

# Reeds Well



**Whitsome's Newsletter**  
*May 2025*

## Whitsome Enhancement Group

Thanks to everyone who came along to the Table Top and Car Boot sale on 23 March. It was an enjoyable day and £602.50p was raised. Special thanks to those who helped out on the day, those who did the fantastic baking and for the many items donated for the sale.

WEG intend to hold the Plant Sale on **Sunday 1 June 10.30am - 1.30pm**. This is our main source of income, so come along and give us your support. Also, a reminder if you have any plants, or are splitting any perennials that you wish to donate for the Plant Sale please let us know. We will arrange collection if necessary.

There are lots of events planned in Whitsome throughout the year, so look out for updates on [www.whitsome.scot](http://www.whitsome.scot) and facebook.

Finally, thanks to the generous donations through fundraising over the last year we now have sufficient funds to purchase the replacement mower.

If you have any suggestions or want to know anything about WEG, please speak to me, or any member of the group or send an e mail to [chair@whitsome.scot](mailto:chair@whitsome.scot)

In the meantime, enjoy the Summer!

Anne Taylor- Clark

Chair WEG  
(On behalf of the WEG team)

## Shop news

We can never compete with the big supermarkets for range but we can save you a journey that costs time and money for essential items you need quickly so do come and check us out.

Improvements are afoot. In fact some are already in place. The shop layout has been improved to allow us to better display the goods we have and to create room for more lines. Drop in and take a look some time.

## Other improvements and additions

We can now take card payments for the shop, although cash is still preferred.

Giacopazzi's ice cream should be on sale in the next week or so.

We will hopefully have a machine to produce good takeaway coffee in the near future.

You can order any of the Fords bakery products from us. Just let us know in good time.

We have a much larger freezer and so more items are available.

## Your opinion matters to us!

We are conducting a survey to gather your thoughts and suggestions about the Whitsome Community Shop.

Your feedback will really help us to know what you want and need from your local shop. We would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey. You can do this in a number of ways:

- by completing the enclosed form and returning it to the shop
- by scanning the QR code below

The survey will be open until the end of May, so we look forward to hearing from you in the next few weeks. Your input is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.



**WHITSOME ENHANCEMENT  
GROUP**



**SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE**

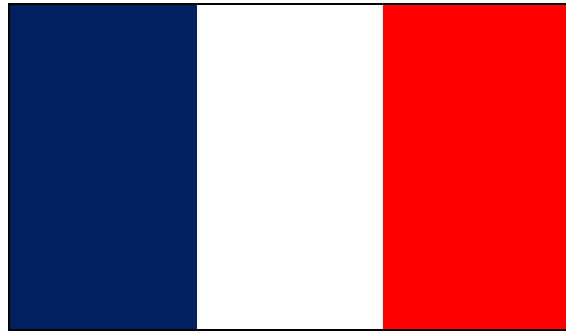
**10.30 – 1.30**

**and free entry!**

**PLANTS & SHRUBS - BACON ROLLS  
HOME BAKING!**

**WHITSOME Ark TD11 3NA**

Scottish Charity: Whitsome Enhancement Group SC021104



## **Fête Française!**

**You are invited to Whitsome's Summer  
Party!**

**Come along on Saturday 12 July at 5pm  
Bring Your Own Bottle**

**Come suitably dressed, with a French  
theme, and you may win a prize!**

**Try your hand at Boules or Croquet  
Fun and games for all ages  
Songs and chat with neighbours**

**Two Course Supper**

**Adults £12.50 per person  
Children under 12 yrs £6**

## Community Council

### Road Safety

We finally have the speed indicator signs (pointing the correct way) and markings on approach to the village.

Hopefully these will help to reduce some of the speeding through the village. There are always some drivers who will ignore all signs, so the plan is to increase speed checking in the near future.

### Potholes

If you do come across any potholes, or other road issues please do report them to SBC and the Community Council. The more voices heard the quicker things get sorted.

### Hall News

**Whitsome Ark** is our community hub. Keep up to date with everything going on at [www.whitsome.scot](http://www.whitsome.scot)

If you are new to the community, welcome, pop along to our regular **Coffee and Scones** morning on the second Tuesday of each month. It's informal, friendly and a great way to find out who's here and what's happening.

### Coming up

Beetle Drive. Sunday May 11th 2pm - a bit of fun for all the family

50 Club - new season, forms in paper copy Reeds Well or enquire at the shop

French event. Saturday July 12th - ticket invite enclosed

### What's your news?

If you've got a story to share relating to Whitsome let us know. Items for inclusion in Reeds Well will be most welcome and if possible will be included in the next issue.

All contributions should be addressed to:-

[reedswellwhitsome@gmail.com](mailto:reedswellwhitsome@gmail.com) or call June on 01890870256 (the current compiler).

We aim to publish 4 times a year in February, May, August and November. Entries may be edited if space is tight and must be received by the last day of January, April, July or October.

## Dates for Your Diary

Scones & Coffee 13 May, 10 June, 8 July 10.15am-11.30am Ark  
5 May Whitsome Enhancement Group Meeting 2.30pm in Ark  
5 May Whitsome Village Hall SCIO Meeting 7pm in Ark  
11 May Beetle Drive in Ark  
19 May Community Council Meeting 7pm Allanton Village Hall  
1 June WEG Plant Sale  
2 June Whitsome Enhancement Group Meeting 2.30pm in Ark  
16 June Community Council Meeting 7pm in Ark  
17 June Shop Improvements meeting 7pm in Ark  
12 July French Event 5pm in and around Ark

To book the Ark call our Booking Secretary Bill Wilson on 07485109944 or email:  
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