



BUBBENHALL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

November, 1994.

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50+ CLUB.

With the onset of Autumn heralded by the premature shedding of leaves from some of the trees in our pretty village, the 50+ Club re-opened after the August break. A few of our members were once again successfully involved, exhibiting in the Flower Show, organised by the Malt Shovel Sports and Social Club - the Rose Bowl being won by Mrs. Sharp for attaining the most points in the Ladies Section - Congratulations Flo!

Meetings followed along the same pattern as the first half of the year - members enjoying a relaxing afternoon each fortnight, with refreshments, interspersed at times with a celebratory occasion. During October, some of our group were given gifts of Harvest produce kindly donated by the Church, and our November trip to Cadbury's World was a trip well worth waiting for.

Christmas festivities are looming ahead when the Village Hall will resound happily to children's laughter at our Seasonable Fayre and the 50+ Club will once again be manning a Tombola Stall (full of surprises) to which members have willingly contributed over the last few months.

Our Season's Greetings to all the villagers of Bubbenhall and a Happy New Year for 1995.

Kath McBroome, Secretary.

Coventry 306915.

BUBBENHALL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH.

Our main message to all residents is "Please be vigilant" and report any suspicious incident to the Police at once.

Several incidents have occurred in the village lately where suspect vehicles and persons have been observed and reported, and, as a result, it has been felt that a possible burglary was prevented. A recent reporting by a neighbouring Watch member of two suspect vehicles resulted in a crime, committed in Bubbenhall, being detected, three persons arrested and a large amount of property recovered.

Residents are also reminded that as Christmas is approaching, quite a lot of extra purchases will have been made, including wines and spirits, and an ideal target

BUBBENHALL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH (Conts.)

for would-be thieves, so please ensure that all possible security arrangements are made.

Finally, a "Merry Christmas" and a "Crime-free New Year" to you all.

R.B.Gardner,
Chairman, Neighbourhood Watch. Coventry 303546.

MALT SHOVEL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB.

Christmas is nearly here - the time flies by so fast. On Sunday, December 18th we will be round the village with our gifts for the Senior Citizens. If there is anyone not on our list who would like to be included, could you please let us have your name as soon as possible.

We are holding the Boxing Day walk as usual, leaving the Malt Shovel at 10 a.m. arriving back around 12.30 p.m. There will be hot soup for all the walkers when they get back, and we shall be holding the usual raffle in aid of Myton Hospice. Please give us your support.

I am collecting dog food to take to the Dog Rescue kennels at Honiley before Christmas. If anyone can spare a tin of food it would be very welcome, as there are many dogs to care for.

New Year at the Malt Shovel. Celebrate New Year's Eve with Lyn and David at the Malt Shovel.

We are providing an 8-course meal and magical entertainment for an amazing £19.95. There will be a fancy dress theme of Black and White (this is not compulsory). Call Lyn or David on 301141 to reserve your table, as only a few places are remaining.

In the Bar we are inviting you to join us with the same fancy dress theme. There will be a Karaoke, Late Bar, Late Evening Buffet and much more.

Should we not see you on New Year's Eve, we would like to wish you a very Happy and Prosperous 1995.

Mary Long. Coventry 302840.

BUBBENHALL FOOTBALL CLUB.

The Club started the season well, with good Cup and League results obtained from quality opposition. Of late, the results have been disappointing, a by-product of an unavoidable change in the first team weakening our attack, and some unfortunate defending at the back. Nevertheless, we will win through in the end - after all it's early days yet.

Problems seem to come in threes. We were recently advised by the League that our grass was too long, our goals the wrong size and our lines were marked out in the wrong paint. Mind you, it has taken four years to come to this conclusion, and we had just beaten the team that complained!

To be fair, it is true that our posts are ragged and worn out, so if anyone can help us replace our goal posts for new ones, or even radically refit the old ones, we would be delighted to hear from them.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTIES.

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

2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. For younger children.

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. For older children.

Cost - £1.50 per child.

There will also be an Evening Disco, 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. for children 10 years and over. £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 to all who contributed items for this edition. Without your reports there would be no Newsletter to print. Keep up the good work!

NEXT NEWSLETTER.

