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The magazine for Elstree & Borehamwood residents

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Letter from the Mayor...



I would like to thank all those who have made this Mayoral year so enjoyable for me, my Council colleagues and staff and all the many people I met over the past year. I have visited most organisations in the Town, some more than once, and I never cease to be amazed how many volunteers we have working for the benefit of residents, young, old and everything in-between. Their time is taken often not only with running events but constant fundraising.

Reflecting back on the year, the most useful were a working lift at the station and extended Post Office hours. The most exciting was celebrating the Brownie Centenary in the cradle of the World Wide Scout & Guide movement, Schopwick Place. Most proud has to be the many events that reminded us how important the Town was in the British TV and Film Industry.

I am also proud of the work the Town Council does in maintaining a range of services from allotments to benches, to giving grants to help local organisations, to arranging amazing events for residents: Fireworks, concerts, Festivals and the Christmas lights and entertainment.

Mayor of Elstree & Borehamwood

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This attractive and modern facility has a fully equipped kitchen, cloakroom, toilets and a stage - making it ideal for weddings, barmitzvahs and batmitzvahs, children's parties, celebrations, social occasions, lectures, meetings and amateur dramatics.



For more information, please call 020 8207 1382.

SUMMER Coach Trips

Are you over sixty years of age and a resident of Elstree and Borehamwood?

The Town Council are once again offering a chance to have a day out at the seaside or visit an interesting city for only £6.

Choose one of the following destinations and bring your proof of age and residence (driving licence or bus pass/passport/ and a utility bill) along to Fairway Hall, Brook Close, WD6 5BT from MONDAY 11 MAY 2015. Tickets are on a first come, first served basis and are on sale from 9am to 12 noon from Monday to Friday - strictly one per person. Please bring correct change.

There may be a chance to buy a second ticket after Tuesday 26 May 2015 if any remain unsold.

The fully-airconditioned coaches leave Fairway Hall at 9am prompt and depart the destination at 5pm for the return journey. You must be able to board the coach without too much difficulty and can bring a carer (who must also be a resident of Elstree & Borehamwood and purchase a ticket).



Oxford



Rye

Destinations

June	Monday 8	Southend-on-Sea
	Tuesday 9	Costwolds
	Wednesday 10	Clacton on Sea
	Thursday 11	Cambridge
	Monday 29	Hastings
	Tuesday 30	Bournemouth
July	Wednesday 1	Broadstairs
	Thursday 2	Poole
	Monday 6	Rye
	Tuesday 7	Eastbourne
	Wednesday 8	Portsmouth
Thursday 9	Oxford	

VE DAY

Relive the Celebration of 1945
Join the party atmosphere
Starting at
Woodcock Hill Saturday 9th May 2015 4.00pm
The Town Council present a Family picnic to include entertainment, brass band, stalls and side shows.
Fun for all the Family.
Watch the inter Service Cadet competition.
Free for all to attend.

Follow this with a VE themed Party night at the
Royal British Legion Services Club,
Shenley Road, Borehamwood
Tickets £10 (members) £15 (non members)
Live music & dancing, Sing a long, Fish Supper & free drink.
Period dress optional.
For ticket info tel 0208 386 2900 or email borehamwood.branch.rbl@outlook.com
Doors open 7.00pm, last orders 11.50pm.

ELSTREE & BOREHAMWOOD'S GOT T★LENT

Thursday 25 June 2015 at 8pm

A gala night of pure entertainment at The Ark Theatre as, with the help of the audience, our friendly judges select Town Talent 2015.

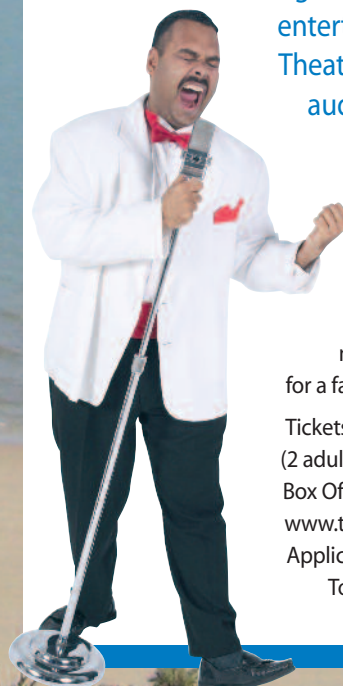
If you think you have an entertaining talent, skill or party piece we want to hear from you, young or old! Call us to register or if performing is not for you just book some tickets for a fantastic night of fun.

Tickets £4 / £3 children. Family Ticket £12 (2 adults+2 children / 1 adult+3 children).

Box Office: 020 8238 7288

www.thearktheatre.co.uk

Application forms available from the Town Council.



Community Action Hertsmere

Supporting your local community



The Live Well Project run by Community Action Hertsmere, who were awarded funding from 51 Community Interest Companies raising money to address health inequalities across England, Scotland and Wales through The Health Lottery, aims to work with those aged 50+ and provide activities, training, and projects within the community to decrease isolation, loneliness and increase overall wellbeing.

The Live Well 50+ project provides lots of exciting activities, training and events that are at a reduced price, and in lots of instances FREE!

Coffee Cakes and Time to Talk Sessions each Monday 1pm - 3pm FREE and include Indoor Tennis, Arts & Crafts, Indoor Games and Key Speakers. Grandparents' Networking Sessions are also held each month.

For information about either of these contact Joy Nicholl, the project coordinator, on 07535 781404 or email joy@communityactionhertsmere.org for more information.

