

BRICKENDON

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*Please note, there will be no separate JULY Newsletter.
This newsletter covers all events in July as well as June!*

Summer Barbecue

**on Brickendon Green SATURDAY 23RD JUNE from 6pm
Adults £7 (£4 children aged ten and under)**

What better way to spend a balmy summer's evening than on the Green with family and neighbours, enjoying the foot tapping music of our old favourites THE MELODY MAKERS, while eating mouth watering foods from the barbecue enhanced by a range of delectable salads and followed by a choice of delicious home made desserts. Bring your own tittle and glasses – and folding chairs if you have them! There'll be a raffle, too, of course.

We REALLY do need to know if YOU are coming by 15th June AND have your money so that we can order the right amount of food. It is not fair on the organisers and creates extra hassle to leave it until a day or two before. We also need to know if you require vegetarian food.

Please book with Mike King at 3 Lower Hacketts, Brickendon Lane tel: 01992 511405

*We will be erecting our new gazebo at 3pm and need at least 8 men to help - could you spare 1/2 hour?
If you'd be willing to make a dessert or salad then Beryl would like to hear from you tel: 01992 511617
And if you can give a hand with the barbecue please let Brian know on 01992 479315*

Welcome to Brickendon Liberty!

If you've recently moved into the parish, you will be particularly welcome to come along to Fanshaws Room (the village hall) on Brickendon Green on **Wednesday 18th July at 8pm**

and, over a glass of wine and a nibble, informally socialise with your neighbours and meet your local Councillors. Make a note in your diary now and please do come along even for half an hour!

This is a once a year event organised by Fanshaws Committee especially to welcome newcomers and introduce them to members of the various activities which take place in the Parish.

We hope that as many residents as possible will come along even if they're not new to the Parish!

But we have to be honest, we also hope you'll maybe agree to look after a game or help out in some small way with the forthcoming Fete on 2nd September.

'P's & Q's July fund raising evening

Friday 13th July 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Pizza and general knowledge Quiz is what it's all about – a fun evening to raise funds for our Chapel in Brickendon Lane. Put together a table for 6 and win our fabulous prizes. There's a raffle as well!

Jerry Gay is the quiz master; the pizza will be served at half time; bring your own tittle. Tickets at £10 each are bookable in advance from

Jerry on 01992 465304 or Margaret on 01992 511302

BUTTERFLIES OF BROXBOURNE WOOD

Thursday 28th June 10-12noon

A guided walk through the rides and glades looking for and identifying butterflies. Booking essential.

Call CMS on 01462 459395 to book and for details

ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Sunday 1st July 11am-4.30pm

at Fanshaws, The Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI)
(entrance just past Bayford Station)

Details: John Morrish 01992 511521

OUR NEW PARISH COUNCIL

Following the 'unveiling' on the Green of our new noticeboard with a map illustrating local rights of way together with charming sketches of local flora and fauna by Daphne Baxter (*duly witnessed as you may have seen by the Hertfordshire Mercury*) everyone repaired to the village hall to partake of a glass of wine, to say farewell to our old Parish Councillors and to welcome the new.

Our new Parish Councillors are: **Tim Barnard, Anne Downes, Graham Irwin, Leslie Kotting and John Lambie**. We were pleased to see members elected to represent Clementsbury and Wormley West End but were disappointed that Ann Reay failed by a hairsbreadth to represent the Mangrove Lane area. Nevertheless, all Councillors are concerned for the well being of the whole parish – not just their part of it.

The **Annual Parish Meeting** followed. It was a good turn out with about thirty people attending in all. Let's hope future meetings are as well attended.

Cllr Graham Irwin, outgoing chairman of the Parish Council gave the annual report for 2006/7, highlighting the near end of the 3 ½ year battle to remove the illegal fencing around Well Green Common much of which has now been removed; the partial success with Herts Highways in getting some lanes resurfaced and partly repaired; and the progress made by the Parish Plan working party. He thanked Fanshaws Social Committee for its tireless work and Mike King our Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator and Desne Boulton for masterminding all three successful *Village of the Year* entries.

He also commented on events over the last four years and how well members had worked together with no party politics involved. Several innovations had been introduced which it is hoped the new Council will take on board. During this period it is well to note that two or three members visited the site of well over 100 planning applications before commenting on them.

