	Rummage Sale	Chirk Parish Hall	10am - 12noon
Sun 13th	Ifton Meadow Work Day	Ifton Meadow Entrance	1:30pm
Fri 25th, 28th,29th, 30th & 1st Nov.	Ghost Tours of Whittington Castle	Whittington Castle	6:30pm - 7:30pm
Sat 26th	Ifton Colliery Project Revival 50's 70's 80's cover band	St Martins Institute Tickets £10	7:30pm until 11pm
Thurs 31st	Carer's Trust A free social group for registered and unregistered carers. Come along for tea and a chat. No booking required.	Oswestry Library	10:30 - 11:30am
Thurs 31st	Halloween Evening at the Castle	Whittington Castle Tickets £1	6 - 8 pm

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Sun 3rd	Sunday Social Club	St Martins Centre	3:00pm
Tues 5th	WI Vicky Turrell - " It's not a boy"	St Martins Institute	7:30pm
Wed 6th	Hearing Aid Clinic	Oswestry Library	10-12noon
Friday 8, 15, 22, 29 Nov and 5 Dec	Singing for Health with Chloe Murray	Oswestry Library	10.30 - 11.45am
Sat 9th	Uncovered tours Other dates are available check the website	Chirk Castle	11am - 4pm
Sun 10th	Remembrance Sunday	War Memorial by Stan's	10:45am
Sun 10th	Ifton Meadow Work Day	Ifton Meadow Entrance	1:30pm
Tues 12th	IMMC	St Martins Centre	7:30pm
Thurs 14th	St Martins Parish Council	St Martins Centre	7:00pm
Sat 16th	Rummage Sale	Chirk Parish Hall	10am - 12noon
Sat 23rd	Board Game Café	Oswestry Library	10am -
Thur 28th	Carer's Trust A free social group for both registered and unregistered carers. Come along for tea and a chat. No booking required.	Oswestry Library	10:30 - 11:30am
Fri 29th	Uncovered tours Other dates are available check website	Chirk Castle	11 - 4pm
Sun 1 DEC	Sunday Social Club Christmas Party	Chapter House Parish Church	3:00pm

Please let us know the time and date of events in December and January for the next edition of Village Life by no later than **Wednesday 13th November 2019**

If you send us an article for the next edition, please bear in mind that it will be delivered at the end of **November** so any events you report on will have happened before then. If you want to mention any upcoming events or activities please make sure they are in December and January (or later).

I would like to introduce our head boy and head girl and their deputies for this year— Head Girl - Ellie Reynolds, Deputy Tam Jackson and Lillie Mae Sudlow, Head Boy - Rhys Evans, Deputy Dylan Bolton and Jamie Jones.



Their first area of responsibility will be at our forthcoming Open day and Evening where they will talk to prospective parents and students about life and learning at St Martins School and give tours

During their 'term of office' they will be involved in many school events and will work with the school's Senior Leaders on whole school initiatives, the tender for our catering team, recruitment of staff, and meeting with governors. I am delighted to be able to work with this team of bright, articulate and engaging young people.

Open house is with me on Monday from 2.30 until 3.20 - please pop in if you have any questions or comments for me. Ms Lovecy



+Breakfast and after school club +

Bookings need to be made by emailing

afterschoolclub@stmartins3-16.org.

Please book and pay a week in advance.

We are finalising our policies for our club and will issue these next week.

The school's PTA held its Annual General Meeting yesterday. Thank you to outgoing Chair Jayne O'Brien and welcome to incoming chair Heather Jones.

The next meeting will be held on:

26 September at 6.30pm

Please come along, we need your help and support to plan and organise our fundraising for this year !!

1 2 3 Family learning - after the success of the Family Learning craft sessions in 'Aspire' (year 3 - 6) we will be starting sessions this term looking at
4 5 6 how parents and carers can support their child at home with numeracy skills. You don't need to have been a whizz at maths when you were at
7 8 9 school but the sessions will give you some hints and tips to support
0 homework so pop in for a coffee and find out more! Starts Monday 16 September 1pm - 3pm, please sign in at the main reception.

