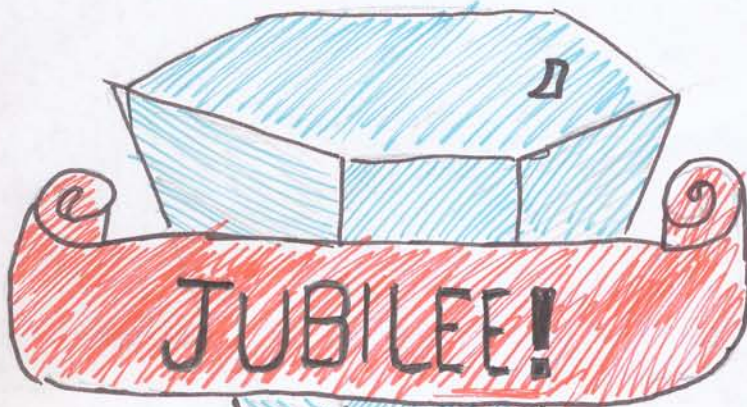


The

Queen's

Diamond



We Brits sure know how to have a spiffing good celebration!

1952 2012

June 9th 2012 at the village hall. 2pm - 5pm family afternoon.
Games, Competitions, Prizes
We've got the lot, plus from 7:30pm - 11:00pm listen and dance to a...
MIKE WELLS band. Music from the 50's through to today - groovy!

BY EMMA DODDS.



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The Anniversary Quiz

To celebrate 25 years of the BVRA, a bumper quiz with one question for each anniversary year from 1988 to 2012! Answers on page 25.

1. 1988. Where were the summer Olympics held?
2. 1989. Who succeeded whom as US President?
3. 1990. Who beat Argentina 1-0 to win the FIFA World Cup?
4. 1991. The Silence of the Lambs was a worldwide box office hit but who wrote the book on which it was based?
5. 1992. Which Latin term did the Queen use to memorably describe her year in a speech in the Guildhall in November?
6. 1993. Frank Zappa died. What was his band called?
7. 1994. Who released their debut album, "Definitely Maybe"?
8. 1995. Who conducted the (in)famous Panorama interview with Princess Diana?
9. 1996. Who replaced Terry Venables as England football manager?
10. 1997. Who won the Eurovision Song Contest with "Love Shine a Light"?
11. 1998. Which two Irishmen won the Nobel Peace Prize?
12. 1999. Who exhibited "My Bed" at the Tate Gallery?
13. 2000. Who became the most expensive British footballer in an £18m transfer from West Ham to Leeds?
14. 2001. Who resigned from the cabinet for a second time?
15. 2002. Spike Milligan died this year but in which country was he born?
16. 2003. The final film in the Lord of the Rings trilogy won 11 Oscars but what was its title?
17. 2004. Which British athlete won Olympic gold medals in the 800m and 1500m?
18. 2005. Following the 7/7 terrorist attacks, what was the name of the innocent Brazilian shot by police in London 2 weeks later?
19. 2006. Daniel Craig made his debut as James Bond – in which film?
20. 2007. What memorable phrase did George W Bush use to greet the British Prime Minister at a G8 meeting in St. Petersburg?
21. 2008. Adele's debut album went straight into the charts at number 1. What was it called?
22. 2009. Where did US Airways Flight 1549 carry out an emergency landing?
23. 2010. What was the name of the BP drilling rig which where an explosion and fire started a major oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico?
24. 2011. Lucien Freud died this year. What relation was he to Sigmund Freud?
25. 2012. Reading FC have been promoted back to the Premier League. How many seasons did they stay up last time they were promoted?

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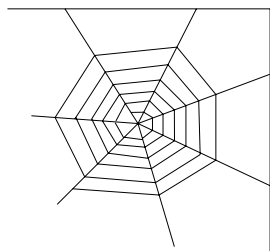
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Barkham web site

I'm now putting together a new-look web site with the aim of adding more interactive features, while continuing to provide the usual Barkham, Parish Council and Development Watch news.

More photos please!

We are always in need of attractive images of the Barkham area for both the web site and newsletter, so if you have some interesting photos and would like to share them please get in touch.

Simon Zarywacz



Editorial

Welcome to the 100th edition of the Barkham Newsletter! We intended to mark this auspicious occasion (!) with a bumper edition but of course it is also the Queen's Diamond Jubilee (which is being celebrated in Barkham on 9 June at the Village Hall and field) so we've stretched to 28 pages for the first time.

We hope as many residents as possible will join us at the Family Fun afternoon or the evening Live Band Dance (preferably both!) Details of the events are on pages 4 and 5. We'd like to thank Barkham Parish Council for a £350 grant towards the cost of the Jubilee event which the BVRA is organising. The BVRA is underwriting the majority of the costs of the celebrations although we hope to recoup much of this from ticket sales for the evening live band dance.

Congratulations to Emma Dodds for winning the competition to design our special front cover (see also page 12). We were very impressed by the quality of the entries and have reproduced them on the back page.

We've searched the archives to find some key Barkham events

of the past 25 years and some accompanying photos. Many of the more recent pictures seem to be weather related (storm, snow, flood) – who knows what to expect next?

The Quiz is also testing your memories of the past 25 years but taking in events further afield than just Barkham!

Could I also remind residents that if you haven't yet paid your £2 annual BVRA Membership Fee, please pay your distributor as soon as possible as the autumn and winter newsletters are only distributed to paid up members. If you're not sure who your distributor is, please contact Jim Butler (details opposite).

I have also been asked to draw your attention to the fact that Chestnut Path between Bearwood Road and Winnersh has been blocked off by a metal fence. The Parish Council is seeking to collate a list of residents that have used this path over a long period so that a "right of way by usage" claim may be made.

Thanks as always to all my contributors. It will be a busy summer with the Jubilee and then (in case you'd forgotten!) the Olympics. We shall be reporting on the Jubilee but not the Olympics unless a local resident wins a medal, although it's probably a bit late to start training!

Stewart Richardson
Editor

JUBILEE CRAFT COMPETITIONS

AGE GROUPS – (1) UP TO AND INCLUDING JUNIOR SCHOOL, (2) SECONDARY SCHOOL AGE AND (3) ‘OVER 18’

£1.00 ENTRY FEE PER PERSON IRRESPECTIVE OF NUMBER OF CATEGORIES ENTERED

BRING YOUR ENTRIES TO BARKHAM VILLAGE HALL ON 9TH JUNE AT 2PM. JUDGING WILL TAKE PLACE AT 3PM AND WINNERS ANNOUNCED AT 4PM

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE UNDERSIDE OF EACH ITEM ENTERED

CATEGORIES

- 1 **Make a cake –secondary school age and ‘over 18’ – a 8” un-iced fruit cake or 71/2 “ Victoria sandwich.**
Junior school age – two decorated fairy cakes
- 2 **Handmade card – to the Queen on her Jubilee**
- 3 **Write out the first verse of the National Anthem**
- 4 **A photograph of a place in Barkham**
- 5 **Produce a beautiful flower arrangement**
- 6 **Make a model of an Olympic Torch**

THE CAKES WILL BE JUDGED ON THEIR TASTE AS WELL AS THEIR LOOKS AND THE JUDGES’ DECISION IN ALL CATEGORIES IS FINAL!

