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Bubbenhall Newsletter

September 2001

Editorial

Welcome to the second edition of our new look newsletter. We hope the fresh format meets with your approval and if you would like to help in the design, preparation or production of this local publication please contact one of the committee members listed on the back page.

We are always looking for new articles or information to publish which is of interest to villagers. If you can give us photographs of village events or have a story to share please get in touch. This edition carries details of a new business venture in the village and an update on the progress in revamping the playing fields. Also of interest to many villagers will be the report from Rev Wintle on the recent sale of the old school building.

We appreciate the support given to the newsletter finances by our regular advertisers and would welcome any one wishing to place single or regular advertisements.

Clarendon Lodge

The practice has recently purchased two new laptop computers to be used by the doctors attending Bubbenhall surgery to access any patients complete medical records. The advantage will be twofold: Doctors will have clear and up to date information at all consultations, and on occasions when patients have to attend without notifying the main surgery, the doctor will be able to call up the relevant documentation.

There will shortly be changes to the appointment system at the main surgery. This should facilitate patients obtaining appointments at short notice.

Parish Council

The new Administration Team

The Parish Council has recently undergone major changes in its' administration team. Earlier in the year, Rosemary Cragg who had been our Parish clerk for the last three years, resigned because of work and study commitments. Prior to Rosemary taking over as clerk, the position had been combined with that of Responsible Finance Officer and had been ably carried out by Peter Bird for many years. On Rosemary's resignation, Peter felt that he would also like to take the opportunity to retire, so the Parish Council had to seek a replacement officer for both roles. We consider ourselves extremely fortunate to have been able to appoint Mr Michael Jeffs

Neighbourhood Watch

Since last reporting in June, several crimes have been committed. A few weeks ago, local youngsters were playing near the village hall and sports field with their scooters and cycles. They were approached by some older boys, about 14 years of age, one was described as 'swarthy'. They demanded rides and when this was refused one of the boys grabbed the owner of the cycle by the throat, and took his bike valued at around £200.00.

I regret I have to report that the two elderly gentlemen who were billed out of £700.00 by a youth purporting to be carrying out a census, and checking out alleged counterfeit notes, have been

as both Parish Council Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

Mick has taken early retirement from Warwickshire County Council and although he does not live in the village, he has a keen interest in rural matters and is an active member of the CPRE committee and various other organisations.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter for his many years of service to the Parish Council and also to Rosemary for her very valuable contribution, they are both missed. We would now like to welcome Mick as our new Parish Clerk. He has thrown himself into the role with great commitment and we look forward to working with him for many years to come.

**Sue Wareham
Chairman,
Bubbenhall Parish Council**

subjected to attacks on two further occasions.

The first when their back door was kicked in at about 10:15p.m. at night, two youths entered demanding money, one holding a knife to the throat of one of the pensioners, whilst the other ransacked the house. The second occasion was at about 12:30p.m. on Wednesday 15th August when a further two youths entered the house saying they were looking for their football.

They too ransacked the house and stole money and premium bonds. One is described as about 18 - 20 years of age, bare chested and wearing white trousers. Enquiries reveal a black Ford Escort containing 3 to 4 youths was seen in the area and may be connected. If you have any information please ring the Police on **01926 415000**

R. B. Gardner 02476 303546

Fun for all project

The improvements to the Village Playing & Sports Field are something that, for the vast majority of villagers, will only be seen once the money is raised and the work has started.

This is a very lengthy process and we don't expect any visible results for at least a further year – and only then if we are successful with our grant bid!

We intend, through the village newsletter, to keep you up to date with progress and invite all villagers to consider our plans and discuss them with any member of the committee if they feel that we can improve further on what we have set out to achieve. Since the last issue we have obtained a number of quotes for equipment and work, investigated the need for planning permission, and searched for suitable grant bodies to help us with the funding. We are still hoping someone will come forward and offer to oversee the development of a community conservation area. All offers of help would be appreciated, particularly nearer the time of installation when the ground will need to be prepared.

We have now identified what we feel is a suitable fund to approach, and representatives of the Project will be meeting with them at the start of September to discuss our proposed application. In the meantime work has started on the completion of the twenty five page application.