The project also part funds:

Fella's Fitness sessions each Tuesday 9.30 - 10.30, £3.50 (First Session Free)

For more information or to book a place call 01707 284229 or just turn up. Email: activetogether@herts.ac.uk www.fellasfitness.org.uk

Love to Dance sessions each Friday 10 - 11.30 £4 (First Session Free)

For more information, or to book a place call 01707 284229 or just turn up. Email: info@lovetodance.org.uk www.lovetodance.org.uk

Golden B Burlesque sessions each Wednesday 3 - 4 £3.50

For more information call Kerry 07976418040 www.bburlesque.com

87 year old loves to Burlesque

As part of the Live Well 50+ project there is a very inspirational and active 87 year old lady from Borehamwood attending Golden B Burlesque 50+fitness classes every Wednesday 3.15 -4.15 pm at Farriers Hall. The group of ladies from 50+ enjoy shimmying to fun music, using a boa or fan burlesque style!



Kerry Bowler who runs B Burlesque loves teaching these ladies, 'The class is full of fun and smiles', 'it's a great way for the ladies to keep active'. This class is part funded by The Live Well 50+ project and costs £3.50 per session.

For more information, please call Kerry - 07976 418040 www.bburlesque.com

JETS

Job, Employment & Training Support

Are you a carer or lone parent over the age of 19?

Are you looking to get back to work or perhaps volunteering, either now or in the future?

We are offering friendly, informal practical ways to help you feel more confident, create your own personal development plan and improve your skills, ready to get back into work or volunteering.

10 week FREE personalised support

Final 10 week course starts Thursday 23 April

Windsor Hall, Blythe Close, off Gateshead Road
Call, text or email Jennifer Reeve for more information
Mobile: 07943 862130 Main Office: 020 8207 4504
Community Shop 020 8386 4006
www.Jennifer@communityactionhertsmere.org

We are not just here for problems

The **Community Shop** in Leeming Road is run by Community Action Hertsmere. There are a wide range of services from regular social events to training, Arts and Crafts sessions for carers and people over 55, free computer training and even a homework club for 8-11 year olds. Citizen Advice Bureau drop in sessions run on alternate Wednesdays at the shop. The Hertsmere Volunteer Centre is also based in the Community Shop, we can advise potential volunteers about opportunities available to them. Drop by for a chat to find out the full details of what we do and how you can get involved

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Are you 18 to 80? Thought about playing Bowls?

Then why not pop down to your local Borehamwood Bowls Club, Meadow Park, Brook Road, WD6 5HG, any Tuesday from 6pm.

Enjoy their lovely modern Clubhouse where refreshments are available, and get free Bowls tuition on the Green from their friendly members. All you need is to wear flat-soled shoes, and the Club will provide the rest.

Besides Bowls, the Club also hosts a wide variety of social activities in and off season which include Quiz Nights, Xmas and New Year Parties, BBQ's etc.

For any further details, why not ring Club Captain John Seal on 07960 489450.

Celebrating a Second Century of Film-Making and Television Production

2015 is turning out to be another busy year for film and TV activities, with Elstree Studios and the BBC Elstree Centre working flat out to create more film and TV productions which will take their place with the classic works of the past 100 years.

And June will see another Summer Festival. Elstree Screen Heritage will help to kick-off the Festival by holding another FREE screening at 3pm on Sunday 15th June of the 90-minute-long documentary **From Borehamwood to Hollywood**.

Barbara Windsor and Paul Welsh share the narration but the real stars are the veterans of all our local film and TV studios who we've interviewed with the help of our partners in The Elstree Project, the staff and students at the Film and TV Course at the University of Hertfordshire.

So be sure to claim your FREE tickets at the Reception Desk of 96 Shenley Road. No seating is reserved, capacity is limited so "when they're gone, they're gone!"

At the end of the Summer Festival we'll be back at Families Day as usual but this year we've been able to arrange with FilmLondon for their "KinoVan" to join us. Normally not allowed to stray outside the Outer London Boroughs, the KinoVan will show a selection of clips from home movies, including some clips filmed here in Elstree & Borehamwood.

FilmLondon would love to place a copy of YOUR home movies in its archives and of course at Elstree Screen Heritage we are also committed to "recording, preserving and sharing our unique film and TV heritage".

Please join us on 27th June to enjoy this FREE attraction, which is part-sponsored by the Town Council as well as by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

For further information about **From Borehamwood to Hollywood** or the KinoVan, or any of our other activities you can reach us at contact@ElstreeScreenHeritage.org or simply leave a phone message at 020 8953 2903.



Comic Relief

Comic Relief breaks the billion pound threshold with the most spectacular Red Nose Day in its 30 year history. What A Difference We Have Made.

On the 13th of March 2015 we gave over 78 million pounds in endeavour and in currency. The charity has during its three decades of existence - we now have - raised over one billion in total. That is specifically; one billion, forty-seven million, and eighty-three thousand, seven hundred and six collected acts of human kindness.

From its first broadcast in 1985 from a refugee Camp in Sudan to its latest at London Palladium, Comic Relief continues to help people cross boundaries generationally and globally. Proof, contrary to the Red Nose Day Naysayer, that there is more to Comic Relief than a punchy tagline and a manipulative VT tugging at the heartstrings. Like The Peoples Strictly, broadcast live from Elstree Studios, it proudly replaced the usual questionable calibre of celebrity with extraordinary people chosen for their efforts to change lives for the better.



Look closer at the £78 million raised this year and we can see the efforts of the children of St Teresa's Primary School making their faces funny for money. The customers and staff wearing funny spectacles at Specsavers, Shenley Road, and the staff of Summerswood Primary School leading a Mark Ronson inspired procession down the school halls. (Video evidence is available online to inspire many a future stifled student giggle.) All Elstree and Borehamwood residents who also committed time, money, and ideas are included in this and the 30 year grand total £1,047,083,706. Transforming copious amounts of alienating cash into recognisable collaborative human acts.

Comic relief - one of the world's most successful charities - has been using BBC Elstree from 2012 and will continue to until 2017.

Joanna Mansfield



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More than Food Packs

Parents often struggle to feed their children in holidays when there are no school meals.

