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WYNYARD MATTERS



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The Great Wynyard Bake Sale!

The first Wynyard Residents Association event was a huge success raising £1,305.55

Thank you to everyone who got involved to lend a hand, donate raffle prizes, bake, sell and buy.

It was a fabulous day and lovely to see so many people. The raffle drew lots of interest - 1st prize was a cake baked by Wynyard Resident Duncan Bannatyne as perfected on the Great Comic Bake off. The winner of the cake was Mrs Paula McKenna of Cawthorne Place. The cake was hand delivered by Mr Bannatyne following a series of tweets and photos detailing the

cakes progression! The Great Wynyard Bake Sale shared monies between Red Nose Day and Wynyard Residents Funds.

Following the success, forthcoming events include a family sports event in July, a Coffee Morning for Macmillan biggest coffee morning in September and a Residents ball on 12th December. Please join in and get involved. If you would like to be involved in a sub committee for events to help organise, please email:

wynyardresidentsassociation@yahoo.co.uk



Paula with Duncan and cake stalls

"BREAKING NEWS" ... Wynyard Neighbourhood Development Plan
A way for you to have your voice and shape where you live.
Parish council work with WRA to make it happen ... see page 7.

Welcome to Wynyard Matters

This is your new local magazine run and distributed by volunteer residents. It is hoped this publication will keep you up to date on what is happening in your community and where you can get involved.

When the WRA started to take shape back in July 2012 the priority was to establish a positive group for the community. There is now a core to the community from which you may be kept informed of all future developments - community events, security and planning developments in Wynyard.

There is a committee in place in order that WRA may be a recognised group. It cannot be emphasised enough that WRA is for everyone to have their voice.

Thanks to local Resident Adam Heward there is a website that you can access to get the latest up to date information on Wynyard and a social networking facility so that you may contact other residents. Please log on and take a look at www.wynyardresidents.co.uk

I hope you enjoy this issue, it is hoped that we will be able to distribute future issues quarterly.

The Committee



Introducing the WRA committee. To let you know a little more about the people involved so far and their motivation.

Jessica Doyle - Chair

I am a full time mum and work part time in our own business. I have lived in Wynyard for two and a half years. We moved here when my daughter was just 8 days old. I love Wynyard itself and know it to be a

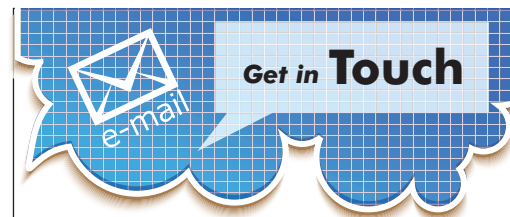
great place to live, I feel it has lacked a community feel which only really became apparent when I took a 6 month contract for work back where I grew up. On returning to Wynyard I missed local events and groups. I was delighted when the Jubilee event happened last year on finding out it would not be repeated decided that there is nothing to lose and to try and establish a group that would support the community. I accept that every resident has their own personal wishes for the future of Wynyard big or small, my own personal wish is to set up a community centre where community events can be run and where my daughter can hopefully attend brownies.

Kit Loffhouse - Vice Chair

I have been a resident of Wynyard for two years and of the North East for over 35 years. I run a business in the region and travel as part of my work. I was keen to get involved in the residents association because I feel that as a resident of Wynyard its all too easy to not get involved with the community due to the lack of facilities and central point where people can meet. The isolated existence of the typical Wynyard resident seems such a negative aspect of what could be and should be a fantastic place to live.

Amy Waller - Secretary

My husband and I moved to Wynyard in April 2012 from Stockton and live in Eshton, Wynyard. I'm 28 years old and I became involved in the residents association originally to meet other resident, to raise awareness amongst the community of planning proposals within the area and I'm now the Secretary of the association. I think Wynyard is a wonderful place to live, I have made some great friends and I'm keen to develop the Wynyard community.



We would like to hear from YOU, your views about living in Wynyard, why you love living in Wynyard, if you have an interesting story to tell or a group you would like to set up and raise awareness for.

All articles to be emailed to:

wynyardresidentsassociaition@yahoo.co.uk or written and posted to 4 Brierly Drive, Wynyard. If you are Wynyard business and/or Resident who would like to advertise your company in **Wynyard Matters**, please email for rate card: wynyardresidentsassociaition@yahoo.co.uk

Opinions expressed in Wynyard Matters are not necessarily those of the publisher and committee members. We reserve the right to edit copy and will not publish articles of unknown authorship. Please send your contact details with correspondence.

