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BUBBENHALL NEWSLETTER

We hope you enjoy reading about the events that have taken place during the summer. You may even recognise a few of the people featured in our photographs. An especial thank you must go to Margaret Robinson for her determination to see Party in the Park become a spectacular success. With the blessing of good weather, the day was much appreciated by residents both young and old. Thanks Margaret and can we have another one next year ?

This is the third anniversary of the Newsletter in its present format. The Newsletter is delivered free to all households in the village and extra copies are placed in the post office and the pubs for the interest of visitors. We hope the Newsletter is providing villagers of all age groups with useful information about local

issues. We welcome new articles and can feature regular or individual items.

When the present committee volunteered to take over the Newsletter from Mr & Mrs Beale, we appealed for funds to support the cost of printing. We received many donations and pledges of advertisements. However, due to increasing production costs, our funds are now running low. You will find an envelope enclosed in this edition and we ask for your financial support, to continue production of the Newsletter and maintain the current standard of presentation. Please return donations to any member of the committee or to Gill Green at the Post Office.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council welcomes two new Councillors - Mrs Jenny Kendray of Avon Lea ;

VILLAGE HALL

At the Annual General Meeting in June the elected and co-opted committee members stood down. Four of these members were persuaded to stand again for election but Mr Bob Beale declined, citing the additional work he was involved in with the church. Mr Alan Gibson, the Chairman, thanked Mr Beale for his long service on the Village Hall committee and previous to that on the committee of the old Bubbenhall Reading Rooms. The Brownies representative on the committee has also changed. Mrs Jackie Hennah has now left and we welcome Miss Helen Schofield to the committee. The response to the extension of the Village Hall has been very

positive. We now wish to complete the building work by resurfacing the rear car park and painting inside and out. The committee has been asked to consider building a verandah along the front of the Hall and the cost of this is now being investigated. Please note that the contact number for booking the Hall has changed to:

*Village Hall Bookings
Secretary, 4 Avon Terrace,
Bubbenhall
024 76 307322
before 20.00hrs please*

*Caroline Coles Secretary to
the Village Hall Committee
Cov 76305287*

Lower End and Mr Pete Wilkins from Sweet Briars, Lower End. Jenny has lived in the village for many years and Pete was born in Bubbenhall and has lived here for most of his life. Both new Councillors will be an asset to the council and I am sure you will support them both.

I reported in the last newsletter that the Parish Council were awaiting a report from Smith's Concrete as to why the spout is running so slowly. Smith's are keen to try and resolve this problem and a sub-committee is to be formed representing both the village and Smith's. Jackie Lloyd is taking this forward and we will keep you informed of the progress. If you have any suggestions on the subject, please contact Jackie at Hill Cottage, Stoneleigh Road.

Whilst the volume of speeding traffic through the village appears to have slightly decreased since the improved traffic control at Toll Bar island, the Warwickshire County Council have agreed to carry out a second traffic count in a different location in the village. The mat will be situated at the bottom of Spring Hill, between the Three Horse Shoes and the junction of Lower End, this will collect data from vehicles travelling through the village and in particular the speed of the vehicle when approaching the village from down Spring Hill.

The Parish Council is encouraged by the use of the multi-sports pitch and are keen that this continues. In association with Warwick District council we are looking at having basketball posts and nets erected to provide a further facility for all age groups.

Bubbenhall Village has won £100

for the most improved village in this years Best Kept Village competition. It is planned to spend this money on spring bulbs to be planted around the area.

Several complaints have been received from residents in Lower End, in respect of dog owners not cleaning up after their animals. Please be a responsible dog owner when exercising your dog and clear up any mess left by them and please be aware that this is a legal requirement. Dates of next meetings. 31 October 2000, 12 December 2000, 9 January 2001 All meetings are held in the Village Hall commencing at 7.45 p.m.

*Rosemary Cragg
Clerk to the Parish Council
024 7630 1827*

The Parish Council has received reports of excessive speeding within the village, particularly, Coopers Walk and Lower End.

We would like to remind all road users that this is a residential area, there are children around at all times of the day and great care should be taken on all roads in the village.

We would be grateful if parents of young drivers could bring this to the notice of their offspring as it seems that these are the major offenders.

