

Community Centre NEWS

January 2006

Family Learning

In County Durham

Playing with language for pre-school children.

Introduction and information day:

18th Jan 10am-12noon

Tow Law Community Centre

Free bacon sandwich and coffee

Followed by two weeks of tasters- 25th & 1st Feb

Course start date 8th Feb for 5 weeks

Hot Hair course with Bishop Auckland College

We are hoping to start a short course on hairdressing in January. The course will form part of an NVQ, that learners can go onto if they wish. The cost is £80, but those on means tested benefit will be exempt. The cost covers registration fees and the 1st module.

Interested? Want to know more telephone 731444, or call at the community centre for more information or to book your place, places must be booked in advance.

A free crèche will be available

Teen Club

re-start **Wednesday 18th**
Jan 2006 @ 7:30 - 9pm

Fun Club

re-start **Wednesday 18th**
Jan 2006 6pm - 7:30pm

Boxing Club

Started Friday 6th Jan 2006 6pm till 7:30pm.
Entry is £1.50 per week. Consent form required!



Hundreds of courses available.

Durham Logistics College with the Tow Law Community Centre are offering hundreds of Learndirect courses, where you can work independently or with the support of a tutor.

Shopping vouchers available if you complete a Maths or English course!

For more information ring Margaret to enrol on 0191 373 8441

Monday night homework club



There will be a 5 week series of homework clubs on Monday evenings from 4pm until 7:30 pm starting from January 16th. The club will be based in the IT suite and is for students from local schools wanting to use the a computer to type up and print out homework or the Internet for research

All Welcome

Basic IT Word-processing



There will be a 5 week Basic Word-processing course on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm until 8:30 pm starting January 24th. This will cover the basics of how to create a Word document, print and save that document. Also covered will be text formatting, the use of tables, as well as how to change or amend previously saved work.

Annual General Meeting

Monday 20 March @ 7pm

All members welcome new committee members needed

Treasurer Wanted. The Community Association treasurer, Don Royle is retiring in January, can you help. Book keeping skills essential but training can be provided if they need brushing up. It is an important job but we do have staff support. Volunteers are always needed for the committee or to help out with activities. If you can help please contact Aileen Green at the newsagents or Jenny on 01388 730525 / 731444.

Jack Drum Arts more than just clubs...

The Tale of Robin Hood a current production by Jack Drum Arts, and as part of the work in the community they will running a workshop in the community centre during the Fun Club on Wednesday January 18. Then the children will be invited back for a performance on Sunday January 22 at 3pm.

The Tale of Robin Hood
Sunday January 22
3pm
admission £2 Adult £1 Child
pay at the door

The Community Centre also has a number of other local resources that use the facilities available. Some of these are listed below:

Hodgson & Angus Solicitor - Mon 4pm - 6pm
Tow Law Town Clerk - Tues & Thu 9am—3pm
Homehousing - Wed 2pm - 3pm

Based in the community centre
Community Nursing — call 731130 for times
Health Visitor— call 730976 for times

FIRST TIME ONLINE

Want to know more about the internet how to surf use a search engine compose and send emails ring the centre for details of drop in sessions during the week

Tow Law Calender competition

The Community Centre is inviting all you budding artist and photographers to submit photos, drawings, or any art work relating to Tow Law and the surrounding area for possible inclusion in a calendar for next year, 2007. We are looking for images or art work of Tow Law throughout the year, so all weathers are hoped to be included. Please submit copies of images to info@towlaw.org.uk, or drop them off at the community centre. If you only have originals only please arrange with Alan or Lynne at the community centre prior to submission so that you can keep your originals.

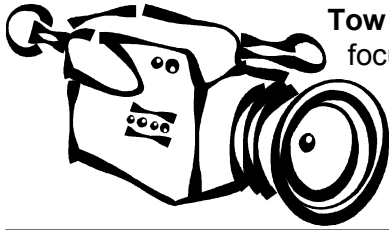
Dance SessionsInternet Cafe

Has re-started **Monday nights:**
5pm to 6pm for younger children
6pm to 7:30pm for the older children

Reminder that the community centre membership fees became due on January 1st: £3 per adult, £2 OAP and children

Saturday from 10am -12 noon @ £1 per hour.

If you would like to know how to email, use ebay, scan photo's to send to friends via email or just how to surf the 'net why not come along.



Tow Law Family Learning Video Project Mondays 3:30 - 5:30pm - The project will focus on making a short film about Tow Law, and the local community. Both Blessed John Duckett RC and the Millennium Primary will be making contributions in of their own. All are invited to participate, and children will need a consent form available from the community centre in order to participate. The first planning meeting will be on Monday 16th Jan, refreshments will provided.

TOW LAW COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

The partnership is made up of individuals presenting groups in the community and other agencies involved with the regeneration of Tow Law. These include the town Council, the Schools, the Churches, the Football Club, Groundwork West Durham, Wear Valley District Council, Durham County Council, the Police, Bishop Auckland College and others. Our ain is to co-ordinate regeneration activities in Tow Law so that everyone knows what everyone else is doing and we don't duplicate. Our current worker is Diane Pearson. She is based at the Community Centre and can be contacted there on Mondays to Thursdays. Currently we have funding for a feasibility study into recreational activities that will be carried out shortly. We have also been trying to build up a business directory for the web site. Any business wanting their details on the website should contact Diane on 731444 who can help to fill in the form. It is free and no publicity is ever wasted. Reach a wider audience.

You can view the website at www.towlaw.org.uk

The next meeting of the Partnership is Wednesday 18th January 2006 at 3.00 in the Community Centre
The next meeting of the Town Council is Tuesday 17th January at 7.00 in the Community Centre