

The 2010s



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 Alan Hulme Michael Webb
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 Walter Thomas Keith Calvert
 Ken Mitchell
 The Farmers Arms
 The Acoustic Lounge
 The Workmen's Club



Above, left and right - 2012 Poynton's Shared Space Scheme almost completed



Christmas Fest - 2012



2018



Poynton Show - 2018



Brecon Park - 2014



Remembrance Parade - 2018



School Lane - 2015

Waitrose under construction - 2012



2012



2013



Flooding on Park Lane 2019



Garage and Brookfield Cinema demolished, Aldi built - 2015



Civic Hall entrance refurbishment and Heritage Garden



2015



2015



2018



2017

Poynton Rocks - 2018



2019

Farmers Arms refurbishment - 2014



Before



During



After



The Acoustic Lounge - 2017



ANSON ENGINE MUSEUM



Scale Model of Poynton c.1900 unveiled - The Anson Engine Museum



Fountain Place crossroads c.1900



SEE THIS AMAZING SCALE MODEL YOURSELF (AND MUCH MORE!)

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This Place Poynton

Find out more about the history of Poynton

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The School (now The Centre)

1910-9



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Postcard of School and Park Lane, Harold Banks

NEW SCHOOL AT POYNTON.

OLD BUILDING CLEARED OF RATS.
Cheshire Education Committee have received permission from the Board of Education to erect a new school at Poynton, near Macclesfield, to replace the present Poynton Council School. This announcement was made at the meeting of the committee at Crewe on Monday, when the Director of Education (Mr. F. F. Potter) said that the school was no longer troubled by rats. They had succeeded in their efforts in clearing the building of this class of vermin. The committee agreed to re-engage the County Council's rat catcher for a period of twelve months at a fee of £4.
A member asked if there were any means of preventing this sort of thing.
Mr. Potter pointed out that the Education Committee received, in common with other authorities, the notorious black list of schools some years ago. The list for Cheshire was extremely short. Since then practically all the schools mentioned in the list had either been replaced or improved. The Poynton School was 100 years old, but was still in fair condition.

Above - 5.5.1934 Crewe Chronicle

Poynton Folk Centre re-opens on Saturday, 3rd September with a reunion of the Lord Vernon's School pupils at midday and a barbecue at 3 o'clock with bar and extension. The evening entertainment starts at 8 p.m. with two sets of artists 'Artisan' (close harmony group)

1.9.1988 Macclesfield Express

POYNTON FOLK CLUB

Offers a great midweek night out
EVERY THURSDAY (50p)

HOE DOWN AND FOLK SONG

Free Membership
THE FOLK CENTRE
Park Lane, Poynton, Cheshire

28.2.1981 - Stockport Advertiser & Guardian

Advert from St George's Church Centenary Booklet, 1971

THE CENTRE DRAMA GROUP

SOCIAL CENTRE - PARK LANE - POYNTON
We are an entirely new Amateur Dramatic Society, whose aim is to provide the best in entertainment for the Theatregoers of Poynton and district, and incidentally to have ourselves a lot of fun in the process. We feel that more and more people today are tiring of the passive type of entertainment and are turning to the "live" theatre. There can be no doubt that in Amateur Dramatics there is an involvement that many people seek. Whether as an actor, back stage staff, or that most essential of ingredients, THE AUDIENCE, one quickly feels part of an exciting happening.
We hope you will come along in any of these roles to which you feel most suited.
Our meetings are on Mondays and Thursdays at the Centre at 7.45 p.m.
Our very first production will be the comedy "ON MONDAY NEXT" by Philip King. This play is a little different from the ordinary and we are confident that you will enjoy seeing it as much as we are enjoying rehearsals.
The dates for your Diary are May 5th/6th.
We are looking forward to making your acquaintance with great pleasure.

POYNTON GREEN SUNDAY SCHOOL.—On Saturday, the annual summer meeting of the Poynton Green Sunday School was held, when over 200 scholars and teachers were present. Leaving the schools at 2.30 p.m. headed by the band of the 4th C.R.V., they marched to the Poynton Park, where tea was provided, and prizes were given for athletic exercises, running, jumping, &c. Selections were given by the band during the afternoon, and the proceedings were brought to a close about 8 p.m. Every thing passed off in a most satisfactory manner and the vicar and teachers deserve congratulation on the success of the arrangements

6.8.1883 - Manchester Evening News

EVENING CLASSES.—Evening classes for males have been opened this week at Lord Vernon's Schools, Poynton Green. The teachers are giving their services; a charge of 3d. per week is made, but if the members make 30 attendances out of the 39 times the school will be open during the session their money will be returned. The Rev. M. Wild superintends the classes twice in the week, and Mr. F. Lucas once.