Should anyone be aware of a driver who persists in driving irresponsibly around the village, could they please bring it to the attention of the Parish Council, or to Owen King, our local Police Officer, via 01926 451111.

**Please remember:
KILL YOUR SPEED,
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ST. GILES CHURCH

The last couple of months have seen a lot of frenetic activity in the church. Members of the P.C.C., architects, builders, bell founders and the B.B.C. team have all been scurrying around in a desperate attempt to meet deadlines and get what seemed at times an impossible job together by Sept. 10th. However, it was—almost—alright on the day! (still no new carpet!!)

Sept. 10th Harvest Festival This was truly a festival. The church was packed, both with parishioners and their harvest gifts, not to mention the bellringers. We heard the new peal of bells ring out for the first time and our new Sunday school corner was well and truly utilised. We were able to use our new kitchen to make coffee afterwards. It was quite an occasion— to be standing out in the churchyard overlooking church field drinking our coffee and listening to the bells ringing out. Trevor would have loved it! Thanks as always to all who made the church look so wonderful with their flower

arrangements.

This was the B.B.C.s final visit to St Giles. The Real Wrecks programme is due to be shown in the New Year - (they've promised to let us know when!)

Sept. 17th Service of Dedication of the Bells

Our Service of Dedication of the Bells was yet another joyful occasion. The Bishop of Warwick led a packed church in a service of dedication and also of Thanksgiving for the Ministry of the late Trevor Sykes in the parish. It was especially good to have so many members of the families to

whom some of the bells were dedicated with us. Members of Rugby Deanery Bellringers, together with some of St Giles Bellringers rang out the peal to join the many churches which have now rung in the new millennium.

Our new Priest

We extend a very warm welcome to our new vicar David Wintle and his wife and family. He joined us at the church on Sunday September 24th at 10.30am after his commissioning service at Ryton on Friday 22nd September.

Jackie Lloyd 76 302836



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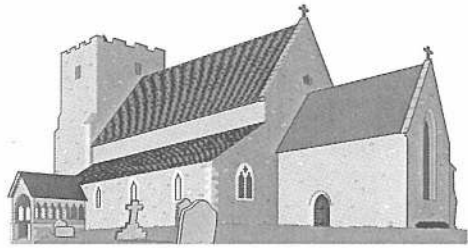
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GAMES NIGHTS

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NEWS FROM THE TOWER

The decades of silence from the tower of St. Giles is now at an end.

The dream to restore the bells at St Giles, instigated by Reverend Trevor Sykes and Mr Harry Windsor, is now a reality.

Bubbenhall originally had a ring of three bells. Unfortunately the frames and bearings had long been unserviceable and in need of major overhaul. Indeed one of the bells was known to have such poor tonal qualities that its reuse was unlikely.

In conjunction with Taylor s of Loughborough and Kenneth Holmes Associates of Coventry, the original installation has been carefully removed and provision made for a Ring of Six at a lower position in the tower.

Two of the original bells were taken to Taylors, the third bell being retained high up in the tower for use by the clock strike.

Bell, (Bagley 1670), weighing in at around 6 cwt. is being re-tuned before returning to St. Giles. The other bell (Mears 1813) has been melted down and used as part of four new bells which have now been successfully cast. The sixth bell joining our tower is from Little Packington.

Many parishioners were able to go to Taylors to view the casting in August and all agreed it was very interesting. History in the making!

Bell ringing practice is going well. After having mastered bell control on tied (quiet!) bells, we are now progressing to ringing Rounds on open (noisy!) bells. We still have a long way to go, but this is where the hard work of the last few months (years) pays off. Very soon now St Giles church will once again Ring the Changes across the countryside, following the traditional pattern of centuries.