Lunches have been running for the last two years and are very successful. Once a week during the holidays families enjoy crafts and activities followed by a two course lunch. They also have a bag of food to take home to help during the week. Last time we had nineteen families coming along. We always include fresh fruit and vegetables and we welcome donations from the local allotments during the summer. Local shops also donate which is a great help.

Priority is given to families who use the Foodbank or who are referred but when we have space other local families are welcome.

Some comments from last time 'I love coming, everyone is so kind and makes us feel very welcome' 'Thank you so much you really help me and my family. My kids love the craft day'

We also recognise the need to encourage people to eat healthily and on a tight budget and so we ran a cookery course which we intend to repeat later in the year. Last time whilst we were small the participants really enjoyed the time and they were amazed at the interesting meals that can be made from Foodpack ingredients - even with a tin of baked beans!! They are not only for toast. We also taught basic skills and we made a pudding so that they each took home an evening meal.

If you are interested in the family lunch or the cookery course please email us on info@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk or ring us on 020 3583 1109.

We have now given out over 3,500 packs of food, each giving three days balanced diet, so many thanks for all your ongoing support. That is over 31,000 meals.



Maxwell Park Community Centre Update

The Centre is busier than ever, with only a few hours available for hire! Weekends are busy too with regular hire private functions and support for audiences at the Studios.

Three new groups have recently been added to our ever growing Community family, Super Soccer Stars for budding little footballers and a new fitness class for ladies/gents, MoveDanceSweat, a fabulous and fun way to keep fit. A new free 'Shape Up' Management programme, supported by Hertfordshire County Council Public Health, is starting at the Centre on 1st May.

Our regular groups are thriving, Table Tennis have increased their hours to include sessions for both Coaching and Juniors Table Tennis. K's Dance have increased their sessions and they are very busy raising funds to enable them to take the Dance School to Disneyland Paris to perform in August of this year.

Over the past year we have made many improvements to the Centre. The car park has been re-surfaced, car parking bays added, the floors in the hall and reception areas have been replaced, the kitchen is scheduled to be refitted soon and extensive decorating works have been undertaken in the Centre in order to make it a welcoming and attractive place for people to use.

It is gratifying to note that the Who, who performed at Maxwell many years ago, remembered the venue as part of their 50th Anniversary celebrations and did a very complimentary write-up on their Facebook page. This has received over 2000 likes.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Hirers and Customers for their support over the past years.

Award for service to the council and community

At Full Council a presentation of a commemorative plaque and certificate was made to Clare Monahan to mark services in a wide range of areas, including Town Council stewarding and with Community Action Hertsmere (CAH).

The Council reported that Community Action Hertsmere was extremely lucky to have some really helpful, skilled and resourceful volunteers to help deliver its objectives.

Clare Monahan had been volunteering for over ten years in the local community. She had helped and supported many different community projects, including The Vibe Youth Project, Borehamwoodstock, community events and activities, the Community Shop, CAH main office and partner networking events.



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Compost Corner

Nature's Experiment Scientist - David Brown



Since boyhood, David has been interested in all things to do with gardening, beginning with his father's introduction to planting a different crop in the garden each year. After the last 6 years on a Melrose Allotment plot and experimenting with a multitude of crops and methods for growing, there have been many trials and errors...."and much knowledge gained" he explains. David has a philosophical view about the way to appreciate it, "its about the journey and what happens along the way, rather than just producing loads of fruit and vegetables," and he laughs saying "if you were doing that, you'd be a market gardener!". His first few years were spent trying out traditional row planting, and getting good crops of potatoes, carrots, onions, parsnips, courgettes etc. Now he tends to grow what they eat at home, and sweetcorn is a favourite. It grew well one year, but was a disaster the following year, so like other things one tries to do on the allotment, if it is destined to happen, it will happen he says. Another year, David had a go with making raised beds, which had their own challenges, discovering that it wasn't so easy to maintain the paths in between, and the slugs tended to hide and breed in the wooden cracks and crevices.

David joined the Allotment Committee with a wish to enhance 'Community spirit' and to that end set up the Melrose Allotment Forum, an internet community bulletin board for allotment members, as well as a Melrose Allotments email address. The uptake of these has been slow, which has been disappointing, however he is optimistic about the Committee's aim to have an allotment BBQ once a year. We had one a couple of years ago that was very successful, but as he said, destiny will play its part, and life will get in the way of best intentions. "The main way to approach things" David knows, "is to try it, and see if it works for you". David is a realist, and is not holding back when he points out that you have to deal with things like pests, cutting out the parts slugs have damaged, and getting all manner of misshapen vegetables, with a wide range in the quality of things... "which is real life!" "You have to be flexible" he says, "I've spent a lot of time tinkering with things with gardening, and probably learned more about what not to do than what to do....you can't always do the things you want, when you want....gardening is a metaphor for Life!" There is definitely something

of the sage in David, and he is certainly interested in the wisdom of the ancients with their '3 Sisters' method of planting, where beans are grown up the stalks of sweetcorn, and squashes or cucumbers are planted underneath. The American Indians, and probably the Aztecs and Mayans, knew about the nitrogen releasing properties of beans that would nourish the corn, the corn supports the beans, and the large foliage of the squashes helps keep the ground shaded and moist. One in effect supports the other. Also the modernist, David set up his own hydroponic units at home, growing strawberries and tomatoes that worked quite well, "it certainly teaches you about plant nutrients".

We must have chatted for several hours about his allotment and gardening journey, some committee business too, and I'm always interested and ready to listen and learn from his considerable knowledge (which he is rather too modest about). It was somewhat of a relief (there by the grace....) to hear about his nonchalant plans for dealing with the overgrown parts of his plot (due to work commitments and getting back on track after a broken wrist) tackling it a bit at a time, and hearing what seedlings he has on the go, to be put in around May time. What can I say, 'May the force be with you!'

