

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—SEPTEMBER

Sunday 2nd	Sunday School. 11.00am Church Hall
Monday 3rd	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Tuesday 4th	Bow Brickhill Club 2.00-4.00pm Pavilion. Bring and Buy Sale
Wednesday 5th	Green Bin Collection
Thursday 6th	Youth Club. 7.00pm Pavilion
Monday 10th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Tuesday 11th	Mobile Police Station. 1pm to 3pm Church Road and Greenways Layby John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Layby
Weds 12th	Brownies. 6pm to 7.15pm Church Hall
Thursday 13th	Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Pavilion
Friday 14th	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45. War Memorial
Saturday 15th	Parish Plan 'Open Day'. 2pm to 5pm Pavilion
Sunday 16th	Saints Lunch Club 12.15 for 12.30pm Church Hall
Weds 19th	Green Bin Collection Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 20th	Woburn Sands Big Band Society. 7pm for 7.30pm. Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall Woburn Sands Youth Club. 7.00pm Pavilion
Sunday 23rd	Brickhills' Messiah. 7.30pm Great Brickhill Church
Tuesday 25th	John the Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Layby
Weds 26th	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 27th	WI. 'Cycling in the Rockies' 7.30pm Pavilion. Competition—copper item for 7th Wedding Anniversary
Friday 28th	Mobile Library. 10.15 - 10.45. War Memorial
Saturday 29th	Macmillan Coffee Morning. 10am to 12 Noon. Primary School

Bow Brickhill Parish News



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PARISH NEWS

Playground Improvements

The improvements to the play area were completed during the first week in August and are now being enjoyed by the children. Included in the work was the installation of drainage to the west side of the area which was prone to flood. The next project will be refurbishment of the Pavilion particularly decoration of the interior and repairs to the guttering and threshold.

School Crossing

Work has at last commenced to construct the crossing albeit substantially behind the timetable given by Milton Keynes Council. It remains to be seen whether the work will be completed in time for the start of the autumn term.

Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be at the Pavilion on **Thursday 13th September 7.30pm**

CONTACTS:

All Saints' Lunch Club: Chris Loak (373768) or Stuart & Kay Leeming (372032)
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Wolverton Town Band Continues to Make History

Wolverton Town Band's musicians have a new air of excitement and determination about them as Shaun Humphries joins them as Musical Director. Shaun has a wealth of brass banding experience, both in Milton Keynes and across the country. He has been playing brass instruments since the age of 10 and as a young man took to the Tuba, on which he has performed as a soloist for a number of bands. Shaun has a Bachelor of Arts and Masters in music and, after completing his PGCE, took up a teaching position. He now heads the music department at the new and rather stunning Oakgrove School.

Shaun told us: "I have high aspirations for Wolverton Town Band and hope to have it running at full capacity for the Christmas season. The band has some very talented musicians already; I'm looking forward to working with them and filling the empty seats they currently have".

Started over 100 years ago as part of the Buckinghamshire Battalion, it became 'Wolverton Town Band' in the early 1900's. The band had strong links with Wolverton Works and for a long time held their rehearsals in the Works' Canteen with membership built mainly from employees. Now, in 2007, the band still has players who work for Railcare (The Works) but it now has male and female players of equal measure and is made up of youngsters and adults alike.



The Wolverton Volunteer Band of the 1st Buckinghamshire Battalion Territorial Army, c.1912

Wolverton Town Band with the Ploegsteert Harmonies Band at the twinning ceremony in Belgium, 2006



The band recently received financial support from Milton Keynes Arts Association for new equipment Wolverton & Greenleys Town Council has also been supporting them with marketing, promotions and co-ordination of the bi-annual trips to Belgium to visit their 'twinned' brass band.

If you would like to be part of this historic brass band please contact the committee on www.wolvertontownband.org.uk 0845 511 1111 or email secretary@wolvertontownband.org.uk

**WOBURN SANDS
BIG BAND SOCIETY**

**THURSDAY 20th
SEPTEMBER 2007
7pm for 7.30pm**

**ELLEN PETTIT MEMORIAL
HALL**

Woburn Sands
(next to The Swan Inn)

This is a new venture in Woburn Sands.

Meetings on the third Thursday in each month

Swing era music and vocalists played on high quality sound equipment

**£2.00 ON THE DOOR
INCLUDING TEA, COFFEE AND
BISCUITS**

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

For further information call
01908 583937

or
01908 281235



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Please deliver contributions for October by 21st September 2007 to:

Gill Cannell,
17 Greenways.

Tel 373602;

email

candishtowers@ukonline.co.uk



**SHAPING LOCAL
HEALTH**

**Tuesday, 9th October 2007
Middleton Hall, thecentre:mk
Milton Keynes**

*“If you care about your health
this event should not be missed”*

Come along to the Milton Keynes Health Advice and Information event. With over 60 exhibitors, you will be able to return old medicines, talk to professionals about your medication or nagging health worries or link up with support groups. There will also be stage events to inspire.

