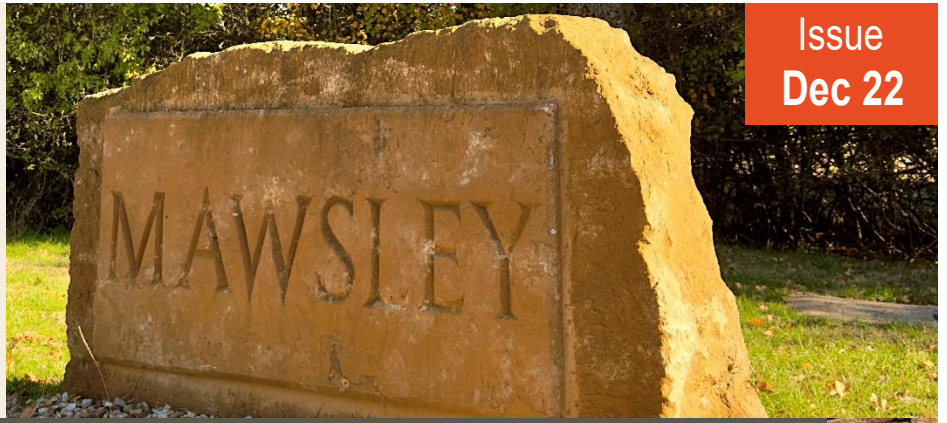




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Mawsley News

Freedom of the village

On Sunday September 4th Councillors and members of the public gathered to attend the dedication of the memorial garden and also to celebrate the presentation of The Freedom Of Mawsley to Cllr Vic Cope.

Cllr Cope has worked tirelessly for the village for many years and the parish council felt it was appropriate that this huge contribution was formally recognised. The Chairman of Mawsley Parish Council presented Cllr Cope with a scroll and thanked him for the great contribution that Cllr Cope has made to village life over the years.



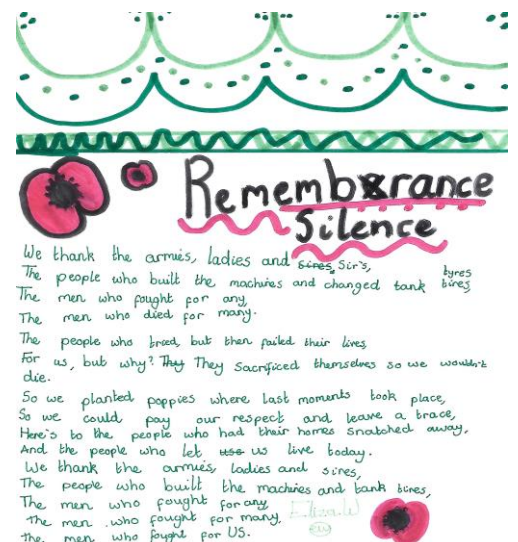
Cllr Cope in response has said: *"I would like to thank the Mawsley Parish Council for bestowing on me the Freedom of the Village. This, at first, I found embarrassing but as time has gone on and the spirit in which it was given, I now feel humbled and honoured to receive it. Mawsley is a great place to live with so*

Remembrance

On Sunday 13th November, over 150 people from our village community gathered in the mist at the Leonard Carrington memorial for the Mawsley village Act of Remembrance. The service, led by Revd. Nicki Hobbs, was attended by Cllr Jim Hakewill, members of the Mawsley Parish Council, Mawsley Community Primary School and local uniformed organisations. It included a recital of In Flanders Fields, prayers and an Act of Commitment led by Cubs and Scouts. After the Last Post, two minutes silence and the Reveille, local groups and individual laid wreaths in memory of the fallen. After the service a collection was taken which raised almost £200, split between the Royal British Legion and Mawsley Church. Thank you to all who attended and took part in any way.



In view of the amazing turnout perhaps this would be a good time to regenerate all the various clubs in Mawsley which have dwindled because of Covid. It will be so nice to see Mawsley thrive again.



