

# Bow Brickhill Parish News



## APRIL 2011

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### THE ASTRA TEAM

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### PATRONS

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M.McHugh (Piper Scaffolding); R.Fairclough, S.Lowe,

### GUARDIANS

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### BOW BRICKHILL HISTORY SOCIETY

#### Did you know?

In 1243 Joan daughter of Robert de Hoo and niece to Margaret Chauncey, the king's daughter owned Bow Brickhill Manor. Joan was nurse to the royal household, which at that time would have been King John. It is also documented that Joan was 'sometime n argaret the king's daughter, Queen of Scotland'

#### Would you like to learn more?

Bow Brickhill History Society meets on the first Wednesday of each month usually at The Wheatsheaf at 7.30pm, the next meeting being on **April 6<sup>th</sup>**

#### The Bow Brickhill Feast

This year The Bow Brickhill Feast will be held on **Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup>** in the early evening at the Pavilion. We are planning a 3 course supper interspersed with informative short talks to include: The Social History of All Saints Church given by Trish Wilby, The Three Field Farming System in Bow Brickhill given by Brenda Goodger and The Memoirs of Henry Munday who left the village in 1844 given by Sue Malleson. Please make a note in your diary now! Further details will follow in due course.

#### An Historical Walk around Bow Brickhill

Copies of the walking tour are still available.



#### Annual General Meeting, Preserve Bow Brickhill

Preserve Bow Brickhill, the organisation that defends the village from inappropriate or unwelcome development, will hold its AGM at

**The Wheatsheaf**

**at 7.30 pm on**

**Wednesday 27th April**

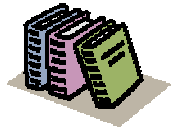
All residents of the village are invited to attend to hear what actions the group has taken over the past year and to appoint the committee.

## BOW BRICKHILL CLUB MARCH MEETING

The meeting on March 1st began with our annual fish and chip lunch; after the fish and chips there were deserts, cakes and cheese and biscuits, all of which were very much enjoyed. The afternoon continued with a very amusing quiz presented by Pat Parker. The drawing of the raffle brought our jolly afternoon to a close and once again we were bidding our friends farewell until our next meeting.



The April meeting will be in the Pavilion at 2.00pm on Tuesday the 5th, when we shall have two speakers from the Reader Service, one of whom will be a service user and the other a volunteer. This talk will be particularly interesting for the visually impaired.



We look forward to seeing all our friends on **Tuesday April 5th** at our revised time of **2.00pm**.

## WI

The topic of “an item suitable for a museum” proved an inspired one for our March meeting. Members had retrieved from lofts, sheds and anything in between a broad range of items both old and new (for this could be an item suitable for a **future** museum). Impossible here to list them all but among them were a WW1 ship telescope, a book of historic photographs between 1910 and 1935, a mechanical spade (obviously currently used!), a beaded dolly bag, several china items, a railwayman’s pocket watch and from more recent times, a beautifully illustrated book about Milton Keynes giving a wealth of history and before and after layouts of most of the ‘city’ areas. The exhibits generated lively discussion and members left with comments reflecting a most enjoyable evening.



The winner of the letter ‘V’ competition was Stephanie Warren with her Queen Victoria mourning urn and Pam Schorr was congratulated on gaining the most points from competitions during 2010 and presented with a small prize.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—APRIL

Monday 4th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Tuesday 5th	Bow Brickhill Club 2pm to 4pm Pavilion Mobile Barber. 2pm to 6pm. Greenways Lay by
Wednesday 6th	Bow Brickhill History Society. 7.30pm. Wheatsheaf Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 7th	Youth Club 7pm to 9pm. Pavilion
Monday 11th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion. Book Club. Contact Beverley Thompson 372192
Thursday 14th	Click and Clack. 7.30pm Wheatsheaf Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Pavilion
Sunday 17th	All Saints Lunch Club. 12.15 for 12.30pm. Church Hall.
Monday 18th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Tuesday 19th	Mobile Barber. 2pm to 6pm. Greenways Lay by
Thursday 21st	Youth Club 7pm to 9pm. Pavilion Woburn Sands Big Band Society. 7.30pm. Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall.
Wednesday 27th	Preserve Bow Brickhill AGM. 7.30pm, Church Hall
Thursday 28th	WI. 7.30pm. Pavilion A—Z of Gardening Competition for item letter ‘W’
<b>MAY</b>	
Tuesday 3rd	Bow Brickhill Club 2pm to 4pm Pavilion Mobile Barber. 2pm to 6pm. Greenways Lay by
Wednesday 4th	Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.