“Barkham’s Olympic Contribution” article in the Spring Newsletter – an apology

There was an article on page 11 of the spring edition of the newsletter about Barkham’s contribution to the Olympics and the creation of a Carriage Driving route around Barkham for Olympic competitors to practice. This was an “April Fool” piece and this is not going to happen.

This article was written in a convincing style and has unfortunately been taken at face value by some of our residents and we would like to apologise unreservedly for any distress caused. This has been compounded by the resurfacing work being carried out by the council on the bridleways in the Coombes which some residents thought was linked to the Barkham Olympics article.

Once again, many apologies for any distress caused.

Barkham Village
Queen's Diamond Jubilee

9th June 2012
at Barkham Village Hall and field

Family Fun afternoon from 2.00 to 5.00pm – Free Admission

- 👑 **Bouncy Slide**
- 👑 **Punch & Judy**
- 👑 **Competitions/Crafts**
- 👑 **Fun Races with “Olympic” Medals**
- 👑 **Ice Creams**
- 👑 **Teas**
- 👑 **Bar**
- 👑 **Classic Car Display**
- 👑 **Various stalls**

Dance to the Mike Wells band from 7.30 to 11.00pm

- 👑 **Bar**
- 👑 **Superior Buffet**
- 👑 **Music from the 50s to the present day**

*Tickets for the evening dance from
Kate or Mike at Barkham Village Stores
between 9am and 3pm Monday to Friday
or from Judith Collins on 977 1579.
Price £9.50 (includes the buffet)*



News from Your Parish Council

At the January meeting of the Parish Council the annual Precept was set. You may well wonder what this means. Well, about this time of year the newspapers are full of news on how much Councils want to charge you the taxpayers for their services for next year.

Closer to April a bill actually drops through your door. The vast majority of this goes to pay for education, road repair, etc but if you look carefully you will see that a small amount is actually to fund your local Barkham Parish Council.

This amounts to just £27 per year per household, or £34,000 in total. Last year councillors decreased the amount paid to help in tough times, but they have had to increase it this year, not least because the Parish auditor strongly recommended that the Council's small reserves should not be depleted further.

Additionally, the Parish Council needs to set aside a small contingency in case legal representation is needed to deal with problems arising from proposed large scale development in and around Barkham.

Parish Councillors in Barkham give their time for free and rarely even ask for expenses let alone a free lunch! Their aim is to make

Barkham a better place to live on your behalf. The Council has one part-time paid employee, myself 'the Clerk', who has the legal and financial responsibilities, plus all the organising and advertising responsibilities.

So where does the rest of the money go?

Well a proportion of it goes to help support local charities that help the residents of Barkham. This includes the local day centre for the elderly provided by WADE and Keep Mobile that provides transport. The local offices of Relate and the Citizen's Advice Bureau also benefit. The Village Hall and the Churchyard are both helped with the cost of maintenance. For the youngsters we fully fund the youth club and much more besides. Even this newsletter is part funded this way.

So if you are elderly, or use the Village Hall, or need help with relationships, or have children who need 'something to do', the Parish Council is pleased to provide a little support through grants to carry on the great work they do. All for just £27 per year!

The Annual Parish Cleanup was held on Sunday 25th March. Again we were lucky to have a warm and sunny morning. A big thanks to all those residents who turned out to help us collect a record amount of rubbish. This year we collected 58 black sacks of rubbish, 27 orange sacks of recyclable rubbish, 13 tyres, 1

wheel, 2 oil drums, 1 handbag complete with contents, 1 exhaust system from a lorry & 1 footpath sign. About 35 residents took part, including the Church Sunday Club who did a fantastic job clearing Church Lane and the area surrounding the village hall. With more willing helpers this meant that more roads could be covered. The Parish Council are very grateful to Marion Heath for providing the bacon rolls, teas and coffees for all the weary workers. The handbag was found in the vicinity of the village hall, the contents appear to be intact,



so if anyone has had a handbag stolen, please contact the Clerk. This was a great opportunity to meet other residents and keep Barkham looking good.

Finally, we will be looking for applications for the Barkham Sporting Endeavour Fund, if you are a talented young person under the age of 18 who participates in a sport at national level then please apply, we would be delighted to hear from you. So with the 2012 Olympics only round the corner we would love to see some Barkham young people representing the U.K.

Judith Neuhofer
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Watch out for the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire

Residents will shortly be receiving a questionnaire from Arborfield and Barkham Parish Councils as the first step in preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

As Pam Stubbs, Barkham Parish Council's chairman, explained in a previous edition of the Newsletter, the new Localism Act allows local people to take more control over the way their communities evolve; provided that they take the trouble to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan.

This is especially important for our two parishes in view of the anticipated development of the Arborfield Garrison site to accommodate 3,500 houses.

The development of the Plan presents a great opportunity for residents to suggest improvements to the area and have an influence on new developments.

As you might expect, a Neighbourhood Plan has its limitations. It cannot contradict national planning policy, or the Core Strategy adopted by Wokingham Borough

Council. This means, for example, that it could not impose a blanket embargo on any further development in and around Barkham - it is not a NIMBY charter!

We have already had several discussions with our counterparts in Arborfield to agree on the scope of the Neighbourhood Plan. Now we need input from residents, and also businesses, to understand local priorities and the needs for local infrastructure such as transport, education and recreational facilities.

It is the start of a process that will involve dialogue with residents at every stage and will include a referendum for voters in Arborfield and Barkham before the plan can be implemented.

We will shortly be circulating the questionnaire to all residents. There will be collection points in both parishes, but it will be even quicker and simpler to fill it in online. The latter will also make it easier to analyse.

All the data will remain confidential and we will not require your personal details apart from your post code which is needed to help in analysing the data. For example, people in the two parishes, or in different areas of the parishes, might have different priorities.

We would like to build a list of people who want to be involved or wish to receive updates as the plan progresses: please add your name and address or email when you complete the questionnaire if you are happy to be contacted.

Laurence Heath
Vice Chairman
Barkham Parish Council

Advertising and Newsletter Contributions

Newsletter articles / contributions for the Autumn edition should be in by 7 September. It helps if these can be submitted in electronic form by email to newsletter@barkham.org.uk. They may also be hand written or typed, and should be sent to the Editor, Stewart Richardson, at 342 Barkham Road, Wokingham, RG41 4DE.

For trade adverts, contact Ian Overton by email to treasurer@barkham.org.uk, or call 973 4806. We offer three sizes, 64mm x 54mm at £22, 124mm x 105mm at £52 and 190x130mm at £100, for 4 quarterly insertions.