From the Editor

Thank you for picking up the latest version of the fantastic Mawsley Newsletter, I feel privileged that the MVA asked me to update and relaunch this for our community. Although I have had connections to the village from its first day of build, I have only been a resident for almost two years. One thing I have asked for is an article of how the Mawsley Village Association and the Mawsley Parish Council work in our interests. I have a couple of good reads for you with more to come in future editions. Please remember, this is your newsletter, if you would like to contribute or have a request of something you would like to see please drop me an email. Merry Christmas to you all. Daniel editor@mawsleyvillage.co.uk

Mawsley Villagers Association

The MVA is the village charity established in 2006. The charity is registered with the Charity Commission and has the grand objective of "improving the conditions of life for Mawsley villagers". In practice this means:

- Responsibility for the Centre at Mawsley

The MVA holds the lease for the Centre from the Parish Council and the MVA has created a Community Interest Company called TCAM to manage the Centre. It is TCAM that is responsible for running the Centre on a day-to-day basis.

- Organising events and projects for the village

The MVA has actively organised events for Mawsley in recent years these have included: the annual firework display and TCAM radio during the Covid shutdown. Recent projects have included the Mawsley magazine, Christmas lights and the woodland path refurbishment (with the MPC).

- Providing support funding to help village groups

Funding is provided to help a new group get up and running or to help a group with short term financial issues. The charity has helped with support funding to Mawsley school, Mums & Tots and the scouts and has also provided financial risk cover for village events such as Mawsley Dramatics.

- Fund raising

Fund raising is through firework night and the Mawsley magazine.

Membership of the MVA is open to all Mawsley Village residents. We are always looking for new members and if you want to get involved with village activities why not become an active member. The charity meets 4 times per year to review progress, but teams regularly communicate on-line. Also, if you have ideas for a new project that you would like to pursue with MVA support then get in touch, we are always on the lookout for projects that enhance the life of village residents.

Contact email: mva@mawsleyvillage.co.uk

Groups and Clubs

Mawsley Coffee Club



Mawsley Coffee Club is a friendly group for ladies and gentlemen who live in the village and have retired or are approaching retirement.

The Coffee Club began almost eighteen years ago, when Mawsley village was a building site, as new homes and gardens were established on the once green fields. Just imagine – construction machinery and materials everywhere, roads and paths were muddy and unmade, no street lighting or shops. Seven ladies responded to a leaflet drop, inviting them to a coffee morning, as an opportunity to get to know each other. At that time, they met in homes as The Centre was in the process of being built. In the meantime, our numbers have increased and our informal coffee mornings are now generally held monthly in the bar area at The Centre. We endeavour to find a speaker with some interesting topic, have some fun, and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, with a variety of biscuits. (I like the jammy dodgers best!)

In the past (pre-Covid) we have arranged meals out, coach outings, theatre trips, plus visits to various places of interest. More recently, our members have been able to arrange regular outings to local shopping centres on the Community Minibus.

A warm welcome at our coffee mornings is assured. During recent 'lockdowns', we have been unable to meet as a full group, but are beginning to feel our way, carefully, to meet again in as safe a way as possible.

Dates of our meetings vary each month. We generally meet on a Tuesday or Thursday morning in the bar area at The Centre, but actual details can be obtained by phoning: Molly Shortt on 790 781 or Jean and David Wilson on 799 490

Mawsley Bowls Club



We are a friendly club playing at The Centre at Mawsley on Monday afternoons. We have a 2-hour roll-up starting at 1pm with a break of 15 minutes for tea, biscuits and chat. Play finishes at 3pm. Have you played Short Mat Bowls

before? Would you like to come along and have a go?

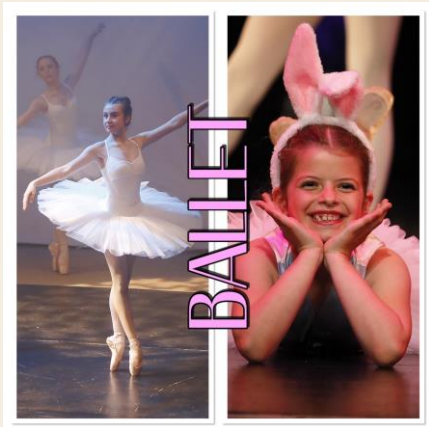
If you would like to know a bit more about us either come along on a Monday and have a chat and have a go, you will be very welcome.

