

## FLOWER POWER

**R**egular *Bugle* readers will know that the local branch of the Royal British Legion has run the Annual Flower and Produce Show successfully in Bosworth for the past 80 years.

Being keen to develop and make it more representative of village opinion and input, the Legion has encouraged the formation of a broader group to oversee the future administration of the Show. Eleanor Murphy has kindly stepped in as Secretary but is seeking help, support and manpower to ensure the continuing success of the event. The only ticked box so far is the Village Hall, which is booked for Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - mark the date in your diaries! So, the countdown begins and green-fingered members of the community can now plan their growing schedule accordingly.

The Show is open to anyone and planned revisions to the classes mean that there's bound to be something for everyone. So, if you know your onions, are a budding florist, a master of the baking tray or a closet artist there will be something for you. And there's plenty for the kids too!

The first call is for your support - gardeners, allotment holders, social groups, individuals - start getting those entries prepared! Support is also required to help run the Show - Eleanor will need helpers for setting up, running the day and packing up afterwards. Any offers of help would be most welcome. Please contact Eleanor on 880476 or email: beam.hb@btopenworld.com

We look forward to seeing you ALL on August 24<sup>th</sup>...

### VILLAGE PICK N' MIX...

**T**he Annual Village Litter Pick will take place on Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> starting at 2.00pm from the Village Hall carpark.

Each year a band of concerned villagers takes the opportunity to 'womble' the village streets and roads and tease out those bits of rubbish and clutter that seem to evade the district council cleaners! Usually about 80 bin bags weighing nearly a tonne in total are collected in the space of two hours.

Sacks, long-handled pickers and hi-viz vests will be provided on the day and refreshments will be served to the returning troops in the Village Hall from 4.00pm. For more information please call 880273.

### PARKING LOT

**P**arking problems in Butt Lane were discussed at the recent meeting of the Parish Council. Car owners parking their vehicles on the highway at the narrowest point past the Presbytery had caused problems recently with delivery vehicles and refuse collection vehicles unable to get past. Fears were raised that emergency vehicles would be delayed or unable to get by the parked vehicles in an emergency and residents are calling for restrictions on parking to be considered. Councillors agreed to mail-shot car owners but will also seek further clarification of the situation and possible solutions from highways officers.

### SWAT THE FLY-TIPPERS...

**H**arborough District Council is putting up Keep Britain Tidy posters which call on residents not to "turn a blind eye" if they spot anyone disposing of rubbish illegally.

A lot of people resort to fly-tipping as a way of getting rid of their old junk, but they could face a fine of up to £50,000 or a five year prison sentence, if prosecuted.

Many councils, including Harborough District Council, offer a bulky item collection service where up to three items can be taken away for £16.50, or half price for anyone on income-related benefits. Local tips will also accept unwanted items free of charge.

Cllr. Alistair Swatridge, Harborough District Council's portfolio holder for enforcement, said: "It's really important that the public take the time to find out the correct way to dispose of their waste - it could only cost them a few minutes, but save them thousands of pounds."

Fly-tipping can be reported to the enforcement team at Harborough District Council on 828282 or leave details on enforcement@harborough.gov.uk

Call 828282 if you have bulky rubbish you would like collected.

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### LOCAL CRIME FILE

■ Livestock trailer and 2 quad bikes stolen from secured premises near Horninghold  
 ■ Police are keen to know the whereabouts of blue Isuzu Trooper 4x4 J784 MCP, which has been linked to local rural crimes  
**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON ANY CRIMINAL ACTIVITY CALL MARKET HARBOROUGH POLICE on 0116 222 2222.**

**Countryside Watch Co-ordinator**

**Henry Whatley Ext. 3875**

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### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Be a good neighbour - if delivered items are left unattended on a neighbour's doorstep, please move them out of sight. Deliveries left on a doorstep for any length of time could be seen as a clear indication to the opportunist burglar that the house may be unoccupied.

## POSTBAG

*From Margot & Malcolm Norris, Highcroft.*

We have lived in Husbands Bosworth for nearly 15 years and it is only to be nearer our grandchildren that we are moving now. Everyone will know how difficult it is to sell property at the moment hence the siting of a couple of 'For Sale' signs at the end of Highcroft.

