



# Middlewich Clean Team Newsletter

Summer 2013

## 10th Birthday party for the Clean Team

Members of the Clean Team were joined by community leaders, local businesspeople, quite a number of Cubs and our local MP at the Football Club on Finneys Lane on Friday 5th April when they celebrated an incredible 10 years of Clean Team activity in Middlewich.

It was a 'Bring and Share' supper, there was a fabulous cake and entertainment was provided—at no charge—by Andy Roscoe, Dave Thompson, Fred & Craig Moores and the Clean Team's Vice Chairman, Stephen Dent.

A very good time was had by all. Here's to the next 10 years!



## Teeth found during litter pick



Litterpicking with the Clean Team is never boring! Apart from it being a pleasant walk with a purpose and a chance to catch up with friends—or make new ones—you just never know what you might find. On a particularly notable litterpick in February, members were surprised to find a full set (top and bottom) of false teeth. They were in

perfect condition but have not been claimed despite newspaper coverage! A Blackberry phone was also found on this same litterpick but the owner of this was located and came from Bolton to reclaim this valuable item.

(Photo courtesy of Middlewich Guardian)

## Pubwatch and Clean Team join forces to stub out litter

The Clean Team are working closely with JTI, CPRE and Mrs Liz McGuinness of Middlewich Pubwatch to site cigarette stub bins outside public houses in the town in an attempt to cut down on the amount of litter caused by cigarette smokers. Approximately 5 tonnes of smoking-related litter—cigarette butts, matchstick and packets—are dropped every day in the UK.

## Litter Pick Dates

**Saturday 18th May**, 2.00pm. Meet Big Lock car park

**Monday 27th May**, 2.00pm. Meet Tesco car park

**Saturday 8th June**, 2.00pm. Kings Lock car park

**Monday 24th June**, 2.00pm. Turnpike car park

**Saturday 13th July**, 2.00pm. Centurion Way—meet Total People car park

**Monday 22nd July**, 2.00pm. Town Bridge—meet Sea Bank Car Park

## Community Planting

Yet again, the Clean Team will be organising this popular community event in June. Hundreds of plants will be put in the borders in the churchyard of St Michael and All Angels in the town centre. This will be followed by refreshments in the church provided by the Mothers Union.

**The date this year is:**

**Tuesday 4th June**

**Meet in the churchyard at 6.30pm**

**Sponsored by Tesco—Everyone welcome**

## Nursery visits by the Clean Team

Clean Team members Hilary Jones and Carol Eccles visited several nurseries in Middlewich earlier this year to encourage young children to help to keep their town tidy and to have pride in their town. The children sing a song about the importance of putting litter in a bin and then are given the chance to try litter picking for themselves using junior crocodile litter pickers. This is an annual event that is very well received.

## Easy Fundraising

An easy way to raise funds for the Clean team is to use [www.easyfundraising.co.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.co.uk). You will need to register with the website then, whenever you're shopping online, click on the special tool bar and a donation will automatically be made to the Clean Team. **It's very easy to do and costs members nothing at all.**

## Tesco supports the Clean Team

Tesco Store Manager, David Moss, presented Clean Team representatives with a cheque for £500 at the store on 28th January.

This very welcome donation will be used to fund the community planting in May and the bulb planting later in the year.



## Middlewich FAB Festival

**As always, Middlewich Clean Team will be out and about litter-picking at the Folk & Boat Festival. This year it will be held from Friday 14th to Sunday 16th June. If you can spare an hour—or more—during the weekend, your help will be very much appreciated.**

**You can get in touch by phone—01606 836263 or text—07974 952177  
or visit the Clean Team website- [www.middlewichcleanteam.co.uk](http://www.middlewichcleanteam.co.uk)**