

KEEP FIT

Come along and keep fit to music on Monday evenings at Lillington Middle School, 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. The movements are designed to improve flexibility and fitness, and are suitable for all ages.

The new term starts on Monday, 10th January, 1994.

For further information, please contact:-

Rene Beale,  
Qualified K.F.A. Teacher

Coventry 301727.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Parties for the children (0-9 years) will take place on Thursday, 23rd December in the Village Hall. There will be two parties which will overlap.

2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. For younger children.  
3.00 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. For older children.

Cost - £1.50 per child.

To give us an idea of numbers, please fill in and return the booking slip at the foot of this page.

Margaret Robinson,  
Coventry 305931.

Lesley Goodhead,  
Coventry 306964.

THANKS

Grateful thanks to all contributors who submit their reports so promptly. To those who have to be reminded - may I please ask for greater effort to be on time in 1994 - 'phone calls to late contributors cost time and money and delay printing of the Newsletter.

NEXT ISSUE OF NEWSLETTER.

Due for circulation in early March, 1994. News or information for publication, in writing please, to Rene Beale, 10, Waggoners Close, Bubbenhall, CV8 3JE. 'Phone - Coventry 301727.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS.

Christmas Party Booking Slip.

Please return either to Margaret Robinson, 21 Moat Close, or Lesley Goodhead, 33 Home Close (with money) as soon as possible.

Name.....

Younger child/children  @ £1.50.

Older child/children  @ £1.50.

(Donations of food gratefully received)



**BUBBENHALL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**

November 1993.

No. 27.

PARISH COUNCIL.

Bubbenhall C.E.School.

The Parish Council will, of course, co-operate with the Governing Body of the School and the village in opposing the proposed closure of the school.

Regarding the possibility of the public being allowed to use the school transport services, the Parish Council has received a letter from the County Education Department confirming that the services to Cubbington C.E.School will not be opened to the public for the foreseeable future. This decision was made on the grounds that (a) the Bubbenhall/Weston-under-Wetherley route is used by pupils from Round Oak School and any school transport service carrying children with special educational needs for whole or part of the journey will not be opened to the public, and (b) the Offchurch/Eathorpe route has no spare capacity on the vehicle and places are not, therefore, available to the public.

Sand and Gravel Extraction, Weston Lane.

Warwickshire County Council has refused the planning application submitted by Smiths Concrete Ltd., to open the landfill site on Bank Holidays and on Saturday afternoons preceding and following Bank Holidays. The Parish Council objected totally to this proposal, as did the residents of the area around Weston Lane.

The Spout.

The Parish Council has taken up with Smiths Concrete Ltd., the question of the effect of the further sand and gravel extraction from the "Glebe Farm" site, when commenced, and had a meeting with representatives of the Company at which the geological considerations were explained and considered. The Parish Council has accepted the Company's assurance that the proposals will be monitored to ensure that the water flow from "The Spout" will not be adversely affected.

Recreation Ground.

The Parish Council is at the moment in discussion with Warwick District Council's Amenities Department regarding the provision of a suitable low slide for the younger children. These are expensive and the question of raising the amount required is a matter for concern as it is not clear at the moment whether or not any financial assistance will be received from the District Council, and the possibility of all or part of the amount required being raised in the village still has to be determined.

Highways Matters.

The Parish Council has under consideration the question of the high speeds of traffic proceeding along the A.445 past the School, and discussions are taking place with the County Council on this matter.



PARISH COUNCIL (Contd.)

Warwick District Council for Voluntary Service.

The Parish Council has decided to affiliate with the local Council for Voluntary Service which is hoping to bring the services available more to the attention of communities in the rural area.

Meeting Dates

Tuesday, 7th December, 1993. )  
Tuesday, 18th January, 1994. ) 7.45 p.m. Village Hall.  
Tuesday, 1st March, 1994. )

50+ CLUB.

Since the Summer holidays, the Club has continued its activities on alternate Wednesday afternoons, with members of the Group enjoying their usual games of cards, darts, etc., followed by welcome refreshments.

The Flower Show on the 11th September was once again very well represented by our Club, with Mrs. Flo.Sharp winning the Rose Bowl for attaining the maximum points, and others from the group were also awarded prizes for their different categories of garden produce etc.

It was with regret that during October, we heard of the sad passing of our ex-Chairlady, Mrs. Win.Peacock. Club members extended their condolences to her family and friends.

As apples have been plentiful thus Autumn, with many being grown in local gardens, the following seasonable recipe may appeal to a few readers of this Newsletter:-

Apple Meringue. 6 Cooking Appples; 2 Egg Whites; 1 tbsp.Caster Sugar;  
Grated Rind and Juice of 1 Lemon; Raspberry Jam.

Stew apples gently and sweeten to taste. Add grated lemon rind and juice. Cool.

