TEMPLE SOWERBY COURIER July 2021 17th Edition

Temple Sowerby Food Bank Collections

It is just about six months since we were supplied with a Wheelie Bin by Upper Eden Food Bank to facilitate the local collections and during that time the village has donated over 80 bags of provisions – what a great effort. The bin is situated to the right of our church door behind the wooden fencing; this is emptied regularly and the contents delivered to Appleby. Very many thanks to all contributors and keep up the good work. For any more information pleas contact Jenny (Tel. 01768362985 or email sandjhiggins@hotmail.com) or open and look at www.upperedenfoodbank.org.uk

Temple Sowerby Reading Group

This has now moved from meetings on Zoom to meetings in small groups in a garden, as the Covid guidelines have eased. It has been wonderful to be able to meet and catch up with friends. Meetings are now monthly, either on Monday evenings or Friday afternoons, depending on the venue. Our membership has now increased so that we now receive 2 sets of books each month, hence that we can now offer a choice of books for our members. This is a good time to join if you have taken up reading during lockdown! Email Angela at neilandangela@live.co.uk

Temple Sowerby Wine Tasters

Wine tasting will restart in October. However there will be a "get together" at some point in the summer when permitted. Anyone who is interested in joining the group should take a look at the Temple Sowerby website for more information htpps://templesowerby.org.uk there click on Victory Hall and then click on Wine Social Evening

Temple Sowerby Village Lottery

You will have recently had a notification that the Temple Sowerby Monthly Lottery will have the final draw for the 2020/21 year in July. We hope that you will consider joining or re-joining for the coming year 2021/22. Everyone has really missed all the usual fund raising events and activities in the village over the last couple of years. The result has been a serious reduction in the funds which are needed to run our Victory Hall and Temple Sowerby School.

Please continue (or even increase!) your support of this lottery which last year contributed over £700.00 to new computers for the School as well as £700.00 towards the stairlift in the Victory Hall. The first draw will be held in August 2021. Contact June at cawleyjune@gmail.com GOOD LUCK

St James Churchyard.

Some of the older gravestones are leaning at potentially dangerous angles. These will have to be made safe, usually by laying them flat. So anybody who is aware of families who have long standing connections with Temple Sowerby and may be concerned about these necessary changes please contact Angela Cleasby angelawcleasby@gmail.com Any maintenance of the inscriptions etc. will be the responsibility of the families concerned.

Parish Council Matters

The care of the impressive village green and verges raises debates as to how often to cut and how long the grass should be. If you are interested in those discussions please attend the November Parish Council Meeting when the contract for this will be on the agenda.. The Council has requested that the contractors reduce the use of weedkillers. As always, the proud owners of dogs should continue to remove the inevitable "poo" piles.

The lockdown situation should change on 19th July. On 8th July the AGM for Victory Hall was held. After the financial situation was reported other matters were discussed. It was agreed that that a meeting of the Events Group

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will be held very soon to arrange the resumption of activities. The meeting will be well advertised and it is important that as many people as possible attend. The coffee mornings will be started as soon as possible.