



Brickendon Liberty Newsletter

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All generations celebrating VE Day during the lock down



Residents of Fanshaws Lane were among the many people who were determined to celebrate the end of WW2 while observing the restrictions of the lockdown ... and a very good time was had by all !!!



Planned events in the Parish:

It is with regret that the planned Summer Event on 19 June on Brickendon Green is unable to go ahead due to Covid 19 restrictions. We were also sorry to learn that Bayford Gardens Day, held in our adjoining parish, has been cancelled this year for the same reason.

Brickendon FETE and Dog-Show:

Although several attractions have already been booked we are at this moment unsure whether or not the Fete will go ahead. Current guidelines on Social Distancing make it unlikely but government plans to allow outside attractions to re-open give us hope so, for now, we are continuing to plan for a Fete on Sunday 6th September. Keep an eye on noticeboards for up-to-date information, a final decision is hoped for at the end of July.

LOCAL CLUBS AND SOCIETIES: Since March our regular clubs have not been meeting due to the restrictions of Covid 19. This does not mean they have gone away and I refer all readers to the following information which will enable you to make contact and get up-to-date information.

Book Club: (1st Tues) Beryl 01992 511617

Broxbourne Woods Area Conservation Society:

Secretary June Jenkins 01992 443404 or email junejenkins.uk@gmail.com

Friendly Club: (2pm on 3rd Mon) Beryl 01992 511617

Gardening Club: (2nd Wed) Chair – Linda Roberts 01992 422874 (l.roberts847@ntlworld.com)

Petanque/Boules at the Farmer's Boy: (Tues evenings, Thurs and Sun mornings) John Lambie 511551

Table Tennis: Marion Todd 01992 511497 (Tuesday evenings from September)

Whist Drive: (1.30pm on 3rd Thurs) Jean 01992 511226

Messages from our Clubs:

Brickendon and District Gardening Group: The gardening club committee have reluctantly come to the decision that due to Coronavirus, and the health of members, the club should be suspended for 2020. They hope they will be able to use the Programme for this year in 2021 and they will let you know when they can start meetings again. More info from: 01992 422874 (l.roberts847@ntlworld.com)

The Book Club: Since all has been on hold for three months now ... hopefully members will remember the book last read (*Those who are loved* by Victoria Hislop) well enough to discuss it ultimately and, meanwhile, will have used the time usefully and read their way through a host of new books to recommend at the next meeting hopefully to be held on **Tuesday 7th July**. We take it in turns to meet at each other's homes on the first Tuesday monthly and, over a glass of wine and a catch up on local news, discuss the book just read and possible future reads which we are usually able to order from Hertford's very helpful Arts Library at Welwyn Garden City. Further details from Beryl Matthews 01992 511617.

The Friendly Club: Being a truly very 'friendly' club we have tried to keep in touch with each other – mostly by phone but occasionally on a one to one basis – a not very friendly 2 metres away from each other. Many of us have very protective families, so keeping in touch over the last month or so has been by 'phone. We all miss the company of our Friends, Sue's mouth watering cakes, John's quizzes and a good laugh! Fingers crossed that we will be able to get together very soon - hopefully on **Monday 20th July**. If you are over 65 and look forward to company you may be interested in joining us, if so ring Beryl on 01992 511617.

The Brickendon Petanque Boules Club: BPBC is in lockdown and play can only resume once the Farmer's Boy is able to reopen. A Covid 19 risk assessment will be carried out to ascertain the safest way to resume play, always following Government guidelines and social distancing. We look forward to opening up again as soon as we can.

BL Parish Council

The PC meeting scheduled for 11 June had to be cancelled due to Covid 19 Government guidelines. The Chairman has nonetheless produced a report on matters arising, and ongoing issues, a copy of which is available on the Parish Council website.

Parking in Brickendon Village: it is very disappointing to report that there continues to be a significant incidence of inappropriate/illegal parking on and around the village green, despite the PC's best efforts to discourage this parking, those responsible remain resolute. Accordingly the Pc will be reviewing its next course of action and, if required, will consider erecting physical barriers to curtail parking, notwithstanding the inevitable expense this will entail.

Bayford CofE Primary School & Nursery

There are still a few vacancies left in the Nursery, starting in September. If you would like your little one to attend this highly successful school (Ofsted rated Good) please contact the Secretary on 01992 511259 to register

Clerk to the Governors at Bayford School wanted:

A vacancy has arisen for a Clerk to the Governors at our local primary school. This post requires someone able to attend two early evening meetings each half-term i.e. 12 meetings per year to take Minutes, additional duties include circulating the Agenda prior to meetings and dealing with correspondence. Expenses can be paid. Please contact the Chair to the Governors on 01992 511551 if you are interested.

Paradise is re-opening!