Anne Nicodemus

Gardening and Allotment Tips: May

- Make sure freshly emerging seedlings are well watered.
- Harvest sprouting broccoli, cabbage, spinach, rhubarb, spring onions, early sown lettuce, beetroot, radish and peas.
- Savoy cabbage, winter cabbage and kale can all be sown in the open ground now.
- Continue making direct successional sowings in the soil of lettuce, radish, spinach and turnips.
- This is your last opportunity to sow peas and parsnips this year.
- Put up poles for runner and climbing French beans.

Penniwells Riding Centre for Disabeld

Penniwells RDA offers riding and stable management sessions to up to 140 adults and children every week throughout the year. With 13 horses and ponies we cater for a wide variety of disabilities. Riding is proven to improve muscle tone, balance, co-ordination, self-awareness and general well-being. The movement of the horse is a great form of therapy as well as the enjoyment of being outdoors in the fresh air. Riders enjoy taking part in Endeavour Awards & competitions. We also encourage D of E & YELA within the Centre.

In May we will be hosting Greater London Regional Qualifiers from which we hope to take many riders to the National Championships held in July at Hartpury College, Gloucester.

Every year Penniwells fundraises in the region of £100,000 in order to keep running. We achieve this through gifts and donations along with fundraising events. If you would like to donate please go to <https://www.justgiving.com/penniwellsrcentre>

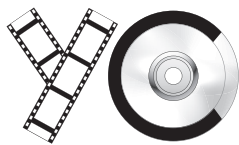
With successful grants in 2014 we have been able to provide new games equipment, therapy pads and stirrups. Our next project is to raise £1500 to replace the riding hats in use at the Centre. During 2014 we ran a table top sale and we are hoping to run more of these through the summer so keep an eye out for details.



The Centre relies entirely on the support & commitment of Volunteers. You can get involved in anything from fundraising to leading in lessons or gardening and general maintenance. Please get in touch if you are interested and can spare an hour or two each week.

www.penniwellsrcd.com

ELSTREE & BOREHAMWOOD



YOUTH COUNCIL

I was pleased to be selected as the Chair in May 2014. Thanks to the support of Tracey, Councillors and fellow members of the Youth Council I have gained confidence and feel I have progressed a lot since May. It has been a wonderful experience bonding as a team, making lifelong friends and seeing how

partnership working can make an enormous difference to our community.

We are very proud of many of our achievements over the last year and in particular:

Young Carers Project

The aim of Youth Council is to get local youth working together to discuss and improve the life quality of the young people that live in our area. Last year we were given the opportunity to help support financially £1,000 to a new project aimed at the young carers in our community. In February 2015 Cllr Pat Strack came to a Youth Council meeting and highlighted the needs of the project. As such it was felt by the Youth Council that we would like to award the project a further £1,000 towards administration of a Youth Club for young carers and their siblings. The Youth Council have also chosen them as their nominated charity for 2015/16. We are very proud to be a part of this worthwhile project and have offered our practical help also.

Elstree Screen Heritage

We had the privilege to work closely with Elstree Screen Heritage and with the help of Bob Redman have built a good working relationship with them. We have been responsible for improving the planters at Centenary Place by way of planting new shrubs and flowers, this has made the area so much more appealing for the community and visitors to Elstree and Borehamwood. The Youth Council is particularly proud to

have been in a position to award Elstree Screen Heritage a contribution of £750 (50% of costs) towards the cost of a new Muppets Heritage Panel.

One of the highlights for us has been the involvement in the Centenary Celebrations of 100 Years of Film and Television in Elstree and Borehamwood and I would encourage those here that have not had the opportunity to see the documentary 'From Borehamwood to Hollywood' to make every effort to see it at its next screening. Mr Redman will give you the details. It was certainly a great honour to help out at the documentary viewing and I personally very much enjoyed the film and learning more about the area I live in.

Youth Council Chairman – Xiaoyi Sun



Music is alive and rocking in Borehamwood

Members of the Borehamwood Community Choir meet every Monday in Borehamwood to share their love of music and to forge new friendships.

This vibrant Community Choir exists so that its members and the local community can experience the benefits and the therapy of music. Members of the Choir are friends, meeting to enjoy each other's company as much as to sing.

Together, members share their love of music, experimenting with different styles and having fun.

The Borehamwood Community Choir is an inclusive choir with no specific musical requirements for its members and no auditions are held prior to joining. The choir perform many different styles of music with a number of musicians.

Many members of the choir have been singing together at events around Borehamwood and the local area for more than ten years and look forward to doing the same for many years to come.

The Borehamwood Community Choir plans to continue performing at local care-homes and other events around Borehamwood throughout 2015.

The choir can usually arrange to sing songs that suit your occasion.

The important thing is, that you love music and that you want to sing.

Join us on Mondays, 7:30pm at St Teresa's Church Hall, 291 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, Herts WD6 1TG

It will only cost you £3 per session and we all look forward to seeing you.

For further info, visit the choir's website at: <http://bcchoir2015.wix.com/bcchoir>



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Our mission is to safeguard and promote the interests and views of local residents on all matters concerning the community, such as housing, the infrastructure, local environment and social facilities and amenities in the area.

**Open to all residents in Elstree and Borehamwood.
 With interesting guest speakers every month.**

**Our next three meetings in 2015 are on Tuesday:
 19th May, 23rd June & 21st July
 Doors open at 7.50pm
 Meeting is from 8pm to 9.30pm prompt**

New Location:

**St Teresa's Parish Centre (next to St Teresa's church)
 Near: 291 Shenley Road
 WD6 1TG**

**£6 annual household membership or £2 entrance fee.
 Free refreshments available.**

Elstree & Borehamwood 59th Annual Civic Festival 13-28 June 2015



ALL EVENTS ARE FREE UNLESS STATED

Saturday 13 June

Carnival Parade - Musicals Theme

With the 'City of London Brass' Marching Band, the 59th Annual Civic Festival begins with the Carnival Parade, Leaving Brook Road Car Park at 1.45pm. Along the route the procession follows (shown), you are welcome to come and cheer and show your support. Prizes awarded in various categories... It's not too late to join in the fun, if you wish to take part with a bright and colourful WALKING OR FLOAT entry contact the Town Council (see page 19).

