



Bisley Residents Association

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Bisley Celebrates Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday



Special 'Teas on the Rec', April 21st

◆ **The Queen's 90th Birthday.** At Bisley Parish Council's request, a special edition of 'Teas on the Rec' was held on the 21st April to celebrate Her Majesty's 90th Birthday. Commemorative birthday coins were presented by a Councillor to the Teas' team of hard-working volunteers, with thanks for their splendid efforts in serving the village so well.

There was an excellent turnout and £884.30 was raised for Woking Hospice, which was made up of donations from people who attended, plus the takings from the raffle of the day, run by Edna Holt. Cllr. Mick Raynor gratefully received the donations for our chosen charity.

◆ Our Junior Citizen of the year, Chloe Boyes, will be adding to this by helping to run a raffle for Woking Hospice at the 'Teas on the Rec' on the 1st September.

◆ Bisley Parish Council supplied Bisley CofE School with 280 commemorative coins for all the school children.



◆ A Bisley resident Marion Philcox, was invited to 'Teas on the Rec' and presented with an orchid plant, greeting card and coin by Cllr. Hester Clarke, to celebrate her 90th birthday earlier this year.



The weather was kind on the day, there was a lovely range of home-made cakes on offer, and a great time was had by all. Thanks to Sainsbury's Local for their generous contribution of cup-cakes and scones.



Photographs by Jim Clarke

Bisley W.I. in June

Ladies wore their hats, fascinators and summer frocks to the June W.I. Meeting, to celebrate the Queen's Official Birthday. Tea and birthday cake was enjoyed at the end of the meeting.



The celebratory cake was made by Fiona Jones and iced by Iris Murdock, and much admired by all.

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BRA Diary Dates 2016

- ◆ Three Newsletters p.a.
- ◆ Picnic on the Village Green, 10th July; a joint event with Almac Band 'Brass on the Grass.'
- ◆ 22nd Open Forum & 11th A.G.M. on 5th October.
- ◆ 'Hi Tech' Quiz & Supper, 18th November.

Letter from the Community Fundraiser for Woking and Sam Beare Hospices:-

'May I just thank you and everyone involved in organising the event very much for the very generous donation. Please rest assured that this fantastic amount of money will be used to ensure that our patients will receive the best of care when they most need it.'

Bisley Parish Council warmly thanks everyone who supported this event.

The printing and distributing of this issue of 'Your Bisley' Newsletter to residents, in full colour, was funded by BRA. Please support this newsletter by becoming a member of B.R.A. (see page 4)



Revitalising Bisley Village Hall — Summer Update

You will be reading this soon after the Hall's big annual fundraising event: the Strawberry Fayre. As in previous years, money from this event will go towards making the Hall a more comfortable and attractive place to be.

This article summarises our progress with the major refurbishment programme upon which the Hall's trustees embarked last year and outlines what we hope to do over the next few months.

Progress and Plans

With the help of £2000 from the Surrey County Council Member's Allocation funding from Councillor Adrian Page the kitchen floor was made safe in February.

To ensure that the deterioration and collapse which took place last December does not

happen again the underfloor area will be filled with concrete and a new high-standard kitchen fitted. This work will take place over the summer and will be funded, under the Surrey Community Building Grant Scheme, by grants of just over £15,500 each from Surrey County Council and from Surrey Heath Borough Council with an equivalent amount from our own funds.

We want to improve the energy efficiency of the Hall. We have already had a 'free' energy audit (worth £500) from Action2Surrey Low Carbon Communities Fund which identified energy efficiency improvements we can make. We hope to start this year by replacing some of the old and draughty windows, including those in the Main Hall. Jewel Windows, a local firm and main sponsor of the Strawberry Fayre, will be doing some of this work. Over the longer term we will be looking to



replace the heating system and install cavity wall and roof insulation. We will be seeking further grant funding for this.

Funding and Resources

What we want to achieve will take a lot of money, effort, time and money. We have made a good start. Since we started our campaign in 2015 we have:

- ◆ been successful in securing external funding from local authorities Action2Surrey and Waitrose Community Matters and Johnson Wax worth around £35,500.
- ◆ had donations and offers of funding from local businesses and individuals – including Sainsbury's Local, Jewel Windows and Elmfield House Residential Home – of well over £1000
- ◆ raised getting on for £2500 from fundraising events run by the Village Hall and by regular Hall users. These include a Bisley Residents Quiz, W.I. Bingo afternoon,

Ascot Race Night, Bisley Brass Band Spring Concert, and the Bisley Pre-School Spring Fayre.

