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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From the Chair, Linda Reed



The weather has been so mild that it is hard to believe that Christmas is around the corner and winter is on its way. The end of the year is often a time for reflection and, this year we can look back over a lot of change in and around Boreham with more to come.

We are pleased that there has been progress with the potholes on our village roads. Elm Way and Church Road have been repaired and there are plans to fix other potholes we have reported such as those in Waltham Road, Main Road and the Chase.

Many of you will have responded to the consultation earlier this year on proposed amendments and a 5 year extension to the Chelmsford City Council Local Plan taking it up to 2041. The draft plan outlined a number of options for achieving required increases in the number of new homes in and around Chelmsford. One of the options under consideration is a significant development at Hammonds Farm which, if it was adopted would have a very big impact on both Boreham and Little Baddow.

I recently attended an excellent presentation and discussion organized by Little Baddow Parish Council which considered the pros and cons of this option. Overall, the presenters suggested that the number of significant drawbacks to the proposed site should make it unattractive. We are expecting an update from Chelmsford City Council in January to indicate which of the options they might take forward.

We were fortunate to have police join us at a recent Parish Council meeting. There is account of the visit (which was kindly organised by Councillor Victoria Canning) later in this magazine. The police were unaware of reports on Facebook regarding thefts, vandalism and other antisocial behaviour in Boreham. It is good to alert neighbours to local problems using social media. I also encourage you to report any more serious incidents to the police. If we keep them informed, they can increase their presence here and hopefully ensure we have fewer problems in the future.

The opening of the Beaulieu Parkway Bridge provides a welcome new route across to Beaulieu and Essex Regiment Way and a good view of development of the Beaulieu Park railway station. Transition to the new lane layout at Boreham Interchange has been challenging. We got used to the previous layout and many drivers are finding it tricky to make the change. Vigilance and patience are definitely the order of the day!

The new layout is being monitored and hopefully, it will become second nature once we get used to it.

I hope that Christmas will provide you a welcome break with friends and family and that you will have time to enjoy the seasonal events going on in the village. On behalf of Boreham Parish Council, I wish you a very Happy Xmas and a peaceful New Year.

Cllr Linda Reed

Beaulieu Park Station

Cllr Linda Reed and Chelmsford MP Vicky Ford at Beaulieu Park Station site



Boreham Parish Council is a member of the Beaulieu Park Station Engagement Group. Cllr Linda Reed attended the most recent meeting at the station site on 10th November where members heard about the tremendous progress which has been made. Teams are working around the clock to deliver the new station ahead of schedule. This means a high level of weekend work to complete tasks that cannot be done with trains running. Rail replacement services will operate at these times. The Xmas period will be really critical but if all goes well and the weather is kind, after New Year, trains will be running on the new tracks through the station.

Parkway in Chelmsford was closed overnight on 11th November for an upgrade to the rail electrification to allow signaling at Beaulieu. The first 2 platforms are built and, in January, parts of the new station building will be visible. Then it is full steam ahead until another very critical milestone over the May bank holiday. The project has been tightly planned and it is very exciting to see it take shape after a long wait.

You can view a brilliant time lapse video of the station progress so far this year if you follow the link: https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/anglia/improving-the-railway-in-anglia/beaulieu-station/ It is 5 mins well spent!

Cllr Linda Reed

Update from David Stocks, the Parish Council Village Volunteer

Hello Everybody

In the September magazine I told you about a display I was hoping to put on about the Boreham Airfield in the village hall. I had to cancel it at the last minute.

As a lot of you are aware over the last 8 months I have been helping Angie Shead to get the Christmas Market up and running. I hope if you came to the event, you enjoyed it and may be you won a prize in the raffle.

I have set the winter bedding in the flowers beds around the village so let's hope they make a nice display in the winter/spring. It just leaves me to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year!

David Stocks

Boreham Parish Council Climate Crisis Environmental Working Party

Chantry Field Nature Reserve

We have had a busy few months at Chantry Field. We have recently provided a new home for a number of slow worms displaced from a local building site. The field already has a small population of these reptiles so we hope the new arrivals will be happy. We have created some suitable habitat for them over the winter.

Essex Field Club member John Dobson conducted a bat survey at the field one evening and identified two species of pipistrelle bats. We are hoping to identify others at the site and, in addition to rehoming the slow worms, Ollie at Hybrid Ecology installed a static bat detector at the field as well.