Susan Sheen
Tel 76 306339

Of the two removed, the Tenor

CLARENDON LODGE SURGERY

Dr Katie Chapman has now joined the practice. From August, Dr Robert Harvey and Dr Jenny Martin will be joining the practice for further training. Some of the doctors at Clarendon Lodge have changed their timetable. Dr Mike Ashmore will be available all day

Monday and Thursday and half days on Tuesday and Friday. Dr Evelyn Chan will be available all day Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please contact the surgery on 01926 422094 to make appointments for the surgery in Bubbenhall Village Hall or at Clarendon Lodge.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Since our last report several instances of crime have been reported — a case of burglary where entry was gained through an open transome window and an amount of money stolen and during the same night an attempt was made on another property which was unsuccessful fortunately. Three garden sheds have also been broken into and two bags of golf clubs and a mower stolen. We can only repeat our previous advice on how to make things more difficult for the thief by ensuring we take all possible steps to protect our property, such as fitting burglar alarms if possible (a nuisance I know when they go off unnecessarily without apparent cause), fitting door and window locks and keeping all doors locked, even when occupied as there are many case reported to the

police of sneak-in thefts. It is also very important to ensure all windows on the ground level and even those above flat roofs are kept closed at night to prevent illegal entry. Garden sheds and outhouses are also being targeted by thieves and, as mentioned before, valuable property stolen. Garden ornaments and valuable shrubs and trees have also been removed from some properties although only one burglary and one attempt have been reported in Bubbenhall the police have informed me that many more cases have been reported in surrounding areas. It behoves us all to be ever vigilant and report any suspicious person, vehicle or thing to the police at once.

R B Gardner Chairman
024 7630 3546



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Wednesdays Bubbenhall Village Hall

- 2.45pm Baby Ballet/Movement
- 3.30pm The above class finishes
- 4.15pm Primary Ballet age 5 to 9
- 5.00pm Tap Class age 5 to 10
- 5.45pm Disco Class
- 6.30pm Grade 4 Ballet Class
- 7.05pm Tap Class Grade 2 & 4
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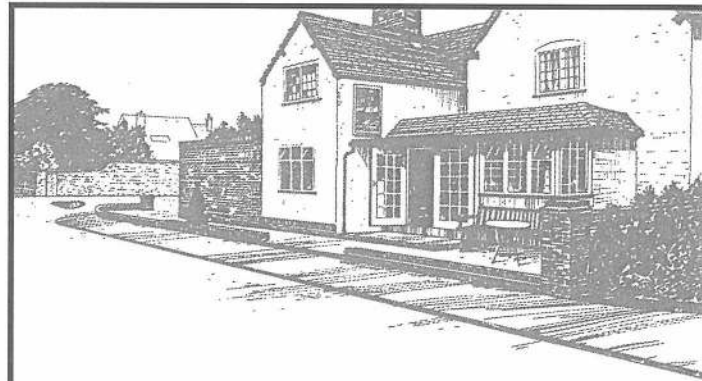
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GROUP	MEETS	VENUE
Friendly Club	Alternate Mondays 2:00 - 4.00 p.m.	Village Hall
Bubbenhall Mother & Toddler Group	Thursday Mornings 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.	Village Hall
Rainbows	Thursdays 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Brownies	Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Guides	Tuesday 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Baginton Play Group	Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri	Baginton Village Hall
Cubs	Tuesdays 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.	Methodist Church Hall Cubbington
Scouts	Fridays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Ryton Church Youth Centre
Bubbenhall Garter Group	Monthly	
Ryton Pools Volunteers	Every Friday 9:00 a.m.	Visitors Centre
Young St. Giles Saturday Club	2nd and 4th Saturday of every month	Church 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.
WCC Monday Mobile Library Service	Every fortnight 2 : 00 p.m.	Bottom of Coopers Walk
WCC Friday Mobile Library Service	Every fortnight (Watery Lane) 11: 00 a.m. (Weston Lane) 11: 30 a.m.	Junction of Stoneleigh Road and Watery Lane, and bottom of Weston Lane
Bubbenhall Junior Football, Children 5-11 years	Every Saturday, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Village Playing Fields
Bubbenhall Youth Club	Friday 7:30 - 10:00 p.m.	Village Hall

COVENTRY & WARWICKSHIRE AIRPORT ACTION GROUP (CWAAG)

PARCELFORCE
 Nothing to report

AIRPORT

At the last consultative committee these matters and topics were addressed:

The following building work has been completed at the Airport:

- The new airport entrance is complete and Oak Close will be closed off shortly.
- The south apron has now been extended and provides parking for up to 8 Boeing 737 size aircraft.

The following changes have occurred since the last report:

- DHL is no longer operating from the Airport

- Parcelforce have vacated Hangers 3 & 4 and these are likely to revert to use by aircraft.

