

COPPULL PARISH COUNCIL

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Meet your new Mayor, Cllr Julia Berry!



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Residents

A big **THANK YOU** to all of you who came to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee event at the Springfield Park on 2 June 2022. It was a huge success and it is hoped to hold an event like this each year, building on this one to make it bigger and better for next year.

Congratulations to Councillor Julia Berry on becoming Mayor of Chorley this year. Julia is a councillor for Chorley Council and Lancashire County Council and is Coppull's representative, working hard for our residents. We wish Julia every success in her role.

Dog fouling continues to be a very big problem in our village, together with weeds. If you have a dog, **PLEASE** do the responsible thing and pick up after your dog. There is nothing worse than standing in dog poo and it is extremely dangerous for children. New CCTV has now been installed at the Leisure Park and anyone caught not cleaning up will be issued with a fine and named and shamed in this newsletter!

With regard to weeds, **PLEASE** remove weeds from in front of your property. This is not the responsibility of the Parish Council Lengthsmen. Removing weeds from the gutter and against your property wall or fence would greatly improve the appearance of this village, which is something I think would be welcomed by everyone and I thank those of you who already do this.

CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION:
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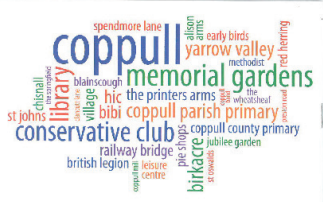
Michael Atherton



FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2021 - 2022

BANK BALANCES at end of March 2022				
Royal Bank of Scotland	High Interest Account	61,675.33	Total Receipts	143,527.29
	Current Account	577.66	Plus bal.c/f. from 2020/21	273,342.84
	Business Reserve (N P Funding)	0.02		416,870.13
Cambridge BS	CIL Funding	85,132.89	Minus total expenditure	134,478.99
Unity Bank	CIL Funding	85,005.24		
Cashplus UK	Reserves	50,000.00		
	Bank Balance	£282,391.14		£282,391.14
			B/F	£12,251.28
	Reserved		Awaiting	
	Current CIL Funding	214,628.41	Leisure centre March 2022	365.57
	Elections 2020/21	8,000.00	Vat from 01.04.21 to 31.03.22	4,813.26
	Neighbourhood Plan funding	0.00		
	Allotments income 2022	2,220.00		
	Allotments income 2021, payment to church made	1,770.00		
	Allotments Reserved for water	900.00		
	Training Fund	964.00		
	Xmas from 2020 / 2021	1,157.45		
	Heritage Fund	500.00		
	General Maint. Fund	30,000.00		
	Emergency Fund	10,000.00		
	V. Hall Coronavirus funding	0.00		
		270,139.86		
			Available Balance	£17,430.11

COPPULL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE



Early response to the surveys that were distributed to every household has been promising with some great feedback on what, as residents, you want to see Coppull maintain, preserve and develop for the future. The information we have gained will be used to begin the formulation of the initial plan. If you didn't get the opportunity to fill in a survey, paper copies can be

obtained from the Parish Clerk's office by prior arrangement, these can be returned there and will still be included in the results.

Chorley Borough Council are in the final stages of appointing a consultant to help Neighbourhood Plan Steering Groups to write their plan and we are looking forward to using their services to bring the plan to its first stage.

The Transport open meeting regarding survey replies and for further discussion will be held on **Wednesday 21st September, 7:30pm at the Royal British Legion**, we welcome all residents to these meetings, there are light refreshments provided and our previous Environment meeting saw a good response. Please attend if you are able.

As always, we are keen to attract new members to the steering group, you don't have to have any qualifications, just a keen interest in making Coppull the best it can be, now and in the future, attracting local business, maintaining our areas of beauty and creating an environment where rural and village life will flourish.