Place in dish and spread mixture with raspberry jam.

Whisk egg whites briskly with sugar until very stiff, and pile onto apple. Cook on 180C for 15 minutes.

Serve cold.

The Christmas Fayre on December 4th will once again prove popular with villagers and the 50+ Club will be running its usual Tombola Stall which has been so successful in the past. The Group will also be having its own Christmas Tea-party during the festive season, to which members eagerly look forward, thus delightfully bringing the year to a close.

Season's greetings from the 50+ Club to all villagers, and a Happy New Year to follow.

Kath McBroome, Secretary.

Coventry 306915.

BUBBENHALL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.

Before this Newsletter is printed a "Crime Prevention Panel" meeting will have been held in Kenilworth, which I hope to attend. Many items will be discussed and questions invited from the audience. In addition, suggestions and new ideas will be made to members from the Police at another meeting. As a result of these two gatherings, it will then be decided whether to call a "Parish" meeting in the Village Hall, no doubt early in the New Year.

Residents are reminded that all are members of Bubbenhall Neighbourhood Watch, as well as their Street Co-ordinators, and as such are requested to keep their eyes open and report any suspicious incidents to the Police at once, recording numbers of any vehicle seen under suspicious circumstances.

R.B.Gardner, Chairman of Co-ordinators,  
Bubbenhall Neighbourhood Watch.

Coventry 303546.

REPORT ON COVENTRY AIRPORT AT BAGINTON (Contd.)

now it is the eighth largest airport for freight flown. The main operators are - Royal Mail, Securicor-Omega Express, Air Express International, Lynx Parcels and Reed Aviation.

As regards take-offs, a Noise Preferential Routing is designed for the aircraft to climb to 500 feet, then make a 20 degree left turn to 1000 feet, then onto course, which should miss our village, but wind strength and aircraft load sometimes hampers this. The planned replacement in September of the large 4-engined D.C.6, which makes the most noise, by a quieter Lockheed Electra has been delayed. The Electra is now ready in America and should be in service soon.

It must be borne in mind that Coventry only control the air space of 4 nautical miles in diameter up to 1500 feet, from 1500 to 4500 feet is controlled by Birmingham and beyond that by London Air Traffic Control.

In the near future a new Radar system is being installed, so that aircraft not heeding the Noise Preferential Routing will be able to be monitored and fined accordingly.

As regards traffic going to and from the Airport, there is to be an Air-Park on the south side of the Airport to handle freight, with access from the A.45 along Siskin Drive, so Parcelforce and other such operators should, in the near future, not require to go through Bubbenhall or Baginton.

If members of the village have any queries or complaints about the Airport operations, I should be pleased to receive them and take them up on their behalf, but please remember the Airport has to remain a financial viable operation.

As regards the future, I feel sure that for economic reasons we shall see less aircraft but of a larger size, and that the Committee will have to be very watchful of the routes and noise content.

Alan Gibson.

Coventry 307933.

ST. GILES CHURCH.

Harvest Festival.

The Church was beautifully decorated, as always, and a good crowd enjoyed the Harvest Supper. £76.00 was raised - this will form part of our contribution to the Church Urban Fund.

Sponsored Bike Ride.

Just three cyclists took part this year. Thanks to them and to their generous sponsors a total of £125.10 was raised - half of which will go to St.Giles.

Christmas at St.Giles.

December 19th	11.15 a.m. Christingle Service.
December 24th	Christmas Eve. 11.30 p.m. Midnight Eucharist (at Ryton Church)
December 25th	Christmas Day 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 11.00 a.m. Family Communion
December 26th	Feast of Stephen 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (Said) 4.30 p.m. Carols by Candlelight.

Current news and times of services may be found in the monthly Church Newsletter.



#### BUBBENHALL GARTER GROUP.

It is with great sadness that the committee feels the necessity to call for an emergency meeting of the Garter Group to be held on 13th January, 1994. The reason for this meeting will be to discuss the closing of the Garter Group due to lack of interest on behalf of its members and the lack of support from the ladies in the village. If, however, the members feel that this is unfounded, we would like to hear your opinion at that meeting, and at the same time, members could then appoint a new committee should they so wish.

I would like to take this opportunity to recap on this last year's activities:-

February	The new committee was elected.
March	Cheese and Wine Evening arranged in the hope of encouraging new members and to get ideas for activities that members would like during the year. This meeting was fairly well attended, however only 22 ladies joined the Garter Group as members at this meeting.
April	Easter Demonstration. 5 members attended.
May	Make-up Demonstration. 8 members attended.
June	Treasure Hunt. This was well supported although not all the tickets were sold.
July	Summer Barbecue. Also well supported although there were quite a few outside visitors and again not all tickets were sold.
August	No meeting due to School holidays.
September	Charity Evening. This was a great disappointment to the committee as this was in support of Dogs for the Disabled. We had hoped for a good attendance but only 5 members arrived, which was very embarrassing for us all.
October	Pudding Evening. 5 members attended.
November	Little Park Street Police Station. At time of submission 7 members were attending.

