

Bow Brickhill Club

On January 6th 2004, the Bow Brickhill Club held their annual New Year Party. Celebrating in their usual style, with a buffet and glass of wine. The highlight of the afternoon was a talk given by Mr. Griffiths from the Milton Keynes museum. The talk consisted of a description of the early days, how the museum had grown and hopes of new exhibits and plans for the future. Mr. Griffiths had brought various farm and kitchen implements, some of which we were able to identify, but there were many so old, they had not been used within our living memory.

This month our quiz had a rural theme with questions on country matters and "sayings" from the past. Once again Rosemary's raffle was a great success, bringing in extra funds, which help us to subsidize our outings.

In February, we shall be discussing plans for our visit to the museum. This will be in place of our March meeting and should be a very interesting outing. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 3rd, in the Pavilion, at the usual time of 2.00 p.m. when we look forward to seeing all our old mends and welcoming all new ones.



Bow Brickhill C of E School

The new year saw our village school becoming a voluntary aided Church of England school. On January 28th, Bishop Alan, the new Bishop of Buckingham visited the school to officially mark this change. Leslie Stevens, Director of Education for the diocese also attended as did our own Rev.d Waller. The children and staff had made a spectacular collage of Noah's Ark which will now take pride of place in the school. The Bishop also blessed a beautiful, simple wooden cross which had been made for the school by Mr Bellamy, the head teacher's husband. The children told the story of Noah in acting and song and the event was a great success.



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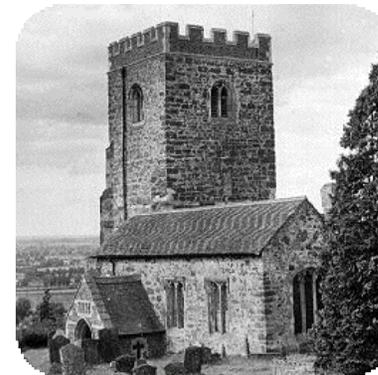
By the War
Memorial from
11 -11.15 am on
Friday February 6th
and 20th



Copy deadline

We welcome your news for the next edition. Please deliver contributions by February **19th** to:
Georgy Holden: 31 Greenways,
Bow Brickhill. tel 372626
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Bow Brickhill Parish News



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PARISH NEWS

PARISH CLERK

The Parish council are delighted to announce the appointment of a new Parish Clerk.

He is David Bryant contact details:
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David is also clerk to Steppingly Parish Council in Bedfordshire.

YOUTH CLUB SHED

The council agreed that the youth club could use the shed for storage.

DOG BIN

A new dog bin has been purchased to replace one that went missing. we are hoping this will be installed soon.

TRAFFIC ISLAND

This work has finally been completed and is already being used well particularly by the school children.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Audit of previous years accounts is reaching completion and the precept for the coming year will be agreed at the next meeting of the council.

VILLAGE SHOPPER PROJECT

The first shopping trip, on Wednesday January 14th to Aylesbury, was very successful. The Parish allocation of 10 tickets was sold within the first week. Our first stop in the village was at the bottom of Church Road at 10.30 a.m. , where we joined parishioners from Wavendon and Woburn Sands. Our next stop was at the bus stop in Station Road, nearest to Greenways; from there we were on our way to Aylesbury. This was an ideal town to start our shopping trips, as all the shopping areas were under cover. Our next shopping trip will be on Wednesday February 11th. when we shall be visiting Northampton. Remember tickets are only £2.00 each for parishioners over 60 years of age. The coach leaves Bow Brickhill at 10.30a.m. Returning from Northampton at 4.00p.m. to arrive home at approximately 5.00p. This is an inexpensive day out, but we are limited to 10 tickets per Parish. If you would like to join our next trip please contact Chris on 373768 as soon as possible.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on **Thursday February 12th 2003**, at **7:30pm** in the Pavilion, Rushmere Close.

All welcomed to attend

Youth on Show

We are in the final weeks of rehearsal for our March production, the musical Greasy which follows the lives of Danny, Sandy, Rizzo and all the other characters of Rydell High. The children and young adults have all been working extremely hard and very much hope that you will join us at the Jennie Lee theatre to enjoy the results of their work.

As usual we are operating on a tight budget and wonder if anyone can help us by donating or loaning the following items:

Dressing table with mirror,
Bar – free standing
2 high bar or kitchen stools
Coat stand
Xylophone
Megaphone
Spectacles and sunglasses
Black gown and mortar board
Budweiser beer cans (empty!)

Thank you for your continued support.

Heather 585245 Mary 647003



Sunday School

We meet at 11am, almost every 4th Sunday in the month, at the Church Hall (near the bottom of Church Road) Bow Brickhill.

All children are very welcome to attend. The remaining dates for the year are as follows:

22nd Feb
28th March
25th April
23rd May
27th June
25th July
No August meeting
26th September
24th October
28th November
No December meeting

We are also hoping to hold our usual Good Friday workshop, details will be in the next newsletter. Please contact Georgy 01908 372626 or Marion 01908 366390 if you would like further information.





Preserve Bow Brickhill - PBB - was set up two years ago to preserve our village from inappropriate development. Since that time the committee has been busy behind the scenes with quite a few projects and here are just some details.

The Local Plan - that's the plan for the borough of Milton Keynes to 2011 - is currently under inquiry. PBB made representations on the matter of the boundary of the city and also the definition of Bow Brickhill as a "selected village" and therefore suitable for a small development. While we are supporting the Plan which excludes development of the land between the village and the City boundary, it also includes a proposal for housing development at Blind Pond Farm. We say that the density of housing on that site should be lower than suggested. The Inspector will make

his recommendations in mid-2004 and if the current proposals are followed there could be a small housing development on the site with 30% "affordable housing" at a density of 30 dwellings per hectare.