1.45pm - 3.30pm

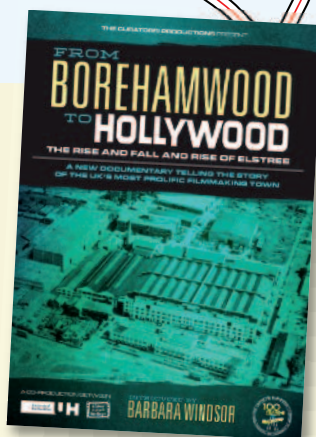


Sunday 14 June

"From Borehamwood to Hollywood"

Free public screening of the Centenary Documentary From Borehamwood To Hollywood. Introduced onscreen by Barbara Windsor, the documentary will feature highlights from interviews with Steven Spielberg, Sir Roger Moore, Brian Blessed and Simon Pegg as well as over 40 veterans of the local film and TV studios.

96 Shenley Rd, 3pm



Festival Church Service

All are welcome at the Baptist Church in Furzehill Road at 5pm for the annual Festival Church Service.

Baptist Church, 5pm

Monday 15 June

Super Soccer Stars

Maxwell Park Community Centre,

Ages 3 - 4, 4.30pm - 5.15pm

Ages 4 - 5, 5.15pm - 6pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Table Tennis

Elstree & Borehamwood Table Tennis Club would like to invite you to its open evening for the Festival. Come along, meet new people, and join in the fun with a game or two.

Maxwell Community Centre,

8pm - 10.30 pm

Tuesday 16 June

Drop In @ Fairway Hall

Come along and meet new friends at **Fairway Hall**, for a chat and entertainment. Open to senior citizens.

10am - 12pm.

Entrance £2 (inc tea and biscuits).

Fifty Plus: Keep Fit

Denbigh Lodge, Borehamwood,

9.45am - 10.45am

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Bar K Line Dancing

Maxwell Park Community Centre,

1pm - 3pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Move Dance Sweat

Maxwell Park Community Centre,

7.30pm - 8.30pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Details correct at time of printing

Pull out and keep this handy reference

Wednesday 17 June

Drop In @ 96

Tea & biscuits, raffle, bingo, quizzes, sing a long and fun fun fun.

Entrance £2.

Meet the Mini Beasts



Ever wondered what it feels like to hold a Madagascan cockroach? Now's your chance. Come along and meet the mini beasts from all over the world! Staff from Butterfly World will be on hand to demonstrate all things creepy crawlly, from giant snails to stick insects and more, giving you a bugtastic experience.

All age groups welcome, no booking required.

Borehamwood Library, 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Fifty Plus: Ballroom Dancing

96 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Fifty Plus: Keep Fit

Farriers Hall, Borehamwood, 2pm - 3pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

K's Dance

Maxwell Park Community Centre,

Ages 3 - 5, 4.15pm

Ages 6 - 8, 4.45pm

Ages 9 - 11, 5.30pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Thursday 18 June

Melrose Allotments Open Day

Furzehill Road, 12pm

Friday 19 June

Schools Art Show

See the work of our talented children at **St Teresa's Parish Centre**, from **9am to 5pm**. Organised by Elstree and Borehamwood Rotary Club



South African Cultural Choir (SACC UK) Concert



The South African Cultural Choir (SACC UK) has amongst its members some of the UK's most talented and professional South African artists who sing in different African languages.

Their repertoire encompasses traditional, popular and even classical pieces, being a spiritual people some songs are tinged with a hint of gospel. They perform a capella, or with instruments; interspersed with energetic Zulu dance that always tells a story and brings much excitement to their performances.

The Ark, 7.30pm

£12 / £10 concessions

Fifty Plus: Table Tennis

Maxwell Park Community Centre, 10am - 12pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.

Festival Flower Show



Pop into **All Saints Church**, Shenley Road, between **10am - 2pm** to see some imaginative flower displays on show from many local community groups and organisations. It's a festival of colour!

Borehamwood Brass Concert

Borehamwood Brass presents a musical concert at **All Saint's Church**. Starting at **7.30pm**. For the concert, Borehamwood Brass will perform a varied programme that is reflective of different musical styles.



Saturday 20 June

Coffee Morning

Come and join us for a coffee at **All Saints Church**, Shenley Road at **11am** as part of the Flower Festival. Enjoy a sociable gathering - and there's a chance to win a raffle prize!

For more information contact the events team on 020 8207 1382



Classic Vehicle Show/Outdoor Cinema



A selection of classical vehicles proudly displayed by their owners. Come along and have a chat to find out about these classics from the past.

Maxwell Park Centre, 12pm - 6pm.

Free outdoor screenings of **Who Framed Roger Rabbit** at **4pm** and **The Italian Job** at **6pm**.

Borehamwood & District Garden Crafts Society Summer Show

Fresh produce displayed by local gardeners.

96 Shenley Road, 1.30pm to 4.30pm



Full listings available on

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Emergency Services open day



One of the Festival's most popular FREE events- The Emergency Services Open Day offers a fascinating peek behind the scenes of our local services in the Ambulance, Fire and new **Police Station** from **1pm - 4pm**. With family games and exhibitions it's lots of fun for children (and adults) of all ages!

Schools Art Show

St Teresa's Parish Centre, 9am - 5pm

See Friday 19 June for full information.

Elstree Productions – Schools Out!

Schools Out! Is a musical show which includes songs and dances from past and present. Take a journey back to your school days and relive your childhood. This is a fun show for the whole family with music that all ages will enjoy. Just watch out for the headmistress, she may give you detention!