In September we hosted visitors from 1st Boreham Cubs and Beavers Groups. We all had fun on the field collecting and identifying leaves, completing the bee hotel, planting seeds and looking at different insect specimens under the binocular microscope. A big thank you to members of Boreham Bowling Club for allowing us to use their pavilion.

We are currently finishing up activities for this year. We have seeded some more sections of wildflower meadow and planted more fritillary bulbs to achieve an even better array of wildflowers next year. Over the winter we will plant a few more trees and complete the community orchard. All of the work is being done by a wonderful group of volunteers. Please contact Boreham Parish Council if you would like to join us. We hope to see you in the new year.

Please contact us at admin@boreham-pc.gov.uk if you are interested in volunteering at Chantry Field. Everyone is welcome.

Please tell us what you are doing to combat climate change. Email admin@boreham-pc.gov.uk

News from Cllr Victoria Canning



Many residents contacted me raising concerns about police speeding through the village and the recent accident on Main Road involving a police vehicle. I took this up with senior police officers and they agreed to attend a recent Parish Council meeting where they took questions from the public.

The investigation into the recent collision is ongoing and so they were unable to answer specific questions about it, but they will provide an update once the investigation has concluded. I will feed back on this in due course.

They wanted to reassure the public that they are taking concerns seriously. I was pleased to hear them agree that officers must be more mindful of their speed, particularly during school drop off and collection times.

They commented that the type of officers based at Boreham are rapid response units for serious incidents, such as armed units and those who respond to serious collisions.

I understand the need for this type of police unit to respond quickly and therefore drive beyond the speed limit in certain situations, however, I made the point to the officers about residents' safety also being a priority.

It was interesting to hear about the community activities undertaken by the police, for example, recent attendance at local schools, and holding regular women's self-defence classes.

You can contact the officer in charge of these events directly at **Scott.Smith@essex.police.uk**



The police have agreed to make these Parish Council meetings a regular occurrence. Please look at the Parish Council website as to when they will next be attending.

As your local City Councillor, I attend quarterly update meetings from Essex Police with regards to all aspects of crime prevention across Chelmsford. I am always mindful of the particular crime and antisocial behaviour issues Boreham faces being a more rural area and bring this to the attention of Essex Police. Please do contact me with any questions or concerns you would like raised.

The police are really keen to work more closely with the public on all crime matters and have provided a link for their online reporting tool for their "Extra eyes campaign". **https://extraeyes.egressforms.com/**

If you want to raise a concern about this, or any other matter, please do contact me at **Victoria.canning@chelmsford.gov.uk**

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News from Cllr John Spence



In my last article, I reflected on the ongoing A12 and J19 works, and on my push for bus service improvements. I can report progress on one, but not the other!

Thanks to those of you who have given me feedback on the latest J19 re-configuration – it is also very confusing and I am feeding back as appropriate. What is great is that the bridge is at last in operation – just another step towards the new world that will eventually see the widened A12, the Beaulieu Station and the Chelmsford NE bypass. All of which will of course involve yet more J19 changes!

I did meet with senior executives from First Bus and put forward the concerns of Boreham residents. They were fully engaged but, much to my disappointment, I have not had the promised follow-up a month later. Please be assured that I will stay on the case.

By the time you read this, there will have been conversations with Kemi Badenoch MP, who I invited to come to Boreham. The meetings are scheduled for Fri 24 November and will involve parish councillors, Boreham Conservation Society, bus service plaintiffs and St Andrews Church.

Finally, I am currently progressing funding applications for leisure furniture for care home residents and for Boreham Scouts.

May I send my very best wishes to you all for the festive season and the year ahead.

John Spence



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Parish Office –
The Parish Office remains open to the public between the hours of 10:00am and 12noon Monday to Thursdays for visitors (The office is closed on Fridays) but it is encouraged to make an appointment first by contacting the clerk via email.

