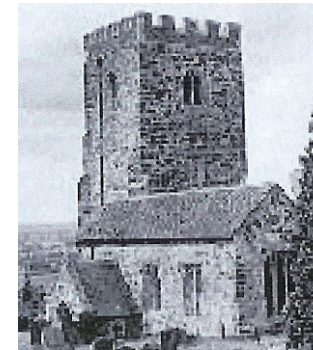


Bow Brickhill Parish News



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—OCTOBER	
Sunday 3rd	Music in the Brickhills: Messiah. 7.30pm. St Mary the Virgin Great Brickhill
Monday 4th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Tues 5th	Bow Brickhill Club. AGM. 2pm to 4.pm. Pavilion John The Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Lay-by
Weds 6th	Bow Brickhill History Society. 7.30pm. The Wheatsheaf
Thurs 7th	Youth Club 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Pavilion
Sunday 10th	Family Church Service. 11.00am. Bow Brickhill School
Monday 11th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm. Pavilion Book Group Contact Beverley Thompson for info
Weds 13th	Brownies. 6.00pm to 7.15pm. Church Hall. Three Parishes Outing. To St. Albans
Thurs 14th	Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm. Pavilion Click and Clack. 7.30pm The Wheatsheaf
Mon 18th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Tues 19th	John The Barber. 2pm to 6pm Greenways Lay-by
Weds 20th	Brownies. 6.00pm to 7.15pm.
Thurs 21st	Youth Club 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Pavilion Woburn Sands Big Band Society. 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall Woburn Sands
Sun 24th	All Saints Lunch Club 12.15pm for 12.30pm Church Hall
Mon 25th	Line Dancing. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Weds 27th	Brownies. 6.00pm to 7.15pm.
Thurs 28th	WI. 7.30pm. Pavilion. 'Fabulous at Fifty' with Sarah Settlefield

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LOCAL ENTREPRENEUR PUBLISHES MK GUIDEBOOK

Exhibition designer Mark Colthorpe was so frustrated that he could not get hold of a guide book for his home town of Milton Keynes that in typical new city entrepreneurial spirit he designed and published his own.

The 160-page A6 full-colour book contains a myriad of facts together with lots of images. There are chapters on Milton Keynes' history, transport, sports, leisure, arts and culture and a fascinating "Did you know?" section which is an excellent starting point for any Milton Keynes quiz.

Mark is by profession an exhibition designer so his design skills came to the fore. "I wanted to fill the book with useful information and only the occasional advertisement so that it had real value. Also included are some discount vouchers from local businesses; these helped to cover the initial funding costs for the first short print run. As sales increase I shall be able to print more."

Theo Chalmers Chair of lobby group Urban Eden which is dedicated to the preservation of the principles of the original master plan for MK, says of the guide: "I thought I knew MK pretty well but even I was surprised by the depth of research and accuracy in this reasonably priced book. It's the perfect pocket-sized guide to everything of interest for anybody interested in Milton Keynes; whether day visitor, incomer or long-term resident.

"This book covers everything from Roman settlements to Italian restaurants and it's probably the only guide you'll ever need. Its easy to find/easy to read information is usefully divided into colour coded sections which include everything from the practical to the historic; from where to stay to where to visit, and from where to eat to the best of our arts, culture, sports, fitness and leisure destinations; many of which are marked on fold-out maps. This is what MK has been crying out for."

"It's great to receive an accolade like that," says Mark. "It's been an uphill struggle to get the guide published but now that people have seen it and realise its enormous value to the town I'm getting more and more help."

Copies can be purchased from various retail outlets including Waterstones as well as www.mkcows.com and www.miltonkeynes.com

WHAT HAS WATER GOT TO DO WITH ENERGY?

The short answer is... plenty! About 70% of global freshwater is used in agriculture - this provides us with our food energy. Hydropower provides some 20% of global electricity.

On average each person in the UK uses 150 litres of water a day. According to Waterwise, this rises to 3400 litres a day when you add the water used to produce the goods we import. Moving this lot around takes energy.

We're lucky - we get rain in the UK, but as summer hosepipe bans imply, we should not take water for granted. There are many easy ways to use less:

- Keep showers short - especially if you have a power shower
- Reuse water - bath water is fine for watering plants
- Have a water meter fitted - on average metered homes use 15% less water
- Modify your toilet to give you a reduced or graduated flush
- Fix dripping taps
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Also note that 30% of the average UK gas bill goes on heating water, so insulating your hot water tank and using less hot water will save you money.

