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ASTRA Community Projects

This re-formed group's new task is to restore the village's Church Hall which currently houses the playgroup, the Brownies, the Parochial Church Council, the History Group, Preserve Bow Brickhill, the Drop In and the Lunch Club, as well as numerous other community activities throughout the year.

*If you have village photos of interest to share please send them to
ann@asatraining.freereserve.co.uk*

The Village News is hand delivered to over 300 homes in Bow Brickhill

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

Bow Brickhill : All Saints

February

1st	11.00 a.m. Matins
8th	11.00 a.m. Family Service
15th	9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Church Open
22nd	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Sung)

Great Brickhill : St Mary the Virgin

February

1st	11.00 a.m. Holy Communion
8th	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion
15th	11.00 a.m. Matins (tbc)
18th	10.30 a.m. Holy Communion
22nd	11.00 a.m. Family Service

Little Brickhill : St Mary Magdalene

February

1st	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion
15th	11.00 a.m. Family Service

Stoke Hammond : St Luke

February

1st	11.00 a.m. Family Service
8th	9.30 a.m. Café Church
15th	9.00 a.m. Holy Communion
18th	7.30 p.m. Healing Service (tbc)
22nd	9.00 a.m. Morning Worship

House Communion

A service of Holy Communion for residents of Bow Brickhill is held on most Thursday mornings in the village.

Transport can be arranged. If you would like to attend, please phone **Cynthia on MK 642878**



Prayers for healing

Monthly meetings are held at the Rectory in Great Brickhill



Email:

rector@brickhillchurches.org.uk
or
tel 01525 261062



Contact details for the Rector:

Tel: (01525) 261062

Address: The Rectory, 10 Pound Hill, Great Brickhill MK17 9AS

The email address for All Saints Church, Bow Brickhill is:
bowbrickhillchurch@gmail.com

Emails to this address will go direct to the Rector and to the Church Wardens

The Benefice website which serves across all 3 parishes is:
http://www.brickhillschurches.org.uk

**CHURCH FLOWERS
& CLEANING ROTA**



February

Flowers

Cleaning

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DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

➔ **23rd February 2015**

Copy for the **March** issue should be sent to:

Sally Gill email: sallyhawtin@hotmail.co.uk
email: candishtowers@gmail.com

If you are able to help with a contribution towards the cost of the Newsletter please send it to:

Andrea Spurdle, the PCC treasurer at 42A Station Road, Bow Brickhill

Cheques should be made payable to: Bow Brickhill Parish Church

Thought for the month, Philippians 4, verses 6 and 7

Don't worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking him with a thankful heart. And God's peace, which is far beyond human understanding, will keep your hearts and minds safe in union with Christ Jesus.

CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE OFFICER:

PC 3626 Rob Grewal
Walton and Danesborough Neighbourhood
Woburn Sands Police Office
Milton Keynes
[07814 485393](tel:07814485393)



NEW REGULAR FEATURE : The Village People's : Desert Island Discs

Name: Liz & Keith Bell
Home: Rushmere Close
Age: Lost count but still keen
Time in Bow Brickhill: **11 DAYS**
Occupation: K- Keeper of the domestic peace



L - Cakemaker Extraordinaire
Village interests: Walking, socialising with the great Bow Brickhill pub entourage
Most Treasured Discs: K - Simon & Garfunkel : L - Eric Clapton
Luxury Item: K - wife (expensive & demanding) : L - Make-up
Book: K - A brief History of Time:L - Street Cat named Bob
Would you cope? Yes - spiders for me and me for her
What would you miss most of Bow Brickhill: The wonderful regulars at the pub
What would you not miss: L & K - Traffic

"With heartfelt thanks

Sheila and Steve Murphy would like to thank all their friends and neighbours in Bow Brickhill for the support they have received following the death of Sheila's mum Iris Skillin who passed away on 21st December.
Iris had a wonderful send off with many of her friends from Greenways attending the service at Crownhill crematorium, beautifully conducted by Reverend John Waller."

From Eddie - Retiring Pavilion Caretaker

" I would like to say a big thank you to all who contributed to my retirement gift and cards.
It was a real surprise and very much appreciated.
Thanks again
Eddie Chesse "

ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB

In December 21 guests and helpers enjoyed a traditional Christmas lunch together and thanks go to all those who prepared and helped serve the excellent festive meal. Our first meeting of the New Year took place on January 18th with 19 guests sharing lunch and company with lots of lively conversation.



The date of our **February** lunch is **Sunday 15th** and will take place in the church hall at 12.30pm as usual.

In March our meeting will be on **Mothering Sunday 15th** and will be open to all as a family service at 11.30am in the church hall followed by a bring and share lunch.

Please put this date in your diary with further details in the next newsletter.