Your Parish Councillors:

Chair: Linda Reed, Whitegates, Waltham Road, CM3 3AY, Tel: 01245 467216

Vice Chair: Mr Peter Elkington, 56 Church Road, Boreham, CM3 3BW

Mr Anthony Leach, 13 Claypits Road, CM3 3BZ, Tel: 01245 468541

Mrs Emma Stammers 25 Church Road, CM3 3BN, Tel: 07545 759509

Ms Lesley Miller, 9 Old Forge Road, Boreham, CM3 3DT, Tel: 07810 535067

Mr David Stocks, 2 Orchard Cottages, Main Road, Boreham, CM3 3AD,Tel: 07852 107941

Mrs Nicola Bugbee, 7 Dukes Wood Close, Boreham CM3 3FT

Mr Mike Powell, 43 Plantation Road, Boreham CM3 3EA, Tel: 07802 846723

Ms Sandra Trott, 41 Cleves Court, Boreham, Chelmsford CM3 3JS, Tel: 01245 956126

Mr Tim Mills, 139 Orchard Way, Boreham CM3 3GQ

There is currently one vacancy on the Parish Council, so anyone interested in your local area and would like to join our friendly team of Councillors, please contact the Clerk on parishclerk@boreham-pc.gov.uk

Please see the Boreham Parish Council website for the latest details:

Planning Meetings at 7.00 pm on: - 4 and 18 December 2023, 8 and 22 January, 5 and 19 February, 4 March 2024.
Parish Council Meetings at 7.30 pm on the first Monday in the Month (unless it is a Bank Holiday): - 4 December 2023, 8 January, 5 February, 4 March 2024.
Boreham Recreation Ground Charity Meeting at 7.30pm on 17 June 2024.

Greens Committee Meeting at 7.30pm on 22 January 2024.

You are very welcome to join us at any of our meetings. Details, including agendas and minutes, are available on the Boreham Parish Council website www.borehamparishcouncil.co.uk or on the village noticeboards

BOREHAM VILLAGE NEWS

BOREHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL



We are very proud to share with you all that the Boreham Primary School Green Team achieved the Eco School Award for 2023. The Green Team from last year and this year are pictured with the certificate and plaque. They worked very hard to achieve this award for continuing to improve our schools grounds and improving our school environments. Well done!

New School Library

This morning our new school library and phonics intervention area was officially opened by The Mayor of Chelmsford alongside Wilf our reading therapy dog and his owner, Helen, and our longest serving member of staff, Mrs Bergamini. Key staff involved in the new library project, School Governor, Mrs Fung and our Year 5 Librarians were also present. We are extremely proud of our new facility and this will further support all of the great progress we have made as a school in phonics and reading.

Mr Bowyer Head teacher



AIKI SHOTOKAN KARATE AT BOREHAM VILLAGE HALL

Aiki Shotokan karate train at Boreham Village Hall every Thursday evening 6-7.30pm and we are always looking for new people to join us. Karate is a great way to keep fit, gain confidence, discipline and meet new friends. We are open to adults and children over 5 years old, offering shotokan karate classes in a friendly, safe environment. Our classes are a mix of karate basics, form, light sparring, padwork, general fitness, anti-bullying and self-defence techniques, all taught in a progressive manner catering for beginners to the more experienced. Classes are £9 for each 1.5 hour session, significant discounts are offered for monthly bookings. Contact us or visit our website and quote "Boreham advert" to claim your first 2 classes FREE.

Keith Mayhew Tel: 07976159696, 01245 808472.

Email: admin@aikikarate.co.uk **Website: https://www.aikikarate.co.uk**

BOREHAM ART CIRCLE

It was good to be meeting again when we started our new session on 11 October. Helen Mariners workshop was as always well received. She gave an interesting talk on the Law of Copyright and spoke of the colour wheel and mixing colours which is a fascinating subject. We all attempted a picture of a duck or bird in pencils but two hours is never enough! We have two more meetings in November before our lunch at the Six Bells on 13th December. Carole K is taking the bookings for this.

We start back in the New Year on 31 January. On 28 February, Colin Steed will be taking a workshop in watercolour starting at 2pm. Guests are welcome at this meeting at a cost of just £10 for a 2 hour session.

New members are always welcome.

For more information please contact Cheryl Cook on 467787 or see our website

www.e-voice.org.uk/borehamartcircle

SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCH

Report from St Andrew's Church

Dear Boreham,

Thank you so much to all who took the time and effort to complete our recent questionnaire on the future of St Andrews church. We are very worried about the church building, the repairs that are needed and the cost involved and were glad to see so many responses that shared our concerns.

Some who responded provided their contact details to either assist us financially with the repairs or personally as part of a team of volunteers involved in the mammoth task of finding grant funding and we are very grateful and will be contacting you directly.