A 'Resident of Fernie Court' complained that they were in her view and demanded their removal. At the risk of descending to the same level of pettiness I would like to remind this sensitive resident that the rest of the village had to stand by and watch the beautiful Fernie Lodge and some lovely trees bulldozed so that her home could be built. For months we put up with noise, mud, lorries, skips, dust and even large ugly sign boards. When we eventually move on we can only hope that the pleasure of living in our new home will not be blighted, like the unfortunate Fernie Court resident, by a couple of temporary For Sale signs.

*From Andy Mathias, South Kilworth*

Thank you for helping to promote our 'Old School Days' disco at the end of the village school's 150th anniversary week. We are pleased to say that we raised £394 towards FOBS funds. Many thanks also to Kenny Anderson, Ryan's Stores, The Bell Inn and School for selling tickets, Nicky and Ben for manning the door and everyone for their support.

*From Carol McDermott, Headteacher HB Primary School*

Have you registered your child to start at primary school? If your child was born between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2003 and February 28<sup>th</sup> 2006 you will soon need to start thinking about registering them for primary education.

Husbands Bosworth C. of E. Primary School is a small friendly school in the heart of the local community receiving children from the village, nearby farms and out-of-catchment areas. We are a Church school with a strong Christian ethos and pride ourselves on our small class sizes. The school has seen excellent results over the last few years and is classed as a high achieving school. To register either telephone the school, email: office@husbandsbosworth.leics.sch.uk, or just pop in during office hours. Visits to the school are most welcome and can be arranged by contacting the office on 01858 880212.

### LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF...

■ Bosworth Ward is the 8<sup>th</sup> richest ward in Leicestershire with an average household income of £44,000. Top of the list is Broughton Astley with £48,000. Bottom is New Parks at £24,000.

■ Work is due to start this spring at the Airfield Business Park, Gallows Hill, Market Harborough. Business units and a new county showground are planned, and a new roundabout off the A6 will be constructed.

■ Market Harborough Film Club members will be showing their acclaimed portrayal of the Battle of Naseby at Cold Ashby Golf Club on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm. Entry £2 on the door. Call David or Greg on 01604 740548 for more information.

### BUGLE CRACKER...

A gorilla walked into a bar and ordered a pint of bitter. The barman charged him £2.50.

"We don't get many gorillas in here," said the barman.

"I'm not surprised at £2.50 a pint," said the gorilla.

### BAG2SCHOOL COLLECTION

FOBS Committee would like to thank everyone who took the time to sort out clothing, bedding, soft toys, etc. for the recent *Bag2School* collection.

Once again, we collected a whopping 980kg and a cheque for £245 which will be used towards projects planned within the School. Let's have a big push and see if we can break the 1000kg mark in our next collection, planned for mid-May. Your help and generous donations with these future events is most welcome.

For more information, please contact Kenny Anderson 880705 or Steve Blake 881045.

**COPIES of *BOSWORTH 2000AD*, the Historical Society's history of the village and chronicle of life in Bosworth are available, price £3, from the Society librarian. Call Pat on 880823.**

### SCHOOL 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The celebrations for the school's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary went very well. Special thanks go to Ann Saxton who worked with the children to produce a wonderful mosaic picture of the school. Also to Penny Mattock and her helpers, who organised the excellent display of photographs and school memorabilia in the hall. We had many visitors from the village and beyond who came to see the display, and found it to be both interesting and quite nostalgic!

On Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup> we had a visit from Mike Jones, the Chairman of Leicestershire County Council and his wife Marj, who came to unveil the mosaic. Mr. Jones said: "My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed our visit to the school, and were very grateful for the warm welcome that we received. The children appeared to be very happy and friendly, and we were conscious of a very supportive learning environment. We would like to say thank you to all the staff for the efforts and skills that they bring to the school, and wish all the young people success in their future studies."

The celebrations drew to a close on Saturday with lunch in the Village Hall for past and present staff of the school. This was followed by a disco for the children and an adults' disco in the evening, organised by Andy Mathias.

May I thank everyone who helped with the celebrations and especially to Lafarge who kindly paid for the children to visit Beaumanor Hall and experience what life would have been like in Victorian times. Also to FOBS who kindly funded the scarves that each child received to commemorate the Anniversary.

