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### **Parish** Council

#### Gill Green joins the Council

A vacancy on the Council was caused by the resignation of Tony Marson, although Tony will continue to represent the Council on matters relating to Coventry Airport. The vacancy was filled by co-opting Gill Green of The Cottages, Lower End and we welcome her to the Council. Three other people expressed interest in joining the Council, which is a very healthy sign and we are sorry that there was not room for all of them we are limited to 7 councillors. There will be the opportunity for an election next May, so if you are interested keep your eyes open for the notices on the notice boards.

#### **Bubbenhall Spout**

Most of you will have noticed that the flow from the Spout has now stopped. The Council is looking at ways of making it flow again or obtaining compensation for this loss of an important feature of the village.

#### The Green

The Council has started to tidy up and improve the Green, helped by a number of energetic volunteers. A pond has been dug but unfortunately it does not yet hold water. Smiths Concrete have offered to supply clay to line the pond and this will be delivered shortly. When it arrives, we will be looking for small volunteers who like to get dirty in order to 'puddle' the base and sides to make it leak proof.

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#### **Highway Matters**

A number of matters have been raised with the County Council.

- The speed warning signs are not working but the Council tells us that no funds have been set aside for maintenance of them.
- The white lines at the cross roads in Stoneleigh Road require repainting.
- Pot-holes in Weston Lane require mending.
- Long grass makes the exit from Pagets Lane dangerous.
- The finger post at Tantara Lodge is to be replaced.
- Heavy Goods Vehicles passing through the village. The Council would like to see this prohibited.

#### Three Horseshoes

The refurbishment of the pub with added accommodation is welcomed. The Council asked the District Council planners to look carefully at various issues including the closeness of the buildings to the rear boundary and the effect of noise and spotlights on neighbours. We hope a fair compromise has been reached.

#### Policing

We continue to receive reports from Bob Gardner, the Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator, and the police. We understand that the reason we seem to receive little attention from the police is because we are classed as a low crime area and compete for attention with other areas where there is more crime. We take the view that we want a high police profile to deter criminals but, of course, there are limited resources.

#### Airports

Many of you will have attended the meeting in the church on 12th September. A good attendance

demonstrates our concerns about what may happen. We thank our speakers, James Plaskitt (MP), John Hammon (District Councillor) and Gill Smith (CPRE).

The village is threatened by a double "whammy". Not only do we have the threat of an enormous new airport between Rugby and Coventry but also development of Coventry airport.

We will be making vigorous representations before the deadline on 30th November and all villagers are encouraged to do the same. We need to avoid the "Not in my backyard" approach because this is likely to carry little weight, but we should concentrate on regional, national and international issues which include environmental matters, the accuracy of predictions on the use of air transport and limiting or discouraging air transport by various means such as taxation, noise and pollution.

Another meeting was also arranged for Monday 21st October in the Village Hall, when Mike Collett from Coventry Airport spoke to us about the plans for expansion of Coventry Airport. Again this meeting was well attended. Following this meeting a village action group was formed.

#### Best Kept Village Competition

Bubbenhall was awarded second place in the large villages category in Warwick district. This was not quite as good as last year but presents us with a challenge for next year. Please think what you can do to improve our village in the next few months.

#### Grit Boxes

There has been concern about some slippery road surfaces in the cold cont....page 2 column one

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weather. It has been decided to purchase two grit boxes to be situated at the junction of Coopers Walk and Home Close and the junction of Moat Close with Lower End. Grit should be provided by the County Council. Please find a few moments to distribute the grit where it is needed on those wintry days.

**Bubbenhall Directory of Tradesman** We regret that there was an error in the telephone number for Sheldon Oil Boiler Service, this should read 01827 714269.

The next Parish Council Meetings will take place on 10th December meetings are open to all villagers. Should you wish to bring any matter to our attention please do not hesitate to attend or contact myself or any Parish Councillor, their names and contact numbers appear on the notice board at the junction of Lower End and Coopers Walk.