St Andrews has to be a self-sustaining church. Central Church of England covers the cost of training clergy and lay ministers and supporting the structures of the many diocese through which it operates, it does not pay for the upkeep or day to day running of the local churches, instead each church pays a parish share to contribute to national costs and is then responsible for covering local costs itself. In order to remain open and serving its community, it costs St Andrew's, Boreham approx £140 per day before repairs or major projects to simply run from day to day. Some of this is covered by regular congregational giving, but in a small church like this with such an ancient building much of our finance comes from fundraising and the occasional generous legacy. So, if you are willing to donate to the church, either for its day to day running or specifically for the repairs that are needed, the best option is to donate via this link. **https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/boreham-st-andrew-chelmsford/.**

St Andrews has joined the Parish Giving Scheme recently, and this scheme allows for an easy collection of Gift Aid. So, if you are a UK taxpayer, please do allow us to claim the additional 25p on every £1 donated.

Following the results of the questionnaire and drawing on our current congregation we have had to make some very difficult decisions. At this time, we do not have the skill set and manpower to undertake the major restoration and re-ordering project we had hoped for. Subsequently we are undertaking patch repairs as finances and manpower allow with a view to ultimately working towards a sustainable future for the building and the community it serves. This will take time but we hope that you will see changes and progress very soon as scaffolding is reduced, heating issues have been addressed and we progress with a plan and relevant permissions for roof repair and restoration.

With this in mind, we will be arranging a social gathering in the New Year to meet with all who have offered support where we will discuss what needs to be done and who can help with what. Please watch this space for the date and time of this event. If you haven't yet given us your details but would like to be included in discussions and moving forward, please do let us know. You can do this by emailing our church warden Peter Horton horton.20@btopenworld.com or our admin assistant Abi Wood abiwood2015@gmail.com

In the meantime, if you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate in getting in touch either via the addresses above or directly with me, the vicar revemswylie@gmail.com.

With every blessing
Revd Emma

We have reached the end of a busy year of Social and Fundraising events having started the year with a Beetle Drive and Pancakes for Shrove Tuesday. The Easter Fun Day, with the Flower Festival in July, the Village Show and Fete in September all followed as our year progressed. We completed our year with a Barn Dance in October, and the Christmas Market in November.

From all of us we would like to give a big thank to all our sponsors supporting all the events throughout the year. Plus, a big thank you to all of you who supported our events by coming along to participate or helping with the event on the day.

Look out for all our exciting events for 2024, some familiar but with some new events as well!
Margaret Holden
Chair - Social and Fundraising Committee
m.a.holden@hotmail.com

Church Diary for December - January
Principal Services for December
Sunday 3rd December 10.30am - All Age Service Christingle
Sunday 3rd December 4.00pm - Christingle - uniform services
Thursday 7th December 6.00pm - Light up a Life Service
Sunday 10th December 10.30am - Holy Communion
Saturday 16th December 2.00pm - Nativity on Tour
Sunday 17th December 10.30am - Morning Prayer
Wednesday 20th December 7.30pm - Carols by Candlelight
Sunday24th December 10.30am - Crib Service & Impromptu Nativity
Sunday 24th December 11.30pm - Midnight Mass
Sunday 25th December 10.30am - All Age Service followed by said Communion
Sunday 31st December 10.30am - Covenant Service.

Principal Services for January
Sunday 7th January10.30am - All Age Service Epiphany
Sunday 14th January 10.30am - Holy Communion
Sunday 21st January10.30am - Morning Prayer
Sunday 28th January 10.30am - Holy Communion

Principal Services for February
Sunday 4th February 10.30am - All Age Service
Sunday 11th February 10.30am - Holy Communion
Wednesday 14th February – Ash Wednesday TBA
Sunday 18th February 10.30am - Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th February 10.30am - Holy Communion

Other Regular Services and Events
1st, 3rd, Wednesdays 6.00pm Sacred Space at Six (Pelly Room)
2nd Wednesday 6.00pm Holy Communion BCP (Pelly Room)
4th and 5th Wednesdays 6.00pm Iona Holy Communion (Pelly Room)

Women's Guild, 1st Wednesdays at 2.30pm in the Pelly Room- Open to all women
December 6th - Christmas Crafts with Joy Angier.
January - No Meeting
Edward Bear Club every Tuesday at 10.30 – 12 noon
In the church for parents with babies and toddlers
Film Club—every third Wednesday at 1.30pm prompt start
20th December - 17th January
Community Coffee Morning every Wednesday 9.30am—11.30am



Food Bank Collection Wednesday 9.30am—11.30am
Prayer Service 2nd Thursday in the month at 12 noon (Chancel)
followed by a light lunch of soup and a bread roll - 14th December - 11th January

For more information please contact Rev. Emma Wylie
Priest in charge at St Andrew's, Boreham.

