



## Brickendon Liberty Newsletter

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*Contact these numbers to be included in either/both WhatsApp groups*

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# BRICKENDON FETE & DOG SHOW

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021

### 11.30am – 3.30pm

Yes, it's coming back, arguably one of the best traditional fetes in Hertfordshire and with a dedicated committee of folk taking charge this year it should be one of the best ever ...  
*don't we all just need a bit of fun in our lives now!!*

We do need lots of help to make this Fete a success and give everyone a day to remember: Volunteers are particularly needed to help set up stalls and gazebos and to take them down after the Fete. We also need helpers to relieve stallholders on the day and to help with Hall refreshments and with Car Parking ... and contributions for the following please:

New items as Tombola prizes - Lawrence 511074

Homemade cakes and preserves - Kate 511035

Brick a Brac (no large items or furniture) - Jean 511226

Raffle Prizes - Linda 511313

PLUS volunteers are needed to run various games - contact Kate 511035

Already booked are Punch & Judy, a Carousel for the young (and the young at heart), Barbecue, Beer tent, Dog Show (ever popular), Paradise Wildlife Park and Craft Stalls. There are still a few vacancies left if anyone would like to book a space for a Craft Stall (nothing commercial)



## Fanshaws Room – The Village Hall

Thanks to the hard work of our Parish Clerk and FRC Treasurer we managed to obtain a grant which has enabled the re-decoration of the Village Hall (inside) and also the Tennis Pavilion. You will probably have noticed that the Tennis Courts have also had a really good clean and renovation job done on them this year. Both facilities are available for hire and, in the case of the Hall, parish residents get a preferential rate. See back page for further details on hiring.

## Council News

After the local election on 6 May Jonathan Kaye was re-elected as County Councillor for this ward. The PC meeting on 24 June was held in Fanshaws Room and the Agenda was published beforehand for residents to view. The meeting was held under strict Covid rules. Among the items discussed were: planning applications; highways issues - including the closure of Brickendon Lane for a substantial period of time this Autumn – it was pointed out that this is the worst possible time for local farmers since it is Harvest time. There is likely to be an increase in heavy traffic through the village of Brickendon, and elsewhere, as vehicles are re-routed; Crime – Councillor Camp explained that it has become more difficult to get information from the police on crime in the area due to changes in personnel etc. There is a WhatsApp group for residents to report suspicious activity and crime (see front page), we are aware there has been car crime reported locally in recent weeks; report from FRC – this PC sub-committee has been unable to arrange any social activities during the pandemic but have been overseeing the refurbishment of village amenities; a group of local residents are planning a Fete this year (see front page) and volunteers are needed to help out both now, in the planning stage, and on the day.

## Goodbye Postman John



Affectionately known to parish residents as Postman John, we are all going to miss this lovely man who has been delivering post in this area for 15 years and has become a friend to us all.

It is difficult to imagine how complicated a round such as ours is, but John has kept us all well served with a smile and a good word for all. It is our pleasure that he was honoured on 10 July with a presentation in the Village Hall of a substantial cheque (£1,200) – thank you to everyone who so willingly, and generously, contributed.

John intends to stay in touch and you may even see him delivering Newsletters in the not too distant future but in the meantime we wish him a happy, healthy and well deserved retirement.

## Parish Clubs

**Petanque:** The Brickendon Petanque/Boules Club is now operating its normal summer timetable in the car park of The Farmer's Boy. Meetings take place every Tuesday evening and Thursday and Sunday mornings. New members are always welcomed, website is [www.brickendonboules.org](http://www.brickendonboules.org).

For further information contact the Club Secretary on 01992 511515.

**Friendly Club:** The Friendly Club welcomes members who would enjoy an afternoon of tea and chat with the occasional social activity such as a quiz.

A meeting is planned for the end of July, phone Beryl on 01992 511617 for details of this and future plans

**Book Club:** This is now being organised by Andrea but for the time being details of meetings can be obtained from Beryl (see number above).

### **Gardening Club:**

The Brickendon and District Gardening Club is very happy that they are going to have an outing to Hyde Hall Flower Show on the 4th August, the first outing since the start of the pandemic.