Cllr William Ashley, of course, is still our East Herts District Councillor and will continue to attend all meetings, as we hope will Cllr Mike Tucker (Herts County Council), PCSO Karen Broad and PC Neal Dyton. He also thanked John Ingham who has now been Clerk of Brickendon Liberty Parish Council for over thirty years.

Reports followed from officers of Fanshaws Room Social Committee. The committee was re-elected with Beryl Scott Smith as its new chairperson.

PCSO Karen Broad reported that a motor bike had been allocated to help curtail the activities of unauthorised bikers on footpaths. Such activity should be reported to the police who will do their best to take immediate action.

The Annual Parish Council meeting followed. Cllr Graham Irwin was elected chairman and Anne Downes vice-chairman.

A **lap top computer** has been bought for the use of the Parish with the aid of a grant acquired by the Parish Clerk to whom our thanks.

Planning decisions

No objections by Parish Council, & approved by EHDC

Westlea, Wormley West End rear conservatory.

Planning permission granted by EHDC

The Forge/The Lodge, Mangrove Lane Alterations & rear extensions. Access drive, parking & car port.

Planning permission refused by EHDC

Edgewood Farm, Broxbourne Common Retrospective application for entrance wall and gates.

Also retrospective application for proposed barn/storage.

Permitted Development

Woodlands, West End Road, Wormley Erection of hay barn. (not covered under the General Permitted Development order 1995 therefore full planning permission still required).

Appeal withdrawn

Tylers Cottage, Wormley West End 1st floor side extension over garage.

General

Proposed expansion of Stansted Airport

Public Inquiry into BAA appeal commenced 30 May 2007.

HCC Minerals Local Plan Review 2002-16

The above plan was adopted by HCC on 27.3.07. For details see www.hertsdirect.org

East Herts Local Plan 2nd Review

Adopted by EHDC on 18.4.2007

POTHoles AND DAMAGED ROADS

Please report potholes directly to the Highways fault reporting line on 01438 737320, make sure you are given a number and note the date you reported it. The editor reported one last week and it was repaired within the hour! So don't just moan – pick up the phone!

Please note, Parish Councillors are very willing to help if they can with a problem within the Parish. However, if it is a matter, maybe closer to your home and which YOU can resolve more quickly then it would be appreciated if you would do so, alerting a member to what you have done and any further action required.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

7.30pm on Thursday 26th July

Brickendon Liberty Parish Plan

We're now at least six months ahead of schedule and if all goes well, hope to be ready to proceed with its publication before the Autumn. We still need illustrations - photos and children's paintings or poetry etc.

There will be prizes for those used.

Brickendon Book Club

On 6th June members are off to see 'The Merchant of Venice' at the Globe theatre so on 7 June, after a glass of wine and a nibble and, no doubt, a few observations on the play, we will be discussing 'Vanishing Acts' by Jodi Picault. If you've read it why not join us? The books for July and August will be decided at that meeting. *For details of them give Sally Chandler a ring after the meeting on 01992 479315.*

PARTIALLY SIGHTED?

Would you like a copy of the newsletter twice as large as this one?

Phone Beryl on 511617

Focused Relaxation

- an hour of relaxation involving a mix of gentle stretching and breathing exercises and meditation.

Why not give it a try next Friday from 10-11?

'Tatty Bumpkin' fun classes for little 'uns!

'Tatty Bumpkin' is a bendy doll which forms the basis of classes for 18 months-5year olds and their mums. They include stories, gentle moves, music and interactive play. Chrissy has successfully run such classes elsewhere and if there is enough interest in Brickendon and surrounding area would run them in the village hall.

If you are interested please ring her on

01992 511495; email/web: chrissy@kalm-kids.co.uk

We need lots more photies!

Many thanks to those who have already sent in their photos. However, we need a lot more! Maybe you are all being modest and don't think yours are good enough.

Well, we'd like to see them, anyway. We want photos taken anywhere in Brickendon Liberty, of residents, its rural environment, flora and fauna etc. Anything from a wood walk to children on the swings. For use on our website, in the Parish Plan and hopefully on a Parish Calendar for 2008.

There'll be prizes for the best ones used.