St Martins School
 3-16 Learning Community

Open Day & Evening
Thursday 3 October 2019

Evening Event starts at 6.30pm. Talks from Head of School at 6.30pm & 7.30pm. Day Tours at 9.30am & 12.00pm.
 Contact (01691) 776500 to book a place on the day tour
www.stmartins3-16.org



Stans' Superstore have very kindly offered parents the opportunity to have use of their car park for the morning and afternoon drop off and pick up - please take advantage of this opportunity! It is just a short walk.

We are very fortunate that we have some parking for parents as most schools in our area have none, but we will never have enough parking for every family. If we can reduce the number of cars coming onto the school site this will benefit the whole community.

Dates for the diary (remember to look at the website for more information as it is updated on a weekly basis!!!)

23 September—year 11 revision workshop

23 September—primary photos with Tempest

3 October—Open day and Evening

7 October—year 11 maths mock GCSE

8-12 October—Malaga arts and languages trip

17 October—Flu immunisations for reception—year 6

24 October—year 7 review day

Sunday Social Club

(Supported by St. Martins Church)



Are you at a loss to know what to do on a Sunday Afternoon?

This may be because you live alone and your family do not live close or are involved in other activities on a Sunday Afternoon. If so, we invite you to join us at

**St. Martins Centre
on
Sunday 6th October 2019 at 3.30 p.m.**

When our monthly social gathering takes place where we meet and chat with like-minded people and also share a cup of tea, sandwiches and cake. These events take place on the first Sunday of each month. There is a small subscription of £1.00. We look forward to seeing you there.

If mobility is a problem it may be possible to provide transport if you live not too far from the Centre.

For further information please contact:

Mrs Valerie Thompson on 01691 658756

We are now in our fourth year of running the Sunday Social Club which has proved to be very successful and a much needed resource. We have a regular core of attendees and it would be great to see more joining us. It is not restricted to the elderly and we are aware that there are many more in the community who would love to be able to sit and chat with people and have a cup of tea and cake at the same time in a very informal and loving atmosphere.

Both we, who are involved in the running of this regular event, and the regular attendees would welcome new people to whom they could chat about anything and everything.

We meet on the first Sunday of each month and our next gathering is on the 6th October with the November one being on the 3rd November.

There will be a change of venue for this year's Christmas Party which will be held in St. Martins Chapter House on the 1st December when we will be singing Christmas songs and Carols.



END OF AN ERA

Have you noticed something missing when you pass Bank Top? Yes, the Water Tower has gone.

Built in 1943 the tower had 3 floors all of reinforced concrete about 12 inches thick and walls of about 14 inches thick. At the top was a concrete water tank lined with a membrane to make it water tight. The other floors were used for storage. This tower survived earthquakes and high winds and has stood the test of time.



Bank Top was originally built as a POW camp for both Germans and Italians and then after the war it was used for displaced persons. At the time of its construction there was only a small pipe to service the village with water and anytime water was drawn at the camp there wasn't any water in the village. The only way to rectify this was to build the towers to be filled over night with 15,000 gallons ready for the next day. There were about 7 smaller towers with header tanks against specific units, which were fed by gravity from this main tower. These smaller towers were all situated around the camp, supplying the Hospital block, Canteen, NAAFI Staff quarters and large ablution block etc.

The dismantling started on a Friday in July, it took all day for this JCB to make a hole in the top layer (maybe they should have got the late Fred Dibner to work his magic). Back then they sure knew how to construct a strong landmark although it only took the next day to demolish the rest and by 14:10 on the Sunday it was "razed to the ground".

This is all to make way for the construction of new industrial units by Brynkinalt Estate.

Condolences

Harold Evans, who passed away peacefully on 2.8.19 at home.

Our sympathies to Joan and the family.

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