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### **Chapel of the Holy Cross and St Alban**

**Hartford Hundred web site:** [hartfordhundred.org.uk](http://hartfordhundred.org.uk)

**Rector:** Rev'd Theresa Musiwacho Tel 01707 875940

**Churchwarden:** Mr G Gay Tel 01992 465304

**Organist:** Mrs Eileen Gay Tel 01992 465304

A reminder that the church magazine can be purchased for just £6 per year, and will be delivered to your door each month, contact Virginia (511575) to register.

**Services in Brickendon Church are now back to the normal timetable:** This includes a Parish Communion service at 11.00am on the first Sunday of the month and a Family service at 11.00am on the third Sunday.

### **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Family Service at 11.00am**

During August there is a Group Communion each Sunday at 10.15 in a different Church in the Parish. For details please check the Church noticeboard.

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August – Group Communion at 10.15am in Brickendon**

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September –Parish Communion at 11.00am**

### **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September –Family Service at 11.00am**

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October –Parish Communion at 11.00am**

We aim to return to hymn singing after the 19<sup>th</sup> July and, unless you wish, there will be no masks required in Church.

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September –Harvest lunch** together with Bayford at the Cricket Club ground at 12.00 noon.

This is always a great lunch for everyone to get together, this year particularly!

I am looking for more helpers to clean the church and arranger flowers. Even if you could help only once or twice a year it would be so helpful. Thanks, Virginia Haryott 01992 511575 [virginia.haryott@gmail.com](mailto:virginia.haryott@gmail.com)

**(gardening club continued)** They still have three seats left on the coach so if anyone would like to join them please contact Janet Rees on 01992 511515.

The club very much hope that they will be able to get the Gardening Club up and running again once we know what the Covid19 rules are going to be.

**Table Tennis:** We would also like to re-organise this club which sadly closed during Covid restrictions. If anybody is willing to start a new table tennis club please do let a member of FRC know and details can be posted on local notice boards and in the Newsletter and Parish Magazine as soon as they have been confirmed. In the meantime, if you are interested in playing there is an excellent table in the Hall and some equipment. Call 511551 for more information.

**Pilates:** A Pilates group meet in the Hall on Tuesday mornings during term time. For information on this contact the organiser Harriett, on 07944 500504

**Tennis:** Any parish resident under 16 years of age can obtain a pass to play on the village courts free of charge. Phone 511551 to arrange this.

### **Parish People**

Congratulations to Ray & Eileen Peters at Edwards Green Farm on the arrival of their first great great grandchild, Isabella Haniver-Stuart, born 8<sup>th</sup> March. Well done to her mummy and daddy as well.

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Our deepest sympathy goes to the Whitaker family on the death of their son, Adrian, in May.

**To hire the Parish Hall in Brickendon:** Call 01992 511551 (£7 per hour residents; £10 per hour non-residents) ***Now re-opened under strict Covid19 government guidelines***

### **To hire the Tennis Courts in Brickendon:**

The Farmer's Boy PH 01992 511017 (£5 per hr)

Under 16 year olds living in the parish can play free of charge if they have a permit (contact a member of FRC to obtain a permit or phone 511551). ***Please note the courts are now OPENFOR PLAY following the intensive clean and re-furbishment.***

### **Parish Councillors:**

Julia CAMP - **Vice Chair** 01992 462729

Philip COSFORD 01992 511207

Hannah O`DONNELL 01992 503630

Tony ROBERTS - **Chair** 01992 511035

Alastair WHITAKER 07775 625181

### **Parish Clerk:**

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

***Please contact Laura for information on all forthcoming Parish Council meetings. Agendas are displayed, before meetings are due, on Parish Noticeboards.***

### **Fanshaws Room Committee:**

Chair: Linda Ashley 01992 511313

Vice-Chair: Janet Burger 01992 511099 ***(Janet will be resigning after many years of service to FRC and we are looking for somebody to take over her role on the committee, please phone the Chair if you are able to help.)***

Secretary Alison Blakey: 01992 511045

Treasurer: Robert Williams 01992 511605

**Local Member of Parliament:** Julie Marson

([julie.marson.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:julie.marson.mp@parliament.uk))

**Herts County Councillor:**

Jonathan Kaye 07580 743521

**East Herts District Councillor:** Charlie Rowley

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