Distribution of the next issue will take place in late September

Barkham Village Hall

Near to St James' Church, beautiful setting for weddings, christenings and parties.

From as little as £10.50/hr for the small hall to £15.75/hr for large hall or £21/hr for both.

Can accommodate 175 guests and has a new fully equipped kitchen. Early booking is essential.

The Village Hall currently has a few daytime slots that have now become free, Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons. So if you are a group who needs somewhere to meet on a regular basis why not use your local village hall, we have plenty of tables and chairs and spacious car park and grounds for use during the summer. We offer very competitive rates for regular users. Please contact Judith Neuhofer for further details on 9790296 or email judith@neuhofer.freemove.co.uk.



Borough Councillor's report

The MOD and the Council are still discussing how the Arborfield Garrison might be developed which will eventually lead to a full planning application soon. This is called the pre-application process where the Council and the MOD discuss their differing views on how the development should take place.

One point is clear and that is the MOD are not keen on an Arborfield bypass. Councillor Gary Cowan and I are meeting with the Officers at Wokingham Borough to try and establish where the MOD and the Borough Council differ in how the Garrison site is developed and when it is most likely to take place. Gary and I recognise that if and when the MOD do vacate the site it will be developed and we will be fighting to ensure that what comes provides the best infrastructure (roads, schools, shops, community facilities etc.) and is beneficial to the community and in a timely manner to minimise disruption.

We will update residents when I have more information on how to submit comment etc. once the planning application becomes "live".

April saw the start of a new household waste collection ser-

vice. The council is required to reduce waste that goes to landfill as landfill charges and fines are becoming draconian and if we do not reduce landfill it is us the taxpayer who will have to pay. The aim is to reduce our residual waste by at least 5,000 tonnes overall and as landfill tax is £64 per tonne in 2012/13 this 5,000 tonnes reduction will deliver £320k of savings as well as being a lot more environmentally friendly. In addition we will be able to recycle more of household waste with kerbside recycling collections every week instead of fortnightly which hopefully will see our overall recycling rate rise from 41% in 2010/11 to around 45% in 2012/13.

In the first 2 weeks of operating the new scheme we have seen an increase of over 10% in the level of recycling which is excellent news for the borough and the environment. The scheme has not been without its problems and we have seen a massive increase in requests for thousands of black recycling bins which has kept the council busy trying to keep up with demand. In addition some of the first batch of blue general household waste sacks had been manufactured too small and it has meant we have been delivering the correct sacks to residents. As the bags come on a roll it was impossible to see that there was a problem until residents came to use their bags. If you feel you have been delivered wrong size bags please email me and I will arrange for the correct bags to be delivered.

With regards to the green waste we have supplied over 5000 brown wheelie bins and the council are receiving over 160 enquires per day.

The new operators of the contract have started to get into the swing of things which included collections over the Easter bank holiday. We are also receiving fewer complaints with regards to the collection and operational aspects of the contract than previously.

The council has also frozen its share of the council tax for the second year running, using a one-off government grant. The borough council will not be cutting services despite suffering a 10.4 per cent reduction, on top of the 14.3 per cent reduction suffered last year in its main grant from central government, known as the revenue support grant.

The 2012/15 Council budget includes:

- A £39.7m budget for social care for adults, which includes an additional £1.1million for community care services such as preventative services and mental health per year
- Over £28.5m children's services budget (excluding money that goes directly to schools) per year
- £108m direct to schools in the form of dedicated schools grant (DSG) per year
- Just under £127m on capital schemes including:
 - £26m investment in school buildings
 - Over £25m to be spent on maintaining the borough's roads and other infrastructure
 - £19m investment in repairs and maintenance of council housing (this is approximately £4m per year higher than in previous years)
 - £37m in town centre regeneration

Wokingham Borough receives £34m in central government grant but residents and businesses pay back over £55m in rates and taxes. (This excludes the money that goes directly to schools.) The council receives from central government just £119.9 per person compared with, for example, Slough which gets £406.7 and Reading £332.9. Approximately 20p in every £1 the council spends comes from central government – other councils get nearer 50p on average. The council has saved almost £20m over five years which includes £4.5m to be saved 2012/13.

Each member of staff serves approx 174 residents - one of the lowest in the country and the fact that WBC is the third lowest spending unitary council per head of population (£637). Reading spends £844 and Slough £860.

Wokingham Borough Council's vision for the future of the borough was launched on February 23; the borough council's vision identifies the outcomes it's aiming to achieve in the medium and long term. These outcomes include regeneration of its towns and communities; creating an environment which drives economic growth; having the best schools; delivering well designed development with the required level of infrastructure; providing effective services that demonstrate value for money and helping its more vulnerable residents to maintain their independence.

Leader of the council Cllr David Lee said: "Our residents have told us that they want an efficient refuse collection system and clean streets; great country parks and leisure attractions; roads and transport links that are of high

Chestnut Path right of way

Many of you keen walkers may have noticed that this popular foot-path/bridleway which runs from Bearwood Road to Woosehill has now been blocked off with a tall metal fence making it impassable. The Parish Council need your help. Chestnut Avenue is not recorded as a right of way. However, rights of way may come into being by usage, residents who have lived in the area for 20 years or more and have used this path can make a claim for the way to be a right of way, this is called a Modification Application. Please contact the Clerk, Judith Neuhofer on 979 0296 or judith@neuhofer.freestate.co.uk in order that the Parish Council can collate a number of residents who would be willing to confirm this.

quality and without congestion; top quality schools and local libraries."

Despite being the lowest funded unitary authority in the country we have already been working hard to put these priorities into practice. We are investing £26 m in our schools, have opened a new country park in Barkham, a new library in Finchampsted, a new mobile children's centre, extra care housing at Alexandra Place and shortly at Beeches Manor.

If you have any questions or comments or just want to talk to me about any issues you can contact me on 07714192352 or email on john.kaiser@wokingham.gov.uk

Best regards
Cllr. John Kaiser

Wokingham Times

If you have local news or would like your event photographing for the paper, please let me know. My direct line is 918 3023.

Jon Nurse



Membership Report

This year subscriptions were sought with the Spring Newsletter so that distributors do not have to go out in bleak winter weather; distributors and members have appreciated this.

Helen McSweeney has left the distribution team with our thanks for the many years work she put in. We would like to welcome our new distributors Janet Volkaefts, Andy Martin and Sarina Martin to the team.

With only a few more subscriptions to come in we see that membership overall is going to stay at the high levels of the past few years bolstered by newcomers to the enlarged parish of Barkham.

Regards
Jim Butler



Social

Whatever is happening to our climate especially this year? In March we had days of beautiful sunshine and very warm temperatures followed by April with the longest showers (and



The Junipers Park to look for 1100 tokens that they could exchange for small chocolate eggs. Most of the tokens were found but we still think that there could be about 30 hidden in the area – so if you do find any please let me know as I still have the eggs to go with them. Charlie Bidgood won the Giant Easter Egg and we all hope that he enjoyed it. He is pictured opposite with his sisters.

