

DARLEY ABBEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (DACA)

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NEWSLETTER

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Forthcoming Events in the Village Hall (June 05 - November 05) :-

Thu/Sat	23/25 June	Darley Abbey Entertainment Group	
Friday	24 June	DA Gardening Club - "Water in the Garden"	
		Talk by Stuart, the Water Gardener	8 pm
Saturday	2 July	Social/Anniversary Event (see box)	8 pm
Friday	15 July	DA Historical Group - "The work of the National Trust in the East Midlands" talk by Laura Taylor	7.30 pm
Saturday	23 July	DA Gardening Club - Visit to Hardwick Hall - Assemble in car park there	2 pm
Sat/Sun	6/7 August	DA Gardening Club - Members Open Gardens for members only	
Friday	23 Sept	DA Gardening Club - "My favourite plants" - talk by Glenda Ritchie	8 pm
Friday	30 Sept	Darley Abbey Society Open Evening (see box)	8 pm
Saturday	8 October	DA Gardening Club - Tree Trail Walk in Darley Park - with Jonathan Oakes. Assemble at 11 am by café in park.	
Saturday	8 October	DACA - Songs from the Shows	8 pm
Friday	25 Nov	DA Gardening Club - "Winter maintenance and planting for Winter interest" - talk by Hugh Woolley	8 pm
Saturday	3 Dec	DA Entertainment Group - Disco	

DACA Social/Anniversary Event

It cannot have escaped the attention of anyone that the Battle of Trafalgar was fought (and won) 200 years ago (21 October in case you wonder) and there will be a bi-centenary celebration of this event on Saturday 2 July in the Village Hall called "Victory at Trafalgar" with Hornpipe A'Go-Go To Classix. We start at 8 pm and carry on until midnight. Supper will be provided and there will of course be a bar (with rum of course, it's the Navy) and tickets can be bought from **Sylvia** on **01332 36 06 90** at the reasonable price of **£6**. Come in fancy dress if you want to, but it is optional!

Darley Abbey Web Site Did you know that the village has its own web site? It is run by Colin. It can be found on www.darleyabbey.com and Colin can be contacted on colin@darleyabbey.com. You can help Colin by telling him what is going on in the village or anything else to make it even better.

And you can have this Newsletter delivered by email if you wish. Just send me a line on thorsten.sjolin@btinternet.com. This saves us time and money.

Darley Abbey Gardening Club August event is the Members Open Gardens over 6-7 August weekend. This is your chance to pick up new ideas and to talk gardening nonstop for two days. There is only one snag: you have to be a member of the DAGC. Have a word with **Sue Parker** on **55 18 41** and she will arrange membership for £5 which also entitles you to free entrance to all the many and interesting talks that the Gardening Club arranges during the year. Non-members who turn up at a talk will be charged £2. For further information phone **Rosemary** on **55 83 19**.

The Darley Abbey Society, as you know, is the Village's Society that keeps its ear to the ground and tries to ensure that, for example, planning applications are in keeping with the village. (The Society was started to fight a scheme that would not have enhanced the village and we won and the developer in the end won a prize for good design). Would you have preferred a house instead of ***The Mill View Garden?*** Of course not, it is one of the nicest parts of Darley Abbey.

We recently got a new chairman, **David Ling** on **55 14 84**. **Helen McCoy**, our previous chairman was also Treasurer, Secretary and general dogsbody which was not fair on her. David has promised to carry on Helen's good work and the team is virtually unchanged. If you are not already a member, please join. We need as many villagers as possible behind us. Contact **Doreen Goodman** on **55 06 04** and she will appear on your doorstep to collect the small sum of **£5** (or **£3** if you are single).

SPONSOR A CHAIR

Anyone who has spent more than 45 minutes on the chairs in the Village Hall knows that they are not as comfortable as they should be. The Committee has therefore decided that the time has come to invest in new ones. Good ones unfortunately cost money and we are therefore going to ask the good citizens of Darley Abbey to sponsor us. It will cost **£25** to sponsor a chair and your name will appear on the list of sponsors in a nice frame on the wall for all to see your generosity. We are trying a number of chairs to ensure that the new chairs will be comfortable. Send your cheque for **£25, £50 or more** to our Treasurer **Sue Parker** at 44 Darley Abbey Drive, DE22 1EF. Make this a success for the Village and its Hall!

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Darley Abbey is a fairly quiet area and reasonably free of crime possibly apart from people with spray cans. We still need to be on the look-out for anything strange and we still need co-ordinators. The South/North Avenue area with its closes has not had a representative for a number of years and would like to find someone who can take over this task which is not all that time-consuming. Contact **Thorsten** on **55 83 19** or phone **Stewart** on **55 06 04** to find out what is involved.