The following issues are ongoing:

- The paving of the stopway at the Western end of the runway has not yet been done. The proposed glide slope increase, for aircraft landing, has yet to be decided by the CAA.
- Air Atlantique are looking to increase the amount of executive jet business by providing the facilities and services themselves.
- There is talk about charter aircraft transferring from other airports to operate out of

Coventry within ten years.

- Some changes to the original planning agreement are being sought (s106) these appear to have more significance for those living on the north side of the airport. However as

there do not appear to have been any fundamental changes since the original agreement was signed, we are seeking to resist any change.

Coventry & Warwickshire Airport Action Group

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

October

- 12th Garter Group 8.00pm - Village Hall
- 14th Dance to Breeze 8.00pm - Village Hall
- 16th Cadbury World trip Friendly Club
- 30th Illustrated Talk on Leamington Spa Friendly Club - Village Hall
- 31st PC Meeting - Village Hall

November

- 4th Fireworks and Bonfire night 6.30 - Playing Fields
- 8th Phantom of the Opera Friendly Club
- 27th Nottcutts garden Centre Friendly Club

December

- 2nd Christmas Fair - Village Hall
- 11th Christmas Lunch Friendly Club
- 12th PC meeting - Village Hall

BUBBENHALL GARTER GROUP

The following is the report which was read out at Garter Group's AGM held on Thursday 14th September 2000 at the village hall.

See below a brief resume of the events we had during the past year.

October saw us at Belgrade Theatre in Coventry to see the comedy, Willy Russell's *On the Road*, which starred Gary Wilmot. The play was highly amusing and everyone who came thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

With Christmas approaching at a fast pace, a trip to Notcutts, the Garden Centre in Shirley was arranged. Lots of pounds spent later and full baskets of Christmas goodies - all in all an excellent evening put on by Notcutts and contented Bubbenhall ladies made their way back to the village full of festive ideas to recreate at home!!

In December, Garter Group provided the refreshments of a seasonal kind, i.e. mulled wine and mince pies at the annual

Bubbenhall Christmas Fair, which really got us all in a festive mood.

After all the Millennium festivities, we felt a meal in January would be appropriate - so we went to Robbies in Warwick. This was a great success, as the food and company were good and the ambience of the restaurant made for a relaxing evening! As we provided a mini bus and we could take our own alcohol everyone could enjoy a drink or two!

February was the month we decided to stay in the village and Phil Gray, (who used to live in Bubbenhall), came to give a very informative and interesting talk on Murder. Lots of candles provided atmosphere and the wine flowed!!

March found a group of us Glo Bowling at Leamington which was a fun evening and the ultra-violet lighting made it all the more exciting - shame it did not help the bowls to fly STRAIGHT down the middle of the lane and not veer to the left and right but needless to say

several strikes were scored!!

April saw a trip to the Swindon Shopping outlet. This was a good day out but was disappointingly represented, but those who went had a good time and spend!!

Unfortunately our Skittles evening due in May had to be cancelled - again due to lack of numbers - which was a great shame but hopefully it will be repeated at another stage?

For the Party in the Park, Garter Group donated some funds towards the band, The Odd Sods. The weather was superb and the whole day/evening was thoroughly enjoyed by one and all!! - a real Millennium year celebration for the village.

June was the annual Garter Group Treasure Hunt which was a great success - our thanks to the Glovers and Thomas's for organising the evening and providing a fun and challenging route and one that no-one had done before!!

Our last event of the year was to be a trip on the Prince Regent

barge for a meal and disco and again lack of numbers meant we had to cancel this event.

For the past year we decided we would take Garter Group's Monthly meetings out of the village for most of the year and this has led to some great outings, but a disappointing response to some! As a result of this the existing committee decided to conduct a survey in August to see whether enough interest would be generated to enable Garter Group to run for the year 2000/2001. Out of 32 forms returned, only 8 people are willing to help organise various events; 25 would like to see Garter Group continue and the majority of suggestions were for village based events/talks. The present committee is resigning at this AGM and, hopefully, a new committee will be formed. We will be holding a meeting on **THURSDAY 12 OCTOBER** at 8.00pm at the village hall for anyone interested in deciding a programme for the year and see who would be interested in organising events with a fellow Garter Group member on a rota basis

BAGINTON PLAYGROUP

After thirty-two years of continuous operation, Baginton Playgroup has had to close due to lack of numbers. We will, however, continue to operate the Tuesday Parent and Toddler group. This re-opened on September 5th 10am- 11.30am.