For further details please contact:

Carol Duffy

6 Burners Lane Kiln Farm

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Email ForumSupport.Inhouse71@cppih.org



**HISTORIC CHURCHES
TRUST**

**SATURDAY
8TH SEPTEMBER**

Come along on a sponsored cycle ride visiting local churches. Half of the money raised will go to the Church.

For those who would rather keep their feet on the ground then visit the church or help out with refreshments.

For more information contact John Wales on 373907

**BOW BRICKHILL CLUB
JULY – AUGUST MEETINGS**

On Tuesday July 3rd the club were very fortunate in being entertained by 13 talented actors from the U3A Drama group. This entertainment consisted of a series of sketches relating to security in the home, emphasizing the importance of taking the precaution of chains on doors and not inviting strangers into your home.

After such an informative, and sometimes humorous, entertainment the club were delighted when the performers joined us for tea.

After tea and the drawing of the monthly raffle, we bade farewell to our visitors and got down to the serious business of last minute arrangements for our outing on July 12th. Needless to say the two hours of our meeting flew by and once again it was 4.00pm and time to go home.

Thursday July 12th duly arrived and, apprehensive of the weather forecast, we boarded our coach and made our way to Runnymede. Having taken the scenic route, our journey through the vale of Aylesbury was unfortunately shrouded in heavy mist. This however was soon forgotten as the weather improved and we arrived at Runnymede where we were conducted to our boat, soon making ourselves comfortable for the two and half hour cruise from Runnymede to Old Windsor. This was enhanced by the excellent Ploughman's lunch served on the return journey.

Having disembarked from our boat we were taken into Windsor where, in warm sunshine, we spent a further two hours exploring this beautiful town before making our return journey home.

The excitement and planning for our very successful summer outing now just another happy memory. Our meeting on Tuesday August 7th was a very jolly Snack and Chat occasion reflecting on our outing and comparing notes on our cruise on the Thames, viewing Windsor from the “Wheel”, recently transported from Milton Keynes, and exploring the many delightful shops.

After discussing future club events and arrangements for our “Bring and Buy” sale members settled down to our monthly quiz, devised this month by Jack Bromfield.

Quiz completed and prizes awarded to the winners, it was time for tea and drawing the raffle.

By now the clock had ticked by to 4.00pm and another lively meeting drew to a close.

WI—JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS

With a change of venue to Cosgrove for our July meeting, members kept fingers crossed for a fine evening and they were lucky. As it is the 100 year celebration of Scouting this year, the visit was to The Quarries Camp Site at Cosgrove, to walk around and enjoy some of the features that are available to young people and many compared scouting as it was when they were younger or had children within the movement. They visited the camping areas, the picnic site set up by the last Jamboree contingent, admired the castle which has been built to hold Archery training inside, and much more. Later they all enjoyed a Strawberries and Cream tea.

Our speaker in August was Fiona Chapman, a former High Sheriff of Bedfordshire who gave us an insight into her year of office in 2001. Her talk included the origins of the term 'pricking' of the High Sheriff which go back to Queen Elizabeth I who apparently once pricked the appointees' names with her tatting bodkin which she happened to be using when requested to approve the list. Fiona's various duties included the 'well being and protection' of Her Majesty's High Court Judges when in the County, attending any royal visits to the County, the execution of High Court Writs and Orders and acting as the Returning Officer for parliamentary elections (which happened to coincide with her term of office). After answering the many questions which followed, our speaker was warmly thanked by Stephanie Warren for providing such an interesting evening.

YOUTH CLUB

At the beginning of August the older members of the Club enjoyed a day out paint-balling. Tim Holden and Andy Wright kindly assisted with transport and were also persuaded to take part. We are pleased to welcome Beverley Thompson as another helper particularly in view of the growing number of members.



AUTUMN
BAZAAR
17th
NOVEMBER



The Autumn Bazaar will be held on Saturday November 17th in the Pavilion from 2.00 – 4.00pm.

A planning meeting to organise stalls and stallholders will be held early on in October and ideas for new stalls and games are always welcome. Details next month.

TOM AND NELL HALL ON THE MOVE TO PASTURES NEW

Tom and Nell met during the 2nd World War in Bow Brickhill when Tom was stationed there and were married at All Saints Church Bow Brickhill on the 10th January 1944.

Nell was born and bred in Bow Brickhill living in a cottage down the lane, then moving to 88 Station Road until her marriage. Tom was born in Birmingham.

After Tom's discharge from the army in 1946 they lived in a cottage at the top of the hill. Following the births of their daughter and son (Judith and Terry) they moved to Bletchley for a while. In the 1950s they returned to the village to 22 Station Road where their youngest daughter Susan was born in 1954.

Tom and Nell brought their family up remaining at Station Rd until their children grew up. During the 1970's they moved from Station Rd to 35 Greenways.

Tom and Nell have been married for over 60 years and the time has now come for them to move out of the village to Lovat Fields at Willen Park to start a new chapter in their lives.

Tom and Nell would like to give their very best wishes to all who know them in the village.

ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB



Sunday 16th September
at the church hall,
12.15 for 12.30pm.