Photos should be sent in the first instance to

Beryl Scott Smith, Hill Cottage, 30 Brickendon Green

Step into Celtic Times

There's so much the whole family can do, learn and have fun with at Celtic Harmony Camp – the re-creation of a Celtic settlement surrounded by ancient woodland and right on our doorstep off Brickendon Lane.

Open from 10am-5pm every Sunday – and every day during school holidays.

Join us on the evening of **22nd June** to celebrate

Coahmain Summer Solstice - with Celtic tales of adventure taking you back to the times of warrior heroes. On **15th & 22nd July** come along and **become an Iron Age Archaeologist**, uncovering ancient remains in a mock dig.

For full details of all activities and to book, telephone 01438 718543 or visit www.celticharmony.org

Brickendon Petanque/Boules Club

We now have excellent turn-outs on Sunday mornings (maybe it's due to the coffee, croissants and home-made cake supplied by the Farmers Boy) and on Tuesday evenings when we can now play for longer. Come along and have a go! *Matches* are played at home and away most Mondays. (We've yet to win one – but are getting nearer with each match!)

See the diary (back page) for playing dates

For further details see our

website: <http://www.brickendonboules.org.uk>

Or contact John Lambie on 01992 511551

Brickendon & District Gardening Club

On 13th June members will be visiting Neil Wilton's lovely garden at **the Farmstead in Brickendon Lane**. We were last there about three years ago, so it will be interesting to see how the shrubs have matured and particularly how the willow arch has progressed.

On 11th July, Jan and Peter Whittaker will be hosting members at Brook Farm, adjacent to Bayford station. Jan has worked hard over the last few years to transform a very difficult site into a lovely garden. Now she's ready to show it off!

Dare we mention the trip to Wisley – as Sunday approached all fingers were crossed. But it appears that Brickendon was somewhat wetter than Wisley. And although we had a damp visit – it was most enjoyable!

Further details of gardening club activities from

Secretary Vickey Jackson 01992 511303

Parish Walks

Graham Irwin will be leading our walk on **17th June** and **Peter Millman** has agreed to guide us on **15th July**.

Fingers crossed for two lovely sunny days!

See you all outside The Farmers Boy at 10.30am

TABLE TENNIS

We've room for more table tennis players (adults) – why not come along and have a go. We're in the village hall most Thursdays (see diary).

Further details from Marion Todd 511497

PARADISE WILDLIFE PARK

As well as its many ongoing attractions, from the amazing big cat families to a crazy golf course, a

Family barbecue is planned to take place on **20th June** from 6.30-10.30pm

(£12 adults, £8 children).

Don't miss the 'Beavers Family Fun weekend' on 21 & 22 July when we not only welcome you but a very special family of beavers to their new home in the park !

For further details of these and other events:

tel 01992 470 490; www.pwpark.com;

email: lynn@pwpark.com

Harp, Song and Fiddle

A packed house enjoyed yet another delightful evening with Margaret Knight raising £366 for the Chapel funds thanks to the generosity of Virginia and Richard Haryott who donated the wine and to Margaret Hills who donated the nibbles – aided by Jean Mullinger.

TENNIS COURTS

We've two excellent courts at the top of the road to Bayford station. Only £3 hour. Not fully used!

To book phone Annie or Mike on 01992 511304

Would you be interested if we were to get a group of regular players together, if so phone Beryl on 511617.

Sunday Services

Chapel of the Holy Cross & St Alban, Brickendon Lane

3 June & 1 July 11am Parish Communion

17 June & 15 July 11am Family Service

Rector: Rev Canon Pauline Higham 01707 875940

Services are usually held monthly on 1st & 3rd Sundays

Do you subscribe to *Hartford Hundred West Parish Magazine*, published monthly at 40p? It's full of

interesting local information. Details: Virginia 511575.

FANSHAWS ROOM (the village hall)

To hire the hall (£5 hour to residents; £6 hour to outsiders) or any equipment in it, please contact

Margaret Robertson on 01992 511582

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Archery Club at Celtic Harmony *Details 01438 718543*

Bayford Jazz Club every 4th Friday 8.15pm at Bayford Memorial Hall. *Details John Softly 511254*

Bayford Mother, Baby and Toddlers Group. Thursday mornings (term time only) 9.15-11.15am at Bayford Memorial Hall. *Details Jane 511306 or Katie 511400*

Brickendon Book Club 1st Thursday monthly

Details Sally Chandler 479315

Brickendon Petanque/Boules club 2nd & 4th Sunday

9.30am-12noon. 1st & 3rd Tuesday 5.30pm until dusk.