Fairway Hall, 2.30pm and 7.30pm.

Tickets £6 available from Town Council on 020 8207 1382 or 020 8953 6560

Festival Flower Show

All Saints Church

See Friday 19 June for full information.

Sunday 21 June

Schools Art Show

St Teresa's Parish Centre, 12.30pm - 5pm.

See Friday 19 June for full information.

Elstree Productions – Schools Out!

At Fairway Hall, 2.30pm

See Saturday 20 June for full information.

Museum History Walk



Join in this historic walk around the local area with interesting facts and information by the museum curators.

2pm - 4:30pm

Anticipated start 2pm but for further details ring the Museum on 01442 545 888

Festival Flower show

All Saints Church.

See Friday 19 June for full information.

Monday 22 June

Coffee Morning

Come and join us for a coffee at **All Saints Church**, Shenley Road at **11am** as part of the Flower Festival. Enjoy a sociable gathering - and there's a chance to win a raffle prize!

For more information contact the eventsteam on 020 8207 1382

Carers Coffee Mornings, Care and Share

Maxwell Park Community Centre, 10am - 12pm

Super Soccer Stars

Maxwell Park Community Centre.

Ages 3 - 4, 4.30pm – 5.15pm

Ages 4 - 5, 5.15pm – 6pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before.



Festival Flower Show

All Saints Church.

See Friday 19 June for full information.

Tuesday 23 June

Coffee Morning with bestselling author Annie Murray

Bestselling author Annie Murray will be joining us to talk about her books. Annie has written a number of family sagas, many set in Birmingham, the latest of which is *War Babies*. Her new book is set during the Second World War and tells the story of Rachel Booker, who is fourteen when the war begins and madly in love with Danny the lad she met working on the Rag Market. *War Babies* will be out in paperback on April 9th.

Borehamwood Library, 10.30am

Tickets £5 available from Borehamwood Library

Primary School performing Arts

Allum Hall, 9am - 11.30am

Bar K Line Dancing

Maxwell Park Community Centre, 1pm - 3pm

Free of charge if you haven't attended before

Drop In @ Fairway Hall

10am - 12pm

See Tuesday 16 June for full information.

Royal Legion Quiz

Enter a team in our Festival Quiz battle of wits at The Royal British Legion, **Shenley Road, from 7pm**. Prizes for the winning team but, more importantly, the title of Festival Quiz Champions and the Trophy Shield.

FREE to enter but you must register in advance as places in this ever-popular event are limited. Contact the Town Council.



Wednesday 24 June

Drop In @ 96

See Wednesday 17 June for full information.

Details correct at time of printing

Pull out and keep this handy reference

Thursday 25 June

Hertsmere Academy of Dance Adult Dance Class



Think Hairspray, Saturday Night Fever, Dirty Dancing, Singing in The Rain, Chorus Line... Have you always wanted to dance to those show stopping numbers? Our regular friendly class accommodates whatever styles of dance you would like to learn using West End Musical Theatre numbers as a theme! Sometime sits an energetic dance workout or soft and lyrical... it's always a NEW fun class. For the Festival we are giving you the chance to learn a routine from a West End Musical. You can be any standard, from beginners upwards. A qualified dance teacher will give you a non-stop fantastic class...SO DONT MISS OUT!

Fairway Hall, 8pm. Free.

ELSTREE & BOREHAMWOOD'S GOT TALENT

A gala night at **The Ark Theatre** at 7pm as, with the help of the audience, our friendly judges select Town Talent 2015. You know the format! Who will emerge victorious to take the trophy and a special prize? If you think you have an entertaining talent, skill or party piece and can bring it to the stage, we want to hear from you.

£4 / £3 children. Family Ticket £12 (2 adults+2 children / 1 adult+3 children)

For more information and to book call the Box Office on 020 8238 7288 or book online at www.thearktheatre.co.uk

Applications available from the Town Council, Fairway Hall, Brook Close Borehamwood WD6 5BT, tel 020 8207 1382

Foodbank Open Day

Have you wondered what the Foodbank is like? Would you like to see what happens to your donations?

From 1pm - 3pm the Foodbank will open its doors to anyone who would like to visit.

Tea and coffee will be served in the hall and then you will be invited to look around our warehouse in small groups. See what is in a

Food pack - taste some recipe ideas - ask any questions you may have. (Please note this is NOT a client session and Food packs will not be issued at this time)

St Teresa's Church Hall, 291 Shenley Rd, WD6 1TG opposite the council offices.

We look forward to seeing you then.

Friday 26 June

EBLOS "Yes, Probably"

Come and join in an evening of songs with Elstree & Borehamwood Light Operatic Society. Show starts 8pm at **Fairway Hall**, Brook Road, Borehamwood.

Saturday 27 June

On The Buses Day



The Busman's Social. Now in our 15th year nostalgia never goes out of fashion. **Fairway Hall, 9.30am** (Doors open at 9am).

Tickets: £30 Adult £20 Child. For more information www.onthebusesfanclub.com/ for tickets email caledoniancraig@hotmail.com ONTHE BUSES fan club web site www.onthebusesfanclub.com

Families Day 2015

As part of the 59th Annual Festival, welcome again to **Meadow Park**. It's FREE, it's fun and it's for all ages and includes a Falconry Display, Dog Show, Comedy Tightrope act and much more (see back cover). From 12pm to 5pm.

Stall application forms available from the Town Council.

BBC Band Elstree Concert

A Tribute to the Armed Forces

Between the VE and VJ Day commemorations, the BBC Elstree Concert Band will be making their own form of musical remembrance. War itself has always inspired composers through the ages and some famous classical pieces will be represented, along with a military march or

two. But in recognition of the end of WWII, this concert will also include popular music from the 1940s with such great names as Glenn Miller and Benny Goodman.