23.9.1875 - Hyde and Glossop Weekly News & North Cheshire Herald

POYNTON GREEN SCHOOLS: FINES.

To the Editor.

not. We have at present an imposition that is as unbearable as it is unlawful, and shamefully unjust. I cannot find out that other Parish school managers carry on in this high-handed manner by imposing fines upon parents of children just to suit their own ambitious tastes and designs, and the time has come when the parents of children that attend P. G. S. must join together, and say it shall not be continued here. Now, sir, if we wish to keep a child at home for one day only, and ask permission to do so, we are refused our request, however important it may be to us. If we keep them at home for one day we have a fine put upon us, which is expected to be paid at the time the child pays his or her weekly school fee. If we don't send the fine the receiver of the fees coolly takes the pence and then tells the child he or she, as the case may be, must go back, and when they come again bring the fine, so that if we don't send it we have to pay for the teaching they don't get. Now, sir, we may enquire how long shall we suffer this shameful wrong. Shall we Poyntonians still let them forge the galling chains of thralldom around our necks tighter and tighter until in a short time it will be impossible to break the links from off us? I say the time has come when we must unite and put down, with a firm hand and voice, this servile dictatorial action, and certain it is that if we don't stand firm together as a working class we shall soon see the black coats taking ninpence out of every shilling the poor man earns: and it would appear that the saving

Home-made. — Members of Poynton, Cheshire social centre have built their own outdoor bandstand from salvaged material.

15.6.1949 Manchester Evening News

Below The old primary school in Park Lane was endowed by Lady Vernon - a considerable village benefactor - in 1838. Today, it is generally known as Poynton Social Centre and must be one of the liveliest and best-run organizations of its type in the country. Open seven days a week from nine in the morning till midnight, it caters for adults and youngsters alike and fairly hums with life, seeing as many as fourteen hundred users cross its threshold every week. It was voted the number one Folk Club in the U.K. in a poll organised by a well known music magazine about two years ago but, in addition, it provides three full-sized snooker tables and runs play groups, badminton morning noon and night, ballet, ballroom dancing, and band practices for groups who come from miles around. It also runs a ceilidh band, and holds one of the best-attended and best behaved youngsters' discos in the North each Friday evening. About three hundred turn up every week yet there's virtually never any trouble.

Ian Price drawing and words. Feb 1980 - Cheshire Life
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THE CENTRE (Youth and Community)



From St George's Church Centenary Booklet, 1971

OPENED 1830

PARK LANE, POYNTON, CHESHIRE Telephone: POYnton 5555

- ART GROUPS: Gordon Leach (Monday), Harry Keedy (Friday)
- ARTS AND CRAFTS: Mrs. M. A. Jones
- BADMINTON: Peter Bowers (Monday), Frank Hadfield (Wednesday)
- BALLET: Joan Ward
- BILLIARDS, SNOOKER, etc.: CHESS, DRAUGHTS, etc.
- COFFEE BAR: Mrs. Barn
- COUNTRY STYLE CLUB: Mr. E. Brock
- CRUSADERS UNION: (Boys) Dr. John Ryley, (Girls) Mrs. Greta Alston
- CHRISTADELPHIANS: John Allen (Superintendent), David Heath (Youth Club)
- DRAMA: Doreen Marsh
- 18-PLUS GROUP: Adrian Seddon
- FENCING CLUB: Brian Coups
- FOOTBALL: John Vermaulen
- FOLK CLUB: Mr. E. Brock
- GARDENING CLUB: Bryn Nisar
- H.S.A. PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB: Miss Taylor
- JUDO: Witt Swindells and Vic Sudlow
- MOTORING CLUB
- OUTDOOR FELLOWSHIP (Camps, Pioneering, etc.): Cyril Booth
- OVER 60's CLUB: Tom Southworth
- PANTOMIME: Iris Fleming
- PHILATELIC SOCIETY: Charles Harvey
- PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB: Graeme Patterson
- PRE-SCHOOL PLAY GROUP: Mrs. Heather Bohan
- POTTERY MAKING: Mrs. Sumerville
- POYNTON SHOW: Les Harrison
- SLEDDING SESSIONS: STAGE: Roy Boardman
- SOCIAL CIRCLE: Mrs. Farmer
- TABLE TENNIS: TOMOLA SOCIALS
- WEIGHT TRAINING: Arthur Fawcett, Harold Stafford
- WESTLING YOUTH THEATRE: Mike Burtenshaw
- YOUTH SERVICE: Mr. and Mrs. E. Brock

