



Bisley Residents Association

'Your Bisley' Newsletter No. 43, Spring 2019

Bisley Annual Parish Assembly

To be held on **Monday 11th March, 2019 at 7.15 p.m.** in the Jubilee Room of the Village Hall. This is being held as a separate event from the Forum this year, due to the local elections.



Please come and hear a speaker from H.M.P. Coldingley and get updates from local groups and organisations about what is going on in the village. Light refreshments will be served.

For further details contact the Clerk, Jill Biden.

Local Elections Thursday 2nd May 2019 (polling day from 7am-10pm in the Village Hall).

• Bisley Parish Council is calling on residents, passionate about their community, to stand in the local elections. If you are a British citizen, a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union, 18 years of age or older and live in an area that is served by a local council and are interested in becoming a parish councillor please contact The Clerk on 01483 480172 or email clerk@bisleyparishcouncil.co.uk. as soon as possible. **The deadline for nominations is Wednesday 3rd April 2019.**

• Surrey Heath Borough Councillors will also be elected. As Bisley and West End are now one ward of S.H.B.C., we will be voting for three councillors between us, instead of two each, as before. Contact the Electoral Team at S.H.B.C. if you are considering standing. **Nomination deadline as above.**

Briefing session Monday 18th March, 6 p.m. at S.H. House, Camberley for prospective candidates for both of the above.

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BRA Diary Dates 2019	

- ◆ 10th May, Fish/Chicken & Chips Quiz Night.
- ◆ 30th June Strawberry Fayre.
- ◆ 14th July Brass on the Grass / Summer Picnic.
- ◆ 16th October Open Forum & A.G.M.
- ◆ 22nd Nov Hi-Tech Quiz and Ploughman's Supper.

Bisley Residents Association warmly invites YOU . . .

To the Spring Forum on **Wednesday 27th March 2019**, in the Jubilee Room of the Village Hall, **commencing at 7.00 p.m.**

The topic for our 27th Open Forum is **'Staying safe at home, on the road – and online'** with speakers. Our guests will include The Mayor of Surrey Heath, Cllr. Dan Adams and the Mayoress, Mrs Sarah Adams.



Enjoy light refreshments afterwards with fellow residents, councillors and guests.

*Looking forward to seeing you.
Bisley Residents Association*

Bisley Pre-School Spring 2019 Fayre

Saturday 23rd March, 10 am - 12 pm in Bisley Scout and Guide Hut (on the village green).

Stalls, Games, Cakes, Books, Toys, Lucky Dip, Face Painting, Arts & Crafts and much more!

Free entry - Everyone welcome!



B.R.A Events

The Remembrance Sunday Service at Bisley War Memorial last November was a moving occasion, especially as it was commemorating 100 years since the end of the first World War. This was enhanced by sharing this act of remembrance with a detachment of soldiers, who joined us afterwards for refreshments in the Village Hall, served by the W.I. and much appreciated by all.

Bisley people gave £530 in the Royal British Legion collecting boxes at the service, for which we thank them.

Quiz & Fish/Chicken & Chip Supper - Friday 10th May 2019, Teams of 4 to 6, (Bring your own drinks and glasses). There will be a raffle. Tickets from Committee members - £7.50 for B.R.A. members, £8.50 for others (but why not join now?!) ALL are invited.

Proposed Nursery at Bisley School. Clare McConnell, Head Teacher at Bisley



Growing popularity of the Community Café.

CofE Primary School has told us that, in response to a meeting she held with close residents a few weeks ago, she is going to hold a public meeting regarding school numbers, parking and transport to school. This meeting will be held on **Monday 4th March at 6.30 pm at the school.**
Norman Holden , B.R.A. Chairman

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Village Issues



Coffee in the Pavilion

A real winter and spring warmer— come and meet up with friends on the first Thursday of the month from 10 am to 12 noon for coffee, biscuits and raffle, in preparation for this summer's 'Teas on the Rec'.

'Teas on the Rec.' 2019

'Teas on the Rec' starts on the 30th May and continues on Thursday afternoons through the summer until the 29th August. Come along and enjoy our ninth year, relaxing with tea and homemade cake while your children play happily in sight. We love to welcome people of all ages whose support raises money for a different charity every week.

More helpers always welcome!

Chris (01483 472631) or Pauleene (01483 487912)

Community Café at Bisley Village Hall



MEET UP MONDAYS (Sept. to May)
10 a.m. to 12.00 noon in the Jubilee Hall

£1 for tea / coffee and biscuits, £1 toasted tea cakes, sudokus & crosswords available.