For further information, visit www.cocoonyourhome.co.uk/saving



BOW BRICKHILL CLUB

The club meeting on September 7th included a talk by a representative from "The Sustainable Energy Agency". Our speaker found the club members to be so enthusiastic in their response with many questions regarding this subject, so much so, that he is to return to a future meeting with more information in the form of leaflets etc.

The winner of the quiz this month, "Baubles Bangles and a bag of old Stones" was Rosemary Guess in a tie-break with Pam Schorr.

This was followed by tea and our monthly raffle. Once again bringing our meeting to a close.

The next meeting on October 5th, our Annual General Meeting, will be followed by a fund raising event "Cook Eat and Wear" This will be a sale of garden produce, Jams Jellies, chutneys and cakes, also nearly new items. No doubt there will be something of interest for all of our members and friends.



We look forward to another lively afternoon on
Tuesday October 5th
in the Pavilion
at 2.00pm



FREE RANGE ORGANIC EGGS FOR SALE

£1.20 per dozen

Contact Julie on 07985 670908 or pop a note through the door of 4 Station Road and I'll deliver to you.



DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

Contributions for the next issue should be sent **by 20th October** to: Gill Cannell - email bowbrickhillpavilion@gmail.com

BOW BRICKHILL PRE-SCHOOL

New Pirate ship outdoor play area

Bow Brickhill Pre School is a well established, accredited pre-school with an excellent reputation situated in the Church Hall in Bow Brickhill.



Our aim is to help children develop socially, physically, creatively, academically and emotionally within a safe, happy and secure environment.

Places available now for children aged 2 - 5

For further information or to arrange a visit please contact the Pre-School on 07887 918834

WI

Sixteen members attended the September meeting, which was a talk and demonstration on ribbon floral art. The speaker made up attractive and useful ribbon flowers and butterflies which have many uses - they can be used to decorate presents, as button holes and table decorations and much more.

It is an inexpensive hobby, using only small amounts of florists' ribbon for each item, and with only a small financial outlay on equipment.

The next meeting will be on **Thursday 28th October** and will be a group meeting with a talk on 'Fabulous at Fifty'



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THE REVIVAL OF THE BOW BRICKHILL FEAST

The Saturday 13th November 2010
The Wheatsheaf
11am – 4pm

Join us for

- A traditional roast pork dinner and trimmings (12 – 2.30 pm)
- Bow Brickhill Pudding with custard or ice cream
- View old postcards and photographs of the village
- Look at the progress being made cataloguing the graves in the church yard
- Be amongst the first to take an 'Historical Stroll around Bow Brickhill' following the new walking tour leaflet

Total cost £7.00

Don't fancy lunch? Just call in anyway... The Wheatsheaf will be serving its usual range of drinks including tea and coffee.

Tickets are available from Chris and Sue at The Wheatsheaf 374795 or Chris@WheatsheafAtBowBrickhill.co.uk
Sue 372376 or sue@bowbrickhill.com
Mary 647003 or mary.preen@electric-help.co.uk

The origins of The Bow Brickhill Feast, traditionally held on the 13th November each year are lost in time. Historically many villagers would have kept a pig, which once preserved would feed the families during the long winter months. At the beginning of November a man well versed in the art of 'pig sticking' travelled to the village with his assistant, rack and scrapers! His task performed he would retire to the local hostelry leaving the local people to make ready for the feast. A fair would set up in 'Chapman's Orchard' adjacent to The Wheatsheaf. There would be rides, stalls, toffee apples, a bonfire and sometimes a brass band. The women folk would prepare and stuff chitterlings, made from the animal's intestines for general meals, leaving the roast pork meal with apple sauce and crackling followed by a steamed plum pudding as the main event. Farmers from all over the district would come with the aim of hiring farm workers for the forth coming year and maybe even a servant for the farmer's wife.

The Bow Brickhill Feast has always been kept, latterly this has been in local houses but this year the history group is trying to regenerate a flavour of what The Bow Brickhill Feast would have been like.

WOBURN SANDS BIG BAND SOCIETY

THURSDAY 21st October 2010
7pm for 7.30 pm
Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall
Woburn Sands

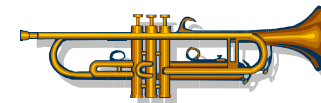
David Higgs, with "The Beauty of Swing"
and
Peter Morton) with "Strictly Instrumental, or Almost "

ENTRY: £2.00,
Non members £3.00

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

Membership application forms available at the desk.