At the moment the main and social committees are working on the arrangements for The Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations that are going to be held in the

deluges) imaginable. At least we don't have to water the gardens but it is so easy to forget that the plants in the greenhouse still do need attention. Hopefully the gardens will still look as pretty in the summer as they usually do.

Since the last newsletter we have held a Barn Dance and those that attended had a very enjoyable evening dancing to the music performed by Hullabaloo. They also enjoyed 'hot dogs'.

Luckily Easter Sunday was dry and about 90 children gathered in



Village Hall and grounds on Saturday 9th June.

The afternoon will be a family time with games, competitions, stalls, ice cream vendor, punch and judy show, bouncing slide and various craft making facilities. There will also be refreshments and a licence has been obtained for a beer tent. The local Queen and her consort will be in attendance.

In the evening we will be able to listen and / or dance to The Mike Wells Band and they will play music from 1950 through to today.



miss out on these events. Tickets will be on sale in late August and late October. Please contact me on 977 1579 or social@barkham.org.uk to reserve them.

Enjoy the summer and I look forward to seeing you all at the Family Fun day on Saturday 9th June.

Judith Collins – 977 1579

The ticket price will also include a Buffet Supper. This evening event is by pre-purchased tickets only and at £9.50 each will be available from Barkham Village Store, Monday – Friday 9am till 3pm or from myself – Judith Collins on 977 1579.

SEE PAGES 4 AND 5 FOR MORE DETAILS.

We have also booked the hall for a skittles evening on Saturday 22nd September and the quiz evening on Saturday 24th November. Please put these dates in your diary NOW so that you do not



Newsletter cover design competition winners

In the spring issue of the Newsletter we invited entries to design the front and back pages of the summer edition. We had lots of entries for the front page and the winner is Emma Dodds (11), of Bearwood Road and The Coombes Primary School. She is pictured receiving an Amazon Voucher from Judith Collins. Also pictured with their designs are the second prize winner Naomi Bruce (11) of The Junipers and The Coombes and third prize Harry Cheney (9) of Barkham Road and St Paul's.



Congratulations to all the entrants which made judging very difficult. Emma's design is reproduced as the front page of this Newsletter and the others can be seen on the back page.

We did get one entry for the BVRA 25th anniversary design (open to secondary school age students) and we thought it deserved to be in the newsletter so it is included in the photo spread in the centre pages. Thanks to Laura Whittington (16) for this.



**The Coombes
Primary School
Arborfield**



OLYMPICS

Summer Fete

Sat 14 July

2012

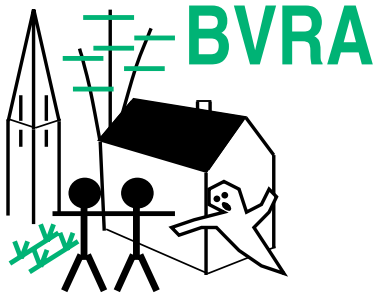
11am-2pm

Sponge Throw / B-B-Q
Plants / Bouncy Castle
Face Painting / Tombolas
Tug of War / Coconut Shy



Penalty Shootout
Cakes and Teas
Refreshments / Prize Draw
Plus lots more!

The BVRA celebrates 25 years



The Barkham Village Residents' Association (BVRA) was formed in 1987 in response to proposed housing development within the Coombes woodland. Once this had been successfully resisted WDC designated the Coombes as an Area of Special Landscape importance where development was not allowed.

Over the past 25 years the BVRA has, together with Barkham Parish Council, continued to act as a focal point for village activities, organising regular social events such as (currently) a quiz, barn dance, skittles, carol singing and an Easter Egg Hunt and keeping residents aware of other significant developments via the quarterly newsletter and the website.

Some key events:

1987 BVRA formed and The Great Storm devastates southern England (these events were not related). The 2 photos show the damage to Barkham Hill Garage



(thanks to David Robins for his pictures). This was repaired but in 2002 the garage closed and the site was redeveloped. BVRA Membership was set at £1 per household per annum. 25 years later it is now £2 pa!

1988. BVRA membership exceeds 200 households. In recent years we have regularly had over 600 members.

1989 (issue 10). First advertiser (Peter Robins, builder) followed by issue 11 Robinson's French Polishers. Both are still advertising in the newsletter today, 22 years later! Many thanks to them and to all our advertisers.

1990 Photo shows the May Queen Ruth Collins (16) seated.



and the 100th Barkham Newsletter!



Barkham Wives (now Barkham Ladies Social Club), organised a May Fair for many years.

1995 VE Day 50th anniversary celebrations including May Fair - May Queen Sarah Vestey (10) pictured in her procession. The programme for the event is reproduced on page 16.

1997 BVRA reported to be in danger of folding but more volunteers step forward

1999 Barkham wins Best Kept Village Award

1999 The Newsletter gets a revamped front cover!

2000 Millennium celebrations in May

2002 The Queen's Golden Jubilee celebration in The Junipers field

2007 (January). Strong winds bring down one of the Barkham Road oak trees.

2007 Village Design Statement published

2007 (July) Barkham Brook overflows and the photo shows Barkham Street under water.

2010/11 Winter snow causes widespread disruption (photo on page 16 is of Bearwood Road)

2010 Digby Carter moves away and resigns as BVRA chairman after 19 years (we are still trying to replace him!)

2012 June 9th Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations (photos in the next edition)



Laura Whittington's anniversary design

SATURDAY 6TH MAY 1995

BARKHAM MAY FAIR

BARKHAM VILLAGE HALL

ORGANISED BY BARKHAM WIVES GROUP

- 2.00 MAY QUEEN'S PROCESSION FROM BARKHAM STREET, LED BY PIPERS DON MACLEAN AND SON MARK
- 2.15 CROWNING OF THE MAY QUEEN BY CINDY THOMPSON FROM THE RED CROSS
- 2.30 COUNTRY AND MORRIS DANCING BY PUPILS OF BEARWOOD COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL
- 3.30 DRAWING OF RAFFLE AND PRESENTATION OF PRIZES
- 4.00 CHILDREN'S TEA PARTY IN MARQUEE

ENTRANCE TO FAIR BY PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 7TH MAY 1995

VETERANS AFTERNOON

ORGANISED BY BARKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

- 3.00 SPECIAL SERVICE IN ST JAMES CHURCH
- 4.00 TEA IN THE VILLAGE HALL FOR ALL SENIOR CITIZENS AND CARERS ENTERTAINMENT BY FIELDFARE SINGERS

MONDAY 8TH MAY 1995

VE CONCERT

BARKHAM VILLAGE HALL

ORGANISED BY BARKHAM VILLAGE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

"IN THE MOOD" ('40S MUSIC)

PAUL SYKES BIG BAND

7.30PM TO 11.00PM

TICKETS £6.00 – TO INCLUDE LIGHT SUPPER AND BAR

PRIZE FOR MOST APPROPRIATE '40S DRESS

LUCKY NO: 979





The Queen and the King of Kings

Royalist or republican (and I'm sure there are readers of this newsletter in both camps!), it's entirely appropriate to join the rest of our nation in marking Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. I'll never forget a friend saying that, while he personally struggled to justify or support the idea of a monarchy, he found it hard to get very angry about it while our current Queen was on the throne.

