

BUBBENHALL NEWSLETTER



Hello again and welcome to the first Bubbenhall Village Newsletter of 1998. The New Year has brought us the sad news that our village shop and post office will close on April 18th. This establishment has been a lifeline for many people and an important part of our small community. Our thanks must go to Mrs Sayers and her family for many years of hard work and commitment. We wish her all the very best in the future.

The Post Office have invited applications from any person interested in providing a part-time Post Office service to

the village. We hope that an appointment for this job can be made soon, and suitable premises found so that villagers may continue to benefit from local access to counter services.

Living in a village it seems so many of our services are under threat. The Parish Council have recently had to argue very forcibly to retain an early morning bus service to Coventry, and are now taking up the cudgels again in defence of the school crossing patrol. The existence of which is under review by Warwickshire County Council. It would be madness to lose this important job, just

as we have been fortunate enough to get the 'lollipop lady' back again, and after so much money has been spent on installing warning lights and road markings. Please join the Parish Council and parents in writing to Oliver Garvey at the Road Safety Unit at Warwickshire County Council in support of the school crossing patrol.

We hope you enjoy this edition of the newsletter, and invite letters and articles from any villagers. Articles for the next edition should be supplied to the committee members by Sunday May 10th. Please also look out for the special Easter

Bubbenhall Bunnies on each page - how many can you find?

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PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Firstly, a thank-you to Peter Bird who stood down from the position of Clerk to the Parish Council at the end of December after 3 years service. Many thanks to Peter for all his hard work and the good news is that Peter is retaining the responsibility as Finance Officer.

As reported in the last newsletter, Tony Glover has resigned due to increased work commitments and we are happy and fortunate to welcome Stuart Simmons as a co-opted member.

As you are aware, the time table for the bus service subsidised by Warwickshire County Council changed with effect from 3rd January, 1998. This coincided

with the operator of the route changing from A-Line Travel to Stagecoach. The Parish Council received several complaints regarding the revised time table schedule and have actively pursued Warwickshire County Council in an effort to improve the service to and from Coventry. We are happy to be able to inform you that with effect from 23rd February, 1998 there will now be 2 buses into Coventry, Monday - Saturday at 08.49 and 10.10 returning at 12.40 and 14.40. It is important to note that any passengers should advise the driver on the return service immediately they board that they wish to return to Bubbenhall, as these services will not operate through the village unless requested.

Two points regarding leisure activities - A new swing for the

use of toddlers is currently being installed in the playing field adjacent the Village Hall. Fishing permits for Ryton Pools Country Park are now available for day fishing from the Ranger at the Visitors Centre Office.

After 26 years Florence Sayers has decided to close the Post Office and store to retire. We shall all miss the excellent service this has provided the community over many years and wish Mrs Sayers a long, healthy and happy retirement. The Parish Council are concerned at the loss of the Post Office and store to the village community as this is a very real benefit that we have all enjoyed for many years. If the Parish Council can be of any help to anyone interested in re-establishing this business, please contact either the Parish Clerk or any member of the Parish Council.

Finally, as you know the Parish Council is elected to look after the interests of the local community, the village and

environs. In order to satisfactorily complete this task we at the Parish Council do need constructive feed back from the residents relating to any aspect concerning village life. Attendance at Parish Council meetings is actively encouraged and furthermore you are invited to attend the Parish Village Assembly to be held in the Village Hall at 19.45 on Tuesday 24th March. Please take this opportunity to air any views you may have rather than sitting back complaining and doing nothing. There will be a guest speaker, Mr Mick Potter who will talk about the Village Emergency Scheme set up after the heavy snow falls in 1990.

Parish Council meetings are held in the Village Hall and commence at 19.45. Below are the dates for the next quarter.

**24th March.
21st April. 2nd June.**

*Rosemary Cragg
Clerk to the Parish Council
Cov. 301827*

For any information regarding the Bubbenhall Newsletter including advertising rates, please contact a member of the Newsletter Committee.

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ST. GILES CHURCH

*Flower Festival
June 5th-7th 1998.*

The theme for this festival is "Time" - plenty of food for thought there. This year we hope that everyone in the village will try in some way to be part of the festival.

We need ideas as to how we can involve more than just the usual few! You will have had a yellow leaflet through your door, please read it and try and give us your support. Following our meeting on the 15th February it was agreed that:-

a) We would try and make our village as attractive as possible by either opening up our gardens on that weekend, and/or making the verges and house frontages as attractive as possible with flowers.

b) We would like to have an Arts & Craft exhibition in the Village Hall. Ideas were paintings, woodwork, needlework, pottery etc. There must be lots of hidden talent out there somewhere! Another idea wasto an 'Historical Display' - old photographs, records etc. of Bubbenhall. Older residents have plenty to tell us about Bubbenhall as it used to be.

c) We hope to involve the children in this weekend. Possibly through Sunday School and our Village Schools.

