

Parish Annual Meeting 2019

Parwich Royal British Legion Branch

We are a strong and active Branch, operating from the Clubroom in Alsop Road. Our current membership stands at 71. Membership is open to everyone, not just ex-service personnel, with an annual fee of £17. Junior membership (up to the age of 18) is free.

We have a small Committee which meets every three months; last year we appointed new committee member (Ed Linnell) to reach out to ex-service men & women in the village.

Our major activity each year is the organisation of the Poppy Appeal in November. As a small village we have an excellent record for fund-raising, regularly collecting over £1,000 which is used in helping and supporting those who have served in the forces and their dependents. This is done by a collection round the village. We also organise the annual parade which is followed by a service in St. Peter's and a wreath-laying at the War Memorial. The collection at the Church service is usually donated to the Poppy Appeal.

Parwich Carnival & Recreation Committee

The Carnival & Recreation Committee's main activities are centred on the Annual Wakes Week at the end of June and beginning of July each year. Last year we enjoyed excellent weather and were able to put on a full programme of events which were well supported in the village.

This year's programme is now in an advanced stage of planning and we are expecting to stage a number of events including the village market and Carnival parade on Saturday June 29th, the Campers' Service, Fun and Games, and Treasure Hunt on the Sunday, Children's Sports (Monday), The Hill Race on Tuesday, with a film night on Thursday and Race night on Friday.

As well as organising Wakes Week events, we also stage the annual Bonfire & Fireworks, now returned to Parson's Croft. We organise other occasional events which this year have included a Barn Dance in the Memorial Hall and provision of the rockets fired from Parwich Hill to mark the dedication of the new memorial on Creamery Lane.

New members of the Committee are always welcome!

Parwich Over Sixties

As its name suggests, Parwich Over-Sixties is a club for the village's senior citizens. We have a membership of around 60. Members pay an annual subscription of £5.00

Most of our activities involve trips in the summer to various places of interest, including one seaside resort each year. We also now organise two events in the Memorial Hall in the summer months, as well as an autumn pea and pie supper. Entertainment is provided at these events.

We make a charge for our trips, and our numbers are often increased by supporters from Hartington, Biggin and Ashbourne, many of whom have family connections with Parwich and several were born here.

We often have spare seats on our coach for our trips and anyone is welcome to join us on these events. They are usually advertised on the Notice Board and Parwich.org.

Although we try to cover our costs each year, we rely heavily on donations and have been very grateful in the past for donations from The Parwich United Charities the Royal British Legion Benevolent Fund, and the Horticultural Society.