DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—MARCH				
Monday 3rd	Mobile Police Station. 1.00pm—2.00pm Greenways Layby Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.			
Tuesday 4th	Bow Brickhill Club. 2.00pm. Bow Brickhill School			
Wednesday 5th	Green Bin Collection Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.			
Thursday 6th	Youth Club AGM 6.30pm. Pavilion			
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion. Book Club (contact Celia for details)			
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.			
Thursday 13th	Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Pavilion			
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45am. Next to War Memorial.			
Sunday 16th	All Saints Lunch Club. 12.15 for 12.30pm. Church Hall.			
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Mobile Police Station. 1.00pm—2.00pm Greenways Layby Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.			
Wednesday 19th	Green Bin Collection Brownies. 6.00 - 7.15pm. Church Hall.			
Thursday 20th	Maundy Thursday 'Last Supper'. 7.00pm. Pavilion			
Tuesday 25th	Mobile Barber 2.00pm to 6.00pm. Greenways layby			
Thursday 27th	Womens Institute. 7.30pm. Pavilion, Charles Ross on antiques. Competition for linen item.			
Friday 28th	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45am. Next to War Memorial.			
Monday 31st	Mobile Police Station. 1.00pm—2.00pm Greenways Layby Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion.			
APRIL				
Wednesday 2nd	Preserve Bow Brickhill AGM. 8.00pm. Pavilion			

# **Bow Brickhill Parish News**



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### **Bow Brickhill Parish Council**

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Women's Institute: Sylvia Fox (378289)

# **BOW BRICKHILL PARISH PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE**

The Steering Group was overwhelmed by the tremendous response to this Questionnaire and we would like to thank all those who took the time to fill in and return the forms. We are working our way through the mass of data collected but this is taking much longer than anticipated. Results will be published as soon as possible.

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Bogus callers can appear to be very credible They are particularly persuasive and articulate and can easily talk their way into people's homes. They may claim to be utility workers, council officials or even police officers.

# When answering the door,

**STOP** - and think, are you expecting anybody?

CHAIN - put this on before you open the door. This will enable you to keep control of the situation.

CHECK - ask for their identification card, take it and look at it carefully. Close the door and call any organisation involved. The numbers you need are in the phone book or on your last bill.

IF IN DOUBT KEEP THEM OUT. If you have refused to let them in and they don't go away, call the police

# The things they will say to try and get in your house

- •I've lost my football/kite/puppy/ •I'm from the Water Board rabbit
- •Can I use your toilet?
- Can I have a glass of water?
- •Can I borrow a pen/a piece of paper to write a note?
- •I need to check for damp
- •I'm from Age Concern can I take down the number of your pension book

- •I'm here to check the pipes/ water/turn the water off (I'm laying pipes up the road)
- •The water is unfit for drinking
- You have won a prize can I measure up for the prizes/write down your details?
- •I'm interested in buying books/ antiques

If someone suspicious does call at your home telephone the police on 08458 505 505 immediately. An experienced operator will ask you a number of questions, so they can decide if the police need to come to your area. Try to remember the following

- •Is the person still in your street?
- •If they left your street, what direction did they go in?
- What did they say and sound like?
- •Did they touch anything or give vou a business card?
- Was anyone else around who may have seen the person?
- •What did they look like?
- •Were they in a vehicle, what did it look like (signs or damage)? Did you note any registration number?

If you feel you are in danger dial 999 – it is an emergency if a crime is being committed



### Continued

This, in turn, frees up the police officers they support and enables them to focus on solving crime and tackling priority offenders. If you haven't met your local PCSO yet, keep an eye on the local press and publications for details of any events they may be organising. Or simply stop them on the street and say hello! You can also find out more about policing in your area at <a href="https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk">www.thamesvalley.police.uk</a>

# PCSOs have the power to:

- issue local authority fixed penalty notices (FPN) for dog fouling, littering, graffiti and fly-posting and issue penalty notices for cycling on pavement
- Direct traffic and carry out road checks
- •issue a penalty notice for disorder (PND) for a range of offences including fireworks offences; causing harassment, alarm or distress, and trespassing on a railway
- •seize vehicles used to cause alarm and remove abandoned vehicles
- Undertake all Traffic wardens' powers
- •require persons drinking in designated area to surrender alcohol
- search for alcohol and tobacco and seize tobacco from a person aged under 16 and require persons aged under 18 to surrender alcohol
- seize drugs and require name and address for possession of drugs
- •require name and address for anti-social behaviour
- disperse groups and remove young persons to their place of residence (S 30 Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003)
- •require a person to wait for 30 minutes
- enter and search any premises for purposes of saving life and limb or preventing damage to property
- stop and search in authorised areas and enforce cordoned areas (Terrorism Act)

#### DISTRACTION BURGLARIES

Distraction burglars - also known as bogus callers - are responsible for a distressing crime often aimed at the more vulnerable members of society. These people's actions can have serious consequences on the quality of life of many victims.