So lots of ideas. We now need lots of help and enthusiasm to make it work. It would help if those willing to open their gardens could contact us as soon as possible. And if those who would be interested in contributing to the exhibition

would let us know. Contact either Philip & Sanna Alexander Cov. 302103, Anne Simmons Cov. 303803, Jackie Lloyd Cov. 302836.

Times of Services; Please note that the time of Family Communion has reverted to its old time of 10:30 am not 11:30 am. Times of Services and other Church news may be found in the current Church Newsletter.

Also at it's last meeting the P.C.C. was shown this table of major expenses incurred by St. Giles over the last seven years. This is just regular housekeeping, no fund raising or expenses for specific projects, or running repairs. The costs have more than doubled over this period, St Giles depends on all of you for it's support.

ST GILES CHURCH - BUBBENHALL
TABLE OF MAJOR EXPENSES 1990 -1997

Year	Parish Share	Insurance	Heating	Total
1990	£3,433.00	£418.47	£203.9	£4,055.37
1991	£3,795.00	£456.60	£486.97	£4,738.57
1992	£4,129.00	£546.16	£420.99	£5,096.15
1993	£4,481.00	£600.72	£248.38	£5,330.10
1994	£4,887.00	£1357.00	£600.61	£6,844.61
1995	£6,058.00	£709.56	£210.94	£6,978.50
1996	£6,766.00	£557.3	£215.86	£7,539.16
1997	£7,717.00	£1,186.41	£382.84	£9,286.25

Jackie Lloyd, Cov. 302836

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

I am happy to announce that at the moment we are still relatively free from crimes of a serious nature. However this can change between now and the time this newsletter is published, so we are still asking residents to continue to be vigilant and report any suspicious incident, or person, to the Police at once.

The elderly continue to be a target for opportunist thieves who gain access by stating they

represent one public authority or another and once inside steal property, usually cash and then depart.

No cases of this nature have actually occurred in Bubbenhall but there is always a first time so please 'DON'T LET THEM IN UNLESS IDENTITY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED'.

R.B. Gardner
Chairman of Co-ordinators
(Cov. 303546)

DOCTORS

For patients of Clarendon Lodge Surgery, please remember to use our new telephone numbers.

(01926) 422094
General enquiries/home visits
(01926) 424477
Appointments
(01926) 331417
Health visitors
(01926) 331418
Community nurse visitor
(01926) 331400
Fax line

BEST KEPT VILLAGE CONTEST

1998

Our village has been entered in this years contest. The judging will take place in the first two weeks of June. We have a beautiful village which cannot fail to impress the judges. Lets see if we can carry off the first prize!!

CRIME BUSTERS POLICE REPORT

The police have reported a massive increase in 'fly-tipping' locally during the last six weeks. This is the illegal dumping of rubbish on the roadside, at the entrance to fields, in woodland etc. It is mainly builders rubble, although gas cylinders were dumped recently near Bubbenhall Bridge. Please inform the police if you see vehicles engaged in such tipping. Quote the registration number of the vehicle and any other relevant details. You may leave information anonymously if so desired. You do not have to get involved, the police will follow up any information provided.

Please contact Kenilworth
Police Station on
01926 851111
or
for those with a touch
button telephone:
PC 381 King,
Answerphone on
01926 415630 # 360



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Tel: 01203-302108

OPENING TIMES:

Monday to Thursday 11am. - 2.30pm. / 5.00pm. - 11pm.
Friday 11am. - 3.00pm. / 5.00pm. - 11pm.
Saturday 11am. - 11pm.
Sunday 12noon - 10.30pm.

Food served lunch times & evenings



THE MALT SHOVEL BUBBENHALL

Alex & Richard
extend a warm welcome to
customers both old & new

OPENING TIMES

Monday to Saturday 12pm. - 3pm. / 5.30pm. - 11pm.
Sunday 12pm. - 3pm. / 7pm. - 10.30pm.

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Tel: 01203 301915

Fax: 01203 301915

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

We welcome all forms of financial contributions to the Newsletter. If you are interested in supporting us by placing an advertisement, please ask any of the Newsletter committee for details and prices

For Sale - Hand made wicker cat travel basket. Hardly used. £15.00 Cov. 302836

Thinking of moving? We are looking for a Property in Bubbenhall, £160,000 - £200,000. Call Cov. 305355

Wanted - Bryant internal door which opens inwards, with the door handle on the right hand side. Will collect, and are willing to pay a nominal amount. Tel: 01203 639780.