Mick Jeffs Parish Clerk 01926 337195

### Carol Singing, **Christmas Lights** and a Worthy Cause

The torrential rain of the last few days has brought back to mind the question of a verandah on our village hall. The verandah would provide a dry place to shelter for the younger children waiting for the school bus in the mornings, somewhere for mothers and fathers visiting the hall to park their pushchairs and an extra covered area for use at village fetes and the like. However, although a small amount of money has been raised already, there is much work to do.

A few villagers have come up with the bright idea of coupling fundraising with a bit of Christmas fun. On Saturday, 7 December the Christmas Fair will be taking place in the village hall as usual. At the fair we will be selling luminaires to brighten up your garden (a tea-light, sand and a strong paper bag to the uninitiated) and hope to organise a mass "switch on" of Christmas lights the following day at 5.00pm when the luminaires can be lit, along with (we hope) an impressive

array of Santas, Father Christmases and fairy lights in all their various shapes and forms. The idea for luminaires came back from America (courtesy of Beryl Lock) where people use several to light their paths and driveways, so why not buy a whole row for your own front garden?

After lighting up time, anyone interested can join us at 5.30pm at the village hall for a carol singing tour of the village (carol sheets provided) to bring some much needed cheer and raise a few more pounds towards the verandah. At about 7.00pm the carol singers will make their way to the village hall where there will be mulled wine and mince pies all round (all welcome).

**Christine Tait** 

### Village Hall

The Playground subcommittee of the village hall under the leadership of Jenny Kendray has been successful in obtaining a grant of £30,000 for new play equipment. A grant application was submitted to WREN, using the landfill tax credit scheme (LTCS), to fund the purchase and installation of the new equipment. This will include, a multi-play climbing frame, zip wire and see saws. Installation is now in

As part of our previous grant through the LTCS the area behind the village hall has now been reinstated as car park with additional hard surface for easy access to the outside store. Repairs have also been made to the front car park.

Mrs Joan Brandrick has retired as caretaker of the village hall and the committee thanks her for her work over many years of service. The job of caretaker, has been taken on by Beverley Goddard while Mrs Brandrick, will remain as booking secretary for the hall.

The committee has had a new carpet installed in the doctors surgery in an effort to reduce the level of sound transmission during consultations.

Caroline Coles Secretary to the Village Hall Committee

### Village Hall Verandah Fund

Village Hall Verandah Fund Delivery of local village Christmas cards

Take some of the pressure off yourself this year by having your Christmas cards delivered for you locally around the village. To take advantage of this service all we ask for in return is a donation towards the Village Hall Veranda Fund. Please address your Christmas card envelopes clearly with the name and address and leave them all with either Margaret Robinson at 21 Moat Close or with Gill Prudhoe at 3 Orchard Way.

First delivery - cards to be with either of us by Wednesday 11th December. for delivery by Friday 13th December. Second delivery - cards to be with us by Wednesday 18th December for delivery by Friday 20th December. For further details telephone: Margaret Robinson 76 305931 Or Gill Prudhoe 76 307747

#### **Newsletter Committee**

Once again we will be running our successful Teddy Tombola stall at the village Christmas Fair to be held in the village hall. If you have any teddies or soft toys that you would be willing to donate please contact any newsletter committee member to arrange for collection. All funds raised from this stall go towards future production costs of the newsletter. Thank you.

We will also be having a raffle of a farm fresh turkey (kindly donated by Heart of England Farms) and tickets will be on sale at the Christmas Fair or from any committee member. The lucky winner could be YOU !! Caroline Coles 024 76305287 Angela Kirby 024 76306683 Alan Prudhoe 024 76307747 Tonino Ciuffini 024 76306840

### Thanks!

Mrs Joan Brandrick would like to thank the village hall committee for their best wishes and presentation of gift vouchers on her retirement. The vouchers have paid for a bird bath for the front garden which can be admired by any passing villagers.

