

GRAPPENHALL & THELWALL OPEN WEEKEND 2016

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EVENTS GUIDE**



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FRIDAY 2nd - SATURDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER

GESM

Grappenhall Ex-Servicemen's Club

Since 1921 the Club has provided a social focal point for ex-servicemen and the local community. A busy sporting and social life ensures that the Club, located on Chester Road, and its facilities continue to grow today.

Our sports facilities include snooker, pool, darts and a large bowling green. We also have multiple HD screens, including a big screen, which show live sport from Sky and BT.

We also hold regular events including our Tuesday Night Quiz, Saturday Social, live music, Sunday evening dances, line dancing, yoga and our new Friday Night Comedy Club.

We also have a 150 seat function room available for hire.

For more contact us on our website or find us on Facebook.

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WELCOME

This is the second Grappenhall & Thelwall Open Weekend. It promises to be a fantastic time for everyone involved and we hope this guide is helpful for planning your weekend.



So many activities and events happen in our villages throughout the year, with hundreds of people involved in dozens of community organisations. This Open Weekend intends to provide a flavour of the many things that you can get involved with in Grappenhall and Thelwall. This could be a new hobby, an activity for the kids or something for the whole family to try. I am sure that there is something happening during the Open Weekend to whet everyone's appetite.

Planning for this weekend started as soon as the last one was over and has involved a huge number

of people representing the different groups putting on activities - I would like to thank them all, but knowing the risks of listing names I will simply say 'they know who they are'.

Thanks also to the local businesses who have advertised throughout the programme; the money raised from the adverts has covered the cost of the brochure.

I hope you enjoy the weekend and do please get in touch with any feedback for next year.

Councillor Ryan Bate

Chairman of the Open Weekend Organising Committee

COLLECT YOUR STAMPS AND WIN A PRIZE!

As an added incentive to see as much of the Open Weekend as possible, there are some wonderful prizes to be won with our 'loyalty card'.

Collect your card from any of our venues and then get it stamped at each place you visit. Once you have filled your card with stamps, simply complete your contact details and drop it at whichever venue you finish the afternoon at. Winners will be drawn at random and contacted after the weekend regarding their prize.



FRIDAY EVENING

The Comedy Club at GESM

When? Doors 7:30pm/show 8:30pm.

Where? Grappenhall Ex-Servicemen's Club, Chester Road.

Access: Fully accessible, parking on site.

What's on? Come and enjoy the monthly comedy night at the Grappenhall Ex-Servicemens Club. Top Northwest promoter Guy Thomas introduces three first-class comedians from the UK and international comedy circuits, including stars of TV shows such as Mock the Week and Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow.

How can I be there?

Tickets are available from behind the bar at the Club or directly from Guy Thomas - £10 in advance, or £12 on the night. If you want any further information, or you have a special occasion that you'd like mentioning during the gig, contact Guy on 07791 916055.



Grappenhall Community Centre

When? 7:30pm

Where? The Bellhouse, Grappenhall Community Centre, Bellhouse Lane.

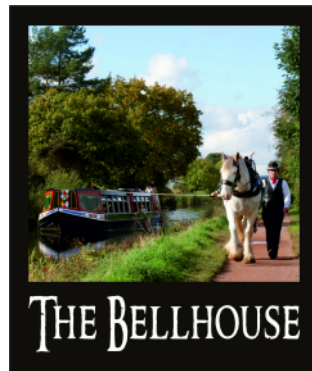
Access: Parking on site with full disabled access.

What's on? The GYCA will be hosting a quiz 'with a local twist' at The Bellhouse, where teams of up to six people can come along and find out just how well they know their local area. Entry fee will be £1.50, with a range of prizes available. Families welcome.

How do I get involved?

The community centre hosts a wide range of activities throughout the week, full details of which can be found at www.grappenhall.com. You can also hire space at the community centre, including for private functions such as parties, christenings and weddings, by contacting Pauline McManus (General Manager) on 01925 268633.

Situated next to the community centre, The Bellhouse is a freehouse pub open throughout the week. All profits from The Bellhouse are invested into the Community Centre.





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SATURDAY

Friends of Grappenhall Library

When? 2-5pm.

Where? Grappenhall Library on Victoria Avenue.