Or for more information
Telephone 0779 338 6232

Dance Factory

The Dance Factory opened in 2006 and although I had hoped to go straight into the new building of TCAM, it hadn't been adopted for general use so I started at the village hall in Loddington with just 5 pupils. I soon moved into the lovely Mawsley building as one of the first hirers.

My school has continued to grow over the years and along with the hall at Mawsley, we also have our own studio in Kettering. We offer Royal Academy Ballet, ISTD Modern dance and Tap as well as Contemporary, Musical Theatre and Jazz for students from the age of two and a half up until they head off to University. Adults are not forgotten and can join our Adult Ballet, Contemporary or Tap classes. Even tiny little ones are included in our Mums and Tots classes! We pride ourselves in being a friendly and inclusive school who offer the best teaching for everyone,



whatever their ability. Students can progress through the exams or just come along for the exercise and fun with no pressure. We all perform in our big show, every two years, at The Lighthouse Theatre which proves to be a great confidence booster and shows family and friends how amazing all our students are!

If you would like more details of any of our classes and teachers, please pop on to our website. We would love to welcome you to our dancing family.

Katy Watson-Reid, Principal
07772 524797
www.thedancefactory.org.uk

Music Makers



Music is such a wonderful thing and there is a wealth of research that proves the benefits of attending music sessions and activities during the early years of a child's life. Key benefits include the development of social skills, motor skills (for example holding, shaking and banging instruments), language skills and also setting the foundations for early reading skills. One recent study even found that babies who participated in music classes with their parents or carers during

their first year of life "smile more"! Music sessions can also provide some very special moments for bonding with your little one whilst simultaneously building a new network of friends for you both!

At Music Makers, we host fun and engaging sessions for little ones of mixed ages and needs, from babies through to pre-schoolers, as we strongly believe that children can learn so much from each other as well as from their adults. Our 40-minute sessions consist of a mix of nursery rhymes, action songs and some funky original songs too, all blended within a familiar routine. We are joined by our friendly mascot, Simba the Lion, and the children love to sing about him and join in with his dances! Our 'Hello song' encourages the group to get to know each other by name and the use of our lovely individual music kits help to bring each song to life! We love being part of the Mawsley community and have been operating in the area for several years now. Weekly sessions are currently held at The Centre at Mawsley every Wednesday at 10am and then again at 11am. Please note, booking is essential as spaces are limited. If you would like to find out more about our sessions or to book your space, please visit our website at www.musicmakers.fun. We can also be found on Facebook and Instagram at @musicmakersnorthants. Why not come along and join in the fun?!



Mawsley Amateur Dramatics Society

Calling all past, present and future MADS members!

Following a break due to Covid, we are now planning several activities for 2023 and it would be great to see both existing and new MADS members coming along to join in. MADS has been established for over ten years and in addition to the annual pantomime, helping Santa with his sleigh visit to Mawsley and turning on the annual Christmas lights, we run a range of events for people of all ages – from variety evenings to murder mysteries, to a Blitz Night and much, much more.

If you would like to get involved in any of our activities or events, please contact us using the details below.

The success of the annual pantomime prior to Covid which has grown each year means that it involves a great deal of effort and time to organise, so we are planning to build up to the next one over the next couple of years, running several smaller events in the meantime to increase membership and hopefully bring some entertainment to the community.

Our ethos has always been to make our activities accessible to all in the community – whether that be to participate or to come and watch. We are a friendly bunch so please do come along and see us.

Santa's 2022 visit to Mawsley

By the time you read this, Father Christmas will already have been to Mawsley once to switch on the Christmas lights on 27 November. But if you missed him, don't worry – he will be back on Sunday 18 December to take his sleigh around Mawsley – he has a brand-new sleigh this year especially for his journey around Mawsley, kindly sponsored by Liam Tuite of LT Electrical (Northamptonshire) Limited. Watch out for Santa on that evening and please give generously to this year's charity. For details of Santa's progress and stops, please follow on Facebook.