They will use every trick in the book to get inside peoples' houses and rifle through their possessions - taking anything of value they can find.

### PRESERVE BOW BRICKHILL

# Annual General Meeting 2nd April 8.00 pm Church Hall



Throughout the year PBB works hard to ensure that inappropriate or unwelcome development does not threaten our community. A small committee of volunteers reads the many very lengthy documents which proceed from the local authority, government quangos and regional development bodies.

Where these contain proposals that would impact on Bow Brickhill, PBB makes comment.

Come along to the PBB AGM and hear what progress has been made during the last year and what are the issues for the future. For more information about PBB see <a href="https://www.preservebowbrickhill.co.uk">www.preservebowbrickhill.co.uk</a>.

# SPEEDING IN OUR VILLAGE, THE FACTS.

We have had two vehicle surveys in December and January. The first one measured speed at the station end of the village and the second near the school, in both cases the surveys measured speed of the traffic driving toward Woburn Sands. Looking at the two surveys

- 22-50% of vehicles coming though our village exceed the speed limit, meaning that 1 in 5 cars exceed the speed limit whilst passing the school (even with the crossing) and half of vehicles don't break to the speed limit when entering the village.
- •The average speed of vehicles was 34MPH or more than 10% over the limit in December and 29MPH in January.

If you feel this is unacceptable please write, asking for further action to be taken, to:

Cllr David Hopkins Sarah Mulcahy

80 Walton Road, Safer Roads Liaison OfficerTraffic

Wavendon, Milton Keynes, MK17 8LW.

and Transport
Environment Dept
Milton Keynes Council
Civic Offices

The Parish Council would also welcome copies of your letters

1 Saxon Gate East Central Milton Keynes

MK9 3HQ.



# WOMENS INSTITUTE

Bow Brickhill W.I invites members and friends to join them in what looks to be a very interesting meeting on

> **Thursday 27th March** in the Pavilion at 7.30pm.

Charles Ross, Principal Auctioneer from Woburn, will speak at this meeting. A well known auctioneer who travels the world running auctions, including raising funds for UNICEF in New York, the Monaco Grand Prix Ball and Wembley Stadium Memorabilia. He is a regular on BBC TV's Flogg IT.

There will also be a raffle and tea/coffee/biscuits. Entry £2.

### AFC BRICKHILL RANGERS

AFC Brickhill Rangers Juniors are aiming to expand their ranks and are looking now for boys and girls to form their Under-10s team (Year 5) for season 2008-9.

We are enjoying our first season fielding a successful current under 10s team in the Milton Keynes & District Junior 7s league (www.mkdj7.org.uk) which will then become the under 11s team for season 2008-9.

At under-10 level the matches are seven-a-side and take place on Saturday mornings. Home games are at Rushmere Close, Bow Brickhill.

In addition, parental volunteers are encouraged/needed to help with administration and coaching, being supported by our current management team.

For more information, please contact Michael Baker (01525 261266),

Neil Sharp (01908 506508) or Mark Blackbourn (01234 765611)

### **MOBILE LIBRARY**



March 10.30-10.45 at the War Memorial

# **GREEN BIN COLLECTION**

Wednesday 5th March

Wednesday 19th March



opportunity to show and perhaps sell some of their work. One of the biggest events of the calendar is the Art Exhibition held in St Mary's Church during Woburn Oyster Festival in which MKSA plays a prominent part.

MKSA welcomes and encourages artists of all standards and includes members who come just for the demonstrations and to enjoy the social aspect. The monthly demonstration evenings are free to members and although non members are welcome (space allowing) there is a charge. Milton Keynes

If you would like more information on the society or are interested in joining us visit our website at www.mksa.org.uk or tele-

phone the chairman Harry Edwards on 01908 502641.

# POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS - HOW DO THEY MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Communities are benefiting from an increase in the uniformed presence on their streets as the number of Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) grows across Milton Keynes. Their introduction has been one of hot debate, opinion has been divided and there has been a great deal of media coverage; yet there is still confusion about their role and powers.

Chief Inspector Andy Standen, Local Area Commander at Milton Keynes police, said: "A common misconception is that PCSOs are being used as a replacement for police officers and I would like to reassure people that this is not the case.

"PCSOs are part of policing teams in this area and they provide crucial support to their police officer colleagues. They also work closely with staff, like neighbourhood wardens, from local councils and housing associations."