For Sale - Goodman 150 watt shelf mounting car speakers £15 Cov. 302354

HOUSE PURCHASE / EXCHANGE

As we own Church Fields, we would like to move from our four bedroom detached house in Leek Wootton to something similar in, or near Bubbenhall.

Any ideas on exchange or purchase ? Our house, value £ 150 k, has a large wooded garden

Contact: Jacky and Tanner Shields on 01926 511202

PETE SHEEN

CHARTERED ARCHITECT

19 Home Close, Bubbenhall.

01203 306339

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1 Church Road, Bubbenhall, Coventry CV8 3BE

Tel: 01203 301915 Fax: 01203 301915

Coventry & Warwickshire Airport Action Group (CWAAG)

Update - Proposed Parcellforce Development and Coventry Airport.

In our last update it was reported that we were seeking to have the Government intervene in the decision over granting Parcellforce planning permission. We are pleased to report that we have been successful in achieving that initial aim. Prior to Christmas, the West Midlands Office issued an Article 14 holding order forbidding Warwick District Council from granting permission for the development until the Government Office had time to consider the matter. We continue to argue that an Environmental Assessment should take place on the grounds of likely increase in airport activity, the admitted increase of vehicle movements at Toll Bar Roundabout with all the knock on effects and the effect on the lives of those living in Bubbenhall which will result from having the noise and light pollution from having a 24 hour a day operation a few hundred yards across the fields from the village.

Most recently it appears there may be further reason for this development to be scrutinised. There exists a letter that states

that there are on the site in question Badger sets, some rare lizards and various nesting birds which must be considered. This letter has of course been passed to the Government Office.

We continue to pursue the matter of night flying with the DETR in London, they continue to listen sympathetically but offer no concrete suggestions. In the past we have sought limited advice from the Aviation Environmental Federation, we now propose seeking their full involvement in dealing with this matter.

It is not possible to know the likely outcome of our efforts, logic and common sense would suggest that the Parcellforce development should not go ahead and that night flights should be banned thus ensuring no further disruption of the quality of lives of the thousands of residents living in the effected area.

CWAAG

Parish Councillor
T. Marson

BUBBENHALL ENTERTAINMENTS GROUP

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 4th July - Stars and Stripes Evening. We hope this will be a fun-packed evening to celebrate American Independence Day, with Barbecue and Line Dancing - Tickets available early June from Committee members.

Saturday 17th October Following their success last year, we welcome back 'The Likely Lads' for a live music evening. Tickets for this event will be available in September.

Please keep both of these dates free and get your baby-sitters booked! We look forward to seeing you.

We are also interested in purchasing a small second hand freezer for the Village Hall to assist our catering arrangements. If anybody has one for sale, please contact Sue Wareham.

Sue Wareham,
Cov. 306894

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH

12th - Garter Group, Sugar Craft Demonstration 8:00 p.m. in the Village Hall

14th - Bubbenhall Football Club Annual Horse Racing Evening 8:00 p.m. in the Village Hall

24th - Parish Village Assembly 7:45 p.m. in the Village Hall

24th - Baginton Playgroup Sock Sale 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

29th - Bubbenhall Football Club Quiz 8:00 p.m. in the Malt Shovel

APRIL

7th - Guides Meeting for Parents and Girls to plan Fund-raising

9th - Garter Group visit to Warwickshire Racquets and Health Club

15th - Environmental Games Afternoon Ryton Pools Country Park

21st - Parish Council Meeting 7:45 p.m. in the Village Hall

26th - Bubbenhall Football Club Quiz 8:00 p.m. in the Malt Shovel

MAY

2nd - Baginton Village May Fair

7th - Baginton Playgroup Fashion Show

9th - Rainbows Children Disco 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall

16th - Bubbenhall Village Hall Car Boot Sale 1:00 p.m. in the playing field

31st - Bubbenhall Football Club Quiz 8:00 p.m. in the Malt Shovel

JUNE

1st - Parish Council Meeting 7:45 p.m. in the Village Hall

5th - 7th - St Giles Church Flower Festival

THE MALT SHOVEL SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Boxing Day Walk. The Raffle and Auction held afterwards raised £560, this money was donated to Myton Hospice.