The programme of events for 2023 is as follows

Variety evening – Saturday 18 March 2023, TCAM Hall

We will be hosting a variety evening for the village on the evening of 18 March next year with a prize for the winning act. MADS would like to enter several acts, some from the youngsters and some from the adults, so please let us know if you would like to be involved! We are also calling other groups in the village to take part – again, please contact us if your group would like to perform an act. If you are not in a group but would like to perform an act, then you are also welcomed to do so please get in touch! There are no set requirements for the acts, if they are suitable for all the family and last no longer than ten minutes.

Play in the Park, Summer 2023

We plan to perform a play in the park in late May 2023 (date TBC) with an adult cast. This is likely to be a humorous take on a well-known classical tale. If you would be interested in performing, please get in touch. The community is invited to bring a picnic and watch. More details to follow.

Punch and Judy, Summer 2023

We will be performing a Punch and Judy act at next year's Fun Day – suitable for all the family.

Murder Mystery evening, Autumn 2023

Following on from Murderous Mayhem at Mawsley Manor and Many Murders in Midsomer Mawsley, we will be returning to Mawsley with another sleuth and perhaps a murder or two in autumn 2023. This will be for over 12s, so if you fancy joining us on stage please make contact – or just come along and watch us!

Seasonal family performance, December 2023

In December 2023, we plan to perform a seasonal play with a youth cast, and it would be great to see former young members returning for this as well as welcoming new members. The adult members will produce and direct the performance.

Contact details

If you would like to join MADS or participate in any of the activities below, then please get in touch:

mawslaymads@gmail.com or contact Gareth on 07887 984068 (evenings and weekends) or garethn@hotmail.fr



Melissa's Movers



1st Mawsley Scout Group



Melissa's Movers is an exercise class aimed at the mature adult. Low Impact Aerobics, Strength, and Balance Work, with a huge helping of FUN!! Music from all era's, songs you can sing along to! This class can be done standing or seated in a chair. (No Floor or mat work)

It is suitable for all abilities. Come and do whatever you can.
We are at TCAM on Fridays at 11.45am.
And other local towns on other days of the week.

Website: www.mmc-fitness.co.uk
Facebook: Melissa's Movers
Telephone: 07762 895493

1st Mawsley Scouts was established in February 2007 and currently offers a Cub Section (8-10 1/2 years of age) and a Scout section (10 1/2 - 14 years).

The Group re-opened in September 2021, following Covid-19 enforced closure. Since then the Cubs and Scouts have enjoyed a varied programme.

One of the highlights in June 2022 was the summer weekend camp to Walesby Forest, where 5 adults, 26 children and 1 Duke of Edinburgh volunteer took part in an action packed weekend. The whole experience took place under canvas with the children being able to experience rafting, archery, axe throwing, crate stacking, kayaking, caving, climbing, shooting, swimming, evening fires, hot chocolate and smores (the "must have" of any scouting experience).

The Group would formally like to record its thanks to Mawsley Village Association. The MVA provided the group with funding

of £983.75, which enabled it to purchase 5 tents and additional catering equipment which was used at the Walesby Forest camp.

The 2022 autumn term's activities continue with a pancake session at Gallone's, making bird feeders, a night hike on the Brampton Valley Way, Emergency Aid, a session at the John Lowther Centre, and will culminate in an evening at the Pinnacle Climbing Centre.

If there are any children that wish to join 1st Mawsley Scouts, or any adults that would like to volunteer with the Group, we would love to hear from you. Drop an email to mawsleyscoutgroupenquiries@gmail.com

1st Mawsley Cubs and DofE Volunteer Experiencing rafting at Walesby Forest



Who: 1st Mawsley Scout Group
What: Two sections – Cubs and Scouts.
Where: Meet in the Main Hall at TCAM
When: Tuesdays (term time) - Cubs 18.10 – 19.25 hrs, Scouts 19.30 – 21.00hrs

Mawsley WI

Mawsley W.I meet on the second Wednesday of the month at The Centre.