Please contact Kay or Stuart Leeming on 372032 to book in or if you would like any further information. Transport can be arranged.



Bow Brickhill Youth Club

We are delighted to announce that the AGM of the Youth Club held on 15th January elected a new Management Committee to take over from Shaz Siddiqui, Becca Abery and Matt Braddish who have done such a fantastic job as Chair, Secretary and Treasurer respectively over the past year.

The new Committee is:

Chair	- Mike Hallett
Secretary	- Sue Stratford (assisted by Julie Lack)
Treasurer	- Anne Cherry (assisted by Becky Gray)
Members:	Becky Gray, Duncan Summerfield, Pamela Wakefield, Amanda Leeson and Julie Lack
Youth Leader:	Ben Summerfield

We are very pleased that the Youth Club will continue to offer a place for the young people of the village and surrounding areas to meet with their friends and enjoy the many facilities that the club offers. All children aged 9-16 are welcome.

The next meeting will be in the Pavilion on 5th February at 7 p.m.

DIARY DATE: ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING April 14th

All Saints Church annual meeting will be held on **Tuesday April 14th at 7.30pm** in the church hall. All are welcome. Further details to follow.

ANGLIAN WATER EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

The village recently had an emergency regarding sewage and it was quite difficult to contact Anglian Water because the number 145 145 number is only manned during office hours.

So in the event of emergencies the numbers you can use are [0800 145145](tel:0800145145) or [0800 771881](tel:0800771881) or 03457 145145.

There is also the option of calling Milton Keynes Council out of hours emergency number [01908 226699](tel:01908226699)

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL CONTACT NUMBERS

Matters can be reported direct to Milton Keynes Council on the following numbers:

Highways team - for roads, highways and pavements please contact [01908 252353](tel:01908252353)

Environmental health - please contact [01908 252570](tel:01908252570)

EATING IN THE FIFTIES

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti.

Curry was a surname. A takeaway was a mathematical problem.

A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower.

Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time. All chips were plain.

Rice was a milk pudding, and never, ever part of our dinner.

A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining.

Brown bread was something only poor people ate.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Coffee was 'Camp Essence' and came in a bottle...

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh. Fish didn't have fingers in those days.

Eating raw fish was called poverty, not sushi.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt. Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

People who didn't peel potatoes were regarded as lazy.

Cooking outside was called camping. Seaweed was not a recognized food.

Kebab was not even a word, never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press then, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal. (I think they still are...LOL)

Surprisingly muesli was readily available....it was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks in a tin; we had only ever seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap (or pump - as in our case). If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than petrol for it they would have become a laughing stock.

The one thing that we never ever had on our table in the fifties...was elbows!



The pub is now open for food and drinks under temporary management

01908 374795

Please continue to support your local pub

LEVEL CROSSING CLOSURE

Please be advised that MK Council have received an application from Centurion Site Services to make a temporary traffic regulation order in order to allow the annual inspection to be undertaken on the Bow Brickhill Level Crossing.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE:

From 11:00pm on Saturday 7th February until 12:00pm on Sunday 8th February

LENGTHS OF ROAD TO BE CLOSED:

- Brickhill Street, Bow Brickhill – 20 metres either side of the level crossing

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE:

- **SOUTHBOUND:** Via Brickhill Street (northbound), H10 Bletcham Way (westbound), A5 (southbound), Brickhill Street (northbound);
- **NORTHBOUND:** Via Brickhill Street (southbound), A5 (northbound), H10 Bletcham Way (eastbound), Brickhill Street (southbound).

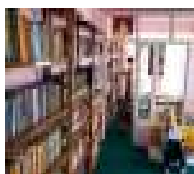
I can confirm that the road closure and alternative route will be signed in accordance with Chapter 8 of the Signs Manual. There will be no exemptions for this closure except for emergency service vehicles and military vehicles.

You can view the proposed road closure on www.roadworks.org. (Please remember to select the correct dates when searching for the closure)

MK Council have provided the following information with regard to the new library.

Library opening

The library will be opened by the Mayor, Councillor Derek Eastman, at 12.30pm on Tuesday 27 January including a tour of the facilities.



February half-term events

Events for the half-term week include: a WW1 themed Heritage Workshop, a tea party with the Gruffalo, a craft session with an art tutor, an author/illustrator reading and talk and a Digitalis 3D printing workshop.

CHURCH HALL DROP-IN AFTERNOON FEBRUARY 11TH



The church hall is open on the second Wednesday of the month for anyone to call in during the afternoon for the chance to meet up with others, spend some time sewing or knitting, or just enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

Many thanks to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to drop in to the meeting in December and there was a lovely crowd of around 30 adults and children during the afternoon in January.

We are continuing to meet during the winter months, weather permitting, and the **February** get together is on **Wednesday 11th** anytime between 2.30pm & 4.30pm.