Mobile: 07982723539
Email: revemswylie@gmail.com
Usual working days: Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

For more information of events please see the weekly pew sheet in church or look at St Andrew's Church Facebook page or on the Boreham Church Website - **www.borehamchurch.org.uk**

BOREHAM GARDENING CLUB

The Gardening Club meets at the Village Hall on the second Thursday each month at 7.30pm for 7.45 pm.

In December we will have our annual Christmas social evening with an opportunity to chat and share ideas about what has grown well this year in our gardens and what needs to be changed ready for Spring. We will have a fun quiz or two while enjoying some nice food and drink, and see what Secret Santa has brought us. Even if you are not a member yet, you would be most welcome to join us.

In January we will be in the hall and hearing from Ian Mercer who will be giving a talk on "The Geology of Essex" on 11th January 2024.

On February 8th this year we will be holding our now famous quiz night run on the same lines as a Wine and Wisdom with general knowledge questions; please book your tickets early as it is a very popular event. Teams of six is ideal, but just come along on your own if you would prefer and you can make up a team with friends that you have not met yet. Members pay just £2.00, visitors £5.00. (Bring your own drinks, glasses, and nibbles) Everyone is welcome.

We are just finalising the rest of the programme for 2024 so watch this space in the next issue for news of our future speakers and events.

Visitors are always welcome for just £4.00 and annual membership is only £18.00 including refreshments at all hall meetings.

For more information on the club in general please email:- mannlynn15@gmail.com or call Lynn on 01245 463490.

BOREHAM CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Anyone who wishes for an afternoon of company and gentle exercise are welcome to join us on a Monday afternoon at the village hall at 2pm for a game or two of carpet bowls

Pat Searl (Secretary 469510).

BOREHAM LUNCH CLUB

We meet for lunch at various venues occasionally throughout the year people from various areas join us.

Please contact Shirl Waterman, for more information.

shirl.waterman@sky.com

Shirl Waterman
Tel : 01245 467678ans

BOREHAM OUTDOOR BOWLS CLUB

Our season will start again at the end of April and in the meantime much work is being undertaken to ensure that the green and clubhouse will be ready for the New Year.

We are a small friendly club respected in the district as worthy competitors with many successes to our credit.

There are opportunities to play in league games on Tuesday evenings as well as friendly fixtures on Thursday afternoons and at weekends.

Ladies and gentlemen of all ages, beginners and experienced players are welcome, so feel free to look in at the club on any Monday evening, 6-8 pm during the season, when there will always be someone willing to help.

If you would like to 'have a go' we ask that you wear flat shoes - bowls will be provided

Look out for details of our Open Day in May when club members will be on hand to help all newcomers get started.

We are situated in the Waltham Road, over the A12 Bridge, and behind the houses on the right. Look out for our signboard.

For further details please contact our **Captain Brian Court on 467555** or visit our website **www.borehambowlingclub.org.uk**

ALLOTMENTS

Lion Inn Allotments – Main Road

There are 12 allotment plots leased to the Parish Council by the Lion Inn and located in the Lion Inn car park. Currently there are no vacant plots although they do come up from time to time. If you would like to add your name to the waiting list please contact Jo Penson in the Boreham Parish Office at **admin@boreham-pc.gov.uk** to register your interest.

EDWARD BEAR GROUP





Tuesdays 10.30am till 12pm

Edward Bear is a group for babies and preschool children held in St Andrew's Church, Boreham every Tuesday (even during the school holidays when older children can come along as well!).

It provides an opportunity for mums, dads and carers to get together for a chat and a cup of tea!

There are lots of toys for the children to play with and crafts and colouring to do. There will also be an exciting story and songs to sing!

Everyone is welcome and there is no fee, so please come along and join the fun!!