We hope in the next issue to tell you that the first grant application has been sent off. Also, if we are able to come up with some heavy earth moving machinery (!!), that some limited work has started on the BMX Off-Road bike track.

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Jenny Kendray 7630 4310
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Jan Stobart 7630 3093

St. Giles Church

Bubbenhall

A lot of interest has been stirred up in the village over the sale of the old school buildings, and some rumours have been flying around concerning the money from the sale and what will happen to that money.

Some of you may be aware that, although the school and its grounds are a single site, there are two components to that site. Some of it was given by a former Rector to provide a school for the children of Bubbenhall, with a clause in the original trust deed that stated that, if the school was sold, the proceeds of the sale should be used for the education of the children of Bubbenhall. The rest of the land was glebe land; glebe land was land which the Rector held by virtue of his office, and farming or renting out of land provided the Rector with part of his income.

However, my understanding of the current situation (please bear in mind that I am not a legal expert) is this: the law is that both of those original arrangements must be interpreted according to Acts of Parliament which have been passed since the school was set up. In law, the Diocesan Board of Education is now deemed to be responsible for the education of children in Bubbenhall, and the proceeds of the sale of the school therefore go to the Board. Clergy stipends are now also administered centrally, and all glebe land is vested in the Diocesan Board of Finance.

Both Boards are bound by the terms of various Charity and Trust Acts to allocate the funds from the sale in particular ways. The Board of Education is bound to use the money for the maintenance and improvement of Church of England Voluntary Aided schools in the Diocese, and the Board of Finance is bound to invest its share to provide the best possible return to help to pay the stipends and pensions of all the clergy in the Diocese. In law, the Boards have no discretion as to how they can spend the money.

In short, neither St. Giles' Church nor the village of Bubbenhall has a legal claim to any part of the proceeds of the sale of the school. Some may find this regrettable, some may think it is unfair, but the law is well-established; this sort of thing has happened in many other places throughout the country, and it has been tested in court.

On to happier things: as I suggested in the last Newsletter, St. Giles' Church will be holding a Flower Festival over the weekend of 7th 8th and 9th September. The theme – not surprisingly – is "Bells", and organisations in the village have been invited to contribute. We will be celebrating our Patronal Festival - St. Giles' Day - over that week-end with a festival Communion on Sunday morning at 11:00a.m. and a festival Evensong at 6:30p.m. In the evening we will be joined by parishioners – and possibly the choir - from St. Mary Magdalen, Coventry (my old stamping ground). Please come along and see St. Giles' Church looking even better than usual, and join us for one of our festival services.

On 12th August we said goodbye to the nearest thing to a regular organist that we have had for a while - Anne Walters has left us to move to the Isle of Mull. We are very grateful for her excellent playing over the last couple of years, we wish her well for the future, and we could really do with finding a new organist. If you know anyone, please whisper their names to me or to one of the Churchwardens.

And finally Harvest Festival on October 14th – Holy Communion at 11:00a.m and Evensong at 6.30p.m.



David Wintle
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News from the Tower



St Giles' Bellringers

Rugby Deanery Meeting - Saturday 14th July:

Bubbenhall were proud to host the July meeting for Rugby Deanery District, which proved to be a most successful and enjoyable day all round. Over forty people visited during the afternoon with ringing led by Deanery Ringing Master John Illingworth.

Thanks go to Reverend David Wintle for taking the service and to Keith Chambers for being our organist.

Perhaps the highlight of the afternoon was the 'tea' which everyone agreed was superb. Many thanks to all who were involved in any way, including Beryl's kitchen! The team effort was brilliant, the sandwiches delicious and the cakes scrumptious.

The meeting concluded with ringing at Ryton in the evening. All agreed having a go on eight bells was an enlightening experience! but one which was enjoyed by everyone.

Coventry Cathedral:

Several of us were able to join other Guild members for evening ringing at Coventry Cathedral on Saturday 11th August. This really was very special, not only being the cathedral but because there are twelve bells, making ringing a totally different experience.

33cwt of it! We were also able to see and hear the bells in action from the viewing platform high up the tower.

