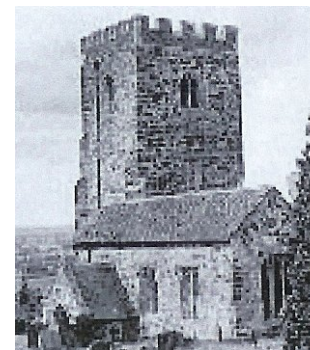


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—FEBRUARY

Friday 1 st	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45am. War Memorial.
Monday 4th	Mobile Police Station. 1pm to 2pm Greenways Layby Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Tuesday 5th	Bow Brickhill Club. 1pm.to 3pm. Pavilion. David Higgs on Big Bands
Wednesday 6th	Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 7th	Youth Club. 7.00pm to 9.00pm Pavilion
Saturday 9th	Pavilion Refurbishment Unveiling 2pm to 4pm
Monday 11th	Book Club (contact Celia for Details) Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Tuesday 12th	John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm. Greenways Layby
Wednesday 13th	3 Parishes Outing. Hemel Hempstead Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 14th	Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm. Pavilion.
Friday 15th	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45am. War Memorial.
Sunday 17th	All Saints Lunch Club. 12.15 for 12.30pm. Church Hall.
Monday 18 th	Mobile Police Station. 1pm to 2pm Greenways Layby Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Thursday 21st	Bow Brickhill Club Theatre Trip. 'South Pacific' Woburn Sands Big Band Society. 7pm for 7.30pm. Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall Woburn Sands Youth Club. 7.00pm to 9.00pm Pavilion
Monday 25 th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.
Tuesday 26th	John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm. Greenways Layby
Wednesday 27th	Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 28th	Womens Institute. 7.30pm. Pavilion. Supper provided by committee and competition for steel item
Friday 29th	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45am. War Memorial.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The village Neighbourhood Watch group now works via the Bow Brickhill Yahoo! group. It's free to join so if you have internet connection go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BowBrickhill> and request membership. The group is a good way to keep in touch with others in the village - which can be particularly useful if you don't often get the chance to meet your neighbours.

BOW BRICKHILL WI

Members enjoyed an interesting speaker this month when Mrs Jean Dale shared with us how she had developed from an amateur photographer as a young girl, through to becoming a professional, with her own business and clientele. She told how when she started, and having no studio, she visited homes to take pictures of young children, or family groups, and she delighted members with copies of some of her work, which covered everything from weddings and christenings to countryside and holiday views taken in a wide range of weather and light conditions.

The competition for a tin wedding anniversary gift was won by Pam Schorr, and the raffle prizes were won by Elaine Bostock and Ann Pickersgill.

Next month members will sit down to a supper provided by committee members, followed by social time."

WOBURN SANDS BIG BAND SOCIETY



Thursday 21st February
7pm for 7.30pm

Presentations by

Ian Burns: *On George Shearing*
 And
James Goff: *Swing is the Thing*
 Preceded by a short meeting

Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall High Street Woburn Sands

£2.00 Entry on the Door

For further information call;
01908 583937 or 01908 281235




BOW BRICKHILL CLUB JANUARY AND DECEMBER MEETINGS

The club meeting on December 4th 2007 took place at the Parkside Hotel, Woughton on the Green, where 34 members enjoyed our annual Christmas lunch.

The first meeting of 2008, our well attended New Year party, took the form of a buffet lunch ending with a cake to celebrate the birthdays of Rosemary Guess and Ms. Shirley Parker. Lunch was followed by a quiz, compiled by Pam Schorr and won by Joan West and Janet Baker. This lively afternoon ended with our monthly raffle.



Our next meeting will be on **February 5th** when our speaker, Mr David Higgs will be talking about "Big Bands". This talk will be supported by recordings of well known Big Band music and as David has pointed out "More music than talk!". I am sure the afternoon will bring back many happy memories. Once again we shall be providing a buffet lunch.



An important date to be noted will be our first outside event for 2008. This will be our visit to the Milton Keynes Theatre on **February 21st** where, by courtesy of the Margaret Powell Trust, seats have been booked for the musical "South Pacific"



The coach will leave the Pavilion car park at 1.30pm, also picking up from the Bus Stop in Station Road adjacent to Greenways a couple of minutes later.

Another very important date for your diary is **Tuesday March 4th** when we resume our old meeting time of **2pm to 4pm**. We have been invited, by the Governors and Staff of the Bow Brickhill Church of England Primary School, to visit and tour the new classrooms and extended areas of the school. The tour is to be followed by refreshments.



