



Bisley Residents Association

'Your Bisley' Newsletter No. 29 Summer 2014



This is a very exciting year to be a Brownie (or a Brownie leader!) as Brownies are 100 years old this year! There are events organised locally, nationally and internationally for the girls.

Bisley Guiding goes from strength to strength. We have a very active Rainbow Unit, two fantastic Brownie Packs and an every growing Guide Troop and Senior Section unit (for those like me who are a little older – they used to be called Rangers!).

Already this year a group of Brownies from Bisley joined 1000's of other girls from UK Guiding at an exciting event held at Alexandra Palace in London to celebrate "Thinking Day" on 23rd February. We had an amazing day out that included rock climbing – both on a walled tower and a moving "rock face", giant table football, zorbing, a silent disco and much, much more.

In July we are heading down the road to Merrist Wood for our "Star Quest". This is an event organised by the County Team that will bring together Brownies from all over the area, 24 girls and their leaders will be attending from Bisley. This promises to be another fun packed day

with circus skills, challenges, with a chance to build things, make things, learn new things, make new friends and finally enjoy an evening of music at the "Little Gig".

If you would like more information about Girl Guiding in Bisley please contact Lucy Estall on 01483 489814 – or go onto the Guiding website to register your daughter and we will contact you.

Bronwen Hall, Tawny Owl 2nd Bisley Brownies

'TEAS ON THE REC' - BACK FOR A 4th SUMMER !!

Friendly Tea & Cake every Thursday from 2 pm–5 pm, at the Pavilion on Bisley Recreation Ground.



By popular request we're back and raising money for the good causes shown below. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Earlier - Huntingdons Chorea, Muscular Dystrophy, Fight for Sight, Make a Wish and Bisley School, PBC/Parkinsons.

- 17th July West End Day Centre
- 24th July WAGS
- 31st July Woking Hospice
- 7th August Breast Cancer
- 14th August Meningitis Trust
- 21st August Wannabeamazin
- 28th August Bisley & West End Church Fabric Fund



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BRA Diary Dates 2014

- ◆ Autumn Newsletter
- ◆ Open Forum/ A.G.M. October 8th

Open letter from Tringhams' Chairman of Trustees.

Those of you who are involved in and are concerned about the facilities for our elderly in general, and the Butts Centre in particular, will know that sadly The Butts will be closing on July 22nd.

But hopefully you'll also know that Tringhams in West End will continue to run on both Mondays and Fridays, after the Butts closes.

So we at Tringhams would like you to know that all members of The Butts are cordially invited to come and join us at Tringhams West End Centre on Mondays and Fridays—after the Butts closes, and we all look forward to welcoming you.

We will also open on Tuesdays in Bisley from September, and this will continue to be run by its existing Leader, Ruth.

But we can only run the Tuesday meeting long-term in Bisley if there is sufficient support from the older residents of both Bisley and West End.

We need the clients to justify the generous support we receive from Surrey Heath Borough Council. Ruth will also be joining us to help run Tringhams at West End on both Mondays and Fridays.

If you'd like a change to your 4 walls, if you are lonely, if you'd like to eat somebody else's excellent cooking 1, 2 or 3 days a week, if you need someone to talk to or to play a board game with, or just need to get out - then come and try Tringhams. We collect you from your home and deliver you back home in a mini-bus.

If you know anybody who could benefit from any of the above, please contact us.

The person attending the centre must be a resident of West End, Chobham, Bisley, Lightwater or Windlesham.

Whether it is for yourself or somebody else, our contact phone number at the centre is 07506 461100 - on Mondays and Fridays between 9 am and 3 pm.

We look forward to welcoming both new clients and volunteers to Tringhams at both West End and Bisley.

Brian Williams, Chairman of Trustees.

Email brianwilliams5@btinternet.com

P.S. MAYBE, COME AND VOLUNTEER YOUR HELP.

(Editor—This letter appeared in the June Parish Magazine and has been drawn upon, with the kind permission of Brian Williams.)

Bisley Residents – use it or lose it!

For the many people who have contributed over the past 28 years to providing excellent service to older people attending The Butts, Bisley Centre, the 22nd July will be a sad day. We will end with our usual summer party, before the summer break and look back with gratitude.

We thank all those who have served as leaders, assistant leaders, cooks, and the amazing volunteers who have been in-house helpers, bus drivers, escorts, trustees and on the management committee.

For the village and for our clients, we are grateful that Tringhams have agreed to extend their provision for older people to three days a week and run one of those days on Tuesdays, in our Jubilee Hall in Bisley.

The Butts could no longer continue, due to falling numbers and funding problems.

We urge the people of Bisley to support Tringham's initiative, commencing in September in Bisley.

During the past decade or so, we have seen the Bisley Cricket Club and Bisley Common Society close down.