Access: Wheelchair access; limited parking is available at the Library.

What's on? A craft store will be open, with items made by library volunteers on sale. There will also be tea, cake and soft drinks available to buy. For kids there will be a craft store, a book sale and a lucky dip. For grown ups there will be a reading session together with displays by Marfield WI, Needles & Pins group, story time and the community coffee morning (including tai-chi).

How to get involved?

Visit the Library: Monday & Tuesday 2-6pm, Thursday & Saturday 10am-1pm
The Friends run the Library as a charity and are always happy to get new members and volunteers. To get involved contact Terrie Taylor (terrietaylor@live.co.uk) or Louise Sprott (louisesprott@gmail.com). Follow the Library on Facebook and Twitter, or you can also find out more online at www.grappenhall.org.uk.

Thelwall & Grappenhall Railway Club

When? 1-4:30pm

Where? GYCA community centre (far end of the site, near Morris Brook), Bellhouse Lane.

Access: two short flights of stairs; parking available on site.

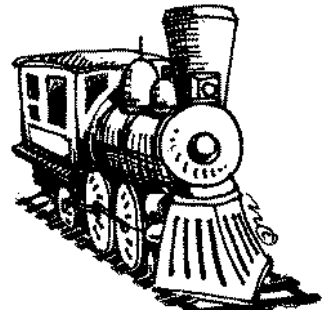
What's on? The club will be showing off their three different layouts featuring a range of engines, rolling stock and scenery. Adults are requested to make a £1 donation in return for entry, children go free.

How do I get involved?

Contact either John Waldron (01925 601294) or Chris Harron (01925 756057) to find out more information about the club's meetings and membership.



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SATURDAY

Grappenhall Sports Club

When? 1-5pm.

Where? Stockton Lane, Grappenhall. WA4 3HQ.

Access: Parking available at the club.

What's on? There will be free competitions and opportunities to try tennis, table tennis, football penalties, golf chipping and darts. There is also a pool table in the bar (50p). A licensed bar will be open and food will be available.

How to get involved?

You can find out more information about the sports club at www.grappenhallsports.com. To get involved in either the tennis or football sections, both of which field teams in local leagues, contact Mike Hood in the first instance on mikehood@supanet.com. A function room is also available for private hire.



St Wilfrid's Church, Grappenhall

When? Church open to visitors Saturday 12-4pm, in addition to the Sunday service at 10am where the new curate to the parish will be welcomed.

Where? St Wilfrid's Church, Church Lane.

Access: Wheelchair access; parking behind Parish Centre (disabled parking on Church Lane with valid blue badge).

What's on? The church is open for visitors to look around, guides will be on hand to talk about the history of the church and the Rector, Rev'd Jane will be giving a guided tour of the stained glass windows at 1pm. A children's trail, 'Find the Church Mouse', will also be available to follow. Guided visits around the bell tower will also be available (£2 donation requested).

How to get involved?

There are Sunday morning at 8am and 10am, followed by coffee, every week. Evensong is held at 5pm on the first Sunday of the month. Morning prayers are held on Monday at 9:30am and Holy Communion is at 10am on a Wednesday. For details of other events, visit the church's website (www.stwilfridschurch.org.uk) or see the church notice board and parish magazine. To get involved in the church you can contact Reverend Jane Proudfoot on 01925 261546 or via e-mail revdproudfoot@hotmail.co.uk.



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OPEN WEEKEND.**

SATURDAY

Friends of Grappenhall Heys Walled Garden



When? Garden open 1-4pm and hog roast between 5-8pm (ticketed).

Where? Walled Garden, Witherwin Avenue, Grappenhall Heys. WA4 3DS.

Access: Parking on Witherwin Avenue or at car park on Stansfield Drive.

What's on? The garden will be open during normal opening hours 1 until 4pm. Then a hog roast from 5pm, tickets costing £8.50 for adults and £4 for children. Vegetarian option available. Bring your own drinks and garden chairs. This is a ticketed event, with order forms available from the Walled Garden, the Parish Council office and the GYCA.

How to get involved?

Get involved in the work that the Friends do to support the running of the Walled Garden at both events and on the popular Sunday afternoons. Membership available, see www.ghwalledgarden.org.uk, or follow the Garden on Facebook or Twitter for more information.

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