Details John Lambie 511551

Brickendon & District Gardening Club 2nd Wednesday

each month 7.45pm. *Details Vickey Jackson 511303*

Easy Bridge Hertford meets in the village hall.

Details Paul Quayle 01992 589660

Broxbourne Woods Conservation Society

Details John Lucas 446107 or Les Adkins 440507

Celtic Harmony Camp in Bourne Wood. *Details of open*

days and activities from Clare or Luca on 01438 718543

Clinton-Baker Pinetum. Bayfordbury *Details of working parties from Colin Metherill*

Countryside Management Services (CMS)

Details 01462 459395

Five-a-side football *Details Oliver Peters 511422*

Focused Relaxation Every Friday 10-11am.

Details Chrissy Stevens 511495

History Group *Details John Lucas 446107*

Parish Plan Preparing for the future of Brickendon

Liberty. *Details John Lambie 511551*

Parish Environmental Action Plan (PEAP) *Details*

Graham Irwin 511697

Table Tennis – Adults. *Most Thursdays 8-10pm Details*

Marion Todd 511497

Tennis Courts to book and for keys *contact Annie or*

Mike Wallis 511304 (or Beryl Scott Smith 511617 if Annie or Mike are unavailable)

Village Walk once a month around the environs of the

parish. *Details Beryl Scott Smith 511617*

Whist Drive 3rd Thursday every month 7.45pm

Details Jean Retallick 511226

Woodman Land Rover Owners Club meets 1st Monday

monthly at The Woodman pub, Wormley West End

Details Julian Kotting (julian@globallandroversf9.co.uk

Member of Parliament

Mark Prisk (Conservative) 01920 462182

Herts County Councillor

Mike Tucker (Conservative) 01920 464826

East Herts District Councillor

William Ashley (Conservative) 01992 511313

PARISH CONTACTS

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Parish Councillors

Chairman *Graham Irwin 511697*

Vice Chairman *Anne Downes 446700*

Tim Barnard 551077 Leslie Kotting 511410

John Lambie 511551

Fanshaws Room Social Committee

Chairman *Beryl Scott Smith 511617*

Secretary *Mike King 511405*

Treasurer *Simon Ross 666336*

William Ashley 511313; Brian Chandler 479315;

Mavis Cook 511424; Frank Harrison 511202;

Ruby Oakes 511656; Jean Retallick 511226;

Margaret Robertson 511582

POLICE

Emergency call 999

General non-emergency call 0845 3300222

Neighbourhood Watch Organiser

Mike King 511405

Police Community Liaison Officers

PC Neal Dyton 533013

PCSO Karen Broad 533013

DIARY DATES

JUNE

5 & 19	5.30-dark	Boules
10 & 24	9.30 – 12	“
7,14,28	8-10pm	Table Tennis
7	8pm	Book Club
8,15,22,29	10-11am	Focused Relaxation
12,26	1.45-2.15pm	Mobile Library visits
13	7.30pm	Gardening Club
16 & 17		Rose W'kend, Hatfield H'se
17	10.30	Village walk
21	7.45	Whist Drive
23	6.30pm	BBQ
28	10am-1pm	Butterflies

JULY

1	11-4.30pm	IMI Classic Car Show
3 & 17	5.30-dark	Boules/petanque
8 & 22	9.30-noon	“
5&12	8-10pm	Table Tennis
5	8pm	Book Club
6,13,20,27	10-11	Focused Relaxation
10 & 24	1.45-2.15pm	Mobile Library visits
11	7.30pm	Gardening Club
13	7.45pm	P's & Q's fund raising
15	10.30	Village walk
18	8pm	'Welcome' evening
19	7.45pm	Whist Drive
26	7.30pm	Parish Council
2 Sept	11.30-4pm	FETE

Please send information for August 2007 Newsletter by

23rd July to: Beryl Scott Smith, Editor, Hill Cottage,

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