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY AT THE CENTRE - AT A PRICE (2½p Children, Adults around 5p or 10p per meeting) ALWAYS A WELCOME AT THE SOCIAL CENTRE



'Girls at Lord Vernon's School - 1931 Postcard from Harold Banks

AMATEUR ENTERTAINMENT.— On Saturday evening an entertainment designated as above, was given by several ladies and gentlemen of Poynton and neighbourhood, in Lord Vernon's schools, K. Christy, Esq. (Poynton Towers), presiding. It is needless to say that entertainments of this class in Poynton are few, and are consequently well patronised, but it is to be hoped that this will not be the last, and that the inhabitants of the village and neighbourhood may find out that they are possessed of many talented ladies and gentlemen.

26.2.1876 - Herald & Glossop Weekly News & The North Cheshire Herald

The Workmen's Club

1971 article

POYNTON WORKMEN'S CLUB

Poynton Workmen's Club was created during the year 1865, when Fanny A. Lawrence, a member of the Vernon family paid £400 to Baron Vernon to be used for the creation of a village hall or club for the workmen of Poynton Collieries, of which he was the owner. The money was invested in Stockport Corporation and administered by four Trustees, Baron Vernon, Capt. A. H. Anson, Dr. Henry Wise, Rev. Thomas Bridge.

It was found that the money provided was insufficient to build a village hall, club or public baths. In 1919 the late Lord Vernon, owner of the Poynton Collieries, presented to the workman a building previously used as a miniature rifle range, and suggested that they should use the money from the Trust Fund, now £1,100, to build a billiard room. The club was formally opened on September 8th, 1920, by Lord Vernon himself. When the accounts were presented for the new building the fund was £250 short, this sum was paid by His Lordship.

During 1935 the committee purchased land belonging to Lord Vernon which was previously used as Poynton School Gardens, and further land from Mrs. D. Butterworth to make a bowling green, and this was opened by Lord Vernon.

When Poynton Collieries ceased to exist the Committee bought their old office building and converted it into two flats and a Committee room.

In 1969 the club was modernised and was opened on February 19th 1970 by Mr. S. Bootland, Chairman of Macclesfield Rural District Council. During 1970 it was decided to admit ladies as members, and also to open the club on Sundays.

The total membership of the club is now 676 men and 294 women. The club has had the following as Secretary:

1920-1925 Mr. George Langston.

1925-1928 Mr. John H. Langston.

From 1928 Mr. Arthur Booth, who is the present Secretary.



Workmen's Club Trip - 1950s Photo from Alan Hulme



2014

Lord Vernon's Rifle Club

SHOOTING.

MACCLESFIELD RIFLE CLUB'S SUCCESS.

AN EAST CHESHIRE VICTORY.

A few weeks ago, the East Cheshire Miniature Rifle Association, consisting of clubs in this district, was formed, with Dr. Wise, of Poynton, as chairman, and on Saturday week the first annual shoot took place on the Vernon Rifle Club's Range, Poynton. It resulted in a victory for the Macclesfield Rifle Club by a majority of 15 points. The local team therefore gained the handsome certificate to be held for one year, and each member will receive a silver medal in commemoration of the very creditable event. Mr. Holland, the captain of the Macclesfield team, deserves special mention for his remarkable shooting. He scored 99 points at 25yds., and 98 at 50yds. out of a possible 100 in each case. Mr. Holland was the winner of another handsome medal for the highest aggregate of the day. The following were the scores of the local competitors:—

	25 Yds.	50 Yds.
W. Holland (captain)	99	98
W. Lomas	97	92
J. Skinner	95	92
A. Sheldon	92	91
H. Gee	90	85
R. C. Ford	85	85
	558	543

The Vernon (Poynton) R.C. were second with 1,086 points; Lyonn R.C. third with 1,080, and Post Shrigley R.C. fourth with 1,011.

30.9.1911 Macclesfield Courier and Herald

Above - Article about the Club - 1971 St George's Church Centenary booklet

WORKING MEN'S CLUB AND INSTITUTE.—A potato pie supper promoted by the committee of the above was held in the large room on Saturday evening last. There was a good number of members and friends present, and a star supper had been partaken of the evening was spent in a sociable manner.

3.11.1922 Alderley & Wilmslow Advertiser

BILLIARDS AND WHIST.

A billiards and whist match between representatives of the Working Men's Club and Institute and Hazel Grove Liberal Club was played at Poynton on Saturday evening last. Hazel Grove winning by 191 points at billiards, and Poynton at which by 40 points. The

21.12.1923 Alderley & Wilmslow Advertiser



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1957 letterhead, Alan Hulme



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Poynton Show Colouring