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Christmas Day 11.30am—1.30pm

Boxing Day 12.00pm — 6.00pmWalk and Auction Closed in the evening, no food available.

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### **News from the Tower**

#### Jubilee Ringing

In the last edition of the newsletter we promised to let you know how the special Jubilee ringing went. The following article was published in the Ringing World, along with reports from other towers across the country who contributed in various ways, from ringing rounds and call changes to full blown peals.

St. Giles Bubbenhall, Warwickshire
The Jubilee weekend was packed
with activities in Bubbenhall, and
the relatively new band of ringers,
(celebrating its second anniversary
this month) is proud to record 50
minutes of Queens, Kings and Plain
Hunt for their contribution to the
festivities prior to the Jubilee
Service on Sunday 2nd June.
Peter Sheen – Tower Captain.

#### **Deanery Practice**

A further deanery practice was held at Bubbenhall on Friday 20th September. The practice was well attended with visitors from far and wide.

Concentrating on doubles methods, ringing included St Martin's, St Simon's, All Saints and St Giles!

#### **Christmas Markets**

To raise money for the Bell Restoration Fund stalls are being held at the Christmas markets in Stratford upon Avon on 5th December and Leamington Spa on 22nd December. A variety of items are available including some splendid handcrafted wooden gifts, well worth a visit.

The committee are always very grateful for Bric a Brac, Jams, Chutney, Pickles and seasonal items, all donations to Susan Sheen please Rugby Deanery District -

### Forthcoming Event

Saturday 14th December: Carol Service at Bubbenhall, see noticeboard in Church for further

### details nearer the time. Practice times:

Thursday 7.30 - 9.00. Saturday 10.30 - 12.00. Visitors please phone first to check if practice is taking place in order to avoid disappointment.

Tel Susan Sheen 024 7630 6339.

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### St. Giles Church

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### 'St. Giles Church' Bubbenhall by Diana Howorth.

We are proud to announce the publication of a New Fine Art Open Edition Print of St. Giles Church.

Diana has uniquely captured the peace and tranquillity of St. Giles on a glorious Autumn afternoon, highlighting this beautiful Church. The print also has a remark of 'The Spout' included at the bottom to further endorse our beloved village.

Diana acknowledges her debt for her inspiration to the great English painters, John Constable and George Stubbs and has held numerous exhibitions in London. Diana is well known for her magnificent works of art, in particular her natural ability to bring out the individual characteristics with her canine studies, published by Illustrated Breeds.

The magnificent print is priced at £18.00 unframed and £43.00 framed in non-reflective glass. For every print sold a donation will be made to St. Giles Church.

You may view the print at Bubbenhall Post Office or online at www.illustratedbreeds.com under the miscellaneous section in prints. Further enquiries/orders please call Pauline Cadden on 01926 811137 daytime.

#### **Christmas Concert**

The Patricia Pritchard Singers

Mrs. Pat Pritchard and her singers have very generously offered to present a Concert of Christmas Music and Carols to be held in Church on December 1st at 7.30p.m. Tickets are £5.00 each which includes a glass of wine and mince pies during the interval, are now available from Patricia Pritchard at The Langlands, Church Road or from Gill Green at the post office. Those of us who enjoyed the Jubilee Concert in June will remember what a great evening that gave us - so keep the date free. For further details please contact Patricia Pritchard on 024 76302256.

# Neighbourhood Watch

Although we are still regarded as a "low crime" area, since the publication of the last Newsletter the following offences have been committed:-

A child's cycle stolen, an unattended motorcar broken into and property taken, a "sneak in" burglary, and some property stolen which had only temporarily been left on the driveway of a private house. I now understand that four of the recently erected posts near the spout have also been stolen.