This will be the third birthday of the club and we hope to celebrate with as many friends as possible.

Please note that this is the 3rd Sunday in the month. The lunch club will return to the 4th Sunday of the month in October

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



MACMILLAN
COFFEE
MORNING



Organised by Brickhills Rotary Club

SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER
10.00 – 12 NOON

at
**BOW BRICKHILL PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

All are welcome to come along and enjoy a cup of coffee and a slice of cake with their friends. We will also have a cake stall to buy from, a second hand book stall, a card stall and some colouring activities for the children.

CHURCH ROTAS



SEPTEMBER
2nd
9th
16th
23rd

FLOWERS
Mrs N Valledy
Mrs N Valledy
Mrs S Paulger
Mrs S Paulger

CLEANING
Mr S Valledy
Mr S Valledy
Mrs D Bowdler
Mrs D Bowdler

BRICKHILLS MESSIAH

**Handel's Messiah at Great Brickhill Church
given by local musicians
Sunday 23rd September 7.30pm
Tickets £5 - All Proceeds to Willen Hospice**

The Brickhills have had over the years a long tradition of sacred choral music. Bow Brickhill Church was the setting for Thomas Webster's painting of A Village Choir. Sir Sydney Nicholson, one time organist and choirmaster at Westminster Abbey knew Bow Brickhill well and wrote a hymn tune in its honour. Great Brickhill and Little Brickhill still retain impressive pipe organs, and choral traditions in Woburn and the surrounding area are strong. This annual performance of the Brickhills Messiah will become a part of this great local tradition.

To reserve your tickets please contact:
Jerry Breslin on 07977 292602 E-mail jerrybreslin@hotmail.com

CHURCH HALL

Church hall prices are to increase from Oct 2007. They will be £7 per hour with heating £5 per hour without heating



**HARVEST
WEEKEND
13 - 15th
OCTOBER**



Details to follow in the October newsletter.

BOOK GROUP

I would like to start a small friendly group in the village, where we can meet and discuss our chosen book over a glass of wine, If you would like to join contact Celia on 641868 or e-mail celiasherratt@yahoo.co.uk



Willen Hospice

Presents

Proms Across the Ages

In conjunction with *Voices for Hospices*

The world's largest simultaneous musical event



Saturday October 6th 2007 At Christ the Cornerstone CMK

An informal evening of song featuring soloists, duets, barbers shop,
Willen Combined School Choir and the Milton Keynes Youth Choir.

Doors open 19.00 Curtain up 19.30

Admission

- 16 and over £8.50
- 5 to 16 and over 60's £6.50
- * Family ticket £25.00 (*2 adults 2 children or 1 adult 3 children)

For tickets please call 01908 306991

Ticket price includes light refreshments



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**Bow Brickhill
All Saints**

2nd September **23rd September**
9.30am Holy Communion 8.00am Holy Communion

9th September **30th September**
11.00am Family Service 11.00am Service

16th September
6.00pm Evensong



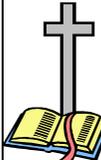
 **Great Brickhill
St Mary the Virgin**
2nd September
9.30am Holy Communion

9th September Patronal Festival
9.30am Morning Worship
6.00pm Evensong

16th September
9.30am Holy Communion

23rd September
Family Service—time and venue to be confirmed

30th September
11.00am Service

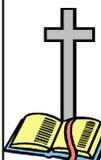
 **Little Brickhill
St Mary Magdalene**
2nd September
6.00pm Holy Communion

9th September
11.00am Morning Worship

16th September
11.00am Family Service

23rd September
9.30am Holy Communion

30th September
9.30am Service

 **Stoke Hammond St
Luke**
2nd September
11.00am Family Service

9th September
9.30am Holy Communion

16th September
8.30am Holy Communion

23rd September Harvest
9.30am Holy Communion

30th September
9.30am Service

Martha or Mary?

Dear friends,

The gospel of Luke tells us about a visit Jesus made to the home of two sisters. Martha spent all her time busying over the practical preparations and arrangements for their guest, while Mary spent her time concentrating on Jesus, and listening to what he said. Jesus commends Mary for having 'chosen what is better'. So people have often concluded that the point of the story is that the way of study and reflection is superior to the way of practical action – but I believe that this is a misunderstanding of the passage.

Imagine living in a world full of people like Martha, where everything is busyness and activity without end, and there is no time to stop, and think, and listen. And imagine living in a world full of people like Mary, where there is a great depth of understanding and wisdom, but not very much actually gets done.

Think about yourself – are you more like Martha, or Mary? And how do you feel about other people who are different from you? Do you get frustrated and annoyed with them, or do you appreciate their different gifts and talents?

It seems to me that our world needs a lot of people like Martha, and a lot of people like Mary, and we need them to get on well, and appreciate each other's gifts.

And it seems to me that the point behind Luke's story is that there are some times when it is particularly important to be busy, and some times when it is particularly important to be quiet. Mary is commended for recognising what was most important in that particular moment – to stop and give her whole attention to Jesus, while he was present with them.

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