Rugby Deanery District-Forthcoming Events:

- Saturday 8th September Meeting - Leamington Hastings & Willoughby
Saturday 13th October Meeting - Bilton & Dunchurch
Saturday 10th November Pub Lunch - Stretton
Thursday 15th November Target Practice - Bubbenhall
Check 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.

Tales from the Tower...

In order to provide a little variety from the not entirely interesting sound of the incessant downward scale of ringing rounds, the bells can be called into a different order to provide a different tune. This is called 'call changes' as opposed to change ringing or method ringing.

Some of the more popular changes have names, including Queens, Whittingtons and Tittums.

So from: 1 2 3 4 5 6, the bells will move, changing one bell at a time, eventually coming into a different order. Eg. 1 3 5 2 4 6 this is called Queens. 1 4 2 5 3 6 this is called Tittums, and on eight bells 1 2 7 5 3 4 6 8 this is called Whittingtons.

Why 'Queens'? This particular 'call

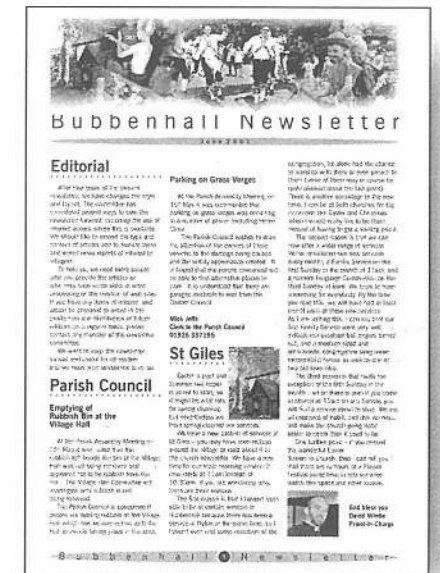
change', traditionally rung at weddings, does have an interesting tale behind it.

'Queens' is so called because it is said that Queen Elizabeth the First heard this change being rung and expressed her pleasure at the sound of it so much that ever since then it has been known as the Queen's change.

'Whittington' is said to be the sound of the change which caused a certain celebrated Dick Whittington, not to mention his cat, to turn round an go back to London rather than to give up.

Tittums is so named because if you listen to the sound pattern you may think, as someone once did, that the change seems to be saying 'ti-tum, ti-tum, ti-tum, ti-tum'! They are good stories anyway, whether you believe them or not.

Newsletter funding



The Newsletter Committee will be running a Teddy Tombola at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 1st December in the village hall to raise funds for the continued production of the newsletter. In order for this to be a success please could all donations of unwanted teddies or soft toys (old or new) be handed to a member of the newsletter Committee. Thank you.



Christmas Fayre

This year the Christmas Fayre will be held at the village hall on Saturday 1st December. If you would like a stall please contact Margaret Robinson 024 76305931.

Bubbenhall Bed & Breakfast



A recent development for the village is the opening of a bed and breakfast facility at Bubbenhall House, Paget's Lane. Wendy and her family who moved to the village 3 years ago, and began the process of restoring the old hunting lodge to its former glory, have decided to go back to the business that they know so well. Wendy was bought up in the hospitality industry, first in a B&B in Warwick and then the family business "The Falstaff Hotel" in Leamington Spa. She became the

Village Hall

Recently some items have been taken from the village hall without the permission of the Chairman or the Caretaker. **If anyone has borrowed equipment during the summer please return it to the hall or the caretaker as a matter of urgency.**

Village Hall equipment has been loaned out in the past but such loans can **only** be made with the consent of the Chairman and Caretaker. We cannot afford to loose equipment from the Hall as this may effect bookings and we do not have the funds to replace missing items. **Caroline Coles Secretary to the Village Hall Committee**

Dates for your diary

September

13th Garter Group AGM
Village Hall 8.00pm

October

13th Barn Dance BEG
Village Hall
14th Harvest Festival
St. Giles Church

December

1st Christmas Fayre
Village Hall

continue to work in the hospitality area with nutrition, hygiene certificates and her favourite course "Wine for Pleasure".

The accommodation available for B&B is of a high standard (waiting to confirm 4 or 5 diamonds with the AA) the 3 rooms are all en-suite, anyone from the village who wants to view prior to booking is very welcome.