May I also say thank you to all of you who gave me Dog Food to take to Honiley Dog Rescue at Christmas, they were very grateful for all the tins and packets that we took over.

A Date for your Diary. We are holding the Flower Show and Car Boot Sale as usual this year, it will be on Saturday September 5th, more details later.

I am now a collector for Myton Hospice Lottery, if anyone would like details of how to join let me know.

Mary Long, Cov. 302840

VILLAGE HALL REPORT

Certain modifications have to be made to the Hall to match the new Fire Regulations, and all these have been taken care of except the re-hanging of the doors to open outwards for the main entrance. This is being attended to by our builder Mr Graham Johnson.

We continue to have difficulties in finding a way to modify our electricity meters to take £1

coins instead of the old 50 pence pieces.

Below is the statement of accounts for the Village Hall and we continue to keep our head above water.

We have arranged for someone to look after the perimeter outside the Hall on a regular basis to keep things neat and tidy.

Finally we have been accepted by ENTRUST which allows us to put a proposition to Smith's Concrete for money from the tax that they have had to pay to the Inland Revenue. At the moment we are putting together a proposal to enlarge the storage room in the Hall and to provide a committee room to the rear of the building. This additional room may have a secondary use in so much as

with the retirement of Mrs Sayers after many years of superb service to the village, the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee are looking at ways we can help to provide a limited Post Office Service for the Village.

*A.R. Gibson
Chairman
Village Hall*

BUBBENHALL VILLAGE HALL
ACCOUNTS FOR JAN. - DEC. 1997 12.01 98

RECEIPTS L		PAYMENTS L	
BALANCE B/F	1106-57		
Fees + Other		Recurrent Items:	
Current Income:		Services (Elect.	
Doctor	430-00	Water, Refuse, Gas)	1108-27
P.C. Remit.	110-00	Insurance	262-77
Poll Fee	45-00	Cleaning	1118-01
Football Rent	90-00	P.C. Rent	50-00
Sub-Total:	675-00	Sub-Total:	2539-05
Fundraising + Other		Maintenance	2780-12
Receipts:		Crockery	274-02
Bookings	2951-70	Entrust Sub.	100-00
Elect. Meters	123-00	P/Cash	35-45
Donations (Car-		Meter Coins	30-00
Park)	2091-74	Warwick Police	11-75
Bank Int.	46-62	Warwick Comm.	20-00
Sub-Total:	5213-06	Sub-Total:	3251-34
TOTAL RECEIPTS +		TOTAL PAYMENTS:	5790-39
OPENING BALANCE:	L6994-63	Adj. Bal. Car. Fwd.	1204-24
			L6994-63

BANK RECONCILIATION
AT 29/12/97:

Statement 1262-58
ADD: Deposits not Cr. NIL
1262-58

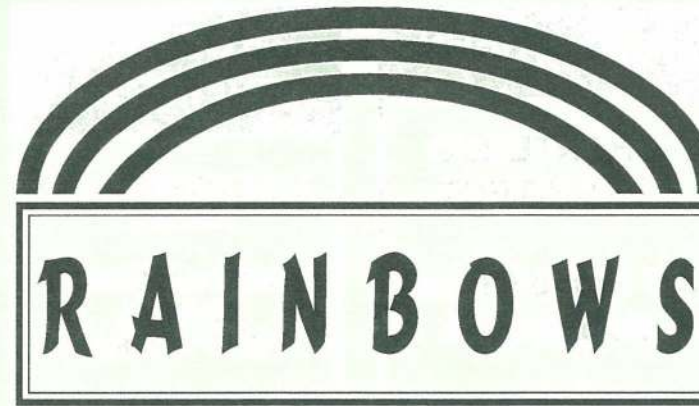
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No. 434 11-75
No. 435 46-59
58-34

Adjusted Bal: L1204-24

SIGNED: *A.R. Gibson*
Chairman

NB. The complete Accounts including Income/
Expenditure Statement; Balance Sheet;
Supporting Statement and Asset Register
are available for inspection on application
to the Treasurer (Tel: 01203 305448).

P.H. Reed
Treasurer



We started the New Year off with a swing, by holding a Children's Disco. Due to its success we are planning another one on 9th May 5 - 7 p.m. in the Village Hall, tickets will be on sale nearer the time.

On Sunday 22nd February we celebrated Thinking Day with a Service at Stretton-on-Dunsmore Church with

Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from our District.

We would like to Congratulate Nikki and Vicki for being selected to attend International Events later this year and wish them luck with their fund-raising.