I would like to point out that traditionally the Treasure Hunt and Barbecue are always well attended by members and non-members and therefore are not a true reflection of the Garter Group, and that these activities could always be sponsored by another group in the village. It has been very disheartening to the committee that for all their efforts in organising activities that were asked for by members, an average of 6 out of 25 members attended these activities.

The Garter Group has been running for more than 12 years and it would be incredibly sad if it closed now, but to remain viable we need members to be interested and the village ladies to participate. Without those elements it is not worthwhile for any committee to donate its time and efforts.

Carol Davidson,  
Chairlady, Bubbenhall Garter Group.

#### REPORT ON COVENTRY AIRPORT AT BAGINTON.

A number of people in the village have mentioned the flying activity from the Airport, and as I now represent the village on the Airport Committee, I feel I should let villagers know what is happening now and what the future possibly holds.

The Airport opened in 1936 and was licensed for night flying in 1958. Between 1981 and 1987 it accommodated aircraft from Birmingham due to runway extension in Birmingham, handling the Boeing 737 jet and package holiday flights.

Scheduled night-time operations began in 1988 when Parcelforce chose Coventry for their "next-day" parcels operation to Scotland and Northern Ireland, and

#### MALT SHOVEL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB.

Once again Christmas is almost here, and we would like to thank everyone who has supported our events throughout the year. We will be going on the Boxing Day walk again this year, leaving the Malt Shovel at 10 a.m., Sunday, 26th December. There will be a raffle in aid of Myton Hospice when we get back, also a bowl of soup for everyone who goes on the walk.

We are holding our usual Christmas raffle. Tickets will be on sale at various places around the village. First prize this year is a Microwave. The draw will take place in the Malt Shovel on Sunday evening, 19th December.

There is a Quiz Night in the pub the first Sunday of the month. Teams of Four. Starting at 8 p.m. Everyone welcome:

On New Year's Eve we are holding a Fancy Dress Evening. Prize for best costume. Please Join us.

As in previous years we are hoping to collect tins of dog food for the Dog Kennels at Honiley. Any contributions gratefully received. Tins can be handed in to the Post Office or to M.Long, 1, Avon Terrace.

Mary Long. Coventry 302840.

#### BUBBENHALL MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP.

We held our A.G.M. on 29th September, and we would like to welcome Tracey Bates and Christine Tait to our Committee.

Thank you to everyone who supported our 80/20 sale on 30th October.

Our next fund-raising event is the Christmas Fayre where donations of cakes will be welcome. The children's Christmas party will be in the Village Hall on Thursday, 16th December, and we are expecting a visit by Father Christmas for all good girls and boys.

The Mums' night out is on Wednesday, December 8th, to a Balti restaurant in Birmingham. Please let us know a.s.a.p. if you are interested (approx. £4 per head).

If anyone hasn't seen the Webb Ivory catalogue and would like to order something, please contact Christine Tait on Coventry 302135.

Sonia Bettles, Chairperson. Coventry 306103.  
Sandra Ciuffini, Publicity/New members. Coventry 306840.

#### RAINBOWS.

Autumn is always a busy term at Rainbows with the excitement of making things ready for Christmas. We also celebrated our 3rd Birthday on 8th November, and look forward to many more years to come.

Rainbows is a pre-Brownie group for 5-7 year old girls. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday evenings 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. If you would like to put your daughter's name on our waiting list or if you would like to help at our meetings, please contact:-

Margaret Robinson Coventry 305931.

#### BROWNIES.

The Brownies have been thinking a lot about conservation and wildlife during the last term. A sponsored silence raised just over £100.00, and this was used in two ways - The Pack has taken part in an "Adopt a Box" Scheme run by the Hawk and Owl Trust - we adopt a nesting box somewhere in the Midlands, and are kept informed of the progress of any "residents". We have also "purchased" an area of woodland at Rough Hill Wood - a conservation area owned by the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and preserved as woodland.

Three Rainbows and one new Brownie joined the pack, and some Brownies went up to Guides.



#### BROWNIES (Contd.)

We now have a few vacant places in the pack, so anyone interested in joining, please contact either of us.

We meet in the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings, 5.30 to 7.00 p.m., and the new term starts on Tuesday, 11th January.

Jackie Lloyd,  
Coventry 302836.

Jackie Hennah,  
Coventry 301978.

#### GUIDE COMPANY.

Thankyou to everyone who provided jumble and to those who helped on the night. We made £112 for Guide funds. This was a great result and much better than we expected! From our fund raising this year we have managed to buy some good activity rope, an excellent First Aid tent and a new 4-person tent. All these items are a valuable asset to the Guide Company, and we are very grateful for all the help we have received.