The band's performances at the Ark Theatre have become a very popular fixture in our local calendar, and with this specially designed programme, it is sure to be another triumph - ration books not required!

The Ark, 8pm

£7.50

Sunday 28 June

Reels of Laughter - A Celebration of British Comedy Classics

Includes Autographs, Comedy Screenings, Q&A with celebrity guests, walking tour visiting various TV & Film locations.

Fairway Hall, 9am

Adults £30, Children £20

"Wood-stock" - open air musical event

WHVG Committee invites residents to their annual picnic on

Woodcock Hill, from 1pm. Bring your own picnic

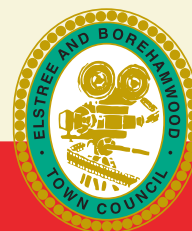
and enjoy the open air music. If you have an instrument or a voice of any standard, bring that too!



EBLOS "Yes, Probably"

See Friday 26 June for full information.

Fairway Hall, 5pm



On behalf of Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council we hope all of you enjoy the festival

Full listings available on

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Summerswood School

Summerswood School celebrated National Science Week by holding a science fair. All classes took part in making Science projects for the event. On Wednesday 25 March winners were presented with prizes for the competition. Projects were chosen from each class and each of those pupils received a certificate.

Well done to Mrs Weisgard, Ms Rosehill and Ms McCann and all staff who helped make the event so successful.



St Nicholas Elstree

Book Week

It was lovely seeing the children and staff dressed up as book characters. They all looked amazing! During assembly they had a shocking visit by Mr Pope dressed as the wicked witch from Snow White whilst being entertained by the staff singing along to Snow White songs! Thank you for your donations.

Police visit to years 5 & 6

In line with eSafety week the police were invited to run an eSafety session for Years 5 & 6. All aspects of cyber bullying were discussed and the children were informed how very important it is in this technical age to ensure that their privacy settings are correct and what they should be aware of. They were told what to do and to go home and check them and to change them if necessary. As parents it would be useful to check your children's electronic devices to make sure that these are set to the highest privacy settings available.

Saffron Green open their "Nurture Room"

A nurture room is a small class that has a structured environment that is set and predictable. The children in the group are given opportunities to re-visit early "nurturing" experiences with an emphasis on developing language and communication skills. Due to the vision of Saffron Green's SEND leader, Mrs Santos, Saffron Green now offers 8 pupils the opportunity to learn within this environment. The open day was attended by pupils, staff and parents/carers. The children were overjoyed to have the opportunity of sharing their activities with the visitors. The guest of honour, Mrs Allison Kaye, cut the opening ribbon; late last year Allison raised £2000 for the nurture room through sponsorship for The Borehamwood Marathon – which she won!

Mrs Storey, the Headteacher, said "I am so very proud of all the children, staff, parent/carers and volunteers who have made this nurture room possible. This project is integral to the inclusive environment we foster at Saffron Green."



Monksmead School News

There has been an exciting addition to Monksmead School, a new purpose built pre-nursery for 2 year olds. The school currently has a pre-nursery, Squirrels, which provides 3-4 year olds with unlimited opportunities to learn, develop and grow within a safe, secure and caring environment.

Now the same high quality provision is available to 2 year olds in the purpose built setting named 'Acorns'. Acorns has a large, bright open plan room, creative outdoor play area and variety of equipment which will provide children with a stimulating environment in which to thrive. Up to 24 children can now enjoy 15 hours of provision in each of its morning and afternoon sessions which run from 8:30 – 11:30 am and 12:30 – 3:30 pm throughout the week. Though priority will be given to children eligible for funding, all 2 year olds are welcome to be part of our pre-nursery.

If you are interested in joining either Acorns (2-3yrs) or 'Little Oaks' (3-4 yrs) please contact Sue on 07423 143192 or email squirrels.admin@monksmead.herts.sch.uk

Words in the 'Woods Project

In the autumn and spring terms all Town schools have been involved with the annual 'Words in the Wood project.' The project is coordinated by Laura Edgar of Hertswood Academy. Hertswood and Yavneh students work together on the project. The author and illustrator of 'Where the Poppies Grow' visited every school in the Town so the pupils might see how a book is written and illustrated, and have an opportunity to try techniques for themselves. The resulting exhibition of work is truly amazing. Poppies were made in paper, fabric, painted in varied mediums, printed, embroidered and sewn. The stories, accounts, poems and letters covered a wide range of creative writing skills. Thanks to the Library service that support this work and Rotary for supplying the boards.



Borehamwood Four Parks Friends Association Aberford Park Lake



I would like to say a big thank you on behalf of the Four Parks Friends Association to all those who have supported our campaign to discourage visitors from feeding bread to the ducks on the lake in Aberford Park.

Since we started the campaign two years ago there has been a noticeable improvement in the quality of the water, the general environment around the lake, and in the health of the birds. We hope to see this improvement continue this summer.

If you have seen our posters around the lake, you will know why we started the campaign. It is not good for the ducks and other wild birds to eat bread - it does not contain the nutrients they need and so is damaging to their health. It is also not good for the lake, as too much bread accumulates and rots, leading to poor water quality and attracts rats to the area.

We are very grateful to the Cafe in the Park (next to the Community Centre) to local hairdressers Images, in Croxdale Road, and Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council, for agreeing to sell duck food on our behalf (currently £1 a box). The birds do not normally need extra food, but if you would like to feed them this is the best food to use as it is specially made to have all the nutrients they need.

If you would like more information about the Friends Association or about the Parks in Borehamwood, contact me (Judith Sear) at 4Parks@searfamily.plus.com, visit the Parks page on the Hertsmere Borough Council website (www.hertsmere.gov.uk) or contact the Parks Team at Hertsmere on Freephone 0800 731 1810.

All are also welcome at our 2015 AGM: on Monday, 14 September at 7.15 pm at the Hertsmere Civic Offices in Elstree Way.