The following is a list of vehicles, the drivers of which, are suspected of being involved in crime:-

A blue Metro F 198 CHA, a blue Metro F 958 BOE, a blue Fiesta K 846 WEA, a Ford Fiesta van K 615 TSJ and a Ford Mondeo N 970 COO. If seen please ring the police at once. May I again remind residents that if they do see any suspicious persons or vehicles to report them to the Police at once as it is they and they alone who can provide the Police with all the details that they would require.

By the time that this Newsletter is printed it will be nearing Christmas and now is the time to advise residents to take extra precautions to protect the contents of their homes which no doubt will be added to with Christmas fare and of particular interest to a burglar.

All Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators join me in wishing you all a Merry Christmas and Happy "Crime Free" New Year.

R. B. Gardner, Chairman 76303546

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# Join the Bubbenhall 150 Club

As well as paying out 3 generous monthly prizes, the money raised helps to provide much needed funds to support the running and upkeep of Your Village Hall.



#### Vital Villages in Warwickshire

We've all done it! Eavesdropped on a conversation. It might have been at a WI meeting; or in the queue at the post office, or the bar of the local. "What this village needs is a ......." Wise heads will nod sagely in agreement. But usually an even wiser head will offer the rejoinder, "But that will cost money and how are we going to raise it?"

There is never an easy answer to that question. But there is help at hand.

The Vital Villages project is a collaboration between the Rural Community Councils of Warwickshire and Worcestershire which is funded by the Government. The objective of the project is to increase the vitality of rural communities by supporting local enterprise.

So, if you have got an idea for a project, come and talk to us. We will consider any possibility, and may even support some initial market research.

You will need to show that your idea has the support of the local community. And convince us that it has the ability to stand on its own two feet after a decent interval. However, if you can do that, we may be able to supply some start up funding.

Contact: Steve Patalong on 01926 499664 or email steve@abbotsford. spacomputers.com, or write to The Abbotsford, 10, Market Place, Warwick, CV34 4SL. Prizes are as follows: January £50, £25 & £12.50 February to November £25, £12.50

December £50, £25 & £12.50 New members for 2003 welcome

We will be collecting for 2003 during December. If you are not already a paid up member and would like to join the 150 Club please contact one of our Agents:

John Long (76302840),

John Long (76302840), Bob Cragg (76301827) or Mike Wareham (76306894).

The cost is £12 for the year. If we can increase the members we can increase the prizes!! Is a 200 Club possible?

The Prize Draw takes place at one

of the Village Pubs on the last Friday of each month. Planned dates, subject to change are;-November 29th Malt Shovel December 27th Three Horse Shoes The Winning Numbers: January

1st John Farrow 51

2nd Richard Wormell 7 3rd Gill Green 114 February 1st Margaret Robinson 5 2nd Lynne Brown 86 3rd Charles & Harriett Williams 52 March 1st Graham Miles 74 2nd Charles & Harriett Williams 52 3rd Hugh Lemon 48 April 1st Mary Allatson 71 2nd Mary Gould 37 3rd Graham Miles 42 May 1st Mary Gould 37 2nd Gill Glover 69 3rd Thelma Green 119 June 1st Alec Smith 76 2nd Alan & Jean Swinscoe 106 3rd Mary Long 41 July 1st Heather Bailey 83 2nd Sue Wareham 40 3rd Gill Prudhoe 59 August 1st Kathleen Grimes 65 2nd Colin Lock 91 3rd Elena Johnson 94 September 1st Brenda Salt 123

# VILLAGE VENTURES COMPETITION



2nd Jacqueline Lloyd 63

3rd Mike Wareham 23

## VILLAGE VENTURES COMPETITION

A competition celebrating and rewarding voluntary initiatives in rural communities of Warwickshire – organised by the Warwickshire Rural Community Council

The Warwickshire Rural Community Council are now accepting entries for the 2002/2003 Village Ventures Competition. Below are examples of winning projects from previous competitions. Entry forms which include full details of eligibility can be obtained from your Parish Clerk or directly from the Warwickshire Rural

Community Council.