It will be a while before we know how much money was raised from this Year's Strawberry Fayre but in the last 2 years the Strawberry Fayre raised £11,500 and so we are hoping for at least £5000.



☺ Our next fund-raising event is Teas on the Rec, Bisley Recreation Ground, Thursday 28 July.

We are very grateful for the support we have had from the Bisley community and we want to make sure that we keep you informed and that you can have your say about what we propose to do.

If you would like to know more or would like to contribute ideas, resources or money please get in touch with Graham Davey at grahamdavey6@aol.com or visit our website or Facebook page.

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.**

Please see notice boards or web site for the agenda before meetings. **All welcome.**

Hiring of Bisley Parish Pavilion

Please contact the Clerk to the Council. The forms and terms & conditions for

hire can be accessed on the Parish Council's website.

WebCare A.G.M

WEBCare held its 22nd AGM on 12th May. It has 45 volunteers on its books. During the last 12 months these volunteers have provided transport for over 100 hospital and GP surgery visits, as well as shopping trips and other assistance to elderly and vulnerable residents of Bisley and West End. This helps them stay in their own homes and maintain independent living.

This year's guest speaker was Joan Kerr from the Camberley Care Trust who outlined what Camberley Care does.

There is a Handyman service, accessible through Camberley Care (01276 707692) for small jobs around the house with a minimum charge of £15/hour plus the cost of any materials. This is currently subsidised by SHBC and has been renamed Subsidised Care & Repair and is available to all Surrey Heath residents.

Angela and her committee were all re-appointed at the A.G.M. for another year.

Any enquiries regarding WEBCare, either as a volunteer or client, please contact the Chairman, Angela Astall, on 01483 480342.

(Information from Sarah Wynter Bee, Secretary)



Village Issues

Bisley Parish Council

- Users of the Pavilion may have noticed the many improvements that have been completed by the Parish Council recently, i.e. nine new showers, two new toilets, new kitchen taps and the shelving behind the counter was replaced. A new boiler is pending.
- Many thanks to all who signed the Parish Council's petition last summer, concerning reducing the speed limit on the A322 to 30 m.p.h. through Bisley and West End villages. This won the support of the Surrey Heath Local Area Committee, but had to be referred on as they were at variance with their officers' advice. In March 2016 Surrey County Cllr. Adrian Page, accompanied by the West End and Bisley Parish Clerks and a Bisley Parish Councillor attended a final hearing at Kingston County Hall. Sadly this application was rejected. Thank you for your support.



Election of Surrey's second Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC).

On the 5th May David Munro succeeded Kevin Hurley as Surrey's next PCC, for a four year term.

Information and picture from Surrey News website.

Results of the E.U. Referendum on 23/6 for Surrey Heath.

Remain 25,638 (49.02%) **Leave** 26,667 (50.98%)
Leave Majority 1,029 (1.97%)
Electorate 65,553: **Turnout** 52,305 (79.79%).

(Information from Daily Telegraph 25/6/2016)



Fond Farewell to T/Butts

After 30 years, this facility for older people to meet and lunch together in Bisley in our village hall came to a sad end. Cheers and thanks to all who supported us and served so well!

Please contact Jane or Ruth on 07506 461600 if you wish to attend Tringhams in West End on Mondays or Fridays.

Songs of Praise



Come and sing some of your favourite hymns on the second Tuesday of each month in Holy Trinity Church, West End.

Start time 2.30 p.m., tea and cake from 3.15 p.m., finishes 4.00 p.m. If you wish to stay for communion there will be a short service from 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Further details if needed from: Alison Clay 01483 481249 or Pauleene Hammett, 01483 487912 (Pastoral Assistants).

(Information from the June Parish Magazine.)

BRA Events Past and Future

▲ At our **21st Open Forum** on 23rd March with its main theme 'Police & Neighbourhood Watch', we had presentations by the then Police & Crime Commissioner Kevin Hurley, Borough Commander Inspector Bob Darkens, outgoing Neighbourhood Watch Chairman Mike Potter and security and locks specialist PC Stephen Cake. Winner of the B.R.A. Members' Prize Draw was Ken Atkins.

The Forum was followed by Bisley Parish Council's Annual Parish Assembly. Many thanks to Parish Clerk Jill Biden for all her work.