Our meetings start at 7.30pm and we have a variety of speakers, demonstrations, and activities for you to enjoy. Every meeting is designed to have something for us to learn, meet up with old friends and make new ones, share our stories, and help to make a difference, however small to the world in which we live.

We always have a raffle and refreshments and as we are part of a huge organization, we have lots of trips and outings to inform you about. Whatever you are interested in you can bet we can help you enjoy it more.

You do not need to become a member. If you want to attend, when you find something on our program you find particularly interesting, you can come as a visitor for just £4.50.

There is misconception about the W.I. just being for "older ladies" but it is not all Jam and Jerusalem so come along on December 14th and see for yourself..... and join us for '**Burlesque**'

We will also be providing a free Christmas buffet - what is not to love??



Look at our program and come along - you will always be made to feel very welcome.

For more information contact:

Jane Twisleton – Janetwisleton@hotmail.com

Brenda Quinn – Brendaquinn@btintenet.com

Or check us out on Facebook - mawsleywi

or on our webpage at www.mawsleyvillage.co.uk

WASSAIL 2022
presented by
Mawsley Community Choir

A FUN EVENING OF SEASONAL SONGS AND MERRIMENT TO KICK OFF THE FESTIVE CHEER

SATURDAY 10th DECEMBER 7:30pm

THE CENTRE at MAWSLEY

Tickets £5 (under 12 free) to include festive nibbles from TCAM 01536 799528

Mawsley Parish Council

Who we are and what we do

What springs to mind when someone mentions 'The Parish Council' ... would it be the Vicar of Dibley or the infamous Jackie Weaver? Thankfully neither are a true representation of a working parish council. In Mawsley your parish council consists of 7 volunteer Councillors and one Officer who is employed by the council. Your councillors all either live or work in Mawsley village or within 3 miles of it. On average every 4 years there are council elections, the last ones being in 2021. During the election all previous councillors finish and new ones are either elected or, if not enough people come forward, they would be co-opted later on. Occasionally there are vacancies throughout the 4-year term, these are usually filled by co-option.

The role of your parish council is to support you, our residents. We act as a liaison between our residents and the principle authority which is North Northants Council. Mawsley is in a unique position as it is a new village, as many of you are aware a lot of the roads and open spaces in the village have not yet been adopted by North

Northants Council, this means that certain roads including the streetlights are still owned and managed by the developer who built that area of the village. The Parish Council can help liaise between the residents in those areas and the developer when issues arise. The parish council can also help with village events, manage items such as salt bins and dog waste bins, plant and maintain additional trees and provide allotments. We also own the building that is TCAM. The parish council helps to finance the Centre so that it remains a focus for the community in our village.

Over the next couple of editions of the new Mawsley Magazine I will go into more detail about what we do as well as explain terms such as precept and audit. You will also be able to read more about your councillors, why they chose to put themselves forward to serve the community and lastly, my role and how I work for you and your council.

Fiona Young
Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer
Mawsley Parish Council.

Mawsley Parish Council has a vacancy for 2 Parish Councilors

Would you like to make a positive difference to your parish? Would you like to influence decisions that affect your community? Could you be a parish councillor?

If you have some spare time and are willing to get involved in parish life this could be just for you

How much time depends on you and your commitment to work in your community.

The parish council meets once a month, on the third Monday starting at 7pm. Meetings usually last up to 2 hours. Parish councillors are volunteers and receive no payment for their time, but full training is provided.

You must be 18 or over, be an elector for Mawsley Parish or have lived and worked within 3 miles of the Parish for the past 12 months.

Enthusiasm and Commitment are more important than experience

For more information on the role of a parish councillor please contact:

The Clerk, Fiona Young

Tel: 07746 138218

Email: clerk@mawsleyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Please send a short summary of why you would like to be a councillor and any skills that you might bring to the Council to the above email address.