We are not quite sure yet what form our Christmas entertainment will take, but hopefully, we will have something to offer when the Patrols sort themselves out! Next year we are celebrating our 25th Birthday, so we are looking forward to great things...

The Guide Company for girls aged 10-14 years meets at Ryton Church Youth Centre on Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Lesley Goodhead,  
Coventry 306964.

Sandra Barnsley,  
Coventry 303876.

#### BUBBENHALL C.E. FIRST SCHOOL.

The main news must be the proposal to close Bubbenhall C.E. First School. The school has been open now for 129 years and has been very much part of the village. We had a meeting on November 1st, in the Village Hall which was well supported by staff, parents and the village community.

One of our major considerations while presenting a strong case for staying open is to keep the school routines going as normal for the children. We also aim to keep parents informed on a regular basis and will also be keeping you up to date through door to door postings.

I am sure we can count on your support, as the school, we all feel, is an integral part of the village.

Wendy Thomas, Headteacher.

Coventry 303200.

#### BUBBENHALL FIRST SCHOOL PTA SUPPORT GROUP.

We have once again been busy raising money for the school during the Autumn term. We organised the refreshments for the Car Boot and Flower Show which raised £82.15. In October, we once again staged a Woolworths fashion show, which was a tremendous success with the children and adults alike having a thoroughly good time. We raised a total of £126.50 at this event.

We are still selling Tea-towels with pictures all drawn by the children.

Forthcoming Events. Saturday, 4th December. We are once again doing a Craft Stall. Any items will be gratefully received.

With the current uncertainty over the future of the school, it is more important than ever that we demonstrate our commitment and support to the school. We should all therefore, try to make this and all future events as successful as possible.

Jeanette Tipper, Secretary.

Coventry 306153.

#### VILLAGE HALL - PRIZE BINGO.

Mrs. Brandrick would like to thank everyone who supported us these past few weeks, and would especially like to thank Mr. Dave Clark for being our bingo caller, also Mrs. Hewitt for the use of the bingo board and Mrs. Barttlet for her help. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Bingo starts again on the 4th January - hope to see you all there. Thankyou.

Joan Brandrick

Coventry 302354.

#### VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB.

Recent winners:-	August	No.97	M.Evans	£25.00
		No.14	B.Morgan	£12.50
	September	No. 2	J.Kendray	£25.00
		No.84	D.Hollway	£12.50
	October	No.41	M.Long	£25.00
		No.71	M.Allatson	£12.50

Mike Leach

Coventry 306855.

#### 72ND COVENTRY SCOUT GROUP.

Thank you for the support given to the recent Autumn Fair. The proceeds were £187.50. Two more events being arranged are a Skittles Evening and the Annual Spring Dance at Peugeot Talbot.

The meeting times are:-

Cubs	8-10½	Mondays	6.15 p.m. to 7.45 p.m.
Scouts	10½-15½	Fridays	7.45 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.
Ventures	15½-20	Mondays	8.00 p.m.

New members welcome. Meetings take place at Ryton Church Youth Centre.

Rev.J.T.Sykes, Ryton Vicarage

Coventry 303570.

#### BUBBENHALL WORLD TANG-SOO-DO KOREAN MARTIAL ARTS CLASS.

Jim Bratchie would like to congratulate three lads who took and passed their Orange Belt grading at St.Ives in Cambridgeshire in September:-

Nathan Batchelor	Aged 8 years.
Daniel Rombach	Aged 7 years.
Jonathon Sheen	Aged 7 years.

The Club meets at the Village Hall on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 p.m. New members welcome.

A demonstration evening with disco and buffet will be held at the Royal Court Hotel, Coventry, on Sunday, 19th December, from 5.00 p.m. onwards. All proceeds to the Christopher Barker Trust. Admission £2.00 Adults, Children over 8 - £1.00, Children under 8 - Free.

Further information from:-

Jim Bratchie,  
Coventry 461796.

John Bratchie, Regional Instructor.  
Coventry 687460.

#### VILLAGE CHRISTMAS FAIR.

Saturday, 4th December. 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. in the Village Hall. Father Christmas will leave the Three Horseshoes at 1.45 p.m., and travel along Lower End ready to open the Fair at 2 p.m. Come and support the various village organisations on their stalls and get a Christmas bargain. Crafts, tombola, cakes, home-made produce, games, refreshments and Santa's Grotto with postbox.

#### CHRISTMAS FAMILY DISCO.

Come and relax with your friends before the Christmas rush. Thursday, 23rd December 7.00 p.m. to 10 p.m. in the Village Hall. Bring your own drinks and a plate of food to share.

Tickets - £4.00 per family or £1.50 each.

On sale at the Christmas Fair, and from Margaret Robinson, 21, Moat Close or Lesley Goodhead, 33 Home Close.