Rainbows is a pre-Brownie Group for girls 5-7 years,

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
*Margaret Robinson (Cov. 305931)
Dawn Hands (Cov. 306073)*

BROWNIES

Thinking Day falls during this term - so we have been doing just that. The Brownies have been working for their "World Guiding" badge, thinking about Guiding around the world, about Brownies and Guides in other countries, their activities, games, songs and uniform, and food of course! On February 22nd, the birthday of our founder, Lady Baden-Powell, we met up with the Rainbows, Brownies, and Guides from our District and celebrated with a Service and tea at Stretton Church.

The girls continue to work on their individual challenges and badges, and it's good to see how well many of them prepare for and complete these.

The pack remains full, with girls moving on to Guides, and new members joining.

We meet on Tuesday evenings in the Village Hall from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

*Jackie Lloyd
(Cov. 302836)
Jackie Hennah
(Cov. 301978)*

GUIDE COMPANY

The Guide Company now meets in Bubbenhall Village Hall after the Brownie meeting at 7:15 p.m. on a Tuesday evening. At least two thirds of the unit now live in Bubbenhall, and we have better facilities here for outdoor activities with all our equipment close by. We have had a busy half term with the Patrols enjoying some well planned Patrol activities. Welcome to Jennifer, Joanna and Sophie who have joined the Guide Company this term. Congratulations to Amy their new Patrol Leader and Rachel her seconder, they are now the UFO's - Unidentified Flying Objects. Ros and Kristi are now P.L. and Seconder of the 'Shooting Stars'. We have decided to have a space theme for our patrols!

We are busy planning for our International Camp to be held in August, Arden 98. We have 16 girls going on this, and will need to do some serious fund-raising. There will be a meeting for parents and girls on Tuesday April 7th to plan our fund-raising over the next few months. We will be circulating more information soon.

Guides is for girls aged 10-14 years old, and meets in the Village Hall on a Tuesday 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sandra Barnsley, Cov. 303876



BUBBENHALL MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP

The children enjoyed our Christmas party, playing games and dancing to music with the highlight being a visit from Father Christmas who brought each child a present.

After the frenzied activity of Christmas the mums decided to treat ourselves to a night out which was such a success we are already planning our next one!!

If you have a pre-school child and find yourself at a loose end on a Thursday morning why not join our friendly group at the Village Hall? We meet between 9:30 and 11:30 during term time and we charge £1 for members or £1.50 for non-members which includes juice and biscuits for the children, and as much tea or coffee as the mums have time to drink!!

Go on, come along and join the fun.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
*Lori Slark (Cov. 305355)
Helen Sanders (Cov. 639063)
Karen Cresswell (Cov. 303084)*

KIDDIES KORNER

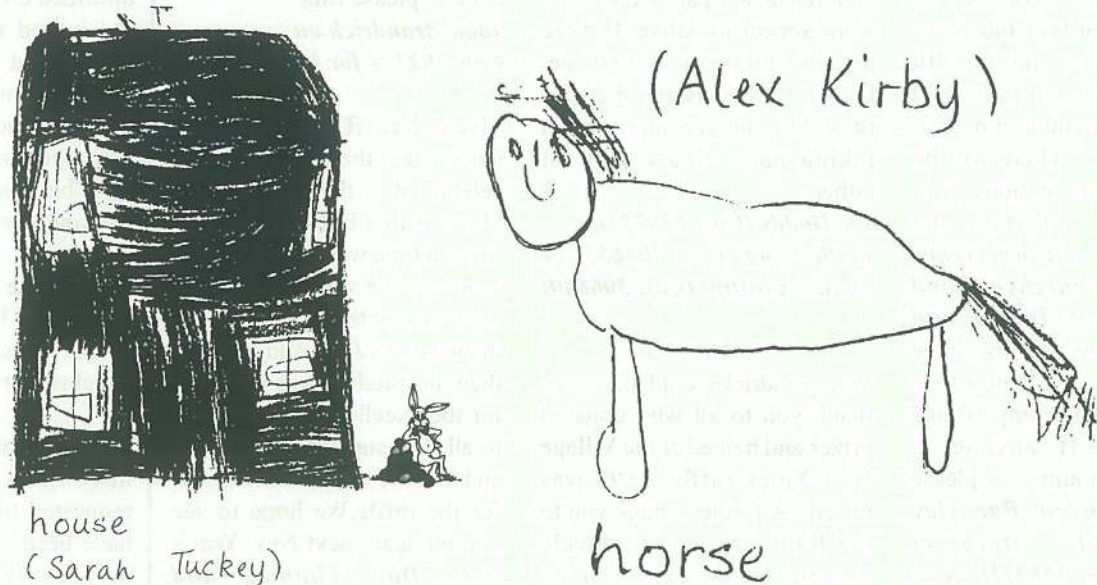
Provost Williams Primary School



One fine, sunny morning in February, Class 1P took a long walk around the village. We were looking at geographical features, and at the use of land and buildings in the local area.