Bow Brickhill History Society

The first meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday **4th February** at the **Church Hall at 7.30 pm.**

The primary aim of the meeting will be to confirm the schedule of activities for 2015. The treasurer will be on hand to collect the annual subscription of £10.

All are very welcome. Refreshments are provided.

For further details please contact:-

Sue Malleson bowbrickhill@googlemail.com or Mary Preen marypreen@gmail.com

Entry from:

North Bucks Times 5 January 1901

BOW BRICKHILL

The aged poor of this village are deeply indebted to Mrs T Osborne Day for her thoughtfulness of their comfort at Christmas, in collecting the sum of £10 16s, for the purpose of giving them a present of coal.

The following are the names of those who contributed: - His Grace the Duke of Bedford, £2; J B Delap, Esq £2; Rev J F and Mrs Groves, £1; Miss and Mr A W Jackson, 10/-; Mr Edward Holdom, 10/-; Mr C Garrett, 2/6; Mr Eli Claridge, 2/6; Mr James Garratt, 2/6; Mr C Holdom, 2/6; total, £10/16/-.

This amount was sufficient to purchase for 18 poor parishioners 7cwt of the best coal, and 2lbs of tea each. The purchases were awarded by the Rector, Churchwardens, Mr T O Day, and Miss Jackson. Mr T Osborne Day gratuitously carted the coals to the home of each recipient.





The Pavilion

Do you want to hold a party at the Pavilion?
The Pavilion is available to hire for residents (and non-residents) at a very competitive rate

should you wish to get available dates or hire rates

Please contact Debbie Mayer on 01908 631007

CHRISTMAS CHURCH FLOWERS AND CLEANING

Thank you to everyone who arranged flowers in preparation for the Christmas services and special thanks to Andy Malleson who once again donated the Christmas tree. Many comments were received on how lovely and festive the church looked.



Extra help on the rota would be very welcome and if you are able to spare a couple of hours once or twice a year to clean or arrange flowers in the church, or you would like more information as to what is involved, please contact Kay on MK372032



HELP NEEDED WITH RAINBOWS

Is there anyone who would like to volunteer to help with Rainbows on Wednesday evenings, 5 till 6pm, ie one hour a week?

This is a village pack that needs your help and support. We are open to thoughts on this - say two people sharing the role? We have a leader but she works full time and has children so she would like some more help please.

Thanks
Sally Pepper
mobile 07831 633653

CCTV AT THE PAVILION

The Parish Council has now installed CCTV at the Pavilion.

Cameras are operational and cover the external areas of the Pavilion.

CCTV has been installed for maintaining security of the property and premises and for preventing and investigating crime.



Sun 1st March 2015, 3pm
at All Saints Church, Bow Brickhill

An exciting band from London playing a blend of traditional Irish music and new material.

Adults £8, children/concessions £6
from Sue 01908 372376 sue@bowbrickhill.com

Followed at 4.30pm by free refreshments and folk session at the Church Hall. Musicians and audience welcome

In aid of Willen Hospice & ASTRA Community Projects

Parish Precept 2015-2016

Within the Council Tax for Milton Keynes, each Parish needs to set an amount that it requires for its local purposes. This is known as the Parish Precept. For 2015-16 the Parish Council has agreed that it is reasonable for the precept to cover the following items of expenditure:

- Parish Clerk wages
- Parish expenses (which includes items such as the dog bins and mowing around the War Memorial)
- Pavilion groundworks (mainly mowing costs)
- Pavilion improvements (contribution towards)

Altogether this comes to £14,850 but we have decided to retain the precept at last year's level, i.e. £14,500.

The running costs of the Pavilion are covered by fees charged to users. Last year, these charges were increased by 5% and this year it was agreed not to make any further increases.

Ann Sidgwick—RFO

The results of the **December** draw for the **ASTRA 500 Club** are:

First prize:	Julie Summerfield	Ticket No. 52	£33.00
Second prize:	Beverley Thompson	Ticket No. 65	£23.10
Third prize:	Adam Wilby	Ticket No. 88	£9.90

Bow Brickhill WI

Members celebrated Burns Nite at their January meeting with Haggis Pie (or a gluten-free vegetarian version to show how inclusive we are), followed by Crowdie and Scottie dog shortbread biscuits.



We did our best to follow the traditions with songs, poetry, toasts and daggers and had a thoroughly enjoyable evening - we just lacked that final touch from a certain Scottish couple who we thought had more important things to cope with at the moment (our very best wishes to you Kim and Russell)!

Would you like to try Pilates?

A gentle exercise which strengthens your core, tones and increases flexibility

Tuesdays at 8.30 pm

held in The Pavilion, Rushmere Close

First session Free - Just turn up!