You can register your interest to join by contacting us via the following:

- Coppull Parish Council Clerk at coppullparishcouncil@gmail.com
- Joining our Facebook Group 'Coppull Neighbourhood Plan'
- Contacting via the Coppull Parish website <http://coppullpc.co.uk>

COPPULL VILLAGE FLOWERPOT FESTIVAL

UPDATE FROM MARY RUSSELL, ORGANISER OF THE FESTIVAL 2022

“Unfortunately, the Coppull Flowerpot Festival won’t be going ahead this year. We have been unable to find someone who could take over overall responsibility for running the event this year.

If anyone still wishes to put a display out, there is nothing stopping this and we might find the event could grow much more organically. It might be that what we achieved together was a one-off event and there is absolutely nothing wrong with this! Once again, thank you everyone for a superb event last year!"

Mary.



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COPPULL BROTHERS CEMENT PLACES IN THE COMMONWEALTH GAMES KARATE TEAM

Brothers Nathan and Brandon Crowther from Coppull, are on a high after both securing places on the England Karate Team for the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham on the 7 and 8th of September.

Nathan 21, and Brandon 17, both started training at a very young age and have consistently trained six days a week ever since. In the last 10 years they have trained exclusively under the guidance and advice of their Sensei, Coach and dad Simon Crowther who is Chief Instructor of local club Musuko Karate Academy.



Nathan, who has been selected as part of the Male Team Kata, is consistently on the competing circuit and this year alone has already competed in Spain, Egypt and Slovakia, narrowly missing out on Bronze medals in both team and individual events. His main sponsor Caddick Construction is a fantastic support to Nathan, and he is really appreciative of his employer's support.

Brandon who is the current English Male Kata champion and has won the title for the past three consecutive tournaments is also the highest-ranking Male athlete for his age group in England. Fresh from competing at Prague in June at the European Championships he is now looking forward to the Commonwealth Karate Championships with eager anticipation.

Their dad and founder of Musuko Karate Academy – Simon Crowther in a statement commented: "I am extremely proud of the work ethic of both Nathan and Brandon. Both boys train extensively every week and it's brilliant to see their hard work being rewarded. They regularly travel around the country to train with the England Karate Team and our affiliation to the English Karate Federation has opened up lots of opportunities for all our students. After a few tough years during the pandemic the club is now going from strength to strength, and this is just the icing on the cake to see them both get selected to represent and compete for their country in a home nations tournament. It's a truly fantastic opportunity for them both and no matter the outcome, I will be there along with my wife Yvonne to cheer them on".

Karate is a self-funded sport so the boys are always on the lookout for sponsorship and if anyone would like to donate – even as a one off – please get in touch with the club via their website: www.musukokarateacademy.co.uk.



Photos courtesy of John Cobham

HUGE WELL DONE

To the members of
Springfield Trampoline Academy of Springfield Park Leisure Centre
who have been selected or made the reserve teams to represent the
Northwest in the coming Regional Team Finals in September 2022.



Congratulations



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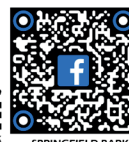


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WEEKLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE



MONDAY

- 4:30pm - 5:30pm ~ (Trampoline Beginners 5-8yrs)
- 5:30pm - 6:30pm ~ (Trampoline Beginners 9-12yrs)
- 6:30pm - 7:30pm ~ (Trampoline Beginners 9+yrs)
- 7:30pm - 8:30pm ~ (Open Freestyle / Freerunning)

TUESDAY

- 4:30pm - 8:30pm ~ (Academy Training Session)

WEDNESDAY

- 4:30pm - 6:30pm ~ (Academy Training Session)

THURSDAY

- 4:30pm - 8:30pm ~ (Academy Training Session)



FRIDAY

- 4:30pm - 5:30pm ~ (Open Freestyle 6-11yrs)
- 5:30pm - 6:30pm ~ (Open Freestyle 6-11yrs)
- 6:30pm - 7:30pm ~ (Open Freestyle 12+yrs)
- 7:30pm - 8:30pm ~ (Open Freestyle 12+yrs)

SATURDAY

- 9:30am - 10:30am ~ (Trampoline Beginners 5-8yrs)
- 10:30am - 11:30am ~ (Trampoline Beginners 9-12yrs)
- 11:30am - 12:30pm ~ (Trampoline Beginners 9+yrs)

SUNDAY

- 10:00am - 11:00am ~ (Open Freestyle)
- 11:00am - 12:00pm ~ (Open Freestyle)

Prices & times subject to change - Contact us for current prices & times

CLIMATE CHANGE COMPETITION

THE WINNERS!