For further information call
David Higgs, 01908 583937, or Rex Harris, 01908 281235



BOW BRICKHILL HISTORY SOCIETY

The AGM will be held immediately before the meeting on

WEDNESDAY 6th OCTOBER

7.30PM

THE WHEATSHEAF

All welcome to attend.

ALL SAINTS' TOWER RESTORATION APPEAL (ASTRA) LAUNCH

If you have visited All Saints' Church recently you will have observed the poor general condition of the Tower. Our village is in danger of losing an important historical monument in the medium to long term unless we act now. Personally I do not belong to the Church and perhaps I am in the majority, but I do care about a fine historic building. We cannot let it gradually weather away and leave our children's children with a derelict unsafe shell.

If like ASTRA you believe this building is just as important now as it was when built in 1215; during 'The Civil War' when new timbers were erected to support the bells in 1628; or during World War II when used by 'The Observer Corps', then we need your help. This Tower needs REPAIRING before it is too late.

We have formed a small independent working group to take on this challenge. At present we are obtaining surveys, ideas and quotes to establish our priorities and an achievable and realistic action plan. We know we need money, (some say around £75,000) but we really have no idea at this stage so in this regard; donations, ideas, sponsorship, introductions to people who could help, even your skills and labour will be required. I know this is a huge ask!

If you wish to help save All Saints' Tower then contact me or just simply stop me in the street and make your pledge. The challenge we face to save the TOWER is ASTRAnomical!!

795 years of history has to mean something

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The ASTRA Members are:

Richard Knights (Funding & Grant Aid)
Richard Norward-Grundy (Historical Building Specialist)
Nick Wagstaff (Research & Deputy Chair)
Trish Wilby (Research Historical Context)
Peter Willis (Research Architectural)
Alan Preen

FAMILY SERVICE

The family service will be held on

Sunday 10th October
11am
Bow Brickhill School



and will be particularly aimed at children with a form of "messy church". We hope that all members of the family will come and enjoy a range of activities together

ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB

The October meeting will take place on
Sunday October 24th
at the usual time of 12.15pm for 12.30pm
at the church hall.



All are welcome.

For more details or to book in contact Kay or Stuart on 372032

HARVEST AUCTION

The annual auction of produce took place in the Wheatsheaf on Monday 13th September.



Alan Preen, standing in for Mike Parker, honed his auctioneering talents on the bidders and raised the splendid sum of **£401.85**.

John Payne once again ran a very successful raffle raising **£146** which brought the total for the evening to **£547.85** towards church funds.

We were very pleased that Mike and Shirley Parker were able to be present for this the 30th such event.

Our thanks go to Chris and Sue at the Wheatsheaf for hosting the event, to John for organising the raffle and especially to Alan for being the auctioneer.

A big thank you also goes to all who supplied produce and came along to give their support so generously and buy it all back.

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

**Bow Brickhill
All Saints**

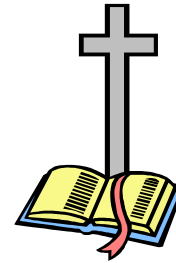
3rd October
9.30am Holy Communion

10th October
11.00am Family Service

17th October
11.00am Matins

24th October
8.00am Holy Communion

31st October (Patronal Festival)
10.00am Benefice Holy Communion



**Great Brickhill
St Mary the Virgin**

3rd October (Harvest)
11.00am Songs of Praise followed by Lunch

10th October
9.30am Morning Worship
6.00pm Evensong with holy Communion

17th October
3.00pm Dedication of Bells by Bishop of Buckingham

24th October
11.00am Family Service

Stoke Hammond St Luke

3rd October
11.00am Family Service at Methodist Church

10th October
9.30am Holy Communion

17th October (Patronal Festival)
9.30am Holy Communion

24th October
9.30am Morning Worship



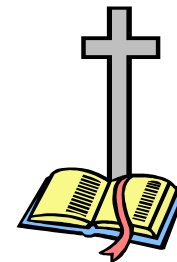
**Little Brickhill
St Mary Magdalene**

3rd October
No Service

10th October
11.00am Harvest Festival

17th October
11.15am Family Service

24th October
9.30am Holy Communion



CHURCH ROTAS



OCTOBER

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