We saw houses and horses, fences and farms, barns and brick walls, seats and street-lights, signposts and stables, pathways and pubs, roads and a river, a church, a school and an old quarry.

Below are two of the pictures drawn by the children after their walk.



house
(Sarah Tuckey)

horse
(Alex Kirby)

QUESTIONS

Mrs Payne's Teaser

My question this edition, if the features listed above are half of the features we spotted, how many did we see altogether?

If you know the answer, please post your entries through one of the committee member's letter boxes on or before the 20th March 1998. Remember to put your name and address on the paper. The first two correct entries drawn out the hat will receive the prizes, which this month are the same ones on offer in the last edition, i.e.:-

First Prize A Ladybird 101 Dalmatians Book
Second Prize A Ladybird Lady and the Tramp Book

The reason these prizes are still on offer is that we did not receive any correct answers last time. The correct answer to the question what colour do you get if you mix red and yellow is ORANGE.

JOKE TIME

Question: What did the biscuit say when we was run over?

Answer: A. Oh Crumbs!

Question: Where do cows go for entertainment?

Answer: To the Moo-vies!

Question: Waiter, will my hamburger be long?

Answer: No sir, it will be round!



HUNNINGHAM YOUTH CRICKET CLUB NEEDS YOU!

We have started indoor training at Princethorpe College on Sunday evenings. It starts at 5:30 p.m. and finishes at 7:00 p.m.. We have a bit of bowling and batting practice and some **KWIK CRICKET**. It is really good fun and there are a few lads aged between 8 and 13. More lads will be welcomed, please bring a friend. The club is also going on tour in May to play two games over the May Day Weekend.

If you cannot make the indoor net, we will be starting outdoors after Easter at Hunningham. This year we are hoping to

in place an all weather three lane net, with a grant from the lottery fund.

There are a number of other things happening, for example, in July Hunningham will host an under 13 fixture for Warwickshire against Middlesex. It is a really good day out and our lads will help out by bowling in the nets to give the two teams practice.

Hope you can come and join us in the near future.

*Keith Long
(Cov. 304653)*

BUBBENHALL FOOTBALL CLUB

**DON'T MISS OUT ON
BUBBENHALL
FOOTBALL CLUB'S
INFAMOUS
RACE NIGHT**

The 'Event of the Year' has now been re-arranged for Saturday, 14th March, with the first race at 8:00 p.m. It will now be held in the Village Hall. Tickets are £5 per person, which includes a buffet, with proceeds going to Breast Cancer Research, and Bubbenhall Football Club. Tickets and further details are available from any member of the team.

SNIPPETS OF VILLAGE HISTORY

DID YOU KNOW

We appeared in the 1086 Domesday Survey with Robert de Stratford Alivric holding 5 Hydes - land for 5 ploughs. A mill worth 4 shillings and woodland 2 furlongs x 2 furlongs worth 50 shillings and our name was written **BUBENHALLIE**.

From 1279 to 1377 the manor of our village was held by John Fitzwith, then held by John Beauchamp, who held it to 1422. *More village history in the next edition.*

Anon.

REGULAR GROUPS

GROUP	MEETS	VENUE
Bubbenhall Mother & Toddler Group	Thursday Mornings 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Village Hall
Rainbows	Thursdays 5:30 - 6:30	Village Hall
Brownies	Tuesday 5:30 - 7:00	Village Hall
Guides	Tuesday 7:15 p.m.	Village Hall
Baginton Play Group	Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri	Baginton Village Hall
Cubs	Mondays 6:30 - 8:00	Ryton Church Youth Centre
Scouts	Fridays 7:30 - 9:00	Ryton Church Youth Centre
Bubbenhall Garter Group	2nd Thursday of every month	-
WCC Mobile Library	Every fortnight 2:00 p.m. from Monday 2nd March	Bottom of Coopers Walk
Ryton Pools Volunteers	Every Friday 9:00 a.m.	Visitors Centre
Young St. Giles Sunday School	1st and 3rd Sunday of every month 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Church
Young St. Giles Saturday Club	2nd and 4th Saturday of every month 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.	Church

MRS. F. E. SAYERS

This Spring sees the retirement of Mrs Sayers who has played such an active part in the life of Bubbenhall. She moved to Bubbenhall just fifty years ago in 1948. Being a young mother herself she helped with organising Christmas Parties and with seaside trips for village children in the 1950's. She was a familiar figure in Bubbenhall and did seasonal work at Moreton's farm in the 1950's and 60's. She also cleaned the Three Horse Shoes and the Malt Shovel for a time.