## WOBURN SANDS BIG BAND SOCIETY



**Thursday 21st April  
7.00pm for 7.30 pm**  
Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall  
Woburn Sands

**Annual General Meeting  
Followed by:**

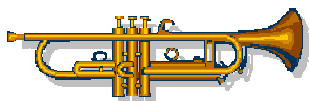
**Roy Lewis  
with  
“New CDs issued in 2010”  
and  
Members  
with  
“Bring a Disc”**

ENTRY: £2.00  
Non members £3.00

Membership application forms available at the desk.

Free car parking available behind the shops

For further information call  
David Higgs, 01908 583937  
Rex Harris 01908 281235



## HOLIDAY HOME TO LET

Get away from the English weather and take advantage of cheaper rates in Spain.

House to rent in Estepona - between Gibraltar and Malaga.

Sleeps 7, 100m from the sea.

Contact Olivia in Bow Brickhill: 01908 372739 or 07979 5501



## ROYAL WEDDING – STREET PARTIES

Are you planning a street party for the Royal Wedding? If you need a road closure it is simple to apply, all you need to do is send me an email with the details. Please see article <http://www.miltonkeynes.gov.uk/highways/DisplayArticle.> 58  
10 on the Milton Keynes Council website.

There is no charge for the legal work, publishing in the paper and site notices for these parties.

All you need to tell me is which road you are closing and the duration of your party. You also need to confirm that you have contacted all the residents that will be affected by the road closure and that you have their agreement to go ahead.

We are asking for the road signage to be on correct road signs in order to keep the parties safe and keep drivers away from where the events are taking place. You can either apply to Mark Bowater, at the Bleak Hall Depot, who is supplying the signs on a loan basis at £10 plus a deposit. If the party is in a Cul-de-Sac then of course only one road closed sign will be required, if it is on a through route then more will be required for the alternative route. You may too have a friendly contractor who can help you out instead.

Best wishes  
Paula Hakon

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## COPY DEADLINE

Contributions for the next issue should be sent by 20th April to:

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**ASTRA**  
**All Saints Tower Restoration Appeal**



During the 'clean up' campaign inside the tower a 'graffiti wall' has been discovered. From 1902 visitors have put their signatures in the Second Level Observer Room to celebrate their ascent of the tower.

We believe the room to have been built by the 'Observer Corps' in the lead up to World War I. In World War II, we understand, a small group were garrisoned there, charged with 'spotting enemy activity'. There is little doubt that from this post the Bombing Coventry was witnessed; it was widely reported by villagers that the horizon to the north glowed red, such was the devastation. Did a relative of yours witness this? Did a relative of yours act as an observer during these dark years in our history?

If a member of your family has signed this wall (and hundreds have) we would like to offer you the opportunity to join them in becoming a permanent part of the history of the church by adding your signature alongside.

If you are new to the village but want to add your name too, we will find you an appropriate area to sign!

If you would like to support ASTRA in this way and have the unique privilege of adding to your 'graffiti wall' – which, until now, has remained untouched for years – we would ask for a minimum donation of £10.00 towards the expensive renovations we are putting in hand to keep the tower standing for future generations.

To arrange to add your signature to the wall please contact our chairman at the address below, any member of the ASTRA team or through the Bow Brickhill ASTRA website.

Address: ASTRA c/o 28 Church Road, Bow Brickhill, MILTON KEYNES, MK17 9LD  
Telephone: 01908 647003 01908 372192  
Donations Payable to: 'ASTRA Working Group'  
<http://www.bowbrickhill.com/astra/astra.htm>

For details of the ASTRA Team Please see page 14

**MUSIC IN THE BRICKHILLS**  
**ALL SAINTS CHURCH, LEIGHTON BUZZARD**

present

**MOZART**  
**REQUIEM**

**May 8<sup>th</sup> 2011,**  
**7.30pm**

Choir members required

Rehearsal Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10am and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2pm  
Performance Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm

**ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL/NATIONAL CHARITIES**

For details of additional voluntary rehearsals or other information contact [jerrybreslin@hotmail.com](mailto:jerrybreslin@hotmail.com), 07977292602

**Volunteers needed !!**



**Lifeboats**

The RNLI is a National Charity which receives no government funding. It provides lifeboats around the coast and lifeguards on the UK's popular beaches. In 2009 the lifeboats were launched over 9,000 times to rescue over 8,000 people!

There is a new fundraising group in Milton Keynes and our 1<sup>st</sup> target is to raise enough cash for an inshore jet ski used mainly for shoreline rescues.

Can you help spare a few hours a year and help us with our collections? We desperately need some extra pairs of willing hands !!

