

Events

11th May 2008

- Kerridge Spring Clean

23rd June 2008

- AGM
- Cheese & Wine
- Guest Speakers
- Pictures of Kerridge

13th July 2008

- Remembrance Parade

13th July 2008

- Summer BBQ

6th December 2008

- Christmas Party

1st Monday of the month

- KRA Committee meetings (8 times per year) All welcome

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

AGM, Cheese & Wine, and Guest Speakers

Everyone is welcome to come to the annual meeting, which will take place at 8pm on Monday 23rd June at Hollin Hall Hotel.

At the last AGM we invited The Worshipful the Major of the Borough of Macclesfield, Councillor Barry Burkhill, who, along with around 50 local people, enjoyed photographs of old Kerridge and a presentation from the Kerridge Ridge & Ingersley Vale project – which got everyone talking.

This year we are hoping to include guest speakers to talk about our local environment and there will also be a display of local photographs from



the Discovery Centre.

If you'd like us to include some of your pictures please email us ahead of the event.

The KRA is for US, the residents, so if there is anything you'd like to see on the agenda at the AGM, or if you'd like to

be a part of the Committee, please contact us, and do come along to the AGM when Committee members will be elected.

Tickets are £3 each, which includes cheese and wine, and can be bought on the night or from a KRA Committee member.

Why do we have a Residents Association?

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 opportunity to discuss concerns about the environment in the village.

Our key aims are to:

- To protect, preserve and stimulate public interest in the area comprising the village of Kerridge and surrounding countryside
- To promote high standards of town planning and architecture in the area of benefit
- To secure the preservation, conservation, development and improvement of features of general public amenity

or historic or public interest in the area of benefit.

- To take action on any other matters affecting the interests of the inhabitants

Membership of the Association is £2 per year, per household and a Committee member will be knocking on your door over the next couple of months asking for your subscription.

If there is anything you would like the KRA to investigate or support on your behalf, then please let us know.

Residents Association Update

Amongst other initiatives, the KRA have this year:

- **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. We gave a donation to East Cheshire Hospice for the removal of the tree.
- **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 over £90 towards KRA funds.

Because the Christmas Party is such a successful and

popular social event for residents, we are planning to run a **Summer BBQ** this year as well. We hope to see you there.

- **Kerridge War Memorial:** The KRA voted to donate some of its funds towards the upkeep of the War Memorial. This year's Remembrance Parade will be on Sunday 13th July at 2.30pm.
- **Re-opening of Middlewood Way/Clarke lane footpath:** KRA were in regular contact with the Council in ensuring this popular route was reopened, following maintenance work and closure of the path.

We are constantly in touch with the Council about issues which have been raised by Residents.

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 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 courses and Volunteer days are free of charge for residents of Macclesfield Borough.

Forthcoming events over the coming months include:

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

A KRA Committee member will be calling shortly to sell tickets for the AGM (£3 per person) and asking for your annual subscription (£2 per household.)

Thank you to the Hollin Hall Hotel for providing our meeting facilities and for their generous support each year for the AGM.

The Kerridge Spring Clean

The clean up this year will be held on Sunday 11th May.

We meet at the car park next to the Bulls Head at 10.30am. 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!