Holistic therapies will also be available by prior arrangement to enable guests to enjoy to the fullest the relaxing atmosphere: Indian Head Massage, Reflexology and Aromatherapy will all be offered. The hard tennis court is currently being restored or for those really fitness minded a run round Ryton Pools is recommended.

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Sarah Cooke School of Dance

Congratulations to the following children who took their dancing exams earlier in the year



Bubbenhall Mother & Toddler Group

With the run up to the end of term we have had quite a hectic time organising the annual summer party and mums' night out.

We were extremely lucky with the weather as the only rain that we had was while the children were having their picnic lunch which had to be eaten inside the village hall instead of outside as originally planned. The children seemed to thoroughly enjoy the bouncy castle, ball pit, sand and water play and the numerous other activities which kept them all amused for hours!! The parents (yes this included a brave dad) - thanks for the help with the bouncy castle Wayne! enjoyed a delicious lunch of chicken, jacket potatoes, salads and this was followed by strawberries and cream and cakes - well we also need a reward for our year's hard work.

We also had a great time on our end of term mums' night out organised brilliantly by Julia. When 14 of us descended on the Dragon Phoenix in Coventry for an evening of lovely Chinese food - a good time was had by all - it was especially nice to see a couple of mums whose children come to toddlers with childminders.

Bubbenhall Mother and Toddlers Group meet every Thursday morning {during term time} from 9:30 a.m. until 11:30a.m. at the village hall. Anyone with a pre-school aged child is



Ballet Exams: Jessica Stobart, Ellie Kendray, Nicole Reily, Kirsty Troy, Anna Price, Georgina Coles, Alex Kirby, E. Ledger, J Pollitt and B. Richardson
Tap Exams: Alex Kirby, Sarah Tucky, Olivia Batchelor

Disco Exams: Charlene Hillier, Samantha Clarke, Stacey Clarke, Emma Beaty, Melissa Foster, Amy Belfield, Sammy Vickeridge, Kathrine Ludlow, Melissa Hillier.

The results they all achieved were all excellent, keep up the good work! **I will let you all know how the adult taps get on when they take their exams in November.**

more than welcome to come along and join in the fun. **If you would like any further information please telephone Lori on 76 305355.**

Bubbenhall Rainbows

We have really enjoyed the good weather this Summer term at Rainbows, which enabled us to spend a lot of our meeting outside. Our activities have included making butterflies, Father's Day presents, pipe cleaner

bees and flying birds made from paper plates.

We also spent one evening at Ryton Pools where we fed the ducks, visited the hide and played on the play equipment.

Our last meeting of this term found us making sandwiches and having a picnic on the playing field. As we start planning the Autumn term we look forward to many more busy evenings.

Rainbows is a pre-Brownie group for girls aged 5 - 7 years. For more information please contact **Margaret Robinson - 02476 305931 Dawn Hands - 02476 306073**

Brownies

Summer Term 2001

Well I expect that some of you wondered just what we had been up to this term.....especially since I missed the last issue but maybe I can be forgiven since it was the week before our Pack Holiday!

We have been busy this term; making our own pictures into coasters, which have just arrived, back hot off the press and then we had an Indian food night as the whole pack work towards their World Guiding Badge. Our Assistant Guider, Tigger had a fashion show, many thanks to those who supported us in this, and we were able to help her raise £300 towards her target of £1500. We are raising the money as Tigger has been selected to go on an International Guide working visit to Hungary this summer, to work with children there for three weeks teaching them English and explaining about our customs and traditions in the UK. So wish Tigger luck and we shall wait to hear all about her trip in September.

After Easter we welcomed two new additions to our Brownie Pack, Jessica Stobart and Ellie Kendray, both moving up from Bubbenhall Rainbows. They are both hoping to make their Brownie Promise before we break for the summer

Then on the last May bank holiday weekend we went on Pack Holiday! We left on Friday teatime from Bubbenhall Village Hall on 25th May, all twelve Brownies, Kanga who kindly became cook for the weekend, Tigger who took to looking after the health of us all, Hedgehog who was games master and myself who holds the license! and we headed to Baddesley Youth Centre at Grendon. The weather was kind to us most of the weekend, and amongst other things we enjoyed a visit to Tamworth Castle on the local bus, kite making, badge making, doing cross stitch signs and lots of cooking! We now have Brownies who can lay tables, make breakfast, wash-up, clean bathrooms and much, much more! By the time we returned home on Sunday,



a little later than planned.....many thanks to the parents who helped us out after the minibus got lost for three hours.....we all had a great weekend. Looking forward to next year...