For 60 years now, Queen Elizabeth has served our country - and the wider Commonwealth - with remarkable hard work, stamina, wisdom (not least according to the testimony of the twelve Prime Ministers who have got to know her well through their weekly meetings with her), and dignity. And all this through some very trying and challenging times indeed. We have much to be grateful for.

But there is another aspect of the Queen's service that shouldn't go unnoticed, and that is her Christian faith. If anything, she has spoken more clearly about this as the years have gone by. Maybe you remember these words from her most recent Christmas Speech?

'Although we are capable of great acts of kindness, history teaches us that we sometimes need sav-

ing from ourselves - from our recklessness or our greed. God sent into the world a unique person - neither a philosopher nor a general, important though they are, but a Saviour, with the power to forgive.

Forgiveness lies at the heart of the Christian faith. It can heal broken families, it can restore friendships and it can reconcile divided communities. It is in forgiveness that we feel the power of God's love...'

I'm paid to explain the Christian faith, but I don't think I could put it more clearly than that!

During her Coronation Service, back in June 1953, the Queen was asked, under oath, whether she would 'to her power cause Law and Justice, in Mercy, to be executed in all her judgments' and whether she would 'to the utmost of her power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel.' 'All this I promise to do' - she replied.

Later on in that same service, the then Archbishop of Canterbury placed the Queen's Ring on one of her fingers, and spoke these words:

'Receive the Ring of kingly dignity, and the seal of Catholic Faith: and as you are this day consecrated to be our Head and Prince, so may you continue steadfastly as the Defender of Christ's Religion; that being rich in faith and blessed in all good works, you may reign with him who is the King of Kings, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.'

As I write, it is just over two weeks until Ascension Sunday. It tends to be one of the more easily forgotten dates in the Church's calendar, but it is the day when Christians

remember that Lord Jesus - newly risen from the dead - ascended to the greatest coronation service there has ever been, during which he took his place on the throne of heaven, from where, he said, he rules and directs everything he has made.

Some of us won't leap at that idea. We may not be that keen on the suggestion that there is a King of Kings who says that one day we will all stand before him, and to whom all glory is due.

If someone asked me why, as Christians, we can be so sure that that is true - that Jesus is reigning - my first answer would be to point them to the resurrection, and how much evidence there is that that happened. After all, if Jesus really did rise from the dead, surely we have to believe the things he said about what would happen next?

But I might also point them to the example of our Queen. No doubt there are many things that have strengthened her to reign as she has. But we know from what she has said that one of them is this: her recognition that she serves under and with the help of an even greater King.

David Horrocks

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Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 2. This extraordinarily talented young musician is a name to watch, and it was exciting to hear him at the start of what will clearly be a stellar career.

We are now busy rehearsing for our Summer Concert which is on Saturday 7th July, again at The Old Gym, Wellington College and which will be part of Crowthorne Carnival Week. The theme for the carnival this year is 'Best of British' and our programme will reflect this by including works by Elgar, Vaughan Williams, Holst and Malcolm Arnold. The concert starts at 8pm (doors open 7.30pm) and advance tickets at £10 are available from Traveltime Travel Agents, High Street Crowthorne, and Bookends, Peach Street Wokingham or £12 on the door. Come and listen to Crowthorne's own symphony orchestra and remember - children 16 and under go free!

Our regular Monday evening rehearsals are now at Our Lady's Preparatory School, The Avenue, Crowthorne 7.45-10pm, during term time. We are always keen to welcome new members, especially string players. If you play an instrument and would like to

break and have enjoyed getting back to playing regularly again. We include sectional rehearsals which are very helpful in tackling the trickier passages and for those less experienced in orchestral playing there is always friendly advice from more experienced colleagues or from our Director of Music, Robert Roscoe.

As I write, we are looking forward to our 4th String Workshop to be held in May when we will play works by Grieg and Corelli. Later in the year (Sunday 9th September) we will hold our popular annual Open Workshop for full orchestra at Wellington College from 10.15 am - 5pm; the programme and details will be on our website. You don't have to be a member of the orchestra to attend and if you are interested, contact Diana Brealey on 01628 520143.

For more information about the orchestra, our workshops and concerts, as well as online ticket sales, see our website www.crowthorneorchestra.com or ring Ruth on 0118 972 2164.

Chris Gadsby

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TCB Concert Review

Under the baton of their talented Musical Director, Chris I'Anson, Trinity Concert Band's Spring Concert gave another thrilling performance at Trinity Church in Lower Earley on Saturday 14th April. The programme comprised of a selection of pieces by a range of British composers including "The Voice of the Guns", "By The Sleepy Lagoon" and "Barwick Green". The band's talented Trumpet section opened the second half with the "Fanfare and Processional" by Duncan Stubbs, followed by "Wherever You Are" made famous by the Military Wives. "*Wherever You Are always bring tears to my eyes and was played beautifully*", commented a member of the audience.

They also played the one of the pieces which won the band a Silver Award at the NCBF finals at the Royal Academy of Music in London; Adam Gorb's "Yiddish Dances"

Alistair Penman, our guest soloist, received a rapturous applause from the audience for his two fan-

tastic saxophone solos "Carnival" by Philip Sparke, and "Pequena Czarda" by Pedro Iturralde.

The Reading Film and Video Makers made a recording of the performance, and part of the recording will be available on YouTube soon.

The band is next playing in the Oakwood centre, Woodley on 5th June. Information about this and other concerts is on the band website at www.trinityband.co.uk



Congratulations to the Barkham Newsletter on its 100th edition!

The Citizens Advice Bureau is an independent charity. We help people to resolve their problems by providing free, confidential and impartial information and advice.

We have just finished another year in which we helped people that live and work in Wokingham Borough. We helped 4,592 people in the last year and 100 of them told us that they lived in Barkham, compared with 107 in the previous year. The main problem that people coming to us have is debt, followed by welfare benefits. As we cannot operate without volunteers and funding we are grateful to our volunteers that live in Barkham and to the Parish Council (who are in the top 4 parishes in the borough when it comes to helping the CAB) for the funding they provide.

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Arborfield Gardening Association

Congratulations to Barkham News for reaching the 100th edition. AGA recently celebrated its 50th Anniversary and have been given photographs from the mid-eighties of presentations at our Summer Show. To commemorate our Golden Anniversary we enjoyed a super luncheon attended by the daughter of our then Chairman, George Gerring who is Rita Bunyard. Rita is also featured below at our luncheon along with her husband, Major Bunyard. We were delighted to



be joined for the occasion by the couple, and also other former members, Chris and Mike Ayles who travelled from Devon to be with us for the day. Mike was Treasurer of our club around 10 years ago, and is now Chairman of his local Gardening Club in Pymptree. Around 40 members spent happy hours reminiscing, and dining in style at the Millhouse Hotel, Swallowfield.