Dates for the Diary

WRA Meetings

to be held at Wynyard Golf Club
6.30-8.00pm

13th June • 8th August
12th September • 14th November

Forthcoming Events:

11th May

Lads and Dad Football Match

6th July

Log Race - Wynyard Football Pavilion

27th September

Macmillan Biggest Coffee Morning

12th December

Wynyard Residents Association Ball

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Anyone interested in books?

My name is Sue Nicholson and before I retired I belonged to an active book club. I miss it and wondered if anyone in Wynyard would be interested in starting one here?

I am proposing holding an informal meeting at my house, 33 The Stables, on Friday, 10th May at 7pm. It wouldn't matter what form you prefer - paper, iPad, Kindle, etc.

Everyone welcome



Superfast Broadband for Wynyard

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) have made an application to part fund the installation of superfast broadband in an area such as Wynyard to be reviewed in September 2013. A 50% commitment will be required by local residents to join superfast broadband. Please log on to the Wynyard Residents website for further information and sign the online petition if you would like superfast broadband in Wynyard.

<http://wynyardresidents.co.uk/superfast-broadband-survey/>

SKILLS BANK

Can you offer some skills to your fellow residents?

We would like to hear from anyone interested in offering their skills and knowledge to a Wynyard Skills bank.

What is a skills bank? – a skills bank is a register of people who offer to help out fellow residents with specific issues. You might be someone who could mentor a teenager applying to University, coach a young person in interview techniques when applying for a job or university, help someone build a rockery, advise what plants to use for a shady spot in the garden, help someone set up a new computer system or teach someone how to make the perfect loaf of bread. Whatever your particular skill or knowledge base you may be able to help out.

Wynyard has such a diverse and talented population that a skills bank could be very successful here – it just needs you to participate to get it going. Your skill might be a quick fix or a longer term support service - such as maths coaching- all we ask is that you are willing to give your time for free and that you let us know, via our e-mail, what you could and would be prepared to do. Once we have some willing donators we will advertise their skills on the website, and on a list available by request, and put residents in touch with each other to take advantage of them.

Should you have a need for a particular skill, or a problem you are wrestling with, get in touch via the e-mail address and we will advertise on the website and in future newsletters to see if we have any residents who could help.

Please be advised we will not publish your personal contact details, just match folk up and its then up to you what details you give out.

Kit Lofthouse

Brian and Sue Echlin - Treasurer

We have lived in Wynyard for almost 18 months. We joined WRA committee of which Sue is the treasurer, following an incident in the village shortly after we moved here. We were shocked as Wynyard has a reputation as an idyllic place to live. We decided that we wanted to be a part of positive approach to changing things and making sure it is the idyllic place to live.

Carol Redden

I have lived here for seven years. Moving to Wynyard coincided with my retirement, not being ready to give up work completely I worked part time in The Village Store for nearly three years. During this time I met so many people that would make time to talk about themselves and what was happening on the estate. Like myself the majority of people thought it was a lovely place to live but a recurring comment was the lack of facilities on the estate for all age groups. I have joined the residents association as I would like to be involved with securing regular social and development opportunities within our own community.

Sue Nicholson

I have lived in Wynyard Village for over 12 years with my Husband. I am a retired teacher. I have joined the WRA as I would like to see a community venue established from which a variety of clubs could be run from.

Jean Dunn

I have lived in Wynyard Woods for nearly eleven years. I chose to become involved with the WRA because I believe Wynyard could be an even better place to live and that with a representative voice we could ensure that facilities for the young through to the elderly could be in place.

Diane Atkinson

I have lived in Wynyard for 12 years. I came here for peace, quiet and a life with a country feel. I became involved with the residents association to try to preserve the village feel of Wynyard and to see how I could contribute to the community. We do need better facilities for the community and children need a place they can go to for Brownies, Scouts, playgroup and other activities. I think this is a good place to live and would like to contribute to making it a better one.



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Wynyard Football News

When Wynyard Resident Graham Parry started a Saturday morning club for local children back in 2006 he had no idea that it would grow into a full blown football club.

Today Wynyard Village FC runs six competitive football teams from under 8's to under 13's and aims to start a new under 8's team every season. There are still places available in the under 8's team which will start in August (players need to be moving into Year 3 this coming September) players will be drawn from The Soccer Skills Academy so children wishing to play should join now.

The Saturday morning club, now known as The Soccer Skills Academy, has gone from strength to strength attracting up to 60 children each Saturday morning from 10.00am until 11.30am in the grounds of Wynyard Hall. New players aged between 5 and 10 are always welcome to come along on a Saturday.

