



## Brickendon Liberty Newsletter

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**Brickendon WhatsApp group for Village Matters: 07811 397399**

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*The closing date for items for the Spring Newsletter is 12 March (for April, May, June 2023) please send to [brendalambie@hotmail.com](mailto:brendalambie@hotmail.com)*

### UPCOMING EVENTS FOR 2023

**LITTER PICK 2023 – SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH – for further information refer to Parish website**

#### **CORONATION SOCIAL EVENT SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**everyone who lives in the Parish is invited.  
SAVE THE DATE !!!**

**We are planning to hire a large marquee for erection on the Green in order that the weather cannot disrupt our celebration – live music is already booked, and a barbecue will provide food for all.**

**More information will be posted on the Parish website and can be obtained from any member of Fanshaws Room Committee.**

**BRICKENDON FETE SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER – our Fete committee is already planning this year's Fete with lots of activities and enjoyment for all. Please put the date on your calendar. If you can offer any assistance please contact Tony (chair of PC).**

#### **Parish Council update:**

At their re-scheduled November meeting on 8 December the PC discussed, among other things:

Maintenance to the village hall – Further work and decisions to be made about the Jubilee Garden – FRC events – Local crime – Planning applications – Highways matters including disappearing drain covers in WWE – Environmental matters, including extending the path from Bayford station to the Hall - More defibrillators and a litter pick in 2023.

At the meeting on 26 January the following items were on the Agenda or raised by members of the public present:

Benches on Brickendon Green are scheduled to be renovated – Benches for the Jubilee Garden have been purchased and will shortly be put in place, a plaque will be ordered – Crime figures in the parish are low but residents should remain vigilant particularly of theft from outbuildings and vehicle crime – Drains have been cleared in the area – Although not in our parish, a representation has been made by a resident to relevant authorities to have the gully at the end of Brickendon Lane cleared to prevent future serious flooding – The PC are planning to renovate and replace roadside verge posts as necessary and will pay for this

work – Ownership of verges in the Parish is still unclear – Quotations have now been received for extending the path from Bayford station and one will now be accepted. **Further information on PC meetings can be found in the Minutes which are published on [www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk](http://www.brickendon-liberty.org.uk)**

Dates for PC meetings in 2023 are:

**23 March – 25 May – 27 July – 28 September – 23 November**

All meetings are held in Fanshaws Room (the Village Hall) on Brickendon Green and local residents are encouraged to attend. Meetings usually start at 7.30pm.

**If you wish to report a highways fault to East Herts, including fly tipping, you can use the following link:**

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/Highways-roads-and-pavements/Report-a-problem/Report-a-highway-fault/What-type-of-fault-are-you-reporting.aspx>

### **De-fibrillators**

A reminder that we have several sites where these life saving pieces of equipment can be found:

Fanshaws Room (the Village Hall) – the old telephone box in Brickendon Lane – Monks Green – Blackfields Farm – Bayford railway station. More sites are planned.

### **District & Parish Council elections 2023**

We have received notification from East Herts that they are planning to hold District and Parish elections on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023. This will include Brickendon Liberty Parish Council so in the next Newsletter we hope to include names of current councillors, and local people, who are planning to stand for election/re-election.

### **Village WhatsApp group**

This is proving to be a very useful and informative group that already many residents belong to. Recently updates on flooding, electricity supply failure and local activities have been covered, in addition to other matters of interest to residents. Please contact the Administrator on 07811 397399 to be included on your mobile phone.

**Snow arrived in the Parish on 12 December 2022:** it was lovely to see children building snowmen and playing in the snow. Thank you to everyone who shared photos. There has been a suggestion that we should use some of them for a [Brickendon Parish Christmas card](#) in 2023 – anyone out there wanting to take this on as a project please contact the Chair of the PC, Chair of FRC or editor of this newsletter.

### **Brickendon Petanque Boules Club:**

Play takes place at The Farmers' Boy on our purpose built piste beside the pub car park. Winter play times are:

Sunday 10am – 12noon    Tuesday 5.30pm – 7pm    Thursday 10am – 12 noon

This is a friendly club which was established in 2004 and is always pleased to welcome newcomers, no experience is necessary and for a trial game you can just turn up and borrow boules from the club house. Our AGM is at 7.15pm on Tuesday 14 March in the Village Hall. For more information contact our secretary, Janet, on 01992 511515. Our website is: [www.brickendonboules.org.uk](http://www.brickendonboules.org.uk)



## **Christmas 2022 children's Christmas party**

Many thanks to all who helped to make this such a lovely occasion, particularly David and Steph Bertram who organised the participants and made sure they had a present to take home from Santa. Thank you to Solomon Musiwacho for his role as Santa and to John Lambie who acted as Santa's little helper. PWP did us proud once again and each child also took home a goodie bag from them. All children who were 7 years or under on Christmas Day 2022 were eligible, but we do rely on parents contacting the organisers to confirm that their young ones will be wanting to attend, something to remember for Christmas 2023.