We have a local walking group who regularly drop in for refreshments.

Everyone is welcome

Wi-fi internet connection

Information hub for local activities.

Bisley Village Hall Management Committee

West End & Bisley Care and Good Neighbour Group. The WebCare telephone number is 07713 915393 to ask for or to volunteer help. (Monday to Friday 10 am to 12 noon) except Bank Holidays.



Bisley Remembers



Ken Atkins 1929-2019

With great sadness we received the news of the passing of Ken, a man who commanded immense affection and respect in Bisley and beyond. Ken was well known for running the Leonard Daborn Ltd Garage at Chobham for many years. He 'retired' 24 years ago and was involved in just about every project and activity in and around this community; such as the restoration of the bells in Bisley Church, active participation in The Lions, his beloved classic cars, staunch membership and support of Bisley Residents' Association and transport manager for The Butts day centre for elderly, to name just a few. So much so that it's difficult to imagine Bisley life without Ken's involvement. We will miss him and we offer Gladys, Diane, David and the family our sincerest condolences.

Norman Holden



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).

Next date: Restarts on Tuesday 12th March 2019.

Bisley Heritage Project - we need your help!

Firstly, we need volunteers who are interested in local history to help us research various archive material.

Secondly, we need help from anyone who is related to or knows anything about families associated with the school; the staff, or the boys who were at the school, especially during the early 1900's, including the First World War. Any other information will also be gratefully received.

Please contact the Trustees of Bisley Village Hall.

Briefly in Bisley

Bisley Parish Council Office: Contact via the Clerk Mrs Jill Biden

194 Guildford Road, Bisley. GU24 9EP. Tel: 01483 480172.

Email: clerk@bisleyparishcouncil.co.uk, web:

www.bisleyparishcouncil.co.uk.

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 and the Sports Enclosure

Please contact the Clerk to the Council. The forms and terms & conditions for hire can be accessed on the Parish Council's website.

Bulb Planting in Bisley.

The B.R.A. coordinated teams in November last year and succeeded in planting several hundred bulbs in verges along the main road through the village (picture courtesy Cllr. Mansfield).

This has complemented the Parish Council refurbishment of the roundabout and surrounds, where hundreds of bulbs were planted outside the 'Hen & Chickens' by the Council. **We all look forward to a glorious show in the Spring.**



Village Issues



Update from Bisley Parish Council:- ♦ A new piece of all-inclusive play equipment (left picture) has been installed recently in the play space in Pilgrims Way/Clews Lane with safety matting beneath. It is hoped all children will enjoy the **new basket swing** for many years to come. ♦ A **height restriction barrier** has been installed at the entrance to the Village Hall Car park; keys are held by the Hall Trustees, the Scout and Guide HQ, the Parish Clerk and the Fire Brigade (centre picture). ♦ The Parish Council has taken on the responsibility from the County Highways for **the roundabout** and for **the planted areas** by the Post Office and the Hen and Chickens PH. The areas have either been replanted or turfed with bulbs planted. The Parish Council will also continue to maintain the area on a regular basis via its contractor Nigel Jeffries Landscapes Ltd, who carried out the original clearing and planting (right picture). This has been funded by C.I.L. money received (Community Infrastructure Levy). *Centre picture from Jill Biden.*



News from Bisley Village Hall.

It has been a busy time at the Hall. In addition to consistently high levels of regular use, in November we hosted a gathering and display after the Remembrance Day service and, in December, Almac Bisley Brass Band's Christmas concert and a well-

attended Christmas Tea. The Community Café, held every Monday morning, continues to go from strength-to-strength attracting new customers as well as "regulars"

Forthcoming events include the BRA Open Forum on 27 March; A Taste of Asia on 13 April; BRA Quiz and Fish and Chip Supper on 10 May; Almac Bisley Brass Band Spring Concert on 18 May and the Strawberry Fayre on 30 June. For up-to-date information, go to our website: <http://www.bisleyvillagehall.org/>.

Remembrance, Heritage and Memorial Windows

Following the award in September of two blue plaques Remembrance Sunday, 11th November 2018, saw a sizeable crowd, including a contingent of serving soldiers, gather outside the Hall after the annual service on the Green to witness Revd Andy Armitth bless the plaques. Inside, there was a special display relating to WW1, put together by Trustees and Tim Price, our local historian. This included material about the men whose names appear on the Village War Memorial and about the 'Old Boys' and staff associated with the Refuge Farm School and Shaftesbury School who gave their lives. We don't have any pictures of the event. If you do, please get in touch!