Parish maps, playschemes, youth groups, visual arts schemes, parish plans, footpath groups, village design, statements, newsletters, clubs for older people, guidebooks, nature conservation, village history, projects for children, village hall improvements, parish magazines, sport facilities. Closing date 1st April 2003. Jennifer Crafield, Competition Organiser, Warwickshire Rural Community Council, The Abbotsford, 10 Market Place, Warwick, CV34 3SL. Tel: 01926 499596. Fax 01926 407622. email; Jennifer-cranfield'vahoo.co.uk or visit web-site www.ruralwarwickshire.org.uk

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### Sarah Cooke **School of Dance**

We have all come back refreshed after having a very busy end of term. Now some of the children are taking exams in November so they are busy working hard. I will let you know how the children got on when the exam results are through.

December 4th - There will be no normal classes - we will be having a Christmas Treat. 4.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m. - I have arranged for the baby class to have a party with a childrens' entertainer. 6.00 p.m.- 7.30 p.m. -There will be a disco for all the other children. This will be something to look forward to.

I am also pleased to tell you that I am having a new teacher starting in January called Jenny Morgan. She has trained at Pattison College where I taught her and trained her for her teaching exams and then she went off to dance professionally in Japan and Italy. Jenny will be teaching at the new branches that I'm opening at Dunchurch and Long Buckby and on another day at Wellesbourne.

Don't forget - Adult tap is on a Wednesday night from 8.00 p.m. until 8.45 p.m. Just pop along and see how you get on - we've just had 3 new ladies start.

Sarah Cooke 024 76511387

### Malt Shovel Social Club

We will be having the Boxing Day Walk this year as usual leaving the pub at 10:00 a.m. There will be a bowl of soup for all the walkers on their return courtesy of Alex and Richard. Then we will be having the usual raffle and auction during the afternoon with all money raised going to Myton Hospice.

Any items suitable for raffle prizes or to auction will be very welcome.

I am again collecting dog food to take to the Dog Rescue at Honilev also if anyone has any blankets etc. that they no longer use they are very welcome for the dogs' beds. Please help if you can.

Mary Long 024 76302840

### **Bubbenhall Football Club**

Our 2001/2002 season started in fine style but ended in disaster. The club stalwart, Duncan Sibley, who (as age has encroached) gradually edged slowly backward in the squad and the "goal scoring racehorse" of yesteryear, was inexorably replaced by a "shot stopper" par excellence. The goalkeeping passion resulted in a terrible injury with several matches to play. The loss to the team was immense and resulted in losses for the remainder of the season.

In turn, promotion was lost and we live to fight another day. The broken leg has still not mended and we all wish Duncan a speedy recovery. However, his effervescence, knows no boundaries and although Steve Ball has stepped down as Team Manager, he has been replaced by (you guessed it) Duncan Sibley. Additional support by Matt Coleman as Club Secretary and George Upton as Club Treasurer is allowing Duncan to concentrate more upon the team selection process.

To date this is proving extremely positive and we are currently in 2nd position in the league. A number of new team members have greatly increased the strength and depth of the squad and we remain quietly positive for our adventures this

Our main sponsors The Malt Shovel have proved steadfast in their support and Alec and Richard have donated a new kit for this season. Additional sponsors have been Clive Salt, Hugh Lemon and Steve May. Thank you one and all for your kind support.

It is early days yet in the season. but the team are working very well together and the atmosphere is excellent. We all hope that the team spirit, humour and hard work will result in success both in the league and the various cup matches to be played.

Brian Wells, Chairman



### Heart of **England Farms**

### **Everyone loves our turkeys**

Christmas Comes but Once a Year For a quality Christmas Dinner, hand reared, and prepared the traditional way, to create a succulent, melt in the mouth taste, a free range bronze bird should be your first choice. That's the message from Heart of England Farms, Claverdon, Warwickshire whose flocks of free ranging turkeys and geese may be viewed as you drive on the A4189 road between Claverdon and Henley in Arden.