Any enquires to:
Sue Williams
02476 307255
Sheila Cluff
Cov. 76301317

BUBBENHALL MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP

During a very busy summer term we found ourselves organising our annual summer party. Our fingers were crossed for good weather, as the ambitious plan was to hold it outside so that the children would have plenty of space to run around and burn off some of the excess energy that only toddlers seem to have!

We needn't have worried at all. The sun shone, the bouncy castle and ball pit arrived on time (and were a big hit with the children) and even the poor exhausted mums managed to sit down to a fairly quiet lunch

(with only a few interruptions). We all agreed a good time was had by all — thank-you to everyone that helped to make the day a success.

Our next term will begin on Thursday 7th September. We meet from 9.30 until 11.30am at the Village Hall every Thursday during school term time. New members are always welcome. Just come along to one of our sessions or for further information telephone

Lori on
7630 5355.

GUIDE COMPANY

The Guide Company will meet for the new term on Tuesday September 12th at 7.15pm — 9.00pm in the Village Hall. We look forward to welcoming everyone back plus some new faces perhaps. We say goodbye and best wishes for the future to Ceara and Amy. This term we had a Division Day out in London including a boat trip on the Thames on September 30th, we all have our fingers crossed because we are travelling on Virgin Trains. November 5th is our District trip to Disney on Ice at Birmingham, this should be wonderful!!

From September 2000, the Guide section is changing for the better - this is one of the most exciting things that's happened to Guides for a long time. We are keeping all the good bits — fun - camp — outdoor activities — the patrol system. Guides and Guiders throughout the county were asked, what do you want? The girls said Guides is fun and worthwhile but we want the

rest of the world to realise this. So watch out world — here come 1st Bubbenhall Guides.

Guides will be able to choose from a range of new uniform tops, with freedom to choose what they wear on the bottom half — trousers, jeans, shorts etc. Each girl will have her own personal organiser and a new Guide will receive a welcome pack. Guides will be encouraged to work together in patrols — Go for it will be our action cry! Our programme will be balanced and based on 5 new Zones, Healthy Lifestyles, Global Awareness, Discovery (to challenge Guides with new experiences and adventure), Skills and Relationships (to develop Guides self confidence and self worth), Celebrating Diversity (to promote active citizenship among Guides). The promise remains special and central to our programme. Interest badges, which can be worked on individually or in the patrol, continue to reflect the interest of today's Guide and new badges have been added.

Thank you to, all those who supported our Coffee evening at Top House in July, we raised £160 which will provide all the extra materials we need to start our new programme.

October 2nd-7th is Reach Out and Recruit week for the Guide Association. Warwickshire Guide Association is planning Bear Drives, inviting friends to take part in up to 550 Bear Drives around the County. 1st Bubbenhall Guides Bear Drive will be on Tuesday October 3rd at 7.30pm. Guides will invite a friend of any age and through a fun evening pass on their enthusiasm for Guiding. Get ready to be invited. I warn you it will seriously change your image of the Guide Association!!

Guides for girls aged 10-14 years old meet on a Tuesday evening in Bubbenhall Village Hall 7.15pm-9.00pm.

Sandra Barnsley 76303876
Lesley Goodhead 76 306964

WARWICKSHIRE FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

Following an excellent response to the June meeting, a Women's Institute has now been formed at Weston under Wetherley. The new committee will shortly be in place and details of future meetings will appear in the next edition of the Newsletter. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the new Village Hall in Weston under Wetherley. We look forward to seeing you there, new members are always welcome.

Bubbenhall Entertainments Group

Presents:
Saturday 14th October 2000

DANCE TO BREEZE

Live Music in the Village Hall from 8.00 p.m. to 12.00 midnight,
everyone welcome

Tickets £12.50 each to include Supper,
available from Sue Wareham 76306804 or
Margaret Robinson 76305931

We look forward to seeing you!



I hope you all enjoyed your summer holidays. The Rainbows have spent theirs in many exotic locations according to their news reports.

Before we broke up we spent an enjoyable day at the Crofts in Leamington with over 5000 other Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from Warwickshire to celebrate Guiding in the year 2000. All the girls attending received a badge to commemorate the day.