Details: Gabrielle Lello 07711 887360

Email: gabrielle@edwardbear.co.uk

Facebook.com/edwardbear

BOREHAM LADIES CHOIR

Would you like to sing- but think you can't? Come and join us!

We are a friendly community choir which meets every Tuesday during term time at Boreham Primary School from 7.30pm to 9pm. We sing everything from Barbie to Bach! We don't audition and would love to welcome you.

For more information contact Corinne Tutton.

corinne_tutton@hotmail.com

Tel: 07787551390 or visit our Facebook page

Facebook.com/Boreham Ladies Choir



BOREHAM CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Boreham Conservation Society remains committed to the protection of our village community and its clear separation from Chelmsford. We aim to promote the qualities that contribute to the richness of life in Boreham and why people like to live here.

As reported previously we have actively been campaigning for National Highways to review their proposals for the A12 Widening Scheme and its detrimental impact on Boreham due to the proposed closure of Junction 20A. The Planning Inspectorate have examined the National Highways proposal together with all the representations of local interested people and have submitted their Recommendations to the Secretary of State who is required to reach decisions by 12th January 2024. At this stage these Recommendations are not made public. Most recently we received a letter from the Secretary of State for Transport published on the National Infrastructure Planning website. The letter invites comments from all Interested Parties in relation to outstanding issues on which the Secretary of State would be grateful if parties identified could provide an update or further clarification. BCS has made contact with both Essex County Council and our MP Kemi Badenoch to ensure they are fully up to speed on these latest developments and to encourage a last push to securing a favourable outcome for our Boreham Village community.

As stated previously in discussions there has been an acceptance that traffic through Boreham will increase and something has to be done and if amendments to the A12 Scheme are not made then mitigation measures need to be implemented to limit increased traffic through Boreham. The types of mitigation and traffic calming have been agreed in principle should the Planning Inspectorate recommendation accept the closure of Junction 20A. We will continue to push for the best possible outcome for our Village.

We are still waiting for the latest update on the Longfield Solar Farm to the North East of Boreham now that it has been given the go-ahead. The Conservation Society will monitor the impact on Boreham Parish to ensure this is minimised in line with the recommended proposals.

BCS recently attended an open meeting at Little Baddow Village Hall to hear more about the possibility of further housing development at Hammonds Farm in Hammonds Lane. This land, together with a number of other locations around Chelmsford, is currently under consideration as suitable for future housing development to meet the future demand through to 2041. The Hammonds Farm proposal would be very detrimental to Boreham Village as we become encircled with development from the North, West and South. In January 2024, Chelmsford City

Council will come forward with their preferred sites and we must be prepared to respond robustly to argue against development at Hammonds Farm.

Boreham Conservation Society is open to all Boreham residents and, of course, the more numerous we are, the stronger our voice. If you are interested in the future of Boreham and are thinking of joining the Conservation Society or interested in joining the committee you can contact Alan Swash on 467335.

Alan Swash
Boreham Conservation Society

BOREHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

The association exists to develop cultural and linguistic links between Boreham and Ploubalay which is on the coast of north Brittany – very close to the port of St. Malo and only a short distance from World Heritage Site of Mont St Michel.

The association is organising a quiz night (with a French theme) where cheese and biscuits/bread will be provided (but please bring your own drink) on Friday 12 January 2024 in the village hall. Teams of 6 are ideal as it is intended to be for some fun. The cost is £5 per individual.

Our twin town is all set to visit us over the May Day bank holiday 2024 when we expect between 20 and 30 people to come over. As always, we wish to make their stay as enjoyable as possible but we would really welcome some help over the bank holiday weekend which could be assistance with the catering, transport or, of course, with accommodation. Their visit would include a trip to London (normally Saturday) but allows time to explore local areas and to be with the guests. Sunday evening will be spent with everybody together in the village hall.

As we always say, knowledge of French isn't essential to participate but some will be learnt and it is a great way of meeting people from just across the Channel.
wsbbrown@hotmail.com

Bill Brown, Chairman Boreham Twinning Association
Tel: 469497

BOREHAM SCOUTS AND GIRLGUIDING ASSOCIATION

Christmas is coming and we have a Christingle Service for the Uniformed Groups at 4pm on Sunday December 3rd. All are welcome and you can come and make a Christingle at the Scouts and Guide HQ at 3.30pm on December 3rd and march down Plantation Road with the groups to church, or make one in church at 3pm on the Saturday afternoon of December 2nd, or make your own and bring it along. All funds from the service go to The Children's Society and if you do not know about Christingle, go to the Children's Society website and it explains all about it.