Please think about coming along once or twice a month with a couple of friends to enjoy a few hours together, over lunch. Just let Ruth know beforehand, so our excellent cook can prepare extra! (07986 537126)

Hester Clarke - a volunteer at The Butts and a B.R.A member

Briefly in Bisley

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Chairman: Councillor Steve Moore.
Council meetings are open to the public and are **usually held on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Jubilee Room of the Village Hall (except for August)**. Please see notice boards for the agenda before meetings.
All welcome.

Hiring of Bisley Parish Pavilion

Bisley Parish Pavilion on the Recreation Ground is open for hire for functions, meetings and parties. For all enquiries please contact the Clerk to the Council as above. The forms and terms and conditions for hire can be accessed on the Parish Council's website.

WebCare 2014 AGM

During the past year WebCare has done 125 trips to 10 different hospitals, 75 trips to doctors and other health practitioners, as well as trips to shops, hairdressers, and local centres.

The newly elected Chairman, Angela Astall, said WebCare, in its 21st year, continued to give invaluable service to the parish which was very much appreciated by all its clients, young and old.

She thanked Brenda Hill, Sandy Gunn and Dianne Norris for their work on the committee over many years, and welcomed Anne Allard and Ann Gaisford as new committee members and Sarah Wynter Bee as the new secretary.

If you are interested in becoming a WebCare volunteer please ring Angela on 01483 480342 to get more details. New pamphlets and business cards are available at the doctors' surgery in West End, for those who might like to use the service for

a small voluntary contribution, which covers volunteers' mileage expenses.

West End & Bisley Care and Good Neighbour Group.



The WebCare telephone number is 07713 915393 to ask for or to volunteer help. (Monday to Friday 10 am to 12 noon) except Bank Holidays.

This Issue of 'Your Bisley'

Newsletter The cost of printing and distributing this full colour issue to all Bisley residents has been funded from B.R.A. funds. Please support our activities and future issues of this newsletter by becoming a member of B.R.A. (see page 4)

Village Issues

News from Bisley Parish Council

◆ *Bisley Village Awards*

Thank you to all those residents who voted and to Mick Raynor for his continuing support for the awards. This year's recipients:- Josie Sowry – Bisley Junior Citizen of the Year, Norman Holden – Bisley Citizen of the Year, Bisley Vets Ltd – Bisley Business of the Year. The Parish Council congratulates this year's worthy recipients of these awards.

We thank Mrs Jo Hastings for presenting the awards and for her service to Bisley Primary School as head teacher, and wish her well in her future career as she moves on to another post. We welcome Mr Robert Howell as the new head teacher of our village school.

◆ *The Millennium Clock*

The Millennium pillar clock at the heart of the village has been repaired – it should now be keeping the correct time. The Parish Council has also had the clock faces cleaned and new lighting installed. Although the work is expensive, the Parish Council hopes that residents agree that it is money well spent.

◆ *Traveller Incursion on the Village Green.*

On Friday 6th June, Bisley was once again visited by a group of travellers attempting to take up residence on the Village Green. With the prompt assistance of Surrey Police the Parish Council was able to instruct the travellers to leave. By 3 pm on the Saturday afternoon the travellers, their caravans and vehicles had left the Green. The Parish Council would like to thank the Police for their assistance and the local residents who helped organise the departure and clean up to restore the Village Green to its proper order. **Residents are asked to remain vigilant and report any unusual activity or concerns with regard to the Village Green or the Recreation Ground to the Clerk of the Parish Council on 01483 480172.**

New Mayor of Surrey Heath.

Councillor Bob Paton was chosen as the 42nd Mayor of Surrey Heath at the Borough Council Annual Meeting on 14 May 2014. He is Honorary President of Active Nation; a sports charity he founded 20 years ago that runs ski slopes, sports centres and outdoor pursuit venues and director of a large training company. He said "My key objectives will be to support the Surrey Heath business community as well as local charities." *Further information on The Mayor of Surrey Heath can be found on www.surreyheath.gov.uk/council.*



Norman Holden



Parish Councillor Malcolm Vaughn

A big thank you to all those who donated to my charity. Unfortunately, although I had done all my training for the London Marathon I did not take part in the run as I had a hamstring problem and had to defer my place until next year. As my hamstring is not affected by cycling I am now training very hard for 'Ride London' which takes place on August 10th. If you would like to support my chosen charity by donating please visit www.justgiving.com/malcolm-vaughn1, any donations however large or small will be gratefully received. My chosen charity is Centrepont which is a charity set up to help the homeless.

Bisley Remembers.....

Jim Henbest kindly gave Norman Holden the following information and photograph of his uncle Wilfred Walter Henbest, whose name appears on our Bisley War Memorial (WW1) :-

WILFRED WALTER HENBEST

He was the son of Willam and Eliza Henbest. Wilfred had two sisters and two brothers, one who was Bert Henbest, my father and Verger of Bisley Church. He lived with his parents at Ford Farm, Ford Road, Bisley.

He was born on the 11th October 1892. He was Gunner No. 56647, Royal Garrison Artillery 24 Siege Battery.