Closing date January 12th 2023

Memorial Damage

It has recently been reported that the Mawsley Memorial has been damaged and memorial plaques have been removed. The damage will be repaired, and the plaques replaced however at the time of writing not all inscriptions were known. If you find a plaque please hand it into TCAM allowing an exact replacement to be made and fixed in its original position. The memorial is located near TCAM on The Green and is for the use of any villager if you would like to have a plaque in memory, please contact Mawsley Parish Council for further details.

This unfortunately has had to be reported to the Police and would urge anyone with any information to contact them directly by calling 101 or at www.northants.police.uk quoting the crime reference number 2000592948.

Pizza **NONNA LUCIA'S PIZZA**

All of our Dough is Freshly Prepared and Proves for 24 Hours.

MARINARA - 9.50 Neapolitan Base. San Marzano Tomato D.O.P. Oregano. Garlic.	PIZZA TOPPINGS - 0.75 EACH Mushrooms. Pineapple. Olives. Rocket. Fresh Chilli. Jalapenos. (Semi Dry Tomatoes). Chilli Oil. Extra Virgin Olive Oil. Honey Glaze.
MARGHERITA - 10.00 Neapolitan Base. San Marzano Tomato D.O.P. Grana Padano. Basilico. Fior Di Latte Mozzarella.	PIZZA TOPPINGS - 1.25 EACH Roasted Peppers. Ham - Cotto/Crudo. 'Nduja. Pomodori Secchi. Grana Padano Shavings. Veganella Cheese.
PEPPERONI - 11.00 Margherita with: Pepperoni.	NONNA LUCIA'S CRUST DIPPERS - 1.25 EACH Pesto Mayo. Aioli Mayo. Sriracha Mayo.
CALABRESE - 11.00 Margherita with: 'Nduja.	DESSERT PIZZAS - 6.00 Neapolitan Base. Nutella or Biscoff Topping. Icing Sugar.
ZUCCA - 11.00 Neapolitan Base. Zucca (Pumpkin Puree) Grana Padano. Basilico. Fior Di Latte Mozzarella. *Topped with either Pepperoni or 'Nduja.	ADDITIONAL DESSERT TOPPINGS- 0.75 EACH Biscoff Crumb. Mini Marshmallows. Cadbury Crunchie Bits. Oreo Biscuit Crumb.
JUDAS - 11.00 Margherita with: Ham. Pineapple.	NONNA'S MONTHLY SPECIAL Please see blackboard for details.
RUSTICA - 11.00 Margherita with: Ham. Mushroom.	For Gluten free Base please add 2.50. Vegan Alternatives Available.
GENOVESE - 12.00 Margherita with: Pesto. Grana Padano. Basilico. Fior Di Latte Mozzarella. Pomodoro Secchi. *Also available on a Bianco (cheese) base.	<small>*All Pizzas Contain Gluten and Dairy. **Dessert Pizza Contains Hazelnuts, Dairy, Peanut and Soy. Please make us aware if you have any food allergies.</small>
PARMA - 14.00 Margherita with: Prosciutto Crudo. Rocket. Grana Padano Shavings. Extra Virgin Olive Oil.	
THE GODFATHER - 14.00 Margherita with: 'Nduja. Pepperoni. Prosciutto Crudo.	
SIDES - 6.00 Cheesy Garlic Bread. Neapolitan Base. Garlic and Parsley Butter. Fior Di Latte. Additional Garlic Bread toppings - 1.00 Each. Marmite. Caramelised Onion.	

NEWS AND INFORMATION FROM THE CENTRE AT MAWSLEY

The village has welcomed many newcomers since the last Mawsley Magazine, and the Team TCAM felt it would be beneficial to give some information about the Centre, who runs it and what it has to offer.

The Centre was officially opened in 1907 and has served the community ever since. The Centre is constituted as a Community Interest Company with a Board of five Directors who are responsible for the governance of its activities, ensuring it is, indeed, serving the interests of the community and compliant with all current Health & Safety Regulations, Fire Safety and Licencing Law.

The day-to-day activities are managed by two Office Managers, Nicola Wisdom, and Claire Thorpe. Nicola and Claire are assisted in their busy roles by a Bar Supervisor, Grace Foster, and a team of fully trained Bar Staff.