Unfortunately due to such

awful weather last term we spent very little time outdoors but have enjoyed our time doing craft activities in the hall instead.

This term we will be saying goodbye to Alex Kirby, Alex Tait and Sarah Tuckey when they move up to Brownies. We wish them well.

A few activities we are looking forward to this term include a trip to London by train in September and a trip to see Disney on Ice during November.

We will also be celebrating our tenth birthday on November 9th and would like to invite all ex-Rainbows and leaders to come along and help us celebrate this milestone.

Rainbows is a pre-Brownie group for girls aged 5-7. If you would like more information please contact either

Margaret Robinson
7630 5931
or
Dawn Hands
7630 6073.

December 29th No Meeting

See you all on Friday 5th January when we will be celebrating our 1st Birthday!

Late news just in is that the sports grant that we applied for has been approved by The Millennium Festival Awards for All Committee .

This will be for a wide range of sports equipment which we will be purchasing during the next 6 months. On the list for

consideration will be a full Batinton set (that was not a spelling mistake! - this is an indoor & outdoor game), training bibs, a further set of unihoc sticks together with goals and we are working with the Parish Council to agree funding for new basketball facilities.

Sandie and Dave Rombach
(024) 7630-7828,
Gill Green, Pat Long,
Ashley Holmes, Frank Moon,
John Chettle



VILLAGE BONFIRE & FIREWORK DISPLAY

Saturday 4th November
Village Playing Fields

6.30pm Guy Competition - prizes to be won
7.00pm Lighting of the bonfire

Hot Drinks, Burgers, HotDogs & Tuck

TRACTOR COLLECTION ROUND THE VILLAGE - SATURDAY MORNING

Have your trees, bushes, etc ready for collection

Tickets at just £1 per person will be available from Gills shop or we will be selling tickets door-to-door from Oct 9th.

This years bonfire night is being organised by the Village Youth Club who would like a number of adult volunteers to join them for the evening - if YOU can help please let either Gill 7630-5215 or Dave 7630-7828 know as soon as possible.



BUBBENHALL JUNIOR FOOTBALL

As we approach the second anniversary of the group at the beginning of October, we are pleased to say that the group is more popular than ever. We have 30 children attending on a regular basis, and in recent weeks, a new influx of younger players means that we are having to split into three age groups on some Saturdays.

Our tournaments as part of the Party in the Park were a great success. Not only were the games close, but the behaviour

of the children was tremendous, and we will have to find an excuse to hold another tournament next year. Photographs of the winning teams are shown at the end of this article. Thank you to everyone who took part, the children, the managers Andrew, Gavin, John, Alan and Ken and the referee Ian Bettles.

This summer we were also approached by local club Stretton Athletic to ask if we had any children who could join

their under 11 team, and three boys are now playing for Stretton as well as attending the village session. Good luck to them.

If anybody else in the village would like to join us, the football sessions are for children from the ages of 5 - 12, are held

on the village playing fields, and run from 9:30 — 11:00 on Saturday mornings. You re more than welcome to join us.

Tonino Ciuffini,
Cov. 76306840
Andrew Paul, Cov. 76302047
Gavin Slark, Cov. 76305355
John Deely, Cov. 76305212

PARTY IN THE PARK WINNING TEAMS



TOP ALAN S ALLSTARS

Manager Alan Prudhoe
Players Marco Ciuffini,
William Langstone,
Michael Paul,
Tom Wright, Jacob Slark

RIGHT, TCS TOP CATS

Players Sam Dodds,
William Johnston,
Sarah Bettles, Fraser Tait



1st Bubbenhall Brownies

Well, we definitely had a busy Summer term, so let me tell you what we got up to. Tawny Owl left us at Easter to persue her part time job and we then added Piglet and Tigger to our leaders, who both made their promises before we broke up for the holidays. Many of us have now completed our Footpath, Road and Highway Venture badges. We also made a start with our Jester badge holding a puppet show at the end of term, we hope to complete the badge in the Autumn. We had great fun painting faces at The Party in the Park in June and some of us

attended Guide 2000 day also in June at The Crofts in Leamington Spa, with lots of other Brownies, Guides and Rainbow groups from around the area. We now look forward to the Autumn term!!