## **The Farmers Boy PH**

My name is Rachel and I am the new Landlady at the Farmers Boy in Brickendon. I would like to use this opportunity to introduce myself and my family to the village. My husband, who will be moving to the pub in March, is Dave and we have 3 children and 2 dogs. Dave is an RAF Veteran and loves all things cycling, motor biking and woodwork. Our eldest, Xara has just finished University and is currently working for Lego in London and has a passion for acting and the arts. My middle child, Hayden is in his final year in University in Portsmouth in Sports Development and Management and is hoping to go into Performance Analysis. His passions are football and sport. Our youngest, Conor is currently in college in London studying performance arts and has just finished his first professional role in Panto in Redditch. His passions are anything performance arts and he also teaches junior acrobatics. We have 2 beautiful dogs, Pippa who is a 12 year old pom cross who thinks she is a puppy and Storm, a 2 year old husky rescue who is still afraid of the world. I personally love to read and hike and of course to be the most welcoming landlady I can be. I am really looking forward to being part of this village and I would like to thank everyone for the warm welcome thus far.

***The pub is now opening on Tuesday mornings from 10 – 12 for Knit and Natter everyone is welcome and you don't have to be a knitter to attend.***

## **Pilates in Brickendon**

A Pilates group meets in Fanshaws Room (the Village Hall) every Tuesday morning for a one hour session in relaxed and friendly surroundings. They are always ready to welcome new members, just give Harriet a ring on **07944 500504** or email: ***pilateswithharriet@hotmail.com***

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

Sunday 5th February – Parish Communion at 11.00am

Sunday 19th February – Family Service at 11.00am

Sunday 5th March - Parish Communion at 11.00am

Sunday 19th March - Family Service at 11.00am

Sunday 2nd April - Parish Communion at 11.00am

**EASTER SUNDAY** April 9th – Parish Communion at 11.15am

Sunday 16th April - Family Service at 11.00am

Sunday 30th April - Group Communion at 10.15am (check notice board for church)

## **Brickendon Chapel:**

***Due to one or two people moving away we are now short of help with cleaning the chapel and arranging flowers. If you could give your time twice a year either arranging 2 vases of flowers on the altar or cleaning the church please contact Virginia Haryott 01992 511575.***

## **Parish People:**

In October we sadly lost one of our family of Brickendon folk, Adam Burger. Adam lived for many years in Fanshaws Lane and was often to be seen walking around the parish. We send our sympathy to Janet, Richard and all who will miss his presence in our community.

## **PIN THIS PAGE TO YOUR NOTICEBOARD FOR 2023 – IT'S MEANT TO BE USEFUL!!!**

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

**Rector:** Revd. Theresa Musiwacho – 01707 875940

**Churchwarden:** Colin Taylor – 01992 511041

**Sidesman:** Richard Haryott – 07798521912

*Services are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.*

### **Parish Councillors:**

Julia CAMP - **Vice Chair** 01992 462729

Philip COSFORD - 01992 511207

Hannah O`DONNELL - 01992 535702

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

*Contact the Parish Clerk for information on Parish Council meetings. Agendas are displayed on Parish Notice boards before meetings are due.*

### **To hire the Parish Hall in Brickendon:**

Call 01992 511551 ***Please note, charges for hiring the hall from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 will be £10 per hour for residents and £15 per hour for non residents.***

### **Fanshaws Room Committee:**

Chair: Linda Ashley 01992 511313

Vice-Chair: vacancy

Secretary: Alison Blakey 01992 511045

Treasurer: Robert Williams 01992 511605

***(new members always welcome)***

**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 [charlie.rowley@eastherts.gov.uk/01279655261](mailto:charlie.rowley@eastherts.gov.uk/01279655261)

### **Some other useful contacts in the parish:**

**Brickendon Book Club** – Andrea 01992 511588

**Brickendon Grange Golf Club** – phone 01992 511258 or email [info@bggc.org.uk](mailto:info@bggc.org.uk)

**Brickendon Petanque Boules Club** – 01992 511515 [www.brickendonboules.org.uk](http://www.brickendonboules.org.uk)

**Paradise Wildlife Park** – phone 01992 470490 or email [info@pwpark.com](mailto:info@pwpark.com)

**Pilates in Brickendon** – Harriet on 07944 500504

**The Farmers Boy PH** – phone 01992 661309 or see website for bookings

**The Woodman & Olive PH** – phone 01992 463719 or email [bookings@thewoodmanandolive.com](mailto:bookings@thewoodmanandolive.com)

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