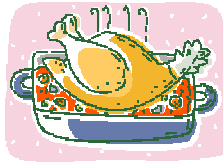
Please contact Anne on 07771 532120 or [anne2sail@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:anne2sail@yahoo.co.uk)

### ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB

As the fourth Sunday of the month will be Easter day the lunch club will be meeting a week earlier than usual on

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April**  
**12.15 for 12.30pm**  
in the church hall as usual.

Please book in with Kay or Stuart Leeming on MK 372032.



### ROVING SUPPER

Yes! It's time to put the annual Bow Brickhill roving supper in your diary! This year the date is **Saturday 2nd July**. Couples and singles are equally welcome. Each couple/person will provide one course for a few people in their home and enjoy several other courses in other people's homes. Veterans of previous roving suppers need no reminding what fun it is. For those new to Bow Brickhill it's a fantastic way to meet friendly neighbours from throughout the village. Cost is £5 per head with funds going to All Saints' church.

Please call Mike Hallett on 01908 648373 or email at [mica-films@btinternet.com](mailto:mica-films@btinternet.com) to book your place or to find out more. Please advise if you have any special dietary requirements. **Last date for booking is Saturday 18th June**. Instructions will be sent by Tuesday 21st June, giving you ten days to prepare your culinary masterpiece!

We are also looking for volunteers to host the aperitifs and the after-dinner party so if you feel up to catering for about 40 people please get in touch.



### CHURCH HALL DROP-IN AFTERNOON

Beginning in May we hope to start a drop-in afternoon once a month at the church hall offering tea, coffee and biscuits and the opportunity to get together for a chat or spend some quiet time reading.

More details to follow in next month's newsletter but if you would like to be involved in setting up this project please contact Kay on 372032

### CHURCH ROTAS



#### APRIL

**3rd**  
**10th**  
**17th**  
**24th**

#### FLOWERS

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#### CLEANING

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### CHURCH AGM

17 residents attended the Annual Church Meeting in March at the church hall and were informed of the current activities of the church and the progress of ASTRA.

John Wales and Stuart Leeming were re-elected as churchwardens.

Re-elected to the Parochial Church Council were Cynthia Wilkins (Secretary), Brenda Goodger, Rosemary Clarke and Andrea Spurdle (Treasurer) and two new members, Tricia Wilby and Anna Cookson were also elected and welcomed on to the PCC.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY LAST SUPPER

This year's benefice Maundy Thursday Last Supper will be held on

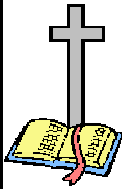
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April**  
**at 7.00pm**  
**at Little Brickhill Community Centre.**

This commemorates the feast of the Passover that Jesus and his disciples held before his crucifixion. It is a family event and all are welcome.

In order to help with the catering, numbers need to be in by **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April**. To book in or for more information contact Kay Leeming on 372032.



## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE



Bow Brickhill  
All Saints

3rd April Mothering Sunday  
9.30am Holy Communion

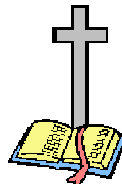
10th April  
11.00am Family Service

17th April Palm Sunday  
6.00pm Evensong

21st April Maundy Thursday  
10.30am Holy Communion at 53a Station Road

22nd April Good Friday  
9.30am Hymns and Readings

24th April Easter Day  
9.30am Holy Communion



## EASTER CHURCH FLOWERS AND CLEANING

The church will be open on

**Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
from  
**10.00am**



to prepare for Easter.

If you are able to help with flower arranging and cleaning in the church or with mowing and tidying the churchyard this would be greatly appreciated.

Donations towards the cost of Easter flowers would also be gratefully received and can be given to the churchwardens.

## Great Brickhill St Mary the Virgin

3rd April Mothering Sunday  
9.30am Holy Communion

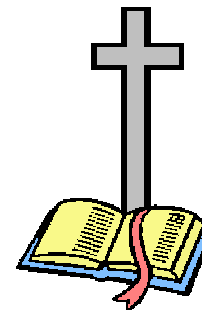
10th April  
11.00am Morning Worship  
6.00pm Evensong

17th April Palm Sunday  
9.30am Holy Communion

20th April  
10.30am Holy Communion in the  
Lady Chapel

22nd April Good Friday  
2.00pm Hour of Devotion

24th April Easter Day  
11.00am Holy Communion



## Little Brickhill St Mary Magdalene

3rd April  
No Service

10th April  
11.00am Morning Worship

17th April Palm Sunday  
11.15am Family Service

21st April Maundy Thursday  
7.00pm Last Supper

24th April Easter Day  
11.00am Holy Communion



## Stoke Hammond St Luke

3rd April Mothering Sunday  
11.00am Family Service at Methodist Church

10th April  
9.30am Holy Communion

17th April Palm Sunday  
8.30am Family Service

24th April Easter Day  
9.30am Holy Communion