A couple of photos are enclosed of the Pack Holiday so you can see the Brownies in action!

Well as we come to the end of the summer term we are sadly saying good bye to our helper, Angela Kirby. Angela has been with us every Tuesday night for the past year helping with badge work, new Brownies, games, cooking and many other things and we would like to say a very BIG THANK YOU, as we couldn't have done this year without you. We wish you all the very best and shall miss you lots.

This now means we are urgently looking for a new parent helper, or helpers to come along on a Tuesday evening from 5.30pm - 7pm starting in September. Without a third adult we are unable to operate on a regular basis so are hoping there might be someone out there willing to help us! Please give Snowy Owl / Helen a call on 01926 859366 or 07785 772776 if you would like more details or can help us!!!

Last but not least many of you may remember that we did some fundraising last year before Christmas with the Webb Ivory Catalogue, and we have decided to do it again this year, with the goods arriving in mid/late November so you have time to wrap them before Christmas! I shall be sending



Catalogues home with the Brownies and putting some through doors in the village, if I miss you and you would like to support us I shall have the catalogues available to collect and return at every Brownie meeting on Tuesday nights during term time, from 5.30-7.00pm at Bubbenhall Village Hall.

Lots of love from Snowy Owl, Tigger, Kanga, Eeyore and 1st Bubbenhall Brownies

Bubbenhall Guides

The Guide Association are up-dating their records and would like the names and addresses of anyone who has gained their Queen's Guide. If you have gained this award or you know of anyone who has, please contact **Lesley Goodhead 024 76306964**

Bubbenhall Friendly Club

Since our last article, Friendly Club has continued to go from strength to strength with an ever widening scope of events. We enjoyed a return visit from Peter Edwards who this time talked to us about his hobby of collecting antiques. He brought with him some samples from his collection and made us realise what an absorbing pastime this can be.

Our next meeting was a trip on a canal boat. We spent a relaxing afternoon watching the world and several groups of ducks go by. I think we chose what was possibly the hottest day of the year thus far.

In early July we ran a stall at the Summer Fair on the village playing field. We were a little worried by an early shower but fortunately that passed on and we managed to raise a healthy sum to boost our funds. Thank you to everyone who contributed jams, cakes etc or who helped on the day.

We are grateful to Velma Harrison and her daughter, Wendy, for inviting us all to have our strawberry tea in their garden at Bubbenhall House. We were even able to get regular updates on the progress of the men's final at Wimbledon! As can be seen from the photographs there was a good spread and no shortage of takers.

The final session of the summer season was a demonstration of flower arranging by Sue Gregory. She made several arrangements which we were able to use as raffle prizes. The afternoon ended with a lovely tea provided by Joan Brandrick to celebrate her 70th birthday.

During August, although there are no meetings, plans are being finalised for the autumn session which will be under way by the time this newsletter comes out. We have arranged a trip to the Black Country Museum for mid-September and are also planning a varied programme of speakers and outings which will hopefully have something to appeal to most tastes.

If anyone over sixty in the village is interested in joining the group we would



be delighted to see you at one of our meetings. Further information can be obtained from any of the committee listed below.

Joan Draper 7630 1309
Chris Morgan 7630 6131
Chris Dunn 7630 2481
Jan Stobart 7630 3093
Beryl Lock 7630 6246

Bubbenhall Entertainments Group

Our last event on Saturday June 23rd was a Disco and Barbecue. We all had a good evening and it didn't rain.

The next event on October 13th will be a Barn Dance. Brenda will be our caller as usual but will be accompanied by live music, now that we have the space to accommodate both musicians and dancers! The tickets will be available from either Margaret Robinson or myself a few weeks before the dance. **Judith Chettle 76 305164**

Bubbenhall Garter Group

Many thanks to all members who have helped organise an event over the year and a special thank you to Elena Johnson for collecting the subscriptions and dealing with all monetary matters!