It looks as though the first three months of 2008 will be a very interesting time for the Bow Brickhill Club.

PARISH NEWS

Martin Robinson

The Parish Council are deeply saddened at the loss of their Chairman, Cllr Robinson who died on December 19th, his contribution to the council over the past few years had been huge, and his presence is deeply missed. Our thoughts are with Sally and his family.

Pavilion Refurbishment

One of the projects which Martin had put time and energy into was organising the refurbishment of the Pavilion. This has now been completed and the Parish Council would like to invite villagers to see the improvements that have been made on Saturday February 9th from 2pm-4pm, refreshments will be available.

Pavilion Extension

The Parish Council are looking into sources of funding to extend the Pavilion and create a smaller hall and permanent storage spaces. Georgy Holden will be working on grant applications and would welcome hearing from any user groups, or potential user groups about the needs that they have.

Date of next meeting
February 14th
7.30pm
Bow Brickhill Pavilion

PAVILION REFURBISHMENT

The Parish Council invite you to join them on

Saturday February 9th
2 - 4pm



To launch the new look Pavilion.
Refreshments will be available.

BOOK CLUB

Next meeting **7.30pm**
on Monday 11th February. For further details please contact:
celiarsherratt@yahoo.co.uk



BOW BRICKHILL RESIDENTS' SURVEY

Please remember to fill in the questionnaire from Councillor David Hopkins and return it as soon as possible.



3 PARISHES OUTING

**HEMEL HEMPSTEAD
FARE £4.50
WEDNESDAY
13TH FEBRUARY 2008
DEPARTING 10:00am**



Returning at Approximately
4:00pm

Available to all parishioners over 60 living in the three parishes

Parish	Pick Up Points	Contact for tickets
Woburn Sands	Fish and Chip Shop; Biker Den Bus Stop; The Leys	Pauline 01908 585368
Wavendon	Walton End; Wavendon Gate; Wavendon Community Centre; Leathern Bottle; Newport Road Lay-by; Parkway/Bellway	Monica 01908 281424
Bow Brickhill	Church Road; Greenways	Julie 07950 269233

Sponsored by: Bow Brickhill Parish Council;
Wavendon Parish Council; Woburn Sands Town Council

YOUTH CLUB

The Youth Club suffered a major blow with the sudden death of Martin Robinson, one of the main organisers, on 19th December. This was a great shock to all of us and he will be greatly missed, not least for all the work he did for the youth club and his caring approach. It will be very difficult to replace him, and his enthusiastic attitude to everything he did.

We decided, however, that Martin would have wished us to go ahead with the Christmas disco on 20th December and so we did. Duncan Summerfield made a great job of being DJ for the evening, providing an excellent mix of music and operating the disco lights. Some people even danced!



Our first meeting of 2008 was on 17th January, when Graham Arnold kindly joined us to present a juggling workshop. Members were pretty good at learning "the drop" (i.e. letting objects fall to the floor) and by the end of the evening some were even mastering "the catch"! Many thanks to Graham for giving his time.



The Annual General Meeting will now be held in the Pavilion on 6th March at 6.30pm rather than 7th February as announced previously. We very much hope that parents will attend, to give their views and ideas and, where possible, to offer assistance with sessions. If you are interested in volunteering, this might be a good opportunity to come along and find out more, or contact Stuart Leeming on 372032 or Beverley Thompson on 372192.

BROWNIES

You may recall a few years ago we made a plea for help with the Brownies with the guiding retirement age fast approaching both Brown and Snowy Owls. Unfortunately the end of this year will mean we will both have to retire so if there is anyone out there who might consider taking over, please get in touch with one of us (374852 or 375365) so that we can chat through the possibilities. After so many years of Brownies in the village it would be very sad if the pack has to close.



COPY DEADLINE

We welcome your news and events.
Please send contributions by

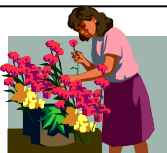
21st February

To: Gill Cannell,
17 Greenways.
Tel 373602;
Email:
bowbrickhillpavilion@gmail.com

TRACING AN OLD FRIEND

Liz is trying to trace an old friend of hers from the 1950's/60's. Pam Burton lived at Plough Cottage on Church Road before marrying when she became Pam Cook, and moved to 15 Station Road Bow Brickhill. Anyone who knows Pam's whereabouts and can help her friend Liz get in contact again should call Sue Malleson on 01908 372376 or email sue@bowbrickhill.com.