The first and second prize winners came from Coppull Parish School.

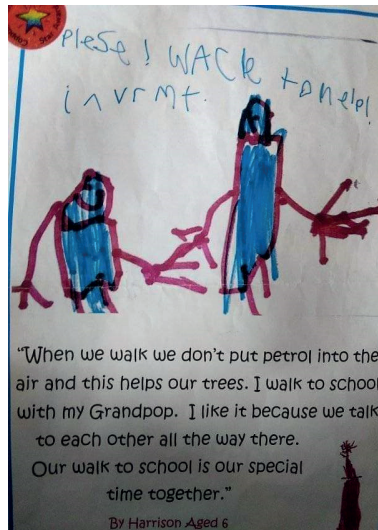
Keira Grady aged 6 came first.

Alfie Woods aged 6 came a close second.

They were presented their certificates and vouchers by Councillor Marjorie Parkinson.

The third prize winner came from Coppull Primary School.

Harrison Adshead aged 6 was presented his certificate and voucher by Councillor Lynne Moores.



Thanks go to all the other runners up and entries, who all received a certificate and a voucher, and to all the schools for taking part.
Look out for further competitions in future newsletters!



Due to the success of last year's virtual dog show, the Parish Council is running this again. Categories this year are as follows, for male or female (unless otherwise stated):

Best puppy (up to 1 year old)
Best Bitch (1 year to 8)
Best Dog (1 year to 8)
Best Senior (9 and over)
Cutest Dog
Hairiest Dog
Best Mutt

Overall Best in Show

The Parish Council will not publish the name of the owners or the addresses, due to the increased number of dogs being stolen. Just a photo of the dog and the dog's name, if the owner agrees, for each category.

Please put which category you are entering when you submit your photos and good luck!

Sniff out your best picture and email it in now!
coppullparishcouncil@gmail.com

A BIT OF HISTORY - COPPULL

COPPULL Lancashire 20th May 1852



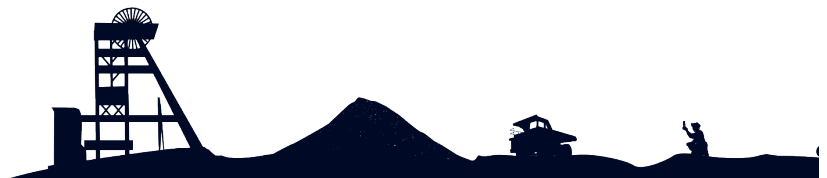
The colliery was the property of John Hargreaves. Both the upcast and downcast shafts were 12 feet in diameter but although there was a small furnace at the bottom of the shaft, it was seldom used and small common lamps were suspended in the shaft. A shaft was sunk around 1847 after the previous explosion to increase the ventilation and was 210 yards deep from the pit bottom level, 360 yards connected the Coppull shaft for ventilation. There was a further level 280 yards driven at right angles and called the shunt. The colliery worked the fiery Arley Mine. The stoppings were all built of coarse coal and rubbish and all the air was retained in one column. The colliers and drawers were bound to provide their own safety lamps and it appeared that rather than lose their work, they would risk working with candles, even if there was gas present.

On the morning of the disaster, Thomas Smith, fireman, went down the pit at 4.40 am to make his inspection. The men followed him down and were told to wait in the shunt. Pillars of coal were being removed and Smith found that there had been a large fall of the roof which had interrupted the ventilation and gas had accumulated. He went to the men and found that Thomas Gregson and another man had gone into the workings. Smith told the men not to go into the workings until the ventilation could be restored and Smith went to find John Ellis, the underlooker, who approved what had happened and set off to stop the men entering the workings.