We now have a Squirrels group for the younger pre-school children and we still need helpers for this group and others. Email 1stborehamgsl@gmail.com for further details. For brownies where there are some places available contact http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-yourdaughter/ search web for "Register interest Brownies."

Thank you for your continued support and should you want to book the HQ when not being used by the groups please complete the form http://www.1stboreham.scoutsonline.co.uk/About/Hallbooking or contact 1stborehamgsl@gmail.com

Christine Horton Secretary 01245 466534

6 BELLS GOLF SOCIETY

The season ended unfortunately on a very wet note but otherwise it has been an enjoyable year with the various courses in good condition followed by some excellent food. Recent winners of the monthly meetings are as follows;
September – Thorpe Hall – Mel Cameron
October – Hintlesham Hall – Mel Cameron
November – The Warren – Gary Thompson

Golfer of the year with the most Stapleford points from the best five cards was Mel Cameron who had a very good year winning three times.
The Society donates monies raised each year to a charity chosen by the captain. Alan Swash, who has been captain for 2023, has chosen Grapevine Essex who provide supported recreational and educational activities for adults with learning disabilities living in Essex. The amount raised in 2023 is £800.00.

The November Meeting was for The Memorial Trophy which is presented annually. This Trophy bears the names of members who have passed away. Unfortunately, the name of Graham Dines has been added this year. Graham who died in August had been a member for over 40 years and for many of those years was Treasurer of the Society. He was not only a good golfer but he also played football and cricket for Boreham over many years and was involved in the running of these sports. He also helped run the Social Club. A very likeable person Graham will be sorely missed by his family and friends.

The Society's AGM will be held next February but the date has yet to be finalised. 2024 will be the 45th year for the Society. The dates for the monthly meetings in 2024 will be announced at the AGM.
Players of all abilities and ages are welcome. The Society operate a handicap scoring system which means everyone has a chance of winning!

We look forward to seeing you.
If you would like to join and/or more information, **please contact John Cannon on 07816 776602 or email John on johngeri@hotmail.co.uk**

THURSDAY CLUB

We are an informal group who meet in the Goodwin Room at the Village Hall on the third Thursday of every month except July and August at 8pm for social evenings, to listen to a range of speakers and to go on the occasional outing. We welcome men and women of all ages as members or visitors.
Our next meetings are as follows:-
Dec 21st. Bring and share Christmas social
Jan 18th. Essex's unknown Palace- the history of New Hall from the early days.
Feb 15th. Splendours of the Nile.
March 21st. An actor's life for me.
April 18th. A history of Perrywood Garden Centre.
May 16th. Around the World with Agatha Christie.
June 20th. Annual Meal.New members and visitors always welcome.

Further details available from
Margaret Milner
Treasurer Tel. 01245 467960 or
email

margaretmilner1@btinternet.com

SMALL STEPS

Small Steps Preschool is a committee run preschool. We are a registered charity and employ a team of experienced and highly qualified staff. We believe in the importance of providing unique experiences to nurture unique individuals, giving children autonomy in their play to promote their development.

We work closely with and have excellent links with the local Primary School, ensuring that those children moving on to school have a smooth transition to the next step in their educational journey. Our transition preparation has been planned specifically to our children's needs and is regularly praised by parents and the school alike.

We are registered and approved by Ofsted who rated our provision as Good in December 2019 in all areas for our provision of care for children aged between 2-5 years. Ofsted said "Children thoroughly enjoy their time at pre-school. They are very excited to engage in the wide range of stimulating and creative activities and

resources that staff provide each day. Children challenge themselves and are highly motivated to learn."

We regularly invite outside individuals in to enhance our provision, we have had a Beekeeper visit, Pyjama Drama, Talking Tots, Great Baddow Tennis Club, the local farmer and his tractor and we have previously had a Mobile Petting Zoo with exotic animals such as an African Land Snail for the children to handle if they wish. We have regular events for parents and the community such as Open Mornings or themed events where parents can play alongside their children and have the chance to meet their child's key worker.