For more information, please contact **John** on **07952 516526** or visit the website www.wynyardvillagefc.com/soccerskills

The 6 competitive teams all play in the Teesside Junior Football Alliance. Whilst this is the biggest competitive youth league in Europe, Wynyard remain true to the values upon which the club was founded. Now Club Chairman, Graham Parry said: "Our ethos is built around personal development and having fun, everybody likes to win, but helping the children to grow as footballers and individuals whilst having fun is what we are all about at Wynyard".

Although the main focus remains on children's football, the Club operate an annual FA Cup Final Day Lads v Dads match. Any Wynyard resident is able to take part, those between 18 and 39 years old being designated as "Lads" with the over 40's representing the "Dads".

Anybody who would like to take part in this years game on Saturday 11th May should contact **Graham** on **07743 590453**.



Gardening Tips

Longer days give us more time to spend in the garden, and with better weather and obvious signs of growth and flowering around the garden this makes everyone feel more optimistic and keen to get outside.

This year has been unusual, and we are probably a few weeks behind with gardening jobs as the weather has been unseasonably cold.

There are many preparation jobs that can be done now, so that when the weather does pick up again we can make the most of it. Now is the ideal time to clean and prepare pots and hanging baskets ready for planting and also to dig soil improver into flower beds to break up poor or heavy clay soil.

Apply a weed and feed to lawns and mow and edge as necessary.

Trees and shrubs are great for providing height in the garden and are a permanent year round framework with different shapes, sizes and textures. They are the backbone of any planting scheme, grown for their foliage, flowers and shape or all three. Container grown trees and shrubs can be planted all year to give an instant effect.

When spring bedding plants have passed their best, replace with summer bedding but only when the risk of frost has passed, and make sure plants have been hardened off. Work a sprinkling of general fertiliser into the surface of the soil when planting out. Bedding plants grown in cells establish more quickly because the amount of root damage is reduced.

Hanging baskets, window boxes and tubs can be planted up now for a splash of summer colour, but remember to protect if risk of frost is forecast.

You would never forget to feed yourself, so remember to feed your plants too. Strong healthy plants are less likely to suffer from pests or diseases, which must be treated promptly if discovered.

Spring blossom mingles with the early blooms of summer, and foliage has such a wonderful freshness. Gardeners should enjoy the last weeks of spring as we prepare for summer in what is always one of the busiest times of the year.

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Housing Developments Proposed for Wynyard

Summary of potential development at Wynyard

Wynyard Park (1803 units)

- Application being considered by both Stockton (Ref: 12/2784/OUT) and Hartlepool (Ref: H/2013/0043 Councils for residential development of up to 780 dwellings and retirement village of 220 dwellings. The location description is Land North of the A689 Wynyard Business Park
- Application being considered by Hartlepool Council (Ref: H/2013/0033) for 603 dwellings, a primary school, village hall, shops and commercial developments. Location is land north of the A689 Wynyard Business Park. This application is in conflict with current and emerging planning policy.
- Application being considered by Hartlepool Council (Ref: H/2011/0102) for 200 dwellings and associated infrastructure. The location description is land north of the A689 Wynyard Business Park.

Wynyard Village (750 units)

- Application approved by Hartlepool Borough Council for 150 residential units (extension and alteration to existing planning permission at Wynyard Woods West).
- Application being considered by Stockton Borough Council for residential development of 650 houses, primary school, doctors surgery and other community facilities. This application is for land at Wynyard Village and results in the removal of the majority of woodland on the Wynyard Estate.
- Wynyard Hall have placed an application to revamp the rose garden and create a cookery school and accommodation in the area and erect a permanent marquee at the hall.

Each of the above is treated as an individual application, as yet the impact of all projects has not been considered, although it is understood the Highways Agency have sought additional time to review the applications.

BREAKING NEWS: Wynyard Neighbourhood Plan

Establishing a Neighbourhood plan gives the Wynyard community new powers to shape the area we live in. The plan was introduced by the Localism Act 2011. Every resident can be directly involved. Communities can decide where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, what the buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided. This is your opportunity to have your say and create a working document that will take precedence over the local authorities policies and must be considered when determining planning applications.

A steering group to drive this forward is evolving if you would like to be involved please contact wynyardresidentsassociation@yahoo.co.uk

To adopt a plan we need YOU. Please help with the public consultation by completing the questionnaire which will be coming out soon. Please vote and make our neighbourhood plan happen.

If you are interested to find out more please go to <https://www.gov.uk/neighbourhood-planning>