A little before 7 am the men at the surface realised that the pit had fired, as dust came up the shaft. The cage was lowered and by 8 am 90 men had escaped, many affected by chokedamp and several were burned, but about 40 men were not accounted for. By ten o'clock three bodies had been found and by the following day 32 bodies were recovered and several were found to be very badly burned.

Those who lost their lives were:

- William Ainscough aged 35 years of Coppull, left a wife and two children
- James Almond aged 22 years of Chorley
- Thomas Banks aged 40 years of Coppull, left a wife and three children
- Robert Banks aged 16 years son of Thomas
- Thomas Banks aged 14 years, son of Thomas
- William Baxendale aged 29 years of Chorley, left a wife and child
- Ellis Berry aged 28 years of Chorley, left a wife and child
- William Blackhurst aged 25 years of Duxbury
- Richard Booth aged 31 years of Duxbury, left a wife and two children
- John Bradley aged 26 years of Coppull, left a wife and six children
- John Butterworth aged 12 years of Coppull
- Henry Culshaw aged 30 years of Coppull



COLLIERY EXPLOSION - 1852

- William Darbyshire aged 35 years of Duxbury, left a wife and two children
- John Ellis aged 24 years of Coppull the only son of the manager, John Ellis
- William Green aged 30 years of Chorley, left a wife and three children
- Richard Green aged 27 years, brother of William, left a wife and child
- Thomas Gregson aged 40 years of Coppull, left a wife and four children
- John Gregson aged 9 years son of Thomas
- George Howarth a lad of Chorley
- Thomas Miller aged 20 years of Chorley
- Peter Moorfield aged 25 years of Coppull, left a wife and two children
- William Morris aged 31 years of Duxbury, left a widow and five children
- Edward Robinson aged 30 years of Coppull, left a wife and child
- John Roscow aged 24 years of Coppull
- William Ryding aged 21 years of Coppull
- Robert Smith aged 17 years, son of the fireman
- Thomas Southworth aged 12 years of Chorley
- Robert Tootal aged 13 years of Coppull
- Stephen Turner aged 30 years of Wrightington, left a wife and two children
- James Turner aged 41 years of Coppull, left a wife and four children
- Thomas Watson aged 40 years, widower with four children

Those injured:

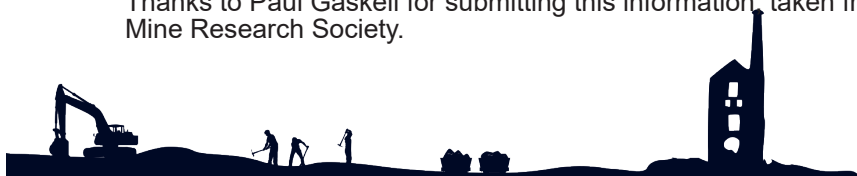
- John Culshaw aged 25 years, brother to the two others
- Henry Dickenson aged 45 years, widower of Chorley
- John Farrington aged 20 years of Coppull
- Samuel Holcroft aged 25 years of Coppull
- James Hunter aged 18 years of Coppull
- John Yates aged 27 years of Chorley, left a wife and two children

Three of those injured must have died as the official total is given as 36 deaths

Thomas Banks was at the bottom of the shaft when the blast occurred. He had two children in the pit and found Robert about 200 yards in the pit, alive and able to crawl to safety. His father left him to find Thomas. All three lost their lives to the afterdamp. The inquest was held at the Wheatsheaf public house, when the cause of the accident was put down to Thomas Gregson entering a place where he had been forbidden to go and the gas ignited by a candle.

This year marks 170 years since the "great" Coppull mining disaster of 1852. Thirty Six men and boys from Coppull and Chorley died in the disaster at Coppull Colliery. This follows on from the disaster of 1846 which killed eight, including women and children at Burgh Colliery. Many more miners have died underground in Coppull to bring out the coal.