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As the festive season approaches the birds are collected from their fields to be traditionally hand plucked and hung in a maturation chamber, an essential part of the process which guarantees that each bird is tender and full of flavour. Many Warwickshire families return to the farm on Christmas Eve year after year to collect their traditional farm fresh turkeys, goose, cockerels or ducks. The birds are supplied oven ready in a sturdy carry home box complete with cooking tips and recipe ideas for those of you seeking inspiration. Please request an order form and let Heart of England Farms change your Christmas dinner for ever. Tel: 01926 843460

Fax: 01926 843281 or Email ogronning@heartofenglandfarms.com

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### Dates for your diary Village Pond Project

#### November

30th - BEG - singer Louise Mayer Village Hall

#### December

1st - Christmas Concert, The Patricia Pritchard Singers St. Giles Church 7th - Christmas Favre

Village Hall 2.00pm

8th - Village light up 5.00pm and 5.30pm carol singing

10th - Parish Council meeting Village Hall

14th - Carol service St. Giles Church 26th - Boxing day walk Malt Shovel 10.00am

#### January

10th - Garter Group meeting Watch notice boards 10th - Youth Club restart

#### March

15th - BEG "The Hinches" Village Hall

The re-instatement of the village pond is now in its final phase. Volunteers of all ages are required for the final stage of puddling the clay - this is to line the pond and make it watertight. Come in your old clothes and wellies and have some fun. Light refreshments will be provided afterwards for all helpers, and all offers of help will be greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in helping to restore this natural village feature please contact :-

Councillor Jackie Lloyd - 76 302836 Councillor Pete Wilkins - 76 305534 Councillor Gill Green at the Post Office or 76 305215

And we will organise a date.

### **Christmas Fair**

This years Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 7th December. It will follow the traditional format with Father Christmas travelling through the village and arriving at the Village Hall at 2pm.

To Book a stall please telephone either Lesley Goodhead 02476 306964 or Margaret Robinson 02476 305931

### Bubbenhall **Entertainment Group**

The Bavarian Evening proved to be as enjoyable as usual and we look forward to seeing you all at our forthcoming events. We will be entertained by singer Louise Mayer on Saturday 30th November. Come and join us dancing to music from the 50's to the 90's - all your old favourites !!

The following events will be in 2003. The Hinches are coming to play for us on 15th March - a mix of Irish for St. Patrick's Day, rock and roll and much more!

Both acts are highly recommended and we hope you'll enjoy them too.

If anybody is interested in joining our committee to organise events or helping at events, food preparation etc. we would love to hear from you. We are a small but friendly group and meet in the pub about 3 times a year to organise events (also usually 3 per year). We also have a vacancy for a 'washer up' - pay negotiable and fair.

Tickets for November 30th are available now from:

Margaret Robinson 024 76305931 and Judith Chettle 024 76305164.

### **Regular Groups**

### Group

Friendly Club Bubbenhall Mother & Toddler Group Rainbows Brownies Guides Baginton Parent / Toddler Cubs Scouts Bubbenhall Garter Group Ryton Pools Volunteers WCC Friday Mobile Library

Bubbenhall Junior Football, 5-13 years Every Saturday, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Bubbenhall Youth Club Sarah Cooke Dance School St. Giles Bellringers Practice

### Meets

Alternate Mondays 2:00 - 4.00 p.m. Village Hall Thursday Mornings 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Village Hall Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Tue 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 p.m Fridays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. Periodically Every Friday 9:00 a.m. Fortnightly 11:50 a.m. - 12:00 noon "Ellesmere" Stoneleigh Road Fortnightly 12:05 p.m. - 12:20 p.m. Friday 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Monday & Wednesday (see advert) Thursday 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon

### Venue

Village Hall Village Hall Village Hall Baginton Village Hall Methodist Church Hall Cubbington Ryton Church Youth Centre See notice boards Visitors Centre Lower End Village Playing Fields Village Hall Village Hall St. Giles Church St. Giles Church

During June 2003 we are planning to run a coach trip to see Miss Saigon at the Hippodrome Theatre in Birmingham. This will be on Saturday 21st June for the matinee performance. The cost of the tickets will be £27.00 each which has to be paid in full by the 15th December. If you would like to come along and join us please contact either:

Maragaret Robinson on 024 76305931 or Gill Prudhoe on 024 76307747

### Bubbenhall **Garter Group**

Although the number of events organised by the Garter Group has reduced in recent years, at the AGM held in September, the general consensus of those who attended was that we would like this group to continue.

