



Hilldale  
Community  
Association

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# Hilldale Village Newsletter

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## Dates to remember

# Hilldale Fair

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**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

The Parade starts at 1:30 – Hilldale Village Field.

Dog show, stalls, rides, cream teas, BBQ, raffle, tombola, competitions, Marching Band, Morris Dancers, Donkeys & Bungee.

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**Come along for a great afternoon at Hilldale Village Hall & Field,  
followed by the “Party after the Fair”**

**The Hilldale Coffee Morning.** The last Saturday of each month is when we have the Coffee Morning in the Village Hall. Gary makes his superb bacon and sausage butties. Sit and enjoy them in the Hall and have a chat or take them away. The ingredients for the butties are all sourced locally and the cakes are all homemade.

The next Coffee Morning is **26<sup>th</sup> April** from 10.30 until 12.30. If this is not one of your regular diary entries - do come along.

**Please contribute prizes for the Tombola and Raffle at the Hilldale Fair.** We'll have a table at the Coffee Morning - every little helps, as they say, and we have always been grateful for the interesting and desirable prizes which have been contributed.

**Musical Evenings 2014:**

17th May - “**Party after the Fair**” with Darren Poyzer & Kevin Farrell aka Incredible Planet.

13<sup>th</sup> September – “**From Hilldale to Passchendaele**”, a commemoration of the start of WW1 with Darren Poyzer: music and stories and archived film

18<sup>th</sup> October – an evening of songs and stories with **Nick Hennessey**

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas theme, songs and carols with **The Deeside Singers**

Bring your own nibbles and refreshments

Tickets for the Musical Evenings cost £7.50 each and are on sale now.

Contact any member of the committee or call 07778742070

**Our website**

Have a look at our website: [www.this-is-hilldale.btck.co.uk](http://www.this-is-hilldale.btck.co.uk).

The website now includes a gallery of photos from Hilldale in days gone by, Musical Evenings and recent Hilldale Fair days.

The website also details of the forthcoming events, past newsletters and links to local organisations. Let us know what else you would like to have in the website and we'll see what we can do about it.

We would really like to expand the list of Rose Queens so if you can help, please either call one of the committee or send us a message through the website.

And, if you have any photos you think would be of interest to our Community or to the wider world, then let us know.

**The Wish List projects**

Here is the latest update on the projects requested on the Wish List created at the 2013 Hilldale Fair.

<b>Wish request</b>	<b>Status</b>
Bike racks.	Will be installed by the Parish Council
Extra litter bins.	Will be installed by the Parish Council
Dog tie posts.	Will be installed by the Parish Council
Additional holder for dog poop bags.	Will be installed by the Parish Council
Musical events.	These are now a regular and successful feature of our calendar
Children's artwork on the walls of the Village Hall.	With the Parish Council for consideration.
Pictures of old Hilldale, the hall & field then and now displayed.	We will have a selection on display in the Village Hall in time for the Fair.

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Bingo / race nights.	These cannot be held in the Village Hall
Improvements to the Play Area.	We need about another £6,000 to provide a rubberised base for the large activity frame and rotating pole so the search for funds continues.

We will have another **Wish Tree** at the Fair on 17<sup>th</sup> May, so come prepared with your ideas.

### **Our Constitution**

We continue in discussions with the Charity Commissioners about a proposed change to our constitution which we hope will make it more flexible. It is available on the website and if you have any views about it please contact a committee member.

When we have agreed a version, then we will present it to the residents of Hilldale for discussion and, hopefully, approval.

### **Parish Council**

The Parish Council's programme of meetings is published on the Village Notice Boards. The Councillors welcome anyone who attends either to listen or contribute. There is an Open Forum at the beginning of each meeting and your opportunity to have a say about any village related topic is then.

### **Bulk energy purchase**

Did you register with [www.peoplepower.co.uk](http://www.peoplepower.co.uk) for the last energy price auction? The registration process is free and doesn't commit you to anything but could save you money on energy – the more people who register the more leverage there is to get good prices.

### **Please help to keep our Village Playing Field Clean**

It's never a pleasant subject but children play on the Playing Field and it is the responsibility of ALL dog owners and their handlers to pick up after their dogs. Dog poo is a health hazard. It's also really unpleasant to have to clean dog poo from shoes and clothing. The Parish Council provides a dispenser with strong bags - so use them.

It's also an offence not to pick up after your dog on any pavement or grass verge.

***For the good of the whole community, pick up after your dog.***

### **Vehicle speed in the Village**

You may have noticed that twice in the last couple of months there has been a Lancashire Partnership for Road Safety mobile camera van on Chorley Rd. The Parish Council has been instrumental in persuading the Police and County Council

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to recognise that Hilldale has a speeding problem. For more information, go to: [http://www.safe2travel.co.uk/more\\_info.asp?current\\_id=89](http://www.safe2travel.co.uk/more_info.asp?current_id=89).

### **Stop Press - Grants**

We have been advised that we have been awarded a grant of £200 from the Villages in Partnership Fund to help with the costs of our WW1 event on 13<sup>th</sup> September.

### **List of Tradesmen and Women**

It has been suggested that a list of local tradesmen and women would be useful. We would like to post a list on the website and keep it up to date – all it needs is your input. We will only add a name to the list if you ask us to – send a message using the contact page on the website or contact a committee member.

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### **Want to promote your business locally?**

If you would like to **advertise** in the Hilldale Community Association Newsletter, which is distributed to 300 homes in Hilldale and delivered 4 times a year, then visit our website [www.this-is-hilldale.btck.co.uk/](http://www.this-is-hilldale.btck.co.uk/) and leave a message. We are limited as to the amount of space we can allocate to advertising therefore space will be sold on a first come first served basis.

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