Thanks to Paul Gaskell for submitting this information, taken from the Northern Mine Research Society.



LOOK AFTER OUR HEDGEHOGS!

Hedgehog numbers are on the decline. 80% of the UK is now uninhabited by the beloved woodland creatures. They need as much help as possible to survive. The prickly mammal is increasingly moving to urban areas which now act as refuges for them, scientists say. Residential gardens potentially offer a number of advantages for hedgehogs, enabling them to escape some of the problems associated with the rural landscape. It is a management has reduced suitable habitat



How can residents help?

By creating a “hedgehog highway” - putting a 5” gap in your fence so that hedgehogs can move freely about and forage for food. Put water out for them in a shallow dish, but cover all ponds, etc. where they could gain access and drown.

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Friday 16 th September 9:30am – 12pm - A Taste of Spain with Lancashire Adult Learning - Booking Essential

Friday 30 th September and Saturday 1 st October (times vary) - Fun Palace – a chance for all the family to try lots of new, fun activities brought to you by your local community -Some activities may require booking

Friday 11 th November 9:30am – 12pm - Make Your Own Self-care Pamper Hamper with Lancashire Adult Learning - Booking Essential

Saturday 26 th November 11am – 12pm - Lancashire poet and author Dean Fraser will be reading from his Lancashire Poems to help us celebrate Lancashire Day - Please book your place

Saturday 3 rd December 9:30am – 12pm - Christmas Fair - If you would like to book a stall please contact the library - Come along and start your Christmas shopping early!



We are holding a Fun Palace HERE between 30 Sept and 2 Oct

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To find out more and get involved, search 'Fun Palaces' on the Lancashire Libraries website or scan this QR



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More details to follow.

The Friends of Coppull Library (FOCL) are open to anyone who wants to get involved and support their local library!

We're always on the lookout for volunteers to help run library events.

Whether it's setting up or making tea and coffee, there's lots you can do to help. For more information, get in touch!

📍 Pop into the library

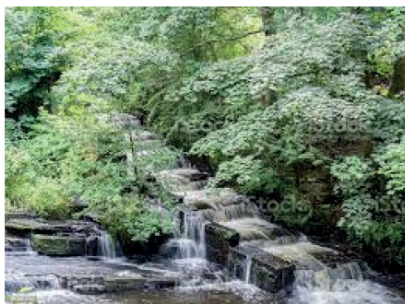
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- Springfield Park Leisure Centre
- Coppull British Legion
- Coppull Primary School, Park Road
- Coppull Parish School, Roe Hey Drive
- St. John's School, Preston Road
- St. Oswald's Primary School, Spendmore Lane
- Coppull Clinic, Springfield Road
- Coppull Conservative Club (public), Spendmore Lane
- Coppull United Football Club, Springfield Road
- Tree Face Cafe, Yarrow Valley Park (just out of Coppull)
- If you know of any other locations in or around Coppull, please inform the Clerk to update the list.

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Coppull Parish Council meetings are now being held face to face at the Leisure Centre on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, with Management & Finance committees meetings now meeting as and when necessary.

The two notice boards are - Berry's Garden, Chapel Lane, near The Printers Arms, and in front of the Library. There is also a new smaller notice board at the entrance to the Leisure Centre. Agendas are posted in all the notice boards, in the Leisure Centre and also on the Parish Council website.

Please contact the Clerk if you wish to attend a meeting, as there is very limited room.

Do you want to advertise in this newsletter?

This newsletter is hand delivered to every household in the village. It costs from only £25 for a credit card size advert and it has a circulation of over 3,000 — great value for money! Please contact the Clerk to place an advert or to obtain costs for larger adverts. Sizes may vary dependent upon artwork supplied and available space.

Additional copies of this newsletter can be obtained through the Clerk at Springfield Park Leisure Centre, through the website, or by email: coppullparishcouncil@gmail.com

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