We are still collecting wine corks and empty computer ink cartridges to raise money. There is a collecting box for these items in the Village Hall.

****New meeting time**** 5.30pm to 7pm on Tuesday evenings in the Village Hall

Helen Schofield

Bubbenhall Friendly Club

(Over 60 s)

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The Party in the Park seems a long time ago now but we were delighted with the interest shown in our display on old Bubbenhall. Our photo quiz generated a large number of entries. Only one eagle eyed person. Gill Green, correctly identified all the locations, congratulations to her! Many thanks are due to Joan and Peter Draper both for compiling the quiz and for their hard work in assembling the display. Thanks are also due to all those people who lent us material for the exhibition. Since then the club has flourished. We had a delightful visit to the water garden at Russell s Nurseries at Baginton. As can be seen from the photograph everyone enjoyed the fantastic display of rhododendrons that has been

created from derelict ground.

We have also enjoyed a strawberry and cream tea, a demonstration on flower arranging and a talk about doll making. We finished for our summer break with an outing to Hatton Country Park. Our fortnightly meetings have now resumed and we have already spent an amusing afternoon listening to Di Castledine relating her experience of learning to drive. The programme for the autumn is printed below. Anybody who is interested in joining the trip to Cadbury World should contact a committee member by Monday 2nd October please. As always we welcome new members who would like to join us. Just contact a committee member if you need transport,

we will be delighted to see you.

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Monday October 16th
Trip to Cadbury World, Would anyone in the village — of any age - who would like to join us for this event, please ring Chris Morgan (see below).

Monday October 30th
Illustrated talk by Mr Peter Edwards on the history of Leamington Spa.

Wednesday November 8th
Trip to see Phantom of the Opera at the Belgrade Theatre, Coventry

Monday November 27th
Trip to Notcutts Garden Centre for demonstration and Tea.

Saturday 2nd December:
Stall at the Christmas Fair

Monday 11th December:
Christmas Lunch and Entertainment.

New members would be made most welcome, so if you are over 60 and around on a Monday afternoon, do please come and join us. Further information:

Chris Morgan 76306131

Sue Wareham 76306894
Chris Dunn 76302481
Beryl Lock 76306246
Joan Draper 76301309

CHARITY FUN DAY

After several days of careful weather watching by the organising committee, Saturday 19th August arrived with several of the committee awaking at 5.30 a.m. to hear the sound of pouring rain, but true to the old wives saying rain before 7 fine before 11, by 9 o'clock the rain clouds had disappeared to be followed by blue sky. The committee plus volunteer helpers started work in earnest to prepare for the day by erecting stalls and events in the car park and function room of the Three Horse Shoes

People turned out in their hundreds to support the day, which commenced at 2.30p.m. with a Pipe and Drum band marching from the Village Hall to the Three Horseshoes. The musical entertainment continued with the Coventry Scout Band playing in the car park. There were many attractions including craft stalls, cakes and preserves, bric-a-brac, guess competitions, tombola, cream teas, BBQ etc., etc. The special guest of the day was Frank Moon's shire horse Queenie and her foal Swift. The Coventry Morris men arrived late afternoon and gave a demonstration including a fertility dance with volunteers from the crowd.

In the evening auctioneer John Holloway successfully extracted money from his audience in an often riotous auction of a wide range of items. The raffle was drawn on Sunday lunchtime, a list of winners is displayed on the pub notice board.

Thanks are due to sponsors, businesses, groups and individuals who supported the event, which so far this year has raised in excess of £6500 for Warwickshire, Solihull and Coventry Breast Screening Services and the committee are confident the final amount will exceed £7,000 with further monies pledged.

This is a tremendous effort, within the last 18 months the village has raised in excess of £15,000 for this charity. The money raised will be used to help purchase a digital stereo x-ray camera, which is used to help speed up and improve accuracy of biopsy breast x-rays.

It is very difficult to single out any one person for thanks, as many people contributed to making this day a success, but a special thanks must be given to Kim & John Holloway for willingly providing the use of the Three Horse Shoes as the centre for the event.

Watch this space for future fund raising events.