Not sure? Give me a ring

Jenny 267387 or text 07954341003



Some Points to ponder:

Death is the number 1 killer in the world

Life is sexually transmitted

Good health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die

Give a person a fish and you feed them for a day - teach a person to use the internet and they won't bother you for weeks, months, maybe years ...

Health nuts are going to feel stupid someday, lying in the hospital, dying of nothing

All of us could take a lesson from the weather. It pays no attention to criticism

In the 60's, people took drugs to make the world weird. Now the world is weird, and people take antidepressants to make it normal.

.... and as someone recently said to me: Don't worry about old age; it doesn't last that long

TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN BOW BRICKHILL

I would like to thank you all very much for your kind thoughts, your cards and donations from the bottom of my heart for myself and Benji.

It was so nice to see how many of you loved him as much as I did.

Thank you all so very much.

Garry



Village Egroup

Yahoo! makes it incredibly difficult to sign up, so if you've been struggling to join the village egroup and not succeeded, just drop Sue an email and she'll be happy to set up an account for you - sue@bowbrickhill.com

FANTASTIC BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

with planned kitchen development & internal refurbishment

Wheatsheaf, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9JU



This opportunity is ideal for a couple with proven catering experience & a passion for real ale & wine.

£20k ingoing investment necessary.

Rent

Initial rent proposed of £22,500 per annum, payable monthly in advance. A stepped rent to allow for sales building is negotiable.

For more information

www.charleswells.co.uk/home/business-opportunities/pub/wheatsheaf_buckingham



Charles Wells
BREWING FAMILY SINCE 1876

Contact: **Yvonne Bates**
Customer Recruitment Executive

T: 01234 244423 • M: 07816 078224

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY FEBRUARY 2015

FEBRUARY			
Monday 2nd	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 3rd	Beginners Pilates	Pavilion	8.30 p.m.
Wednesday 4th	Rainbows	Church Hall	5.00 - 6.00 p.m.
	Brownies	Church Hall	6.15 - 7.30 p.m.
Thursday 5th	Youth Club	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Monday 9th	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 10th	Beginners Pilates	Pavilion	8.30 p.m.
Wednesday 11th	Drop-In Afternoon	Church Hall	2.30 - 4.30 p.m.
	Rainbows	Church Hall	5.00 - 6.00 p.m.
	Brownies	Church Hall	6.15 - 7.30 p.m.
Thursday 12th	Parish Council Meeting With Wheatsheaf representative in attendance	Pavilion	7.30 p.m.
Monday 16th	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 17th	Beginners Pilates	Pavilion	8.30 p.m.
Wednesday 18th	Bucaneers	Pavilion	8.00 p.m.
Thursday 19th	Youth Club	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Monday 23rd	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 24th	Beginners Pilates	Pavilion	8.30 p.m.
Wednesday 25th	Rainbows	Church Hall	5.00 - 6.00 p.m.
	Brownies	Church Hall	6.15 - 7.30 p.m.
Thursday 26th	WI	Pavilion	7.30 p.m.
MARCH			
Sunday 1st	Crossharbour Refreshments afterwards	Church Church Hall	3 p.m.
Monday 2nd	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 3rd	Beginners Pilates	Pavilion	8.30 p.m.
Wednesday 4th	Rainbows	Church Hall	5.00 - 6.00 p.m.
	Brownies	Church Hall	6.15 - 7.30 p.m.



South Central Ambulance Service **NHS**
NHS Foundation Trust

Your local ambulance service needs you!

Community first responders are volunteers in the community that undergo some training with the ambulance service so that they are able to be a first response to 999 emergency calls. A community first responder's role is to provide basic life support, care and reassurance to a patient and their family between the time of the 999 call and the emergency ambulance arriving.

For every minute a victim of Sudden Cardiac Arrest waits for Basic Life Support and defibrillation, They lose approximately 10 – 20% chance of survival!

Community first responders are a very important part of our team and are a huge benefit to the local community. The training provided covers numerous situations ranging from cardiac arrests, strokes and breathing difficulties to emergency care of infants and Diabetic emergencies. A defibrillator and emergency kit are provided as well and a mobile phone, pager and possible access to a community first responder vehicle.

If you have an interest in emergency medicine, the emergency services and/or your local community a community first responder role may be what you are looking for. We are looking to recruit more confident and friendly individuals to become part of our team. If you are interested please contact us using the following contact details.

Interested to join or want to donate?

Email cfr@scas.nhs.uk; ring 0800 587 0207;
visit www.southcentralambulance.nhs.uk

A Defibrillator in the Village

The Parish Council is in the process of buying a defibrillator which will be installed and housed by the wall near the War Memorial. The instructions for its use at a time of emergency are clearly shown and it is hoped that this will prove of life-saving value in a time of need.