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Kerridge Village News

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Events

22nd April 2007

 Kerridge Spring Clean

11th June 2007

- AGM
- Cheese & Wine
- Slide Show

8th July 2007

• Remembrance Parade

1st Monday of the month

• KRA Committee meetings (8 times per year)

This newsletter is produced for the residents of Kerridge, by the Kerridge Residents Association

KRA AGM, Cheese & Wine, and Slide Show!

Everyone is welcome to come to the annual meeting, which will take place at 8pm on Monday 11th June at Hollin Hall Hotel.

Last year, the photographs of old Kerridge got everyone talking and reminiscing (or was it the cheese and wine?), so this year we'll be showing some more.

Please bring along pictures or maps of old Kerridge to share with your friends and neighbours, and we'd also be interested to hear of any Kerridge Ghost stories ...



Tickets are £2 each and can be bought on the night or from a KRA Committee member.

Residents Association Update

The KRA was originally formed 35 years ago in response to a plan to develop 33 acres of land between Oak Lane and the canal. The proposal was turned down and Kerridge became a Conservation Area. The KRA remains a forum for the residents of Kerridge who value the the opportunity to discuss concerns about the environment in the village. Amongst other initiatives, the KRA have this year:

- **Bus Route:** Reinstated the No. 11 bus route. As a result of correspondence with Bostocks Coaches, the bus has resumed its stopping point at the Bulls Head
- Christmas Tree: Every year the KRA organise and erect the Christmas tree and lights outside the Bulls Head. The tree is provided free by the council and the electricity by Ellie and Wes at the Bulls Head. Thanks to those who gave up their time to put the tree up (especially the dare-devil who climbed to the top!) and take it down again.

- Christmas Party: Held at the Bulls Head, the party was a huge success, with many residents joining in. The food was fantastic and the raffle raised £96 towards KRA funds.
- **Kerridge War Memorial:** The KRA voted to donate some if its funds towards the up keep of the War Memorial. This year's Remembrance Parade will be on Sunday 8th July at 2.30pm.

Membership of the Association is £1 per year, per household and a Committee member will be knocking on your door over the next couple of months asking for your subscription.

There is an open invitation to all members to attend monthly Committee meetings, held 8 times a year, and to contribute to the agenda.

If you'd like to be a part of the Committee, please contact the KRA, and do come along to the AGM on June 11th, which is open to all residents and where Committee members will be elected.

Recycling and Rubbish Collections

Kerbside rubbish and recycling collections were launched by Macclesfield Borough Council for Bollington and Kerridge in October last year.

For some of us, the process has been relatively smooth, with regular rubbish/recycling collections taking place on Wednesdays (the majority of Kerridge) or Mondays (from Hollin Hall to Grimshaw Lane), but others have experienced difficulties with the process.

The KRA met with Jim Robinson from MBC in March to discuss and highlight some of the problems we have been having:

- Lack of information about the new process
- How to get wheelie bins or replacement bags/recycling boxes
- Agreeing the best place to leave waste for collection



- Non-collection of rubbish or recycling
- Litter left after the collection has taken place.

We're hoping that the situation should now improve. If you're experiencing problems with non-collection, please contact Jim direct on Macclesfield 504785, or email him at james.robinson@macclesfield.gov.uk.

For all other queries (such as replacement bags/bins or information about collection days) call the main number on Macclesfield 500500.

Kerridge Ridge & Ingersley Vale Project

The Kerridge Ridge and Ingersley Vale Countryside and Heritage project is a community project that began in 1998. The aim of the project is to retain and restore industrial heritage features that are found in the local landscape.

The project has attracted around £700,000 from the Heritage Lottery fund and has recently launched a Volunteer and Training Programme to offer local people the opportunity to work in the countryside on environmental and conservation projects.

Training courses are nationally accredited, offering a practical and hands on approach to learning new skills. Volunteer task days are for people who would like to help preserve and retain part of the rich heritage found in the

local landscape.

Training course s and Volunteer days are free of charge for residents of Macclesfield Borough.

Forthcoming events over April and May include:

- Post and wire fencing
- Dry stone walling
- Step construction
- Wild flower identification

For more details and to book a place, please call Nick Martin on 01625 560475 or 07764 655669, or visit www.kriv.org.uk.

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A KRA Committee member will be calling shortly to sell tickets for the AGM (£2 per person) and asking for your annual subscription (£1 per household.)

The Kerridge Spring Clean

The clean up this year will be held on Sunday 22nd April.

We meet at the car park next to the church at 10am. Please bring some black bags and rubber gloves. It's not too bad a job when you get going – and it is usually a sunny day!

Kerridge looks so much better after the clean up and it sets the village up nicely for the summer. Come and have a couple of hours out in the spring air – the more the merrier – and we'll soon make short work of it!