CHURCH ROTAS



FEBRUARY

FLOWERS

CLEANING

3rd
10th
17th
24th

Lent

Mrs A Spurdle
Mrs A Spurdle
Mrs D Bowdler
Mrs D Bowdler

CAROL SINGING

It seems a long time ago now, but this has been the first opportunity in the newsletter to thank all the singers, collectors and those who provided much needed refreshments at the end of the carol singing evenings. Thanks also go to all those who gave so generously on their doorsteps - over £300 was raised for All Saints Church funds.



FUTURE DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The Roving Supper this year will be on

Saturday 28th June.

More details to follow in due course



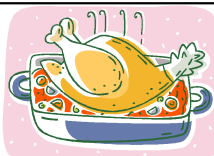
ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB

Please note that the next two meetings of the lunch club will take place on

February 17th
and March 16th

which is the third Sunday of the month.

To book in for February's lunch please contact Chris Loak at the Bow Brickhill club or Kay and Stuart on 372032.



MARTIN ROBINSON

A thanksgiving service for the life of Martin Robinson, who passed away suddenly on December 19th, took place at All Saints Church on January 4th. Martin was born in Bedford and moved into the village in 1968. During the last three years he was actively involved in a variety of organisations and projects within the village including secretary to the Youth Club, hedge laying at the churchyard, member of the Sunday lunch club team, heading the Parish Plan Steering Group, and in particular as a Parish Councillor since April 2005, taking on the role of Chairman in May last year with enthusiasm and dedication. His energy, sense of humour and contribution to the community and the life of the village will be sadly missed and sincere condolences are extended to Sally and her family.

Sally and family would like to thank everyone for their sympathy, kindness and offers of help following their sad loss. It has been a tremendous comfort to us all.

CHURCH TREASURER



All Saints Church is in need of a new treasurer. After 5 years service Brenda Goodger has decided to stand down this year at the church AGM in April. We need a volunteer to keep the books, present annual accounts and report to the parochial church council.

If you have an hour or two per week to spare and would like to know more contact Stuart Leeming on 372032.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School in February.

We are currently considering what kind of provision the church should have for children.

There will be a meeting at the school on Monday evening, **4th February** (time to be confirmed - please check with Rosemary on 370811).

If you are interested please come, or talk to Rosemary in advance about your ideas.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library will be at the War Memorial from 10.15 to 10.45am on Friday 1st; 15th and 29th February



LETTER FROM THE RECTOR

LIFE CALLING

Dear friends,

The word 'vocation' expresses a sense of being called to do something. Nowadays it is used mainly for the call to ordained ministry, or sometimes to other 'caring professions', but it is an idea that is relevant to all of us.

Christians believe that God has a calling and purpose for each person, and one of the most important things we can do with our lives is to discover what that calling is, and respond to it.

This year our Lent discussion groups will use a course called *Life Calling*, which will give us the opportunity to explore God's calling for our lives, as we seek to understand what kind of people God has made us to be, and what gifts and skills he has entrusted to each one of us, as well as seeking to understand more deeply what God is calling us *from* – the things we are challenged to let go of and leave behind, and the life and service that God is calling us *to*.

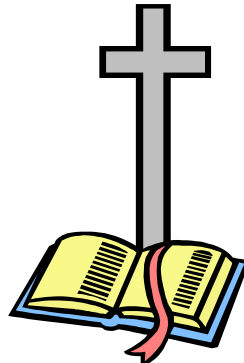
For, as the course booklet says:

... many people have lost all sense of their life calling ...
The truth is that God has made each of us in his own image, and calls us to follow him ...
growing into the unique fullness of the person he has called us to be.

This Lent could be the opportunity for us to renew and deepen our understanding of that calling, or even to discover it for the first time.

Revd. John Waller

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Great Brickhill St Mary the Virgin

3rd February

9.30am Holy Communion

8th February—Ash Wednesday

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion

10th February

9.30am Morning Worship

6.00 pm Evensong

17th February

9.30am Holy Communion

24th February

4.00pm Sunday @ Four

Little Brickhill St Mary Magdalene

10th February

11.00am Morning Worship

17th February

11.00am Family Service

24th February

9.30am Holy Communion

Stoke Hammond St Luke

3rd February

11.00am Family Service at Methodist Church

10th February

9.30am Holy Communion

17th February

8.30am Holy Communion

24th February

9.30am Morning Worship

Bow Brickhill All Saints

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