He was killed in action on the 26th September 1917, shortly before his 25th birthday.

He is remembered with honour at Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium - but sadly has no known grave.



A BISLEY MAN RECALLS HIS D-DAY EXPERIENCES 70 YEARS AGO

Our friend Keith Martin has been good enough to give us details of where he was, as a serving member of the Royal Navy, on active duty on D-Day, 6th June 1944.

Keith was on board the battleship HMS Malaya which, like her sister ship HMS Warspite, was laying down a heavy bombardment off the Normandy coast with her 16 inch guns. He tells of how, because the ship was at 'Actions Stations', all watertight doors were closed and he had to remain below during the entire

BRA Events

● **17th Open Forum** with the main theme of - 'Bisley and Surrey Heath's Twinning Links' took place in March. We hope you found the evening useful and entertaining. Our principal guest was The Mayor of Surrey Heath Councillor Beverley Harding who told us about her visits to the Borough's twin towns, Bitigheim, Germany and Sucey en Brie, France. As with last year's event, this was a joint evening with Bisley Parish Council, whose Annual Parish Assembly followed our Forum and provided a helpful update on village organisations.

● Over eighty people enjoyed Bisley Residents Association's 5th **Quiz & Fish & Chip Supper** in April. The outright winners of the Quiz were the "Woklahoma" team - and the Raffle prize winners were too numerous to mention! We were particularly grateful to Mr & Mrs Sangra of the Mayo Fish Bar who, despite a family bereavement on the Friday, opened their premises especially to fill our (large!) order on the Saturday evening.

Norman Holden

● **The AGM** will take place on Wednesday 8th October after our next **Open Forum**. The theme for this follows on from our special March session on children 'Staying safe on-line'. This meeting will cover the perennial problems of computer viruses, scams and security on-line.

Jim Clarke

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Strawberry Fayre 2014



A large crowd enjoyed the good weather making this a very successful Fayre. New attractions in-



cluded activities from 'Ferret Rescue—Surrey' and 'Bisley Common Games', as a tribute to the Commonwealth Games.

The Committee for the first time organised it's own 'Hog Roast'. This year's committee was Paul & Kim Cox, Len Tamplin, Thea Phillips & Steve Groombridge, Pam Green, Peter & Barbara Rothwell, Sue Smith, Beverley Parsons and Steve & Beth Barrett, with lots of additional help on the day itself. Thanks to stall holders and all who came to support this event; funds raised this year will go to the renovation of the village hall kitchen floor & units.

Bisley Annual Village Awards

Mrs Jo Hastings presented the awards (from left to right) to :-



the Bisley Business of the Year to Amanda Sturgess on behalf of Bisley Vets Ltd; Bisley Citizen of the Year to Norman Holden; and Bisley Junior Citizen of the Year to Josie Sowry. ***This is the third year of these awards, organised by Mick Raynor (centre picture).***

Bisley W.I. Celebrates !



On the 11th June Bisley W.I. committee and members hosted a large and happy 75th Birthday Party in the Village Hall. Many invited guests were welcomed by the WI President Maureen Vaughn, including Councillor Joanne Potter, Deputy Mayor of SHBC and Beryl Dunham, Surrey Federation Chairman. Members Fiona and Iris were thanked for providing the splendid birthday cake, which was cut by Beryl Dunham and Marilyn Meller, the longest serving member of Bisley WI.

A group from the Chobham St Lawrence Hand Bell Ringers provided the afternoon's entertainment and then encouraged audience members to have a go! A delicious tea provided by the committee was then enjoyed by all.

The WI intends donating a bench to the village to commemorate this happy occasion. **The W.I. meets on the second Wednesday of each month (except August) at 2 pm in the Village Hall. Please ring Barbara for more information (01483 828690).**

The BRA would like to encourage any members who haven't already done so, to renew their membership for 2014/15 and warmly welcomes new members. This enables us to work on your behalf on issues affecting our village and helps to provide the 'Your Bisley' Newsletter. We hold a prize draw for all paid-up members with each newsletter (or forum). If you would like to participate, please renew your subscription or join by filling in the form below.

The free draw winner for this newsletter to be announced.



Bisley Residents Association. New Member / Renewal Application Form. (Please delete as appropriate)

Please accept my membership of the Bisley Residents Association, valid to 31st October 2015, for which I enclose my subscription of £..... Date: (Please tick boxes below)

Title(s): Name(s): Email:

Address: Telephone No:

Annual Subs: Individual £7.00 , Student / Senior Citizen £5.00 , Senior Couple £10 , Couple / Family* £12.00

Method of Payment: Cash Cheque (*please state number in family and ages of children/.....)

Please send to: Membership Secretary, Ray Colvin, 20 Angelica Rd., Bisley, GU24 9EY or see website for form or email membership@bisleyresidents.org.uk

Please make cheques payable to Bisley Residents Association.