Thames Valley Police employ nearly 500 PCSOs across the Force area. All kinds of people, of different ages and backgrounds, enjoy getting out on the streets of their community; meeting the residents and business people and finding ways to improve their quality of life.

Their job is designed to allow them to spend around 80 per cent of their time patrolling and, although they cannot arrest people, they have other powers which allow them to deal with lower-level crime, such as vandalism, which affects peoples' lives but is very time consuming. (Continued page 14)



Society of Artists

## MILTON KEYNES SOCIETY OF ARTS PAST AND PRESENT

Founder member, Bill Edwards, who died in 2003 had a dream to have a 'fellowship of artists in MK, who exhibit together and learn from each other.' The title of President of MKSA goes to each incumbent Mayor of Milton Keynes as they take office.

There was an art society, originally called the New City Artists, meeting and active in Milton Keynes before the 1980s when the Chair was held by the Rev. Betsy Grey. In the archives we have an MKSA magazine from 1987 showing that they had regular monthly meetings with excellent speakers and socials. From 1980 annual exhibitions were held at Woburn Abbey and the 1987 magazine shows there were weekly workshops at Woughton Campus as well as outings to galleries and on-going exhibitions at CMK library. They offered many services to local artists and art enthusiasts. Bill Edwards later became Chairman and a full committee was formed in 1983 after the society nearly ceased. This resurrection of the nearly failed society and the change of name means the actual start date of MKSA is sometimes disputed.

The 25th Anniversary was celebrated in 2004. This was a huge success and involved all areas of the local community joining in all kinds of artistic pursuits, competitions and demonstrations.

MKSA have meetings for interested local artists and art enthusiasts on the last Wednesday of the month at Westcroft Meeting Place at 7.30pm with guest speakers and demonstrations, frequently followed the next day by a workshop.

In the last year our demonstrators have included TV personality Ian King of 'King and Country' and Roy Lang, twice winner of the SAA artist of the year title. The next demonstrator, on **26**<sup>th</sup> **March** will be Christine Adams dealing with 'wet on wet watercolours' with Roy Lang returning in April.

For those who need space and to get away from home pressures to enjoy their hobby there are painting days on the last Thursday of every month at Moulsoe Village Hall where you can work in peace in the company of other artists.

Throughout the year there are outings and social events, critiques and participation evenings with a life model.

Each year the MKSA holds exhibitions giving members the

## **BOW BRICKHILL CLUB FEBRUARY MEETING**

The meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup> was most certainly a very lively occasion. After consuming our buffet lunch, we enjoyed a very entertaining talk presented by Mr David Higgs. The subject of David's talk "The history of Big Bands" was supported by amazing, original, recordings of the great bands including Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington and Artie Shaw playing pieces, so well known to club members, such as "In the Mood", "String of Pearls" "Begin the Beguine" etc.

These soon had our feet tapping and a great desire to get up and dance. We are most definitely looking forward to our next visit from David!

The afternoon concluded with our regular monthly raffle and this month's quiz, celebrating Pancake Day, "A toss-up with Music" won by Mrs Pat Campbell's team.

February has been a very busy and entertaining month for the club, as the 21<sup>st</sup> brought another musical treat, our visit to the Milton Keynes Theatre where we enjoyed an excellent performance of "South Pacific". This memorable afternoon having been funded by a grant from The Community Foundation (Margaret Powell Trust) to whom we are most grateful.

Our next meeting, on **March 4**<sup>th</sup>, will be a visit to the school where the staff and governors have invited us to a tour of the new classrooms and extension of the old building. We look forward to seeing our members at **2.00 pm** in the main entrance of the school where we are sure to be made welcome to a very interesting afternoon.

#### YOUTH CLUB

The Youth Club AGM will be held on

**Thursday 6th March** 

at 6.30pm

In the Pavilion

# BOW BRICKHILL PRE-SCHOOL SPRING FAYRE



Saturday 26th April

2.00pm to 4.00pm

in the Pavilion



### **WOBURN SANDS BIG BAND SOCIETY**

# Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 7pm for 7.30 pm Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall—Woburn Sands

David Higgs with "Beauty and the Beat" and Bill Killick with "Something completely different"

Meetings are held on the third Thursday in each month. Membership application forms available at the desk.

ENTRY: Members: £2.00,

Visitors £3.00 on the door

Free car parking available behind the shops in the High Street, entry from Russell Street

For further information call David Higgs on 01908 583937

or Rex Harris on 01908 281235





# **Spring Exhibition**

the Institute, High Street, Woburn Sands on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March from 10am to 5pm and Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 10am to 4pm.

On display will be high quality original art works by local artists at affordable prices. All proceeds from the sale of refreshments will be donated to Leukaemia Research.

# **COPY DEADLINE**

We welcome your news for the next edition.