PBB has also made representations to the Public Examination of the Milton Keynes and South Midlands Sub-Regional Study concerning the long-term expansion of the city - up to 2031.

We consider that our strong objection to the Bedford to MK canal was instrumental in the announcement that the preferred route, with its likely housing development, would not be coming between the village and the city.

PBB continues to monitor the various threats of inappropriate development in the vicinity of the village and works in conjunction with the Parish Council. Further information can be found at www.preservebowbrickhill.co.uk

Date	Flowers	Cleaning	Readers
1st Feb	Mrs D. Cook	Mrs. B Goodger	Ms. R. Clarke
8th Feb			Mrs. P. Wilby
			Mr. S. Leeming
15th Feb	Mrs E. Drabble	Mrs. A Cookson	Mr. S. Valledy
22nd Feb			Mr. A. Wilkins
			Mr. A. Malleson
25th Feb			Mr. A. Wilkins
(Ash Wednesday)			Mr. J. Wales

Sue's Snippets



Carol Singing

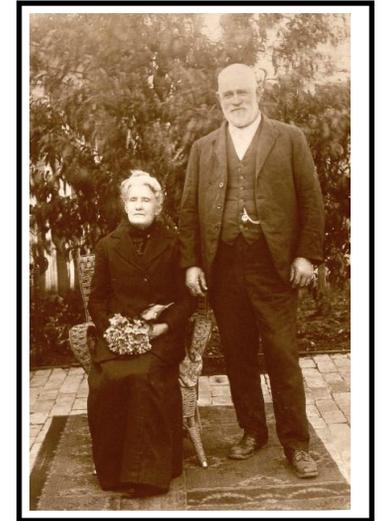
We had two fantastic nights - the weather was cold by dry and the singers were superb. Full harmony plus descants led to questions about how often we practised. In reality many of those present had never met one another before! But the most credit must go to our team of collectors who worked quickly and efficiently to collect £300 for All Saints church over the two evenings - a record. There are whispers that a local company will match some of this with a donation, so the final total could be much greater. This will be most welcome as the cost of the special paint for decoration of the interior of the church is very expensive. Thanks go especially to Peter & Jane Lousada and Anna & Robert Cookson who provided much needed warmth and hospitality at the end of the evenings. A big thank you to everyone involved. Many who take part and who listen on their doorsteps say that the carol singers' tour is for them the real start of Christmas.

Village booklet

Sue Malleson can now supply copies of the old village booklet, published 70 years ago (then priced three-pence), on CD as a Word document. Please contact Sue, (sue@bowbrickhill.com) for more details.

Henry Mundy - latest news

Since the publication of the Henry Mundy book lots of family history researchers have made contact with the village including Henry's great-great grandson Bob. No-one has yet been able to find a photograph of Henry, but Bob who lives in Australia has one of George, Henry's son together with his wife Esther (nee Johnson). The couple were married in 1877.



Annual General Meeting Preserve Bow Brickhill

All village residents and those who live in neighbouring areas are invited to attend the AGM of PBB on Wednesday 17th March at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall, Church Road.

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE**Great Brickhill****St Mary The Virgin****1st Feb:**

11.00 Holy Communion

8th Feb:

9.30 Morning Worship

6.00 pm Evensong

15th Feb:

9.30 Holy Communion

22nd Feb:

11.00 Family Service

25th Feb:

8pm Holy Communion

Little Brickhill**St Mary Magdalene****1st Feb:**

6pm Holy Communion

8th Feb:

No service

15th Feb:

11.00 Family Service

22nd Feb:

9.30 Holy Communion

Stoke Hammond**St Luke****1st Feb:**

9.30 Holy Communion

8th Feb:

9.30 Holy Communion

15th Feb:

4pm Family Service

22nd Feb:

9.30 Morning Prayer

29th Feb:

11.00 Benefice Service

February Services**Bow Brickhill****All Saints****1st Feb.****11.00 Family Service****8th Feb.****11.00 Holy Communion****15th Feb.****11.00 Matins****22nd Feb.****8.00 Holy Communion****25th Feb.****Ash Wednesday****10.00 Holy Communion****29th Feb.****Benefice Service****11.00 at Stoke Hammond****Letter from the Rector**

Dear Friends,

There are lots of things happening in the four parishes and I would like to invite you to join in.

The Alpha course which took place at Great Brickhill has now ended but a few people are attending one at Woburn. If you think that you might be interested in joining a future course do let me know.

The House Group in Bow Brickhill is growing and meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. Anyone is welcomed to come along. (Contact Steve Valledy 270835).

There are a number of meetings planned for people who wish to get more involved in reading, prayers and leading services. If you are interested do speak to me about this.

There are also things happening for children and young people. The Bow Brickhill Sunday school meets in the Church hall at 11am on the 4th Sunday of every month (when there is an early service at the church). Children of all ages are welcomed. (Contact Helen Coghill 373344)

Children may also be interested in the Crusaders group which takes place every Tuesday evening from 6.15 -7.15 at High Ash School. Aimed at 8-11 year olds there are always lots of games and activities. (contact Derrick Haynes 01525 261700)

For young people the Deanery Youth Worker Mark Berry runs a Sunday group for 11-14 year olds from 4-6pm in Cublington and a Monday group, for 14+ from 7.30 -9.30 in Wing.

Yours in Christ,

Revd. John Waller

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Please note that my day off is Friday

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