The Committee

- Photo 1 Frank Moon with Queenie and her foal Swift*
- Photo 2 Craft stallholder—Pete Wilkins selling his locally produced honey*
- Photo 3 Mary & John Long selling tombola tickets*
- Photo 4 BBQ Chefs*
- Photo 5 Mark Holt in the stocks*
- Photo 6 Entertainment by the Coventry Morris Men*
- Photo 7 Cake and preserves sold by Joan Swinscoe*



BUBBENHALL VILLAGE YOUTH CLUB



The usual peace and quiet of the village on a Friday night was shattered at the start of the school holidays while 45 members of the Youth Club completed a village Treasure Hunt. As with the quiz earlier in the year it turned out to be no match for them and all four teams finished within 3 points of each other.

The evening continued with a presentation ceremony when Cycle Awareness certificates and badges were presented to:
Adele Long
Jo Batchelor
Sarah Bettles
Edward Prudhoe
Natalie Paul
Ethan Belfield
Sarah Burrows
Sam Dodds
Tom Johnson
Alice Maceluch
Sam Grant.
 Although not available to do the exam, certificates of completion were also awarded to Sophia Spriggs and Sophie Farrow. The

Chief Examiner complemented everyone on the high standard achieved - apparently we are the first Youth Club to ever run and complete this course - well done to all of you and special thanks to Paul Belfield, David Maceluch and Andrew Paul for your help, without which the course would not have taken place.

Then it was on to the older members who have, at last, completed and passed their Babysitting and First Aid course - another first for our Youth Club! Certificates were presented to:
Sophie Farrow
Amy Howes
Kim Tipper
Alice Hands
Sarah Bettles
Ceara Hayden
Alice Bevan
Rosalynd Holmes
Nicola Veasey
James Hands
Daniel Rombach
Jonathan Sheen
Laura Wilkins

There is a list in the Post Office of those who would like to be considered for Babysitting work - a lot of effort went into getting them this far so please support them when looking for sitters.

Too much has happened over the past 2-3 months to cover everything - I think the numbers point to the fact that everyone is enjoying having a local Youth Club. Lets not forget that the Youth Club is for the Young people in the village and surrounding area - if you want something to happen (or not to happen!) you have to tell us - having looked at the recent requests on the notice board I should point out that only reasonable requests will be considered! We will not be camping on the moon or cruising to Barbados!!

Probably more important now is what is planned for the future.

In an effort to provide outdoor sports activities during the dark evenings we have purchased 2 sets of freestanding flood lights - we will wait to see how effective this is going to be. Subject to their availability, the Youth Club are happy to make them available to other groups within the village - small donations are obviously very welcome. Throughout the winter months the kids will be allowed to play organised games outside, in all weathers, as long as they stay within the floodlit area.

It has become apparent that the majority of members simply want to come to Youth Club to meet and chat with their friends. Therefore several of the planned activities have been cancelled to cater for this - please note the changes from the original programme delivered to all members several weeks ago.

The next 4 months look something like this

September 22nd 5.00pm + Jumble Sale - all parents help req d + some of the older members 7.30pm Night Sports!!

outside with John & Ashley.
 September 29th Craft - Mod-Roc (face masks with hospital bandages!!)

October 6th Craft - Mod-Roc, painting masks

October 13th Halloween Project - making decorations

October 20th Halloween Project - preparing pumpkins

October 27th 7 . 3 0 - 9 . 3 0 Halloween Fancy Dress Disco - all Age 8+ welcome £2 Admission - bring your friends. Fancy Dress compulsory! (but not necessarily Halloween dress). Hot Dogs / Burgers available. This is an indoor event only - **NO going outside tonight please.**

November 3rd Usual activities

November 4th (Saturday) Village Bonfire & Firework Display - organised by Youth Club - See details at the end of this article on page 7.

November 10th Craft - By popular request, PVC Windows

November 17th Laser Quest - £6 per person Parents transport req d. Alternative evening at the village hall, as usual

November 24th Craft - Christmas decorations for the tree

December 1st Putting up and decorating Christmas Tree. Christmas holly arrangements with Jeanette Tipper

December 2nd (Saturday) Christmas Fair - YC to run a stand

December 8th Night Activity - Torches, waterproofs, wellies and old clothing

December 15th Usual activities

December 22nd Xmas Party - Food, Drink and silly games - This is an indoor event only - **NO going outside tonight please cont on page 7.....**