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YOUR MAGAZINE FOR WHERE YOU LIVE...

tumn is here and the

nights are drawing in. Whilst outdoor activities may be curtailed there is still lots to do indoors ...

our village halls accommodate a wide range of activities such as karate, dog training, folk dancing, table tennis, sewing, etc., and events such as dances, quiz nights, discos, music groups, etc. The halls and the YPCC also provide venues for voluntary groups such as the scouts, brownies, a youth club, etc.

Have you considered filling the long nights with some community voluntary work? Volunteers are always needed to help run the village halls, for the Rode Runner community bus service, for the local Speed Watch Group and for the Odd Rode Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group.

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An old photo of the Macclesfield Canal (see article on the history of our canals on page 8).

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EVENTS AT RODE HEATH VILLAGE HALL

November 6th table top sale

November 18th quiz night with pie and pea super £8.00

Contact Joan for details or to buy tickets 01270 873427.

ODD RODE REMEMBERS

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Sunday 13th November 2016 1.45 p.m. parade will form up at Scholar Green Village Hall, Church Lane, and proceed to All Saint's Church for the service of remembrance at 2.30 p.m.

ARMISTICE / REMEMBRANCE DAY

11 a.m. Friday 11th November

2 minutes' silence

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old Age shall not weary them, not the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning We will remember them.

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PLANNING

The Planning System

Cheshire East Council is the Local Planning Authority for Odd Rode. Odd Rode Parish Council receives notification of all planning applications submitted for the parish. It makes comments to Cheshire East Council based on Town & Country Planning law. National Planning Guidance, Cheshire East's policies and our local Village Design Statement.

All planning applications can be viewed at Cheshire East's website:

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/environment_and_planning/ planning.aspx

If you are commenting on a planning application, you may wish to send a copy of your comments to the Parish Council for their information (via post or email).



ODD RODE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A new website has been created for the NDP: www.oddrodeneighbourhoodplan.uk/

Please get involved in the Neighbourhood Plan conversation ... we need to hear everyone's voice. You don't need any special knowledge as there are no right or wrong answers ... it is your opinions that we want.



DOGS AND **FIREWORKS**

Do you have a dog that gets upset by fireworks? Here, the RSPCA offers some advice.

Talk to your vet about pheromone diffusers. These disperse calming chemicals into the room and may be a good option for your dog, in some cases your vet may even prescribe medication. If either of these options is used they should be used in conjunction with behavioural therapy. We would recommend asking your vet to refer you to a clinical animal behaviourist or using the 'Sounds Scary' therapy pack.

Before the firework season starts provide your dog with a doggy safe haven, this should be a quiet area so choose one of the quietist rooms in your home. It should be a place where the animal feels it is in control, so don't interfere with it when it's in that area. Train your dog to associate the area with positive experiences e.g. by leaving toys there but not imposing yourself at any time. Use a variety of toys and swap them regularly, putting them away when not in use so that your dog doesn't become bored with them.



24-hour cruelty line

Call us on 0300 1234 999 to report cruelty or an animal in distress.

With time your dog can learn that this place is safe and enjoyable. So when fireworks happen it may choose to go here because it knows that when it is here, no harm will come to it and so it's more able to cope. It is important that your dog has access to its doggy safe haven at all times even when you're not at home.

On Bonfire Night:



Close any windows and black out the 'doggy play area' to remove any extra problems caused by flashing lights.



Each evening before the fireworks begin, move your dog to the play area and provide toys and other things that they enjoy. Make sure that there are things for you to do too so that your dog isn't left alone.



Ignore the firework noises yourself. Play with a toy to see if your dog wants to join in, but don't force them to play.



If you know a dog that isn't scared by noises and which gets on well with your dog, then keeping the two together during the evenings may help your dog to realise that there's no need to be afraid.