

2018/2019 Recreation Annual Report

2018/2019 has been a very busy year.

We have run a number of very well received and attended children and adult events throughout the year.

The events were:

Easter - Childrens Party which was attended by over 40 children.

May – Hanging basket workshops which were well received and attended

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August - Summer Playscheme – We held 1 mobile sports event for the under 8's, 3 mobile sports events for the over 8's and 2 childrens parties. All events were well attended and well received especially the childrens parties.

November – Families Halloween party and fundraiser for the Ashbrook Centre. Again lots of fun was had by all and was a roaring success.

November – Remembrance Parade was our largest turnout yet and saw the community coming together for this annual event. A new style of sound system was utilised which eradicated issues from previous years of poor sound.

Poppies on Lamposts was an amazing success and the Parish raised a mighty additional £220.00 towards the Royal British Legion. This will again be offered this year and as the poppies have already been purchased it is envisaged that as a Parish we will again raise even more for the Royal British Legion.

Community events were also very well attended with record breaking crowds. Ashbrook Community Group with the support of the Parish Council ran a very successful cinema night.

Recreation and the Parish Council also supported the 'Save Borrowash Library' group with various events and meetings.

Arm Chair Exercise classes have been running very successfully throughout the year and the users have requested that they be extended to include a nutritional workshop.

Leath making workshops were run in partnership with Wayne Peapell were great fun and oversubscribed.

The providing, selling and fitting service of Christmas trees and brackets. Again this was a success and will be continued on the 2019/2020 programme.

Christmas Light Switch on in Ockbrook & the Christmas Light Switch on in Borrowash in Partnership with the Ashbrook Community Group was a resounding success with again record breaking crowds at both of the events.

This has been a very busy year and a very well received event calendar. My personal thanks go to the Ashbrook Community Group for all their hard work and also to the Parish Councillors who have supported me in my role as the Recreational Chair. I would also like to personally thank Wayne Peapell, our Contractor for his visionary excellence and support in the events.

Over the last year we have seen a change to the event calendar and we will continue to take on board the 'applause & criticism' and adopt our events menu to react accordingly in a proactive manner.

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