Please send contributions by

21st March to: Gill Cannell, 17 Greenways.

Tel 373602; email bowbrickhillpavilion@gmail.com

# **CHURCH ROTAS**





MARCH	FLOWERS	CLEANING
2nd	Lent	Mrs S Willis
9th	Lent	Mrs A Duff
16th	Lent	Mrs A Duff
23rd	Mrs S Giles	Mrs B Morris
30th	Mrs S Giles	Mrs B Morris

# EASTER CHURCH FLOWERS AND CLEANING

The church will be open on

Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10.00am

to prepare for Easter.

Help with the flower arranging, cleaning or mowing and tidying the churchyard would be much appreciated.

Donations towards the cost of flowers can be given to either of the churchwardens.

Thank you to all who gave generously at Christmas, the flower arrangements remained in good condition for several weeks.

### MAUNDY THURSDAY LAST SUPPER

20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm at the Pavilion



All Saints Church are hosting our benefice Maundy Thursday Last Supper commemoration. This was the feast of the Passover that Jesus and his disciples held before his crucifixion the next day which we now call Good Friday.

It is a family event and all are welcome.

For catering purposes we need to have numbers by **Monday 17**<sup>th</sup>. To book in or for any more information contact Kay on 372032.



### A RECIPE FOR A GOOD EASTER

Dear friends.

What do you think of when you think about Easter:

The first holiday of the year?
Shopping, gardening, or seeing the family?
Daffodils, eggs and chocolate?
Or hot cross buns?

I love to eat hot cross buns on Good Friday and at Easter (although I don't like to see them in the shops in the first week of January!). Have you ever wondered why we eat hot cross buns, and what they symbolise?

**The cross:** the cross on the bun is there to remind us of the death of Jesus on the cross.

**The four quarters:** divided by the cross, they remind us of the four corners of the world, because we are all one family under God.

**The spices:** remind us of the spices used to anoint the dead, as at the burial of Jesus.

**The yeast:** is used to make the buns rise, and reminds us that Jesus rose from the dead to new life, and that is the heart of our Easter celebrations.

You can visit <u>www.easteringredients.com</u> for more information, recipes, and Easter activities. And you are very welcome to join us at our Easter services.

Enjoy your hot cross buns, whenever you eat them, and have a very happy Easter

Revd. John Waller

The Rectory, 10 Pound Hill, Great Brickhill MK17 9AS (01525) 261062 john.waller1@virgin.net

# **ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB**

The next meeting of the lunch club will be on



Please note that this is the week before Easter.

From March onwards the club will return to meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

To book in please contact either Chris Loak at the Bow Brickhill club or Stuart and Kay on 372032.



# 3 PARISHES OUTING TO PETERBOROUGH



FARE £5.50
WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2008
DEPARTING 10:00am
Returning at Approximately 4:00pm

Parish Pick Up Points Contact for tickets

Woburn Fish and Chip Shop; Biker Pauline
Sands Den Bus Stop; The Leys 01908 585368

Wavendon Walton End: Wavendon Gate: Monica

Wavendon Community Centre; 01908 281424

Leathern Bottle; Newport Road Lay-by; Parkway/

Bellway

Bow Church Road; Greenways Julie 07950 269233

Brickhill

Available to all parishioners over 60 living in the three parishes Sponsored by: Bow Brickhill Parish Council; Wavendon Parish Council; Woburn Sands Town Council In conjunction with





# **SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE**

Bow Brickhill All Saints

2nd March—Mother's Day

9.30am Holy Communion

9th March

11.00am Family Service

16th March—Palm Sunday

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion at St Luke's Stoke Hammond

21st March—Good Friday

9.30am Service of Music and Readings

23rd March—Easter Day

9.30am Holy Communion

30th March

8.00am Holy Communion



# Little Brickhill St Mary Magdalene

**2nd March—Mother's Day** 6.00pm Holy Communion

9th March

11.00am Morning Worship

16th March—Palm Sunday

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion at St Luke's Stoke Hammond

23rd March

11.00am Holy Communion

30th March

9.30am Holy Communion

# Stoke Hammond St Luke

**2nd March—Mother's Day** 11.00am Family Service

9th March

9.30am Holy Communion

16th March—Palm Sunday

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion

23rd March—Easter Day

9.30am Holy Communion

30th March

9.30am Morning Worship

# **Great Brickhill St Mary the Virgin**

2nd March—Mother's Day

9.30am Holy Communion

9th March

9.30am Morning Worship 6.00 pm Evensong

16th March—Palm Sunday

10.00am Benefice Holy Communion at St Luke's Stoke Hammond

23rd March—Easter Day

11.00am Holy Communion

30th March

4.00pm Sunday@Four





