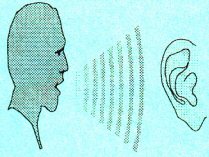


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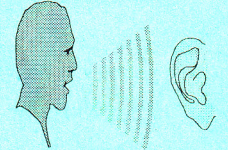


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POPLEY MATTERS

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Popley



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Who or What is the "POPLEY FORUM"

The Popley Forum is a group of residents who want to improve the profile and environment of the Popley area.

We aim to publish the Popley Matters on a regular basis to keep us all more informed about the events that are happening that affect us all.

You can help by letting us know the issues that you want us to tackle on your behalf. It could be the untidiness of the estates, the state of the pavements, the need for better policing, the bus service, waste disposal or anything to do with our area. We have identified many more issues

BUT WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK.

The next open meeting is on
May 19th at 7:30pm.

at

The Melrose Community Hall
Please come and have your opinions heard.

We know we can make a difference and will be heard.

Please CALL and leave a message at
the community centres
Melrose 420676 OR
Popley Fields 414494



Popley Fields Centre

Has been open now for nine months situated on Carpenters Down we aim to try and serve the needs of Popley for a centre in which the residents can meet. We have watched the rebuilding of Melrose Hall with bated breath and are pleased that Iris and her team have now finally moved in and wish to thank them for their Opening Day Festivity's. We wish them well in the future as we look forward to working in unison with all of the associations and groups on Popley to try and compliment each other and provide a service to all, of any age with varied interests that the residents can use. Such as our multi-sports pitch that has been allocated to residents use free of charge on Friday evenings between 6pm and 9pm.



Melrose Community Hall

The day of the opening was a beautiful day as many of you who came to support us will know. Unfortunately both of the two ladies who were the oldest serving residents Mrs Lucy Mason and Mrs Madelaine Major were ill with the flu so Mrs Ivy Driscoll stepped in and she was ably assisted by the Mayor and Mayoress. Once the ribbon was cut every one had the opportunity to look around and see what was on offer, become members of the centre or just partake of the free refreshments. A brief display was given by two of our user groups, the junior members of the Adventure Ranger corp. gave a brave display of drill, this was after only one week of practice just watch the improvement next time. The American Line Dancing was more a case of see if you can find space as many of you had a go and joined in the fun. Other groups put on stalls to promote their groups. After a service of blessing the evening entertainment began with a buffet and cabaret singer, who was booked for an Adults Social Evening on April 26th. Some of the people who came had an impromptu song on the mike themselves.

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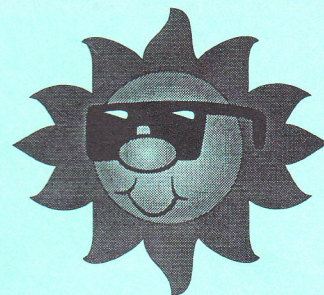
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Face Painting

Main Raffle

Tombola

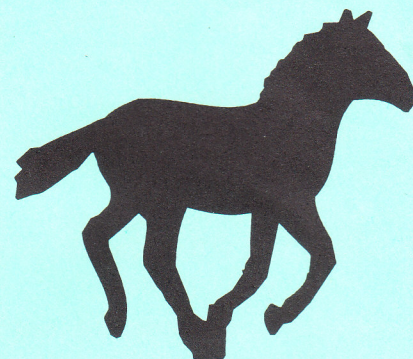
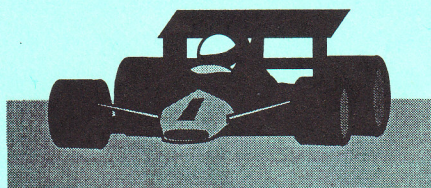
Tug Of War

Football

Displays

Refreshments

Get a Free Raffle Tickets for soft toy on entry



**Treasure Island Play
Group**

At

Popley Fields

Community Centre

Mon-Fri 9:30am - 12:30pm

Thursday 12:30pm - 3:00pm

(Nurse Vouchers Accepted)