Unfortunately the Group has struggled over the year with 3 out of the 9 events programmed having to be cancelled through lack of support. Now is the time when we need to decide if the Group continues, and if so agree what members want plan in the forthcoming year. Conversely should it be decided that if the Group finishes we need to agree what happens with the funds currently held by Garter Group.

The Future of the Garter Group will be decided at the AGM to be held on Thursday, 13th September at the village hall at 8pm. Please come along and tell us what you think. Wine and light refreshments will be served **Liz Paul 024 76302047**

Regular Groups

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 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Guides	Tuesday 7:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Baginton Parent / Toddler	Tue 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	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	See notice boards
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	Every fortnight 2 : 00 p.m.	Bottom of Coopers Walk
WCC Friday Mobile Library	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, 5-12 years	Every Saturday, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.	Village Playing Fields
Bubbenhall Youth Club	Friday 7:30 - 10:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Sarah Cooke Dance School	Monday & Wednesday (see advert)	Village Hall

Bubbenhall Football Club

The summer seems to have flown by and the football season gets underway in September. As predicted in the May issue of the newsletter, Bubbenhall finished in 3rd position in Division 2 of the league. We missed promotion by a hairs breadth. If we had started the season as we finished we would have been promoted with ease. The football squad that we finished the season with, seems to have been replicated for the coming season and with the 2 teams finishing above us last season being promoted, we should now have the best team in the league. Therefore a golden opportunity of winning the division and promotion beckons. What wonderful dreams we have through these summer months. Training has commenced, but at the time of writing we have not had a competitive match yet, although I am certain that the fitness of all individual players is 1st class! A friendly match that takes place on Thursday evening 23rd August should hopefully blow away

any cobwebs. A very big welcome back to Steve Ball who returns to the fold as Manager for the 2001/2002 season. The excitement is mounting and the squad is full of confidence. The supporters are eager with anticipation, Dorothy Elliot has probably bought herself a new chair and the Malt Shovel is limbering up the chef for the Sunday sandwiches. Come on Bubbenhall.

Brian Wells Chairman

Bubbenhall Juniors make their Marco

Bubbenhall Under 8's played their first game on a Sunday in July turning in an impressive performance against a more experienced Whitnash side. Bubbenhall's side had only had the benefit of one coaching session together as a team but Manager Gavin Slark moulded an impressive unit comprising of Daniel Slark (Captain), Marco Ciuffini, Tommy Wright, Michael Paul, Tom Stobart and Bradley Sanders.

Whitnash began impressively and with good passing began to stretch the

Bubbenhall side initially struggling to come to terms with each other. Whitnash strode into a two goal lead and restricted their opponents to a couple of long-range shots from the bubbly Tommy Wright. However as Bubbenhall slowly got to know each other as a team some good saves from Marco in goal and solid defending from Daniel Slark kept the deficit at 2 - 0 at half time.

