

Burpham & Wepham News



The Monthly Newsletter of the village of Burpham & Wepham

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From the Vicarage, June 2014

Dear Friends,

Many congratulations – and thanks – to everyone who worked so hard ensuring the Village Fete was so successful. As it was our first experience, all at the Vicarage were suitably impressed. I do, however, have to deny that I had made any special arrangements with ‘Head Office’ over the weather – all of us were just fortunate, and those who worked so selflessly deserved the good weather. Thank you as well, to all those who came to speak with me, and introduce themselves. One conversation I had asked if I was aware of the shops from Arundel that were able to deliver various items – there was even talk of The Community Bus. I had to own that I had neither heard of nor seen said bus. Apparently this can be ‘booked’ for a certain day, Tuesday (?) if you ‘phone the day before on 723584. David from the Butcher in Arundel -882270 – is the person to arrange delivery of meat. While Larkins in Tarrant Street 883694, an all-round shop including frozen foods, delivers Fridays. Lloyds Pharmacy at The Surgery -882261- will deliver medicines. If you know all this already ...well....ignore it!

This month sees Midsummer’s Eve on June 23rd with traditional fires being lit (macabre as it sounds these were originally lit to consume the human sacrifices of the day so, perhaps we might pass on that element). The bonfires, and their contents, were thought to strengthen the Sun at the turning point of its career. All of this is a bit akin to Midsomer Norton – without the murders. The traditional English village scene on Saturday afternoon at the Cricket Ground really reminded me of this. However – no bodies were found, and DCI Barnaby was not in evidence - just a wonderful illustration of commendable community spirit in action. Thank you all – organisers and visitors alike.

Maurice Slattery

Church & Village Fete - Despite an awful weather forecast for Saturday, we went ahead and the weather was great considering what could have been. We were very lucky.



The Fete was a great success and a very enjoyable afternoon for all, but this goes down to all who so generously contributed items, produce, plants etc to our stalls, all those who volunteered to help, all our tea ladies, all those who got the games and competitions together, Russell and his cadets, the band, the castle, Simon Brett for opening

and judging, the outside stall holders, Splash Farm for the use of the field for parking, Nathan for the marquee and tables - just thank you. ***And the biggest thanks of all go to Heather whose tireless hard work throughout the year made it all possible – ed.***

A lot of hard work goes into this prior to the day, and I would just like to say a special thank you to you all, whether you are from within or outside the village. The takings before any expenses are taken out were £3453.95. The final amount will be divided equally between the village and the Church. **Heather Birch**

The Fete. On behalf of the PCC, I wish to congratulate all those concerned for such a successful outcome of the Fete last Saturday. A gross amount of £3453.95 was taken which after expenses will nett about £2600 to be divided equally between the Village and the Church. We were fortunate with the weather and apart from the financial success it was a most happy and enjoyable occasion for all.

Our thanks go to all those who worked so hard and tirelessly over a long period of time to make it the success that it was and especially to the chairlady of the Fete committee Heather Birch whose hard work and organising ability throughout the long build-up period made it the success that it was.--***THANK YOU HEATHER.***
Mike Mills, Churchwarden



Raffle Prizes. The raffle prizes this year were again magnificent, and Phil and Liz White would like to thank everyone who gave items so generously for the raffle at The Village Fete this year. It ensured a very successful event and we took £345. **Phil & Liz White**



Village Companions. After a successful recent jolly to Arundel Brewery we will be focusing on our next trip. Possibilities on the agenda may include a trip to Chichester Festival Theatre whose new programme is just out. As a group booker we often get very favourable rates for their excellent performances. Let me know if something from their brochure appeals and we can discuss at our next gathering which is kindly being hosted by Doug and Marion, Chestnut Cottage, Burpham Tel: 884499 on Monday July 7th at 7.30pm. Please let them know if you are going along. **Liz White 882654.**

The Alternatives, Saturday 7th June, The Grain Barn, Home Farm, Wepham. This popular Arundel Band will perform for us in the Grain Barn. Relaxed and informal, bring your own chairs, food and drinks. (Beer and Food also available for sale). Doors open 7.30pm, music from 8.30-11.00pm. Tickets available now at £10.00 per person from **Chris 885404 or Liz 882654**

Granary Open Garden. Sunday 6th July from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. The Granary, "Municipal Gardens", will be open again to the public on Sunday 6th July, followed by teas. Tickets on the gate. All are welcome, and the proceeds will go to Chestnut Tree and St Barnabas Hospice. Kind regards, **Bill & Rosemary.**

Barn Dance with the Bursledon Village Band Saturday, 12th July from 7.30-11.00 pm in the Village Hall

A Barn Dance with the popular Bursledon Village Band will be held in the village hall on Saturday, 12th July from 7.30 to 11.00 p.m.

Tickets are £12.50 and include a sausage or cheese ploughman supper (please state preference when booking) - bring your own tipple.

Tickets from: **Heather Birch - 01903 882839 & Julie Tester - 01903 883053**

Auto Historica 2014. As part of the centenary celebrations for the First World War, Auto Historica 2014 will take place at the Imperial War Museum in London on 30th August. This is a special one-off event, coinciding the IWM's re-opening this summer and in support of our chosen charity, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. It is hoped that Auto Historica will be able to return to Burpham in 2015, but in the meantime, please email Dominic at: info@thebmrc.com if you would like further details of this unique event.

Dominic Santana

Forthcoming Events

Sun 1 Jun	10.30am	Family Service, Coffee & Produce	St Mary's
	2.00pm	Cricket v Singleton	Rec Ground
Tue 3 Jun	6.00pm	Cricket – Downland Cup	Singleton
Sat 7 Jun	7.30pm	The Alternatives	Grain Barn, Home Farm
Sun 8 Jun	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
	2.00pm	Cricket v Pirates	Rec Ground
Sun 15 Jun	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
	2.00pm	Cricket v Henfield	Rec Ground
Sun 22 Jun	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
	11.00am	Cricket Presidents XI	Rec Ground
Sun 29 Jun	10.30am	Family Service	St Mary's
	2.00pm	Cricket v Southwell Ramblers	Rec Ground
Wed 2 Jul	2.00pm	Cricket v Dartfordians	Rec Ground
Sun 6 Jul	10.30am	Family Service, Coffee & Produce	St Mary's
	2.00pm	Cricket v Amberley	Rec Ground
	2 - 5.00pm	Open Garden – Bill & Rosemary	Granary Garden
Mon 7 Jul	7.30pm	Village Companions Meeting at Doug & Marion's	Chestnut Cottage

Please send your articles for the July Newsletter to

Bob Baynes at Court Leet Cottage, or preferably by e mail to baynes755@btinternet.com by the last week of June 2014. All your articles of interest to the Village are welcome. With very many thanks, Bob Baynes