Moving to the future, there are many events coming up to put in your diary. The Plant Sale at the Village Hall, Eversley Road, Arborfield is on Sat 26th May, come early for bargains, and we are having a stall at the Jubilee Fete, Arborfield Park on Sat 2nd June, 12–5pm, along with a walking Garden Tour. There is also a visit to Cross Lanes Orchard on Thurs 14th June 7pm at £4.50pp. Our coach trip this year is to the fabulous Waddesdon Manor on Weds 20th June and a snip for National Trust members as they get free entry, with the cost of the coach at just £12. If you need more information on any events, please do not hesitate to contact me, Jan on 976 0243.

Finchampstead Flower Club

We meet on the 4th Monday of every month at 7.45 pm at The California Ratepayer's Hall. Future meetings are:

July 23rd 'Down my Garden Path' Ann Anson

Sept 24th 'Blooming Marvellous' Annette Parshotam

Visitors are always welcome to these demonstrations.

Ann Tuffee



The Barkham And District Classic Car Club was formed in late 2009, and we now have over 85 Members and over 100 vehicles and motorcycles from the Wokingham area. Members vehicles range from Aston Martin Vantages, Bristol 401s and Pontiacs through MG's, Scimitars, Triumphs to Morrisies and a Messerschmitt "bubble car" to name just a few. We meet on the last Wednesday evening of each month, the venue is always local and is notified on the club website below.

Throughout each year the club organises participation in a number of motoring displays and events mostly local but some further afield and from 2010 we have been an integral part of the committee arranging the annual Bearwood College Car and Bike Show. This is a busy year for the Club, which will be displaying at the Queen's Jubilee celebrations in Wokingham Town centre on Sunday 3rd June 2012. A gathering of some of our cars will also be present at the BVRA's Queen's Diamond Jubilee event at the Barkham Village Hall on June 9th.

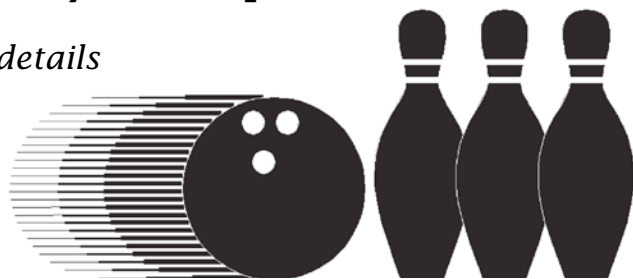
Other planned events can be found on the events page on our internet site www.badccc.co.uk along with details on how to join as new members are always welcome.

Bernie Hicks

Family Skittles Evening

Saturday 22nd September

See page 11 for details



Arborfield Jubilee Ride/Walk

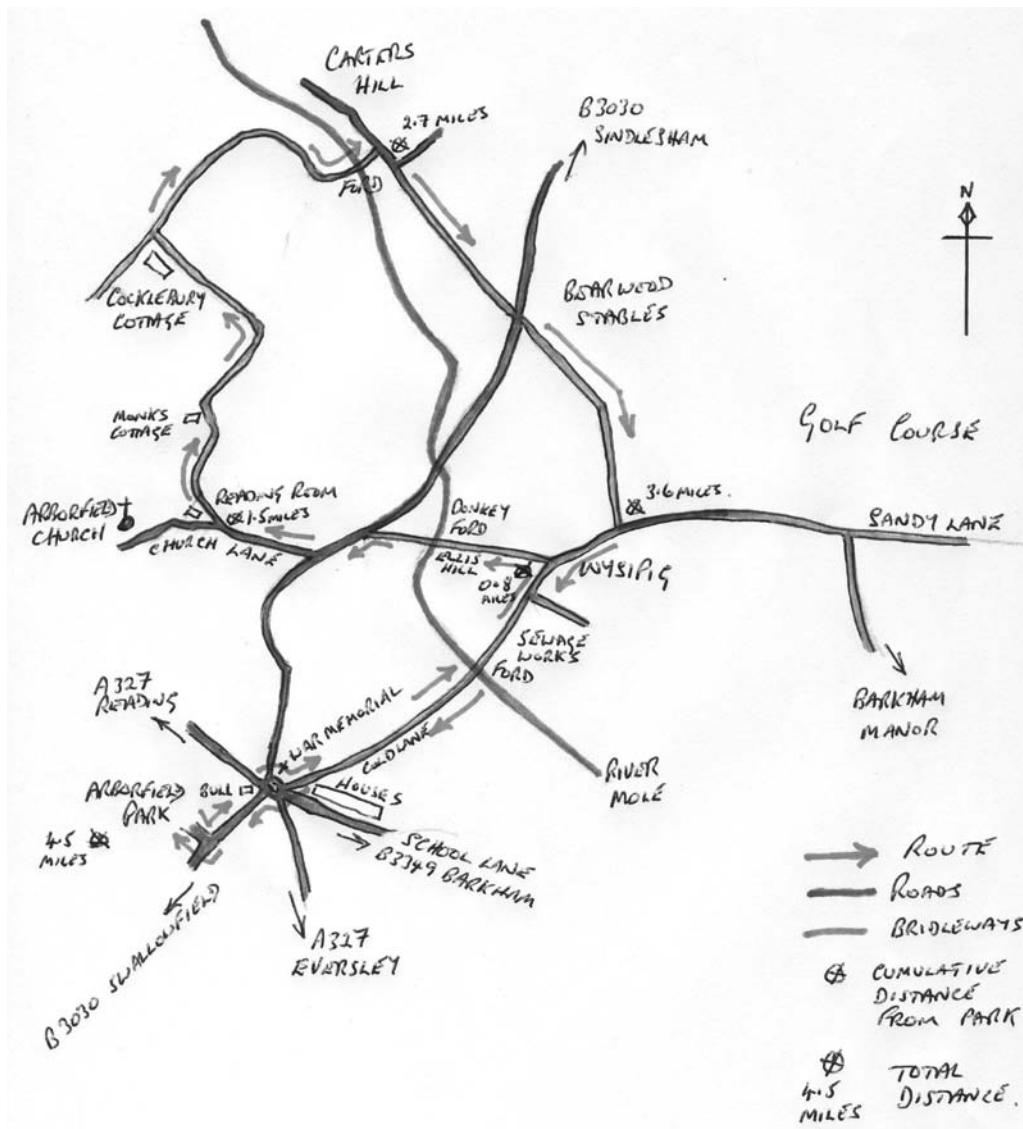


Monday 4th June starting at 10.30am from Arborfield Recreation Park

All welcome to ride or walk through the Coombes in Arborfield to mark the Queens Jubilee.