Whilst there is no committee to organise regular monthly events or meetings we will be getting together periodically, at one of the pubs just for a chat and a drink. Where we decide to organise outings or events these will be advertised through posters around the village or bulletins in the newsletter.

What we have planned so far: January 2003- Beryl Lock & Chris Dunn are looking to get details and menus for an evening meal out watch the poster boards for further

On a final note, at the AGM we looked at the funds held by Garter Group and agreed that we would like to use some of the money held to purchase something that would be of benefit to all ages in the village. After looking at a number of options we have agreed to buy a bench for the park area by the village hall. If anyone can recommend a product or supplier let us know so we can make the most of the money available.

Liz Paul 024 76302047

### Theatre Trips Bubbenhall Friendly Club



In June we spent a very enjoyable and amusing afternoon when we were visited by a gentleman who gave a very interesting and fascinating demonstration on making models of fruit from wax. The results were extremely realistic and he was very entertaining and fascinating to watch and listen to.

Also in June we had a wonderful day out at the David Austin Rose Gardens. The weather was lovely and the display of roses was beautiful. We enjoyed a super lunch and some of us even managed afternoon tea! The only problem we had was trying to fit all our purchases safely into the boot of the coach on our return iourney!

In July we were very kindly invited once again by Velma to Bubbenhall House for a strawberry tea. We had a lovely afternoon. The last session in July was a social afternoon which Beryl kindly hosted due to the village hall being unavailable.

After the Summer break we started the new session with a social afternoon in the village hall. We had to bring a photograph of ourselves as a baby and we had great fun identifying who was who. It didn't help that one or two people sneakily brought two photographs! We decided that many of us haven't

actually changed that much! (Well maybe a little !!). Our second September meeting was a day out to Bromsgrove. In the morning we visited The Jinny Ring Craft Centre where we enjoyed a very nice lunch and some of us managed to part with some money in the shops. After lunch we moved to The Avoncroft Museum of buildings and had a wander round the various exhibits followed by a cup of tea and cake if required!

In October we held a bring and buy plant sale to boost funds. Our second meeting that month was a pub lunch at The Blacksmiths Arms at Ryton which everybody seemed to enjoy.

Our next meeting will be a visit from a lady who will demonstrate handbells and hopefully we can all

Other events include a shopping trip to Solihull, a mince pie and sherry afternoon and our traditional Christmas lunch which will be followed by entertainment.

If you or anybody you know is interested in joining us we would be very pleased to see you.

Contact any of the committee members below.

Chris Dunn - 024 777630 2481 Chris Morgan - 024 7630 6131 Beryl Lock - 024 7630 6246 Jan Stobart - 024 7630 3093

### Bubbenhall Newsletter

### **Bubbenhall Mother & Toddler Group**

It is hard to believe but here we are again in our busiest term of the year. Fresh from the Summer holidays we ploughed straight in with our AGM. Thanks to old and new faces alike who have volunteered their services to help to keep things running smoothly

Our usual photographer - Judy Hartland - came along to the village hall in October to take photographs of the children (and for some of the brave amongst us - their families too!). Not only does she always take beautiful photographs (perfect as Christmas presents for those doting grandparents!) but we find this is an excellent fund raising event to boost funds. Thank you to all who came along, your support is as always very much appreciated.

So, it now won't be too long before we will be turning our attentions towards Christmas (my children started their Christmas present lists back in August!)