▲ There was an exciting 'tie-breaker' finish to the **B.R.A.'s Quiz and Fish & Chip Supper** on 15th April. More than eighty people in 14 teams fought an intense quizzing battle through 8 rounds and at the end of a fun evening the winners were the team calling themselves 'The Starters'. Hot on their heels were 'The Young Ones'. Thanks to the B.R.A. organisers and to Seafare who delivered splendid suppers.

▲ Congratulations to Paul Newman who won the cash prize of £10 and a Queen's Birthday coin for BRA's 'Do You Know Bisley Quiz?' at the Strawberry Fayre in June.

▲ **Picnic on the Village Green** – Enjoy your Picnic on the Village Green on the 10th July from 3 p.m. with music from the Al-mac Bisley Brass Band's wonderful '**Brass on the Grass**' concert from 4.00 p.m..

▲ On 5th October, Bisley Residents' Association's will be staging our **22nd Open Forum & 11th AGM.**

▲ **Hi Tech Quiz and Supper!** Following the success of last November's Hi Tech Quiz, we will have the second of these exciting evenings on 18th November, courtesy of Tony Pank and his brilliant 'Stimulus4Quizzes' team. *Norman Holden, Chairman*

The 6th Summer of 'Teas on the Rec' on Thursdays 2 to 5 p.m. at the Pavilion, Bisley.

Come and enjoy another wonderful summer of tea and cakes with friendly company, whilst raising money for good causes.

From 2nd June we have so far raised money for Christian Aid / Leprosy Mission, Muscular Dystrophy, Meningitis, Cystic Fibrosis and TALK.

Come and join us for :-

7th July	Marie Curie/Make a Wish
14th July	St Helier and Surrey Kidney Patients' Association
21st July	Church Fabric Fund - BBQ
28th July	Bisley Village Hall - (evening BBQ t.b.c)
4th August	The Children's Society
11th August	Brain Tumour Research
18th August	Parkinsons
25th August	WAGs and Wannabeamazin
1st September	Woking and Sam Beare Hospices



Jim Henbest presented this new raffle / tombola drum he had made to Edna, our raffle queen. Chris and the 'Teas on the Rec' team are very grateful to him. *(Info. from Chris Bixley and Photo by Norman Holden)*

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Strawberry Fayre 2016



The Strawberry Fayre Organising Committee would like to thank everyone who supported the Fayre on Sunday 26th June. There were some cancellations of stalls due to concerns about the weather, after wet Thursday, but the weather was kind to us on Sunday. There was a lovely community atmosphere with a range of our usual entertainments such as Almac Bisley Brass Band, Chobham Morris Men & Ladies and Leanne Edwards School of Theatre Arts. This year's Fayre raised funds to go towards new energy efficiency measures in the Village Hall.

We are very grateful to our main sponsors: Seymours Estate Agents, Jewel Windows, Almac House Developments, West End Garage, Tenaker Farm Shop, Redrow Homes and Sainsbury's Local. A huge thanks to the Army recruits from Pirbright and Tim Price for all their assistance on the day. *(Information from Sue Smith)*



5th Bisley Village Annual Awards,

initiated and organised by Parish Councillor Mick Raynor, were presented at the Strawberry Fayre by the chairman of BRA, Norman Holden. **Business of the Year** was awarded to Sainsbury's Local, received by ex manager Stuart Lance accompanied by the current manager Cheryl Thompson (left). **Citizen of the Year** was awarded to Barbara Preece (centre) and the **Junior Citizen of the Year** was awarded for a second year to Chloe Boyes (right). **Congratulations to All!**

Photographs by Jim Clarke

To our loyal readers, if you reached this point, we hope you enjoyed our newsletter with information about our village. If so perhaps you would consider joining your Residents Association which only costs a maximum of £7 per person per year. We would really appreciate having more members (currently we have less than 10% of the village) as it gives us more weight when pressing for change and improvements to our village and it would help to fund the newsletters. As a member, you would also qualify for a reduction at our events and be entered into Prize Draws in each Newsletter and at our Forums.

Ray Colvin (BRA Membership Secretary)

The BRA would like to encourage all members to renew their membership for the year 2016/2017 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.

Congratulations to Mr. Jim Henbest of Church Lane, who won the free draw for this issue.

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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 2017, 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 tick if you require a receipt

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.