Feel free to join at a place on the route below which is convenient to your home or stables.

Commemorative rosettes will be available to buy on the day or at the Jubilee fete sold in aid of Arborfield Talisman RDA for a minimum donation of £2.





Barkham Pre-School

Once again it's been another busy and fun packed term at Barkham Pre-School. The children enjoyed the build-up to Easter with lots of crafts, baking and an Easter Egg hunt whilst the parents enjoyed Hot Cross Buns. As an end of term treat there was a visit from Zoolab, where the children went on a rainforest adventure and were introduced to some interesting and exotic animals including a snake and a tarantula! This term the children will be looking at the theme "Our World" and will be learning about different countries and cultures.

Barkham Pre-School offers children from 2 years 6 months to 5 years the opportunity to make new friends, socialise and follow a structured session and was recently awarded "Good" by Ofsted, "Children are very happy, confident and safe at the pre-school. The dedicated and caring staff team recognise each individual's uniqueness and treat them with kindness and respect" (Ofsted April 2011)

Activities include plenty of free play with a large variety of toys, music, singing, storytime, physical games and activities. The children also get to make use of the kitchen facilities and have made pizza, gingerbread men

and decorated biscuits amongst other things. "Staff provide a wide range of interesting play opportunities and activities both inside and outside which help the children make good progress in their learning and development" (Ofsted April 2011)

The pre-school is in a lovely rural setting at Barkham Village Hall where there is plenty of off road parking and lots of outside space for the children. Sessions are from 9.00am to 12.45pm, Tuesday to Friday during term time. Non-funded places cost £12 per session which also includes staying for a packed lunch. Childcare vouchers are accepted.

If you are looking for a Pre-School for your child please contact us by email or phone (details below) to arrange a convenient time for you to come and see the Pre-School.

We welcome your questions and hope to make you and your little one feel welcome.

Please contact Jackie Lawrence on 0118 9760750 (session times only), or go to www.barkhampreschool.net for more information and where to find us.



At the March meeting, Alan Gould from Henry Street Garden Centre came to give us a talk about "Roses and Rose Care". In April, Mariana Swann told us about "Beautiful Bolivia" with interesting slides. The May supper was well attended, with Fish & Chips delivered to the hall from a shop in Crowthorne. Sallyanne Streatham gave us a talk about the charity DEBRA, as this year it is our chosen charity to help. Julie Mahoney brought a wonderful selection of handbags, purses, umbrellas, scarfs and jewellery for sale. They were all reasonably priced.

The meetings take place on the first Wednesday of the month, at approx. 7.30pm at Barkham Village Hall. For further details please contact our chairperson, Pauline Vestey on 979 1714.

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Arborfield Local History Society

I would like to congratulate the Barkham Newsletter on its 25 years and 100th edition. Our Society also celebrates this year when it is our 10th anniversary - little chance of us catching up though! That said, we are flourishing and expect to have about 80 members when all the subscriptions are in. It should be noted that you don't have to be a member to attend most of our meetings. A nominal charge (£2-00) will get you in and we can assure you of a warm welcome. Meetings are usually held on the first Monday of each month in Arborfield Village Hall, starting at 1945.

This year, we had a meeting in February when Paul Lacey gave an illustrated talk on the operations of the Thames Valley Traction Company which brought back memories for many of the older members who recalled their passes passing through the village.

March brought a talk by Steve Bacon, aided by members of the Research Group on "The Village Recording Scheme, 1938-1945". This was a topic which I was unaware of and found it very interesting.

Our AGM in April was dealt with in double quick time and was followed by an "Open Forum" when members were asked where they would like the Society to be going. A number of positive suggestions were made and will be considered in due course.

In February, we held a public meeting, when we sought to establish the level of support for creating a Trust to be responsible for the Old Churchyard. Unfortunately, it was not well attended, with only the "Faithful Few" together with a few others being

there. The level of support hoped for was not forthcoming, but we will continue to pursue this in the coming months. We have had a couple of indications of interest subsequently and any further offers will be appreciated. You don't need to get your hands dirty and whilst regular working parties are taking place, we are equally anxious to seek administrative help.

Our May meeting will have come and gone by the time this goes to press and is followed on June 2nd by the Village Diamond Jubilee Fete, where we are planning to have two stalls. One will include our display boards and on the other, we plan to print for sale, photographs from our extensive archive. Come along and talk to us when you are there.

Then on June 11th, Trevor Otewski will return to continue his story of "The Wokingham Town Halls". July 2nd sees Ken Wells, Curator of the Thames Valley Police Museum and a former Scenes of Crime Officer give us a talk.

Our regular summer event will be another Garden Party, for members only, kindly hosted by Sheila Bunce.

Our annual trip this year will be to Bristol on August 6th. The city and surroundings are full of interest and we anticipate a full coach again. Bookings are being taken at our regular meetings and tickets are priced at £10 for members and £13 for guests.

On September 3rd, Philip Littlejohn will return to tell us about his voyage to mark the centenary of the sinking of the Titanic including his earlier dive to the wreck.

Ray Hill
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A Superhero Challenge for a Super Charity!



On 13th May, Me2 Club, a small Wokingham based children's charity, entered 10 runners in a 5k fun run in Regents Park. The runners dressed up as their favourite superheroes to raise money for this fantastic cause! Me2 Club enables children and young people 5-19 with additional needs, to be part of mainstream leisure activities in the local community by giving them access to great activities like Brownies, Scouts, kayaking, climbing, art clubs, dance classes, youth clubs and many more!

We support 80 children and young people from Wokingham borough into regular activities each year and need the help of over 90 volunteers. We have 3 full time staff who work directly with families, children, volunteers and activity providers. The support the charity provides is a life line to so many children and their families; the difference being in a club or group can make to a child is huge. The fun, friendship, social skills and development leisure activities offered to young people is so important and is something every child should have the opportunity to be part of. If you would like to support this super charity in their superhero challenge, helping them to continue their fantastic work, you can pledge money at <http://www.justgiving.com/me2club>

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Contact Beth on 969 7158
or Liz on 988 2201



Everyone is welcome to join Loddon Valley Ramblers on one of these walks.

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Thursday 31st May: Up Whitchurch Hill & Boze Down, 5 miles. 10.30 from Station Road Car Park (£1.10 for 3 hours) in centre of Pangbourne, next to Village Hall, (RG8 7AN). Leaders – Graham Smith & Karen Durie 0118 973 0540 / 07966 002016.