Mrs Sayers' life at Bubbenhall over the years has been closely linked with St Giles' Church. She has been on Church Working Groups for fetes, flower festivals etc. She very much joined in carol singing, walking the entire village for many years. In the 1970's Mrs Sayers was also a churchwarden, work she passed on to her daughter Sandra.

From 1960 - 1974 Mrs Sayers was a District Councillor for Bubbenhall on Warwick District Council. She served as Parish Councillor in the 1970's and early 80's during which time she was also a School Governor. As such she provided Bubbenhall school children with special treats at the end of term, on Sports Days etc. She would be greeted with children in the shop chanting "Thank you Mrs Sayers".

Many of the small children who visited the Post Office used to think that Mrs Sayers lived in the shop. One was heard one Sunday morning, when a youngster spotted her on her way to Church, "Look Mum, what is Mrs Sayers doing out of her shop?" Still if she is not there the instant reaction is "Where is Mrs Sayers?"

Over the years Mrs Sayers has helped so many people. She has given so much character and life to Bubbenhall. So many are

indebted to your kindness - how you deserve a much earned retirement. We wish you good health, a restful and enjoyable time with your family who think the world of Mum. *To Mrs Sayers we give a heartfelt, Thank you for all you have done for us.*

In December an outing was arranged to Bernhards Garden Centre in Rugby where we were given a Christmas floral table decoration demonstration. It was a lovely seasonal evening with coffee and mince pies and we all came home full of inspiration!

To start off 1998 we had a lovely meal at the Woodhouse at Princethorpe where we all dined in style. Our New Years Resolutions not to eat too much only lasted until the second week of January!

Our February meeting was in the Village Hall where we had a presentation by Carol Horsfall of Weekenders. The evening



consisted of a wardrobe profile and planner and we were shown how to have a practical yet fashionable wardrobe designed to give mix and match versatility to suit our life style.

May we remind all members that all outstanding subscriptions are now due. £6.00 for the year. New members or visitors are always most welcome. The 1998 non-members fee is £2.50 which includes a raffle ticket and a drink.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

March 12th - Sugarcraft demonstration by Mrs Pinks in the Village Hall, 8:00 p.m.

April 9th - Visit to the Warwickshire Racquets and Health Club, Abbey Road, Whitley, Coventry.

May - To be arranged details later.

June - Annual Treasure Hunt

July 9th - "American Stars & Stripes" Evening

August - No Meeting

September - Annual B.B.Q.

Beryl Lock, Cov. 306246

Gill Prudhoe, Cov. 307747

Dawn Eady, Cov. 303957

Lia Border, Cov. 301648

Chris Dunn, Cov. 302481

Caroline Coles, Cov. 305287

Marilyn Cox, Cov. 639045

RYTON POOLS COUNTRY PARK

Have you visited Ryton Pools Country Park yet?

Ryton Pools Country Park is a great place for an outdoor adventure - and it's on your doorstep!

We'd like you to come and visit us if you are in a group from school, playschool, a holiday playscheme, you are a Rainbow, Brownie, Guide, Beaver, Cub or Scout group, if it's your birthday party... in fact anyone and everyone.

If you come with a group there are lots of activities.

Pond Dipping - an underwater exploration for creepy crawlies

Discovering habitats - a chance to investigate woods, ponds, and meadows!

Sensory Walk - use your eyes, ears, finger and nose to find out more.

Landuse Orienteering - orienteering with a difference, find how we use the Country Park

Ryton's Rubbish! - sort through the rubbish and decide what to do with it

Time Travellers - travel through time as you travel through the park and see how we affect our surroundings

Or why not bring your family and friends? We have ponds with ducks and geese to feed, ditches, ancient woodland next door, meadows, a power station, a visitor centre, a bird hide and 2 adventure playgrounds to discover. And on most Wednesday and

Sunday afternoons in the summer holidays you can come and pond dip, build bird boxes, make a dragonfly or a kite, or discover the park on a sensory walk with your family and friends. We will also have a special afternoon in the Easter holidays, Wednesday 15th April, when we'll be playing fun environmental games around the Country Park.