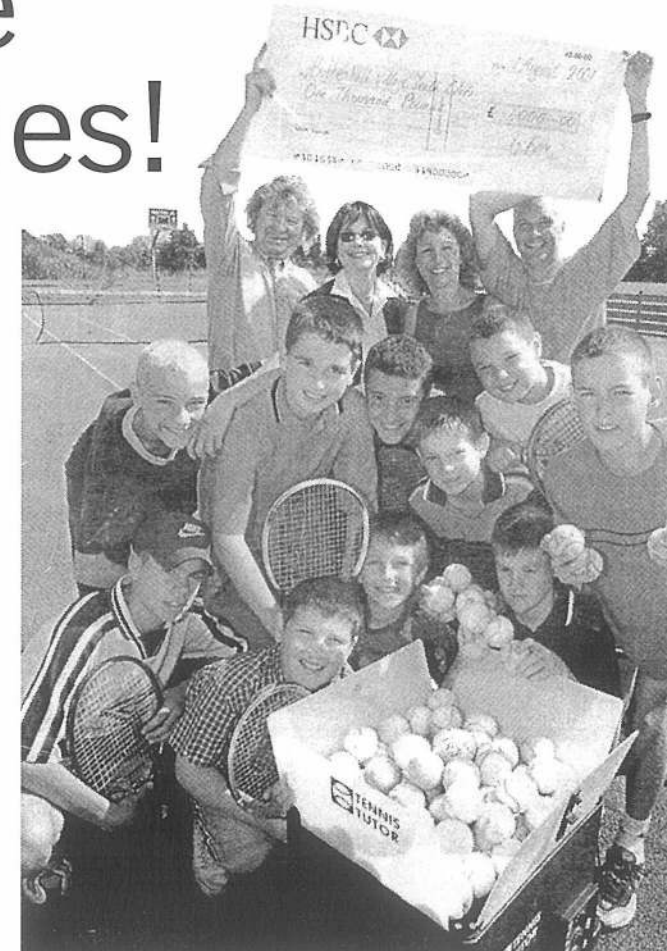
The game was turned on its head at half time when a masterful tactical switch by Gavin Slark saw Marco Ciuffini move into midfield from where he orchestrated play and hammered a quick fire Hat Trick to take the score to 3 - 2 to Bubbenhall. A further Ciuffini pile driver took a wicked deflection for an own goal before Whitnash pulled one back. Bubbenhall though were unlucky not to add to their lead as the effervescent Wright in particular went close on a number of occasions. In the end a 4 - 3 victory was a fair reflection and a credit to the whole team who worked tirelessly for each other. The game was played in a tremendous spirit between the two sides and bodes well for the future.

Bubbenhall Youth Club Hits the Headlines!

Some of the members who turned up for our 1st summer holiday daytime meeting were very soon in the limelight as both The Courier and the Coventry Evening Telegraph photographers were on hand to record the official handing over of the Healthy Living Award, which has been used to purchase our automatic tennis machine.

Once the official business and photos were over it was on to the bouncy castle, which proved an enormous success and was to be repeated at the next summer meeting. Despite the searing heat of the day games of tag-ball, unihok and football were played by wilting players - but it does make a change to the usual rain that we tend to get on a Friday night!. Plenty of drink was consumed and a BBQ was enjoyed by everyone for lunch. A great time was had by all but it wouldn't have even got off the ground without help from parents so a very big thank-you to Dawn Belfield, Gill Cook & Gill Prudhoe for helping Sandie and I with a mammoth 5 hour session.

Our second summer meeting was also a lot of fun with yet another 5 hours on the bouncy castle (could we do away with Youth Club and just buy our own bouncy castle - it would be a lot less work!), a record turnout, BBQ and a game of cricket, run by Ian Bettles, which proved very popular. Lee Hayden took on the job of supervising the bouncy castle and did a sterling job too. Craft under the Gazebo with Sandie and Pat running the tuck shop direct on to the field all added to an enjoyable day and something which will surely be repeated next year if possible. Having broken a bone in his ankle the day before, Tonino Ciuffini provided a watchful eye from the sideline, insisting



What a racquet:
Celebrating the award are youth club members and (back from left) county councillor Martin Brassington, Debbie Broomfield, Health Improvement co-ordinator with the health authority, and Sandie & Dave Rombach.
Picture: Pete Roberts

that he had not arranged that to get him out of running a Youth Club game!! - we hope he will be back to full fitness as soon as possible. Thanks to everyone who turned out to make this a fun packed day for the village kids.

With the deadline date for the Newsletter being while I was away, it has not been possible to complete the programme for the next 4 months - we will give the members a chance to tell us what they want to do when we return on September 7th then it will be sent out separately to each full member as soon as we have completed it.

We will be increasing the cost of Youth Club to £2.00 per person per week with effect from September 7th. This has been decided in view of increased hall rental, insurance and general operating costs, most of which rise with the increase in numbers.

New membership has been put on hold for the time being as we really cannot handle more than 60 at a time. A waiting list for over 10's has been started and you are welcome to add names. We hope that by increasing the fees now, we will safeguard the future of the Youth Club for the foreseeable future.

From September 7th we are starting the parents rota and hope that each family will be able to add their name to the list on the notice-board. We are always looking for new ideas, and things to do, so if you have a skill, interest or hobby that you may be able to share with the members please have a word with Sandie about it.

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