We are super excited to announce that we will be re-opening from **Saturday 20th June 2020** exclusively for members!

The team and animals have been missing you all here at Paradise and can't wait to welcome you back. Tickets for general visitors are available to book from **Saturday 27th June 2020**.

There are limited tickets available for each day and all tickets must be pre-booked online prior to visiting. If you are a member, you must book a 'free' ticket online to present on arrival with your valid membership card.

Unfortunately, if you do arrive at Paradise without a pre-booked ticket from our website, we are sorry to say that you will be denied entry on this occasion.

For our full statement on re-opening, please visit www.pwpark.com



*This is the 150th issue of the
'Brickendon Newsletter'
which first dropped through local
letterboxes on 1st November 1999
and, with few exceptions, monthly for
the next ten years and regularly from
then on.
A great achievement!*

Although things happened and many regular events took place before 1999 it was thought by many that *'Unless you are on Fanshaws Committee – you don't know what's going on!'*

Having had the experience of publishing a regular magazine for a London borough – Beryl Scott Smith thought what better use could she make of her 'retired life' than by producing a newsletter for Brickendon, and thereby alerting everyone to what was going on, when, and how they could get involved.

The PC thought it a good idea and agreed to finance it. The easy part was gathering info - more difficult was typing it out monthly, pasting pages together, printing it off on a machine in an insurance brokers in Cuffley, folding each copy and delivering different quantities to willing volunteers to put through each letterbox in the Parish every month. It was a great success - people now knew who to contact, what was going on and when, and it stimulated not only attendance at PC meetings but many regular new events, activities and clubs.

Beryl retired as editor after ten years – since when it has had three editors Nigel Rorke, Shira Daniels and, for the last seven years, current editor Brenda Lambie and, although now published quarterly, is quite impressive, professionally printed in colour and on glossy paper.

Long may it continue to stimulate and support activities in the Parish and provide help - when and where needed.

Chapel of the Holy Cross & St Alban

Rector: Revd. Theresa Musiwacho 01707 875940
Churchwarden: Gerry Gay 01992 465304

At the present time our Chapel is still locked due to Covid 19 limitations, however we are hopeful that before long these restrictions will be lifted meaning we can open the doors for private worship. As soon as that is possible we will put a sign outside the church to inform everyone.

During the closure our income is considerably less and it would be greatly appreciated if parishioners could support the church at this time by making a much appreciated donation. The address of our treasurer is: Mrs Eileen Gay, Blackbird Cottage, 6 Wormley West End, Broxbourne, Herts, EN10 7QJ or you can deliver your donation to: Richard Haryott, Wellpond Cottage, 50 Brickendon Lane.

Thank you for your support.

Cleaning Rota: Virginia Haryott would welcome more help in keeping our Chapel looking clean and tidy. You do not have to be a regular church goer and this would be no more than 3 times a year. Please call 01992 511575 or email wellpondharyott@gmail.com

To hire the Parish Hall in Brickendon: Call 01992 511551 (£7 p.h. residents; £10 p.h. non-residents)
Currently closed due to Covid 19 restrictions

To hire the Tennis Courts in Brickendon:
The Farmer's Boy PH 01992 511017 (£5 per hr)
Courts are open

Under 16 year olds living in the parish can play on Brickendon tennis courts free of charge if they have a permit (contact a member of FRC to obtain a permit or phone 511551).

Parish Councillors:

Julia CAMP - **Vice Chair** 01992 462729
Philip COSFORD 01992 511207
Hannah O`DONNELL 01992 503630
(Hannah.odonnell@brickendon-liberty.org.uk)
Tony ROBERTS - **Chair** 01992 511035
Alastair WHITAKER 07775 625181

Parish Clerk:

Laura Brooks-Payne (clerk@brickendon-liberty.org.uk) Mobile: 07803 906291

Forthcoming PC meeting dates will be published on the website.

Fanshaws Room Committee:

Chair: Linda Ashley 01992 511313
Vice-Chair: Janet Burger 01992 511099
Secretary Alison Blakey: 01992 511045
Treasurer: Robert Williams 01992 511605

No meetings currently scheduled

Local Member of Parliament: Julie Marson
Herts County Councillor:

Jonathan Kaye 07580 743521

East Herts District Councillor: Charlie Rowley
charlie.rowley@eastherts.gov.uk/01279655261

A reminder of how to access HCC services:

Highways: faulty roads and pavements, streetlights and potholes. www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/highways
Tel: 0300 123 4047

Recycling: www.wastaway.org.uk Tel: 0300 123 4051

Trading Standards: Advice on consumer rights
www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/tradingstandards
Tel: 0345 404 0506

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Please use this email address if you wish to submit items for the Newsletter:
brendalambie@hotmail.com

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