All staff participate regularly in continual professional development such as courses in Outdoor Provision which has led to our own "Small Steps into Nature" outdoor education in a range of areas at our disposal. The Recreation Ground has a secure outdoor area directly behind our light and spacious hall where we can extend our continuous provision to outside, and we also use the Scout and Guide Hut HQ grounds where we have our Mud Kitchen, sailboat, log stepping-stones and garden areas for planting and digging. All our staff are first aid and safeguarding trained ensuring the safety of all children is always paramount.

Our Baby and Toddler Group will be reopening on Friday mornings from January 12th, 2024, for self-weighing, messy play, stories and rhymes and refreshments. No need to book, this runs from 9.30am to 11am and costs just £2, all are welcome.

Current Preschool hours are Monday's 9am-12pm, and Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday we open 9am-3pm.

We offer funding for children after the term of their third birthday and in certain circumstances can offer 15 hour funding for 2 year olds. Early Bird drop off is available every morning from 8.15am.

We update parents daily via our closed Facebook Group and use the Tapestry Online Journal System to track children's development. We also have a website: www.smallstepsboreham.co.uk for further information about our setting or look on our Facebook page.

If you'd like to meet our team, visit our interesting setting within Boreham Village Hall to see the kind of stimulating activities we have on offer daily**, please contact Gemma our manager on 07952 471616 or email smallsteps1@hotmail.co.uk**

BOREHAM VILLAGE HALL

The Hall's Finances

The £10,000 annual payment from Hansons for 2023 has now been received.

This has enabled us to complete the works to the electric system which our Insurer was insisting on before renewal of the annual premium. These monies will also enable us to complete the replacement of all light fittings to LEDs. This just leaves the installation of solar panels. Quotes received so far vary from £20,000 up to £27,000. We can only agree to proceed with this if we are able to get grants towards the cost. We have the audit accounts for January 2023 and, therefore, applications are now being prepared.

The Hall's Income - Up to now the main source of income is the hiring rates. Regrettably, these will have to be increased with effect from 1 January 2024 as our expenses continue to increase. The new rates will be agreed at the next Committee Meeting on 27 November 2023. Hirers will be advised of the new rates following that meeting. It has also been agreed that commercial hirers will pay for the use of the kitchens. Not for profit organizations and clubs will not be charged.

With regards to the fund-raising activities, the bingo evenings continue to be well supported. These will continue to be held on the last Friday evening of each month. Further fund-raising activities are being considered and so please look out for details on social media sites, notice boards, our web site etc regarding future events.

Volunteers Required - To run fund-raising events, we do need volunteers. If you are able to help in any way please contact Jo Atkin, our Hall Manager, on 07733 135653 or Sue Potter, our secretary, on 07961 441883. We are also looking for additional Trustees to help manage the Hall. If you are interested and would like more details, please ring me on 01245 467787.

Bookings - On reviewing the bookings there are still vacancies for future bookings either regular or one-off occasions for new hirers. Initially, you can use the Hallmaster system via our website to see whether a particular date and time is available. If you wish to proceed with a booking, please contact Jo Atkin, our Hall Manager, who deals with bookings, on 07733 135653 or 01245 466722 or email her on borehamvhall@gmail.com

Jo only works part time and, therefore, if telephoning please leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as possible.

Brian Cook, Chairman

Sandon Royals Football Club

This is the first opportunity for Sandon Royals Football Club to formally thank Boreham for the use of their facilities and the warm welcome we have had from all at the Boreham Club and the Parish Council.

Sandon Royals relocated in July this year and we immediately utilised the Boreham ground for pre-season training.

We have given the changing rooms a coat of paint and created a referee's changing room and are really pleased with every aspect of the clubhouse facilities.

All our members believe it has been a very positive move for our club and both sides have started the season well with our First Team currently being top of the Mid Essex League Premier Division – along way to go but nevertheless the sort of start we would have hoped for.

We will schedule fundraising events and where possible we will hope to use the clubhouse, and we have a strong social support for these events from our club members.

For further information about the Sandon Royals club and even a dip into the details of our 50-year history we have a website that is regularly updated with our next fixtures. If you would like to come along and watch games, you would be more than welcome – we play on a Saturday afternoon and kick-off is normally 2 p.m. for league games and 1.30 p.m. for cup games.

If you are interested in trialling for us then please contact our club secretary Ralph Ricks: **secretary@sandonroyalsfc.co.uk**

Once again thanks to all at Boreham for a very warm welcome to our club and we look forward to a bright future in our new home.

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