Due for circulation in early March, 1995. News or information for publication in writing, please, to Rene Beale, 10, Waggoners Close, Bubbenhall, CV8 3JE. 'Phone - Coventry 301727.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND 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

Disco @ £1.50

Donations of food gratefully received.

REPORT ON COVENTRY AIRPORT.

There have been two major meetings convened by Warwick District Council concerning the major nuisance of this airport which is noise of low flying aircraft and engine revving on the aprons of the airport during night hours.

The meetings were held at the Town Hall in Leamington and at Baginton Village Hall, where it was explained by the Chief Executive of the District Council that the Council had little power concerning the operations at the airport despite it being on Warwick District Council land.

At the recent Airport Consultative Committee meeting we were informed that the airport continues to be the sixth largest in the country for freight handling and that any reported low flying aircraft over Bubbenhall would be looked into if the date and time of the incident was reported to them by me.

The continuous efforts of this Committee are centred on reducing noise if it is possible to all the villages around the airport and it's flight paths, together with trying to get the operators to have quieter planes and more reasonable flying times.

With the advent of the airport becoming a Public Limited Company which must obviously make a profit (unlike the Coventry City Council's ownership which showed a loss for 93/94 of £986,000) we fear that operations will increase, causing more nuisance to our village.

The District Council is having continuous meetings with the City Council, trying to use persuasion with the owners of the airport to reduce both ground and aircraft noise.

The fact is that the airport which was established before the War, is here to stay and the owners have unlimited powers to run it how they wish, but it is hoped that both the District Council and the Consultative Committee (which they have to have by law) can bring persuasive pressure to reduce our problems.

Again may I remind you that if anyone has a complaint in the village about noisy aircraft at night, if they let me know the date and time, then the aircraft can be identified and some action can be taken to reprimand the operator.

Councillor A.R.Gibson,
(Airport Consultative Committee member)

Coventry 307933.

KEEP FIT

Please come and join our friendly class on Monday evenings, 7.30 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. at Lillington Middle School.

We keep fit to popular music with movements (suitable for all ages) designed to improve flexibility and fitness.

The new term starts on Monday, 9th January, 1995.

For further information, please contact:-

Rene Beale

Coventry 301727.

BUBBENHALL FOOTBALL CLUB (Contd.)

The Club is planning a winter party for Christmas, and will shortly be advertising the details. Keep an eye out for the posters.

One final point. Please can dog owners try to keep their pets away from the pitch playing area - particularly the goal areas, for obvious reasons. Cuts and scratches received in a game can be easily infected. Our pitch is one of the cleanest in the League, even if everything else about it is under scrutiny.

The invitation stands to all would-be supporters. Come and see us play. We are sure you will enjoy the game.

Peter Sheen,
Club Secretary.

Coventry 306339.

RAINBOWS.

September was a busy month for Rainbows. Firstly several Rainbows, Parents and Guiders enjoyed a Fun Day at Hatton Country World, organised by the Spastics Society. Later that month we held a Children's Disco - over 50 children took part.

On the 15th October we joined with Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from Knightlow District for an activity afternoon to celebrate the "Year of the Family". Rainbows had a go at making a Rainbow Collage, Harvest Mice and Hedgehogs, and icing People Biscuits. They also made a lot of new friends.

During November we celebrated our 4th Birthday, and look forward to many more.

Rainbows is a pre-Brownie group for girls 5-7 years. For more details and to put your daughter's name on our waiting list, please contact:-

Margaret Robinson

Coventry 305931.

BROWNIES

On October 15th, Guides, Rainbows and Brownies from the whole of Knightlow District met at Ryton School to spend an afternoon together celebrating the International Year of the Family.

As a follow-up to our "Adopt a Box" project - whereby the Brownies sponsor an owl nesting box - several meetings this term have been spent dissecting owl pellets and identifying their contents! If you want to know what an owl eats, and doesn't digest, ask a Brownie! We hope to show parents and friends the results of our studies at an open evening in December.

Several Brownies have taken and gained interest badges this term, and we would like to thank our testers for the time given testing the girls.

We welcomed 'Snowy Owl' back this term; unfortunately she can't be with us after Christmas so we are still looking for a Unit Helper.

We meet in the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings, 5.30 to 7.00 p.m., and would welcome anyone interested in joining us.

Jackie Lloyd,
Coventry 302836.

Jackie Hennah,
Coventry 301978.