Mrs. Carol McDermott Headteacher

### From the Parish Registers

**Neil Greenfield**  
of High Street

*Died January 21<sup>st</sup> 2008*

*Aged 76 years*

**David Ian Hart**  
of High Street

*Died January 21<sup>st</sup> 2008*

*Aged 36 years*

*R.I.P.*

### CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

All Saints Church members will be hosting a coffee morning and bring & buy sale in church on Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 9.45am to 11.30am. Everyone is welcome; please come along and help to raise funds to maintain our lovely church.

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### METHODIST COFFEE MORNING

The next Methodist Church Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 10.00am to 12.00noon at the home of Margaret and John Scurrah, 25 High Street. Please come along on what will hopefully be a bright spring morning. All are welcome.

### THANKS...

Many thanks to the person who found and kindly handed in my spectacles at Ryan's Stores recently. I am very grateful for their safe return. *Frances Smith, Butt Lane*

### ADVANCE NOTICE:

#### SAFARI SUPPER 2008

**Saturday, June 14th Village Hall £15 per person; usual format. More details later.**

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A last-minute change of speaker saved the day for the recent meeting of the Historical Society. The meeting, which was to be an illustrated talk about the life of jet engine pioneer Frank Whittle, was postponed and local historian and Blue Badge Guide Alan Joyce stepped in with an excellent talk about Calke Abbey and the Harpur-Crewe family. The talk took a light-hearted look at the development of Calke and the eventual takeover by the National Trust in the mid-1980s. Mr. Joyce, who is a volunteer guide at Calke, also gave a behind-the-scenes view of the house and the work of the National Trust in general.

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting starting at 7.30pm on Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> in the Church Hall. This will be followed by Geoff Smith's talk on the life of Frank Whittle, postponed from last month.

### LUNCHEON CLUB

Catch up with all the local gossip and make new friends at the village luncheon club! The luncheon meetings are a great way for those new to the area, living alone or newly retired, to meet new friends whilst enjoying a relaxing 2-course meal in convivial surroundings. The group meets each month and the next meeting is on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at Kilworth Springs Golf Club. Diners meet in the bar at 12.30pm. The cost is £6.50 per person to include coffee. Call 880668 to book or for more information.

### BOSWORTH BELLES

Internationally acclaimed storm-chaser Mark Humpage will give an illustrated talk and slide show at the next meeting of the Bosworth Belles group. Mark travels the world in search of extreme weather conditions and natural phenomena to capture on film and is famous for his dramatic shots of tornadoes in the US. Mark also runs a media and photographic services agency.

The meeting is at 7.30pm on Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall. Contact Sally on 571074 for details. *Meeting open to non-members, (and blokes!) £2 on the door.*

## ✠CHURCH SERVICES ✠

### All Saints Parish Church

#### MARCH

- 2 Join with Methodists  
6.30pm Evensong
- 9 8.30am Holy Communion
- 16 10.30am Benefice Service  
at Bruntingthorpe
- 23 EASTER SUNDAY  
10.30am Family Communion
- 30 10.30am Benefice Communion  
Arnesby

*Short Communion every Wed. at 9.15am*

#### Churchwardens:

Peter Jones 880741

James Avery 880164

#### Vicar:

Rev. Alison Hampton 880351

### Methodist Church

- 2 Mrs. K Shorley
- 9 Mr. G Herbert
- 16 Mrs. J Gaffney
- 23 EASTER DAY  
Rev. B Kennard (Communion)

Services every Sunday 6.30pm.  
All Welcome

#### Contacts:

Rev. Brian Kennard 462889

Senior Church Steward:

Mr. A Lloyd Jones 880343

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### Report of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> 2008 in the Village Hall.

Full Council and 6 members of the public were present.

#### Visitor's Questions

•Tennis club members sought clarification of the club's use of the pavilion and the lease conditions regarding the courts site. This was required to enable the club to attract financial assistance. Council members agreed that there were a number of 'grey' areas and would seek more information from the Local Association of Parish Councils.