Thursday 7th June: Finchampstead Ridges, Horseshoe Lakes & Wellington College, 5 miles. 10.00 from National Trust Car Park, Wellingtonia Avenue, Crowthorne, (RG45 6AE). No dogs please! Leader – Stephen Smith 07776 148720

Sunday 10th June: Woods, a lake & a short part of the Thames Path, 4 ½ miles. 10.30 from Spade Oak CP, near Bourne End, there is a 2 metre height barrier, (SL8 5PT). Leader – John Wager 0118 932 0127

Thursday 28th June: Crowsley Park, Shepherd's Green, Satwell & Great Bottom Woods, 5 miles. 10.30 from Peppard Common, opposite Red Lion pub after verge parking (RG9 5LB) Leader – Gerry Cooper 07805 356708. _

Thursday 5th July: Pindar's Wood, Greys Court & Earl's Wood, 5 miles. 10.30 from Maltsters Arms/St Nicholas Church, Rotherfield Greys after parking near church or in pub Car Park if visiting the pub after the walk (RG9 4QD). Leader – Barbara Curtis 0118 940 3158.

Sunday 8th July: Culham Court & Remenham Wood, 6 miles. 10.00 from the steps of Henley Town Hall after parking in one of the public Car Parks (free on Sundays),(in the centre of Henley RG9 2AQ). No dogs, please! Leader – Caroline Layton 0118 978 1336.

Wednesday 11th July: A summer evening stroll to Ludgrove School & Gorrick Plantation, 4 miles. 18.30 from the Car Park of The White Horse pub Easthampstead Road Wokingham (permission obtained),(RG40 3AF). If you would like to eat in the pub after the walk, either contact the pub directly on 0118 979 7402 saying you are with the LVR party, or advise leader prior to walk. Leader – David Turner 07899 938397.

Sunday 15th July: Mayes Green & Harpsden Bottom, 6 miles. 10.00 from Mill Lane / Marsh Meadows free Car Park, Henley, (RG9 4HD). Leader – Judith Clark 07765 064650.

Thursday 19th July: Wick Hill & Longwater Lane, 6 miles. 10.00 from Finchampstead Church after parking nearby,(RG40 4LP). No dogs, please! Leader – Martin Dalton 0118 966 1536.

Sunday 22nd July: Chapman's Farm & Chalkhouse Green, 5 ½ miles. 10.30 from playing field Car Park at top of Caversham Park Road, Reading,(RG4 6AA). Leader – Sally Fox 0118 978 0210 / 07932 665339

Wednesday 25th July: Another Summer evening walk with a pub to follow! Mortimer Rec, Wheat's Farm, Lockram Brook, Pullen's Pond, Wokefield Common & Starvale Woods, 3 ½ miles. 19.00 from the CP at Mortimer recreation ground, opposite the Horse & Groom pub, RG7 3RD. If you wish to eat in the pub afterwards, please book in with pub directly on 0118 933 2813 but tell them you're with the LVR party. Leader – Richard Hatton 0118 988 4118 / 07884 113491.

- The Anniversary Quiz – the answers*
1. 1988. *Seoul*
 2. 1989. *George H.W. Bush succeeded Ronald Reagan*
 3. 1990. *West Germany (the last tournament they competed in as West Germany)*
 4. 1991. *Thomas Harris*
 5. 1992. *Annus Horribilis*
 6. 1993. *The Mothers of Invention*
 7. 1994. *Oasis*
 8. 1995. *Martin Bashir*
 9. 1996. *Glen Hoddle*
 10. 1997. *Katrina and the Waves*
 11. 1998. *David Trimble and John Hume*
 12. 1999. *Tracey Emin*
 13. 2000. *Rio Ferdinand*
 14. 2001. *Peter Mandelson*
 15. 2002. *India*
 16. 2003. *The Return of the King*
 17. 2004. *Kelly Holmes*
 18. 2005. *Jean Charles de Menezes*
 19. 2006. *Casino Royale*
 20. 2007. *Yo Blair!*
 21. 2008. *19*
 22. 2009. *The Hudson River*
 23. 2010. *Deepwater Horizon*
 24. 2011. *Grandson*
 25. 2012. *2*



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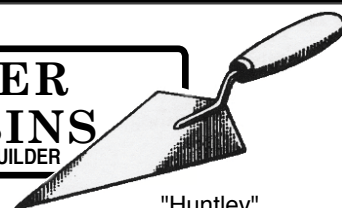
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Barkham Diary

26-May-12	Refuse Lorry	Junipers	8-11am
28-May-12	Finchampstead Flower Club	CRH	7.30pm
6-Jun-12	Barkham Ladies Social Club	BVH	7.45pm
9-Jun-12	Queen's Diamond Jubilee Event (afternoon)	BVH	2.00pm
9-Jun-12	Queen's Diamond Jubilee Event (evening)	BVH	7.30pm
12-Jun-12	Barkham Parish Council	BVH	8.00pm
12-Jun-12	Dinton Pastures Walkers Group	BVH	7.30pm
13-Jun-12	Bonsai Club	BVH	7.30pm
14-Jun-12	Arborfield Gardening Association Orchard Visit		7.00pm
20-Jun-12	Arborfield Gardening Association Coach Trip		
23-Jun-12	Refuse Lorry	Junipers	8-11am
25-Jun-12	Finchampstead Flower Club	CRH	7.30pm
26-Jun-12	Parish Council Planning Review	BVH	7.30pm
4-Jul-12	Barkham Ladies Social Club	BVH	7.45pm
10-Jul-12	Barkham Parish Council	BVH	8.00pm
10-Jul-12	Dinton Pastures Walkers Group	BVH	7.30pm
11-Jul-12	Bonsai Club	BVH	7.30pm
23-Jul-12	Finchampstead Flower Club	CRH	7.30pm
24-Jul-12	Parish Council Planning Review	BVH	7.30pm
28-Jul-12	Refuse Lorry	Junipers	8-11am
8-Aug-12	Bonsai Club	BVH	7.30pm
14-Aug-12	Dinton Pastures Walkers Group	BVH	7.30pm
25-Aug-12	Refuse Lorry	Junipers	8-11am
5-Sep-12	Barkham Ladies Social Club	BVH	7.45pm
7-Sep-12	Copy deadline for Autumn Newsletter		
11-Sep-12	Barkham Parish Council	BVH	8.00pm
11-Sep-12	Dinton Pastures Walkers Group	BVH	7.30pm
12-Sep-12	Bonsai Club	BVH	7.30pm
22-Sep-12	BVRA Skittles Evening	BVH	
22-Sep-12	Refuse Lorry	Junipers	8-11am
24-Sep-12	Finchampstead Flower Club	CRH	7.30pm
25-Sep-12	Parish Council Planning Review	BVH	7.30pm
24-Nov-12	BVRA Quiz Night	BVH	
Weekly Events			
Mondays	Pilates Class	BVH	11.30am
Mondays	Dog Training	BVH	6.30pm
Tues-Fri	Barkham Pre-School	BVH	9.00am
Thursdays	Pilates Class	BVH	6.15pm
Fridays	Youth Club	BVH	6.30pm

AVH is Arborfield Village Hall BVH is Barkham Village Hall
CRH is California Ratepayers Hall

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0845 8 505 505

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Environmental health 974 6384
Social Services 978 9800
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