Parents & Toddler Group

Wednesday 1:00pm - 2:30pm

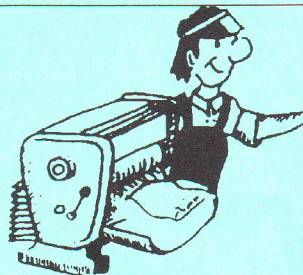
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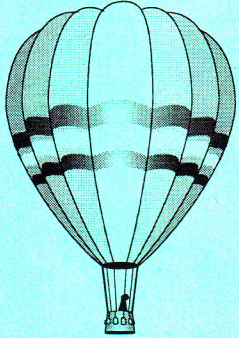
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About the festival

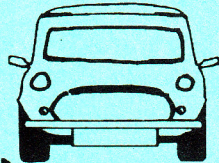
Participation from all areas of our community is encouraged, both organisational behind the scenes assistance, as well as that of performing and demonstrating. Local schools, play groups, community policemen, fire service, clubs societies, groups and uniformed organisations, all will become part of this major community event. There is no charge for entry to the festival and all displays are free. The whole idea is to raise the awareness of the community to the resources available both within the school and the area.

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An attendance of some 4000 people were present at the last festival and we have no reason to expect any less at the 1997 event.

Attractions at the 1997 festival will include a Mini Beast Road show where a number of unusual pets including: Snakes, spiders, land snails, millipedes, frogs, toads and stick insects will be exhibited plus the attendance of Tarantula expert Martin Nicholas who will be at hand to share a degree of his fantastic knowledge of arachnids.

A hot air balloon will be a major focal attraction offering tethered flights throughout the afternoon and the aerial attendance of four police officers who will arrive at the festival by parachuting in! Displays and performances by local clubs as well as a percussion group, street theatre, children's playhouse, dog show, tea dance and the attendance of the fire service, local police officers and the ambulance service will all prove to make the 1997 Popley Festival a real bonanza community event.

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&

POPLEY FIELDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Monday

Drop in group(N.S.F.) 10:00am-2:00pm

Treasure Island Play group See advert on P.2
Youth Groups 6:00pm-9:00pm

Tuesday

Weight watchers 9:30am-10:30am
Senior citizens group 2:00pm-4:00pm

Fitness 6:30pm-9:30pm
Youth Groups 6:00pm-9:00pm

Wednesday

Parent Toddler Group. 10:00am-12:00am
Adventure Ranger Corp. 7:00pm-9:00pm
(8 years and upwards)

Martial Arts 6:30pm-9:30pm
Slimming 7:15pm-8:15pm
Youth Groups 6:00pm-9:00pm

Thursday

American Line Dancing 7:00pm-9:00pm
Youth Evening- 7:30pm-9:30pm

Keep Fit
Youth Groups 6:00pm-9:00pm

Friday

Church Youth Groups 6-30pm-7.45pm
8:00pm-10:00pm

Bingo 2:00pm-4:00pm

Sunday

Church Service 11:00am-12:30pm
12:15pm

Church groups 10:15am-

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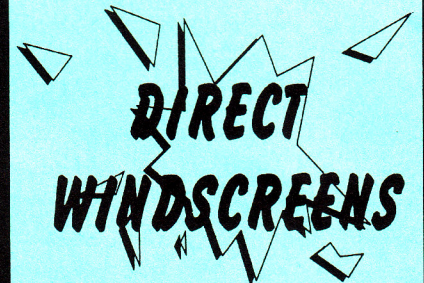
Wel-care is a professional Social and Community Work Project which is run predominately by lone parents. It offers confidential support and advice. The aim of the group is to offer help by meeting other people, sharing problems, and helping to develop new skills, ideas and self confidence.

The Popley group meets at St. Gabriels Church Hall on Thursdays from 10am to 12pm for any further information telephone 01256 473350.

Volunteer Appeal

These are your centres and can only succeed if you use them, they can be hired for Parties Weddings, Clubs and Meetings. You could help if you could spare few hours a month to volunteer for a variety of tasks. Ring Popley Fields 414494 or Melrose 420676.

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