•Villagers raised concerns about the nature of the development of the cottages in lower Mowsley Road. Council discussed the matter at length but pointed out that although some aspects of the development were open to criticism only objections on planning grounds would be considered by planners.

•Richard Windley, the Rural Housing Enabler for the Leicestershire Rural Partnership, addressed the meeting regarding provision of affordable housing in the rural environment. The meeting heard that, under certain circumstances, sites not normally available for development could be released to satisfy local needs for rental and low-cost housing in order to improve the sustainability of rural areas. Council agreed to circulate a discussion document.

#### Cemetery

Council discussed the proposed internal drainage scheme but were still awaiting further quotes. It was agreed that a test hole should be sunk to check the ground water levels in the summer.

#### Playing Field

•An inspection of the skatepark equipment had highlighted wear and consequent safety issues on most of the laminated surfaces. Council agreed to renew all worn surfaces as soon as possible.

•The picnic bench, which has been moved by youngsters and used inappropriately on the skatepark, would be removed from the site until such time as it can be permanently installed in the play area.

•Council gave the go-ahead for the installation of a concrete access ramp from the gravelled carpark area into the play area and discussed the possibility of providing a new piece of equipment for less-able users.

#### Allotments

•A skip will be provided in the spring for the allotment holders to remove unwanted rubbish from the site. Allotment holders will be notified of the date nearer the time.

#### Traffic issues

•Council discussed the nature and frequency of transporter movements, which appeared to have increased recently, and agreed to consult HDC. It was noted that the Bruntingthorpe Liaison Group had not met recently.

•Council heard that it was hoped to reinaugurate the school travel plan when the new school head is settled into the post.

•Inconsiderate parking and pavement parking on Hunters Close was discussed. It was agreed, in the first instance, to mail-shot homes.

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## DIARY DATES for MARCH

- Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> All Saints PCC AGM 7.30pm Church Hall
- Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm VH.
- Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> Coffee morning / Bring & Buy Sale, 9.45am - 11.30am Church
- Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> Historical Society meeting, 7.30pm CH
- Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> 'Allo, 'Allo Evening, 7.30pm VH
- Tues. 11<sup>th</sup> Mobile library
- Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> Methodist coffee morning, 10am - 12noon 25 High St.
- Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> Village Litter Pick, 2.00pm Village Hall Car Park
- Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Club, 12.30pm Kilworth Springs G.C.
- Thurs. 20<sup>th</sup> School Rededication Service in Church
- Tues. 25<sup>th</sup> Mobile library
- Wed. 26<sup>th</sup> Bosworth Belles 'Storm-chaser' meeting, 7.30pm VH.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Wed. April 2<sup>nd</sup> Historical Society meeting
- Tues. April 15<sup>th</sup> Harborough Rural West forum, B. Astley.
- Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> June Safari Supper.
- Fri. 27<sup>th</sup> June Barn Dance
- Sat. 28<sup>th</sup> June Picnic on the Lawn musical evening
- Sun 29<sup>th</sup> June Bosworth Festival, Bosworth Park
- Fri. 25<sup>th</sup> / Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> July Sheepdog Trials
- Sun. August 24<sup>th</sup> Flower & Produce Show

•Parking in Butt Lane was discussed at length. Residents had highlighted safety issues caused by vehicles blocking access by parking where the road is narrowest and were concerned that emergency vehicles may be unable to get past. Recently the refuse lorry had been unable to get through. Council agreed to mail-shot homes and to seek information from Leics. Highways.

#### Neighbourhood Watch

There had been no response to calls for further NW representatives.

#### Accounts

Accounts were discussed and accepted.

#### Planning and correspondence

•Council discussed Section 106 funding requests from village groups.

•Members agreed to support the request for the re-naming of lower Mowsley Road as Broad Lane.

•Clerk asked to report poor drainage in Dag Lane to the highways authority.

•Council noted unsightly and unsafe building sites in lower Mowsley Road and the High Street garage and asked Clerk to write to the owners.

•Clerk was asked to bring the inappropriate kerb-side edging at the top of Hunters Close to the attention of the planning authority.

•Council agreed to fund the provision of toilets and musical entertainment for the Bosworth Festival in June.

•A request to sponsor one event at the South Kilworth Riding Club's summer show in Bosworth Park was agreed.

#### Next meeting

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

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