If you want to come with a group, be part of the holiday activity afternoons or just come and explore, contact us on the number below or come to the visitor centre on a Saturday or Sunday, and we will give you a leaflet all about Ryton Pools Country Park and the activities that are going on.

*Bob Thurston and Liz Young
Cov. 305592*

OTHER ITEMS OF NEWS

YOUNG ST GILES

We have now started an additional Saturday Club, twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays in Church 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.. It is for children over 3, and teenagers. There will be music and craft sessions, with some games. Ideas for the future include:- *Musical events. Survey the Churchyard and make a model. Design and make a banner.* We also hope to produce a monthly newsletter with competitions and quizzes. If anyone is interested in joining us please contact. *Sandra Barnsley (Cov.303876), Margaret Robinson (Cov.305931), Joan Swinscoe (Cov.301422).*

GALA DAY

Plans are being made to resurrect Gala Day. This will take place on Saturday 20th June. Anyone who is interested in having a stall or has any suggestion to help make this day a success, please contact:- *Lesley Goodhead, Cov. 306964 Margaret Robinson, Cov. 305931*

JUNIOR FOOTBALL TEAM

We are looking into the possibility of involving Village children to take part in the F.A.'s Mini Soccer Initiative. If there are any children in the village, boys or girls between the ages of 5 - 11, who are interested in taking part, please contact either, *Vic Dodds (Cov. 639883), Keith Long (Cov. 304653) or Tonino Ciuffini (Cov. 306840)*

THANK YOU

Mrs Brandrick would like to say thank you to all who donated prizes and helped at the Village Hall Xmas raffle. £92 was raised. A further Thank you to the Rainbows for the lovely present and card, much appreciated.

100 CLUB

It is hoped to re-start the 100 club, starting at the beginning of June, due to the help of Ian Stobart, Don Thomas and Mike Wareham, and may I express our great thanks to Mike and Val Leach for all the help and work they did in keeping the 100 Club going. *A Gibson*

FORTHCOMING EVENT

Bubbenhall Village Hall **CAR BOOT SALE** - May 16th, 1:00 p.m. on the playing field. £5.00 per car, please ring: *Joan Brandrick on Cov. 302354 for bookings*

NEW YEAR'S EVE 1997

Once again the New Year was celebrated at the Three Horse Shoes with a buffet and disco. A good time was had by all and a superb £85 was collected for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Our thanks go to John and Kim for their hospitality and to Stuart for the excellent food. Thanks to all who supported the event and to those who donated prizes for the raffle. We hope to see you all again next New Year's Eve. *Don Thomas and Norman Busby*

STOP PRESS

(CWAAG)

The Government have recently informed CWAAG that they do not intend taking any action with regard to the Parcelforce development and have lifted the article 14 holding order, as in their opinion there is not likely to be any significant environmental effect.

This on the face of it without any reason having been given, seems quite an extraordinary conclusion to draw.

The Government department have now been formerly requested to give reasons and have been advised that if they do not, action will be taken to seek a Judicial Review.

CUBBINGTON RANGERS

We are members of Cubbington Rangers and have been selected to represent Warwickshire at International Events. Nikki is attending the World Jamboree in Chile, and Vicki is going on a "Jail Break" challenge around Europe.

Part of our challenge before we go, is to fund-raise for these events. We are planning to hold several fund-raisers over the next few months and would be grateful for your support.

Many thanks

Vicki Robinson and Nikki Goodhead

PROVOST WILLIAMS NURSERY CLASS RYTON-ON-DUNSMORE

Offers for places in our purpose built education Nursery will go out in March. If your child will be three years old by 31st August 1998, he/she would be eligible for five half-day sessions per week in the next academic year. If you would like to look around, or receive an application form please contact

Mrs M. Holroyd (Headteacher) or Mrs R. Stoneman (Nursery Teacher) on Cov. 302166.

We look forward to meeting you.



BAGINTON PLAYGROUP

We are holding a sock sale on Tuesday 24th March, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Playgroup breaks up for Easter on Wednesday 8th April, and starts back on Monday April 27th. There is no Playgroup on the bank holiday of Monday, May 4th.

The Baginton Village May Fair is on Saturday May 2nd at 2:00 p.m. We will be having a stall at this event.

We are planning a Fashion Show on Thursday, May 7th. This will be similar to the one we had 16 months ago, with an opportunity to try on and purchase the clothes at the end of the evening.

The date Judy Hartland is coming has yet to be confirmed. It will be either Wednesday April 8th at 9:15 a.m. or May 20th at 10:45 a.m. There is no obligation to buy. Please ring Sheila on Cov. 301317 if interested.

Sheila Cluff