We will be running our popular "Jar Tombola" stall at this years Christmas Fair. Many thanks to everyone who has provided the jam jars and prizes and also to those who will be giving their time to help on the day because although it is a lot of fun it is also hard work!

During our Thursday morning sessions we will be making our usual Christmas cards and gifts and we will be busy organising our Christmas party (I have heard that if we are especially good that Father Christmas himself has promised to come along too - very generous of him as I'm sure that he is rushed off his feet at the moment !!).

May I end by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and don't forget that new members are always welcome. We meet every Thursday (during school term time) from 9.30 a.m. until 11.30 a.m. in the village hall. So why not come along and join in the organised chaos? I promise we don't bite!!

Lori Slark 024 76 ??

### 1st Bubbenhall **Brownies**

Well over the summer term we have been working towards our Queens Golden Jubilee Challenge Badge, and most of us have almost finished. Jennifer Simmons held a "Go for it!" party as the final part of her "Go for it!" badge, which she completed before leaving us at the end of the term. We sadly did not make it to Ryton Pools for our last meeting as the weather rained all day and most of the evening. Maybe we shall get there in the spring of next year.

Tawny Owl and Frankie Suffell were lucky enough to go to Arden 2002, Warwickshire's International Guide Camp this summer and had a great time. They tried lots of new activities, crafts and food and met Guides from other countries around the world. We have seen the photographs of Guides from Wales playing Rugby on a stage!. Guides from India dancing in full costume, and lots of Guides from Warwickshire on a huge inflatable slide and bouncy castle! Frankie can't wait to go again!

Well this term we have two new Brownies joining us so far, Sarah Ditchfield and Olivia Gale, and as we have almost a full pack now we have a new six called the Imps. This means that we have a new sixer, Sarah Tuckey, and a new seconder to help her, Jessica Stobart. We have also made Amy Kent and Ellie Hall new seconders, and Kelly Sanders a new sixer. Well done to all of them.

We are planning to go on a Christmas Theatre visit this term, and might have our very own Bonfire, since Guy Fawkes night is on a Tuesday! We have three Brownies about to start their "Go for it!" challenge badge, the hardest challenge of all for our older girls, Alex Kirby, Alex Tait and Sarah Tuckey. And the rest of the pack will be working hard on their Footpath, Road and Highway Badges.

We are still saving our corks and computer ink cartridges; there is a box in the village hall marked for them, as we recycle them to add to our funds, and many thanks to all of you who add to the box over the course of the

As our numbers of Brownies increase we are looking for an adult helper. Anyone who can come each Tuesday from 5.30pm-7pm and help Snowy Owl and Tawny Owl would be very welcome, and much appreciated by the Brownies. Please give Snowy Owl, Helen Schofield a call if you would like to know more. Well that's about all for now, Love from Snowy Owl, Tawny Owl and

### **Bubbenhall Rainbows**

Rainbows are in desperate need of adult help. Two of our current leaders can no longer help due to work commitments, which means we are looking for someone over the age of 18 to help on a regular basis. We meet every Thursday 6 - 7pm during term time. If you think you may be interested please contact

Margaret Robinson 02476 305931

### **Bubbenhall Youth Club**

The summer is over now, and the winter is fast approaching, so gone are the evenings of endless games of unihoc, tennis, rounders and (of course) football!

We have decided to put together a programme leading up to Christmas, although the usual facilities will be available most weeks, so here goes:-November 29 Craft-Christmas Cards December 6 Normal meeting December 13 Craft-Wrapping paper December 20 TBA

1st Bubbenhall Brownies.

We will be closed over the Christmas to New Year break. re-opening on Friday 10th January 2003, and last, but certainly not least, a big THANK YOU to everybody who has helped us this year in any way, we really do appreciate it! We wish you all a very Happy Christmas, and funfilled New Year! Sandie Rombach, Pat Long, Frank Moon, Ann Kelland, Tracy Spriggs