GUIDE COMPANY.

We have enjoyed a busy and rewarding term with girls working on First Aid, Friend to the Deaf and Accident Prevention Badges. We hope to perform our pantomime - The Sleeping Princess - just after Christmas.

During half-term we visited London as part of our 25th Birthday Celebrations. It was a lovely day much enjoyed by everyone, with visits to Buckingham Palace to see the 'Changing of the Guard' from inside the Palace gates, Guide Headquarters and the Science Museum, not forgetting MacDonalDs for tea!

Guides for girls aged 10-14 meets at Ryton Church Youth Centre on Tuesdays, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.

Sandra Barnsley

Covertry 303876.

72ND COVENTRY SCOUT GROUP.

Members of the group are grateful for the generous contributions given recently for the annual Autumn Fair. It was a worthwhile event raising £250 for Group Funds.

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| Cub Scouts | 8-10½ | meet Mondays | 6.15 to 7.45 p.m. |
| Scouts | 10½-15½ | meet Fridays | 7.45 to 9.30 p.m. |
| Ventures | 15½-20 | require a Leader. | |

If any parishioner would like to help with the Group please telephone Ryton Vicarage, 303570. Extra help would make a big difference, especially for Ventures - several Scouts are now approaching Venture age.

J.T.Sykes

Coventry 303570.

BUBBENHALL MOTHER AND TODDLER GROUP.

This year has started quite well. There have been several new faces, which is good to see. The group meets weekly during the school term time - Thursdays 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Village Hall. Feel free to come and join us.

Thank you to everyone who attended the Judy Hartland Family Photo Session. We raised about £100.00 for our funds.

At the Christmas Fayre this year we will be running a children's tombola stall.

This year the Christmas Party will be on Thursday, 15th December. There will be the usual visit from Father Christmas and lots of fun and games. Look out at the toddler sessions for further information.

Early in the New Year we will be arranging a Mums' night out. A note will be distributed nearer to the time, but a night in February looks likely.

If anyone wants more information about the Mother and Toddler Group, please telephone Christine or Karen.

Christine Tait (Chairperson)
Karen Tuckey (Publicity)

Coventry 302135.
Coventry 301799.

BUBBENHALL GARTER GROUP.

A meeting was held in the Village Hall on 8th September to discuss future events and the direction of the group. It was decided that membership be re-introduced and to make September the time for annual review.

On Thursday, 13th October, nineteen members enjoyed a meal at the Happy Gathering in Birmingham. Thanks to Sue Wareham for organising this very successful evening.

The November event was a Shopping/Sightseeing Trip to London. Thanks to Rosemary Pickard and Jeanette Tipper for getting this coach trip organised.

The Christmas night out is to be a Games Evening on Friday, 16th December, at the headquarters of the Cheltenham and Gloucester Building Society in Leamington Spa. Details of this to follow.

Looking ahead to 1995 we have a demonstration and talk on REFLEXOLOGY on Thursday 12th January, and for February, when it is usually too cold to travel, we plan to have an informal meeting in the Village Hall, inviting everyone to bring a plate of food or a bottle of wine for a buffet supper.

For any information concerning the Garter Group. please contact any of the following:-

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| Gill Wilson | Gill Glover | Jan Stobart |
| Sue Wareham | Janet Thomas | Margaret Gibson |

Wendy Hirons 12 Coopers Walk.

ST. GILES CHURCH.

St.Giles' Church Flower Festival.

In September we held the Ninth Triennial Flower Festival with the theme based on "The International Year of the Family". The high standard was commented upon by many visitors. Grateful thanks are due to many parishioners for their support - flower arrangers and stewards, those who looked after the stalls, the Guides for their help with refreshments and all those who baked cakes and supplied produce. There was a wonderful team effort, the proceeds were £966.

Harvest Festival.

Thanks to all who helped in decorating the Church and in distributing produce afterwards. The Harvest Supper was held on October 15th - it was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Christmas Bazaar.

The Church will be running a Produce Stall as usual, and contributions of produce will be gratefully received - please contact any member of the congregation.

Carol Singing.

This will take place as usual later in December. Lots of voices are needed to penetrate those tightly closed winter windows, so please try and join the group on one of the nights.

Current news and times of Services are to be found in the monthly Church Newsletter.