One of the plaques commemorates 89 Old Boys who died in WW1; After WW1 a later cohort of Old Boys built a sanctuary in memory of their predecessors incorporating Memorial Windows and a memorial tablet which disappeared when the School closed in 1959. We are raising funds to replace the existing shabby windows with ones that are similar to the originals (but more energy efficient!) and embarking on a new project to uncover the stories of the School, Chapel and the village around the time of WW1, so that future generations will be aware of the significance of what happened then. As

you will see from the separate insert we are looking for volunteers!

Changes on the Management Committee of Trustees

In November we said goodbye to three trustees: Steve Edwards (outgoing Chair), Dave Grist and Abi Brown. They were brilliant and we will miss them. We have welcomed two new trustees - Carol Timpson and Leanne Edwards - and we have a new Acting Chair (Graham Davey). If you would like to join us please do get in touch.

If you think you can help in any way please get in touch with Graham Davey (grahamdavey6@aol.com) /t. 07753 672778



Bisley Village Christmas Tea

Once again Bisley Village Christmas Tea, held on 19th December 2018, was another successful event in the Village Hall calendar. It was very well attended and everyone enjoyed the Band, carols, raffle, bric-a-brac stall, tea and lots of cake. The afternoon netted a very welcome £413 for the Hall as well as putting people in the Christmas Spirit.

Our thanks to Bisley W.I. for all their efforts – we could not have done it without you; the Pre-school for providing entertainment for the children; Denise of Angel Faces for painting lots of faces and donating the proceeds to the Hall and we must not forget Bisley Almac Band – thank you for the music! If we have missed anyone – our apologies! We are really appreciative of all the help we receive in our efforts to maintain and improve our Hall.

The Bisley Village Hall Trustees.

Bisley Womens Institute

Bisley W.I. is looking forward to another year of interesting talks and outings, plus our usual craft afternoons, pub lunches and walks. In March we will have a presentation about the Amazing Grace hedgehog project which is promoting wildlife friendly environments in our area. Our April meeting will be a talk on Famous Women. We will be celebrating Bisley W.I.'s 80th year at our Birthday Party in June.

If you are interested, please come along to any of our meetings held on the second Wednesday afternoon or craft sessions on the fourth Wednesday. Both are held in Bisley Village Hall at 2 pm.

For more details contact Liz: 01483 830020 or Barbara 01483 828690.

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TASTE OF ASIA

In aid of Bisley Village Hall
Registered Charity No. 304978



**SATURDAY 13th APRIL 2019 AT
7.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.**

Come and enjoy delicious authentic home-cooked Asian cuisine prepared to suit all tastes by a Bisley resident and W.I. Member.

Buffet—Main meal followed by traditional English desert.

Please bring your own drink (wine glasses, crockery and cutlery will be provided). There will be a raffle (and some surprises?)

**To buy a ticket £12.50 each or table (10)
Contact Barbara - 01483 828690**

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

**SUNDAY
30th JUNE
2019**

STRAWBERRY FAYRE

**BISLEY VILLAGE GREEN
1.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.**

FUN and ENTERTAINMENT for all the family

Over 60 stalls at our traditional country fayre

**HOG ROAST, STRAWBERRIES & CREAM, PIMMS
MORRIS MEN, BRASS BAND,
ARENA ENTERTAINMENT
CHILDRENS' FUNFAIR**

**Entrance: Adults £1 (Includes programme of events)
Children free**

For pitch bookings for a stall email: tbop213@gmail.com
General enquiries: 01483 487843
All funds raised for Bisley Village Hall—Charity no. 304978

Almac Bisley Brass Band's Christmas Concert on 8 December 2018 was



a great success. Its Spring Concert will take place in Bisley Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday 18 May 2019 and Brass on the Grass on the Village Green will be on Sunday 14 July. Members of the Band will also be taking part in a spectacular Big and Brassy massed band concert at Princes Hall Aldershot on Sunday 31 March. Further details will be on the Band's website and Facebook pages soon.

Would you like to learn to play a brass instrument? Did

you once play and would like to give it another go? If so, contact grahamdavey6@aol.com about the Band's tuition scheme.

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 2019 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. (Data will be held and used only by B.R.A.).

The Prize Draw winner for this Newsletter is Mr. Jackson of Nasturtium Drive

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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 2019, 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.