Everyone is welcome at the Centre, whether from the village community or outside and is open from 9.00am. The premises have the benefits of a Licence to Sell Alcohol, for consumption on or off the premises and that Licence also covers a range of Licensable including Performance of Dance, Films, Plays and Live Music, to name a few.

The Centre welcomes all children and, in accordance with Licensing Law, must operate under the following conditions:

Children age under 14 until 9.00pm each evening, always accompanied by an appropriate adult.

15 – 17-year-olds are welcome until closing and must be accompanied by an appropriate adult from 9.00pm.

The Centre also benefits from a large hall, able to accommodate up to 120 people and a smaller meeting room, both of which are available for hire via the Office. For the better weather there is also an outside seating area with the benefit of two large Jumbrellas containing heating elements for cooler evenings, offering a shade from strong sunshine in the summer and shelter from the rain.

SUCCESSFUL EVENTS

During the past year have included a full weekend's activities to celebrate our Late Monarch's Platinum Jubilee, Village Fun Day and Bonfire Night

SOME OF OUR USER GROUPS

Badminton	Choir	Church	Coffee Club	Line Dancing
Dance Factory		1st Mawsley Scout Group		Gardening For All
Karate		Line Dancing		LW Dance
Mawsley Amateur Dramatic Society			Mawsley Football Club	
Melissa's Movers		Parents & Toddlers		Pilates
	Short Mat Bowls	Women's Institute		

UPCOMING EVENTS

Football world Cup – ask at the Bar for details of matches to be screened.

Monday 12th December Christmas Mega Jackpot Bingo
The final game offers a £200 prize for the House
Game Books on sale from 7.00pm with Eyes Down at 7.30pm

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Thursday 15th December Christmas Quiz hosted by Chris Waine & Steve Thorpe
Teams of up to 6 people Prizes to be won £2 entry per person

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Friday 16th December Children's Christmas Party 5.30 to 7.30pm
Christmas fun, magic show, balloon modelling, food and a very special visitor
Tickets at £4.50 per child on sale now the bar.

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Wednesday 21st December Christmas Raffle. This year we are raising money for the Kettering Food Bank Raffle Drawn from 7.00pm with Live Music in the Bar from 8.00pm. Complimentary mulled wine and mince pie on arrival.

A call to local businesses – donations of Raffle Prizes would be received with grateful thanks.

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New Year's Eve Celebrate with us! Live music with Jordan and Harley. See posters for full details.

OPENING HOURS OVER THE FESTIVE PERIOD

CHRISTMAS EVE - 12 NOON – 11PM
CHRISTMAS DAY - 12 NOON – 2.30PM
BOXING DAY - 2.00PM – 6.00PM
TUESDAY 27TH DECEMBER - 2.00PM – 8.00PM
WEDNESDAY 28TH DECEMBER - 2.00PM – 8.00PM
THURSDAY 29TH DECEMBER - 2.00PM – 8.00PM
FRIDAY 30TH DECEMBER - 2.00PM – 11PM
NEW YEAR'S EVE - 6.00PM – 1.00AM
NEW YEAR'S DAY - CLOSED
MONDAY 2ND JANUARY - 2.00PM – 11.00PM

The Centre At Mawsley CIC
9 The Green, Mawsley, Kettering NN14 1GY
Telephone: 01536 799528

www.thecentreatmawsley.co.uk Facebook: The Centre at Mawsley Instagram: tcam_bar



Win a Wheelbarrow of Booze!

Mawsley Cleaning Services are selling tickets to win a wheelbarrow of booze in time for Christmas. All money raised this year will be donated to Kettering Mind. Every year Mawsley Cleaning Services raise money for a charity just before Christmas and raffle tickets sell fast so don't hesitate, get yours now!

Tickets are £5.00 per strip to get your tickets text 07787 404435

Mawsley Fireworks

Another fantastic display from our firework team this year with over 10,000 shots being sent skyward. A fantastic effort by the organisers with more people visiting again. Each year it gets better. A special thank you was given to the volunteers who helped to keep the event fun and safe for all and we look forward to its return next year.



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