Aldenham Reservoir Weed Control

The presence of invasive weed, mainly in the form of Canadian pond weed, has caused obstruction to sailing and to some extent fishing at Aldenham Reservoir for a number of years. Attempts to restrict and manage growth by harrowing the reservoir bed in targeted areas and by cutting the mature weed have been tried with limited success. A 2013 consultation was conducted with local stakeholders on the use of a non-toxic food dye, intended to obstruct certain parts of the light spectrum reaching the deeper areas of the reservoir and thus restricting or eliminating the growth of unwanted weed, without affecting desirable fringe vegetation such as water lilies, fish, bird or other animal life. At that time we received general acceptance of the principle of using this dye in the interests of authorised reservoir users from the sailing and angling clubs, and visitors in general.

ASC will use a non-toxic, inert vegetable food dye, Dyofix © in February/March 2015 (dependent on water temperature) in quantities no greater than those recommended by the manufacturer, in an attempt to control the unwanted weed. Smaller quantities of dye will be added regularly until the end of the growing season to maintain the concentration which will be reduced by precipitation, evaporation and water flow.

It is likely that there will be some temporary coloration of the water as a blue dye will be used. This coloration has best been described at Maidenhead as 'noticeable but not objectionable'.

Elstree and Borehamwood Green Belt Society News

This has been a black year for the Green Belt.

The High Court has just allowed the appeal by Helioslough against the refusal of Planning permission to build an industrial Rail Freight Interchange complex at Park Street with the loss of 300 acres of Green Belt. This will cause massive disruption to local roads and the commuter rail service into London. All conservation bodies, St Albans City Council, Hertsmere and Herts C C are totally opposed. So much for localism!

Also we are faced with the possible drainage of Aldenham Reservoir after the Herts C C lease runs out in December 2015.

This 220 year old historic and picturesque landmark is a beloved local area for leisure and exercise and home to Aldenham Sailing Club, Verulam Angling Club, wildfowl, bats and naturally fish. Its loss would be keenly felt in Elstree and Borehamwood and surrounding N London areas. Families come on summer weekends to enjoy the green countryside, picnic and visit the Rare Breeds Farm and children's playgrounds.

It is closely associated with local history having been dug by French Prisoners of the Napoleonic Wars. News of the victory of Waterloo which ended hostilities was transmitted through the Optical Telegraph Station on Woodcock Hill nearby.

The one possible solution as neither Hertsmere nor Herts CC can put up the necessary funds is an offer by Liberty Aldenham to rebuild the crumbling dam and endow the running cost in return for planning permission for 150 houses on GB land between Watford Road and Centennial Park. The Green Belt has, as a last resort, supported this idea subject of course to legal and financial safeguard. Preserving the Reservoir is the 'Very Special Circumstance' which allows building on the Green Belt and it would enhance our environment in contrast to the Rail Freight Interchange.

Do you agree? Come to our AGM on 12 May at 7 for 7.30 in Allum Hall Manor House and tell us what you want.

Ann Goddard. Chair E&BGBS Green Belt Society.

ALLUM HALL & MANOR HOUSE

Set in the heart of Elstree and Borehamwood, the 18th Century Manor House and contemporary Allum Hall are ideal locations for Weddings and Civil Ceremonies, with seating up to 50 in the House and 470 in the Hall. Good transport links are a benefit, while gardens and free car parking are also provided.



**T: 020 8953 3415 • E: contact@allumhall.co.uk
www.allumhall.co.uk**

Maxwell Park Community Centre

Affordable, bright spacious hall seating up to 180, meeting rooms and mirrored dance studio are available for hire with use of kitchen and car park



Regular activities include, baby reflexology, B'nai Maccabim Synagogue, Boot Camp, Carers Coffee Morning, church groups, Club Sandwich, Cocaine Anonymous, Elstree Productions, Fifty + art, bowls & table tennis, Hartbeeps, K's dance, keep fit, music lessons, Shogun Karate, table tennis, Visually Impaired Club, yoga-dynamic, pregnancy, post natal, lunch time.

Coming soon

Drugfam, Classic Fitness & Super Soccer Stars.
see website for details

For private or regular hire please call 020 8953 4295 or email enquiries@maxwellpcc.org for more information, please visit www.maxwellpcc.org

BETTA Maintaining Twinning links with France & Germany



Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association (BETTA) is continuing to develop international relations between France, Germany and the UK. We will offer you an amazing Bastille Day evening, on the 10th July a celebration with refreshments, live music and our ladies in traditional costumes.

Between the 24 and 29 of September we are offering you the amazing all-inclusive trip to the fantastic regions of France and Germany. Also participating in the annual wine festival celebrations.

In order to be involved and develop BETTA we are offering two committee seats to members of the community, who are willing to come to the monthly meetings and actively help in the day-to-day running of the association.

For more information visit our website, www.betta.org.uk, email bettagroup@hotmail.com or telephone 020 3441 6510.

Borehamwood & Elstree Town Twinning Association
Come with us to visit the French & German Wine Regions
Between the
24th September – 28th September 2015

Visit includes:
Wine Festival in Offenburg
The Visit of Strasbourg in France
Two hotel nights in the centre of Offenburg
All Travel via private coach.
Sightseeing tour of the French & German century old wine regions
Option of the river boat on the Rhine River Strasbourg.

"The most enchanting Wine region is crossing borders and languages at our doorsteps, a few hours away."

Open to all. For only £280.00 per person !!!
For Non-Members £250.00 per person for BETTA Members

Booking form, please contact BETTA by:
E-mail: bettagroup@hotmail.com
Tel: 0203 441 6510
Mob: 07717 176869

Community Safety Partnership (CSP) meetings



Did you know there are local groups that meet regularly to talk about community safety issues in your area?

Topics covered include: anti-social behaviour, local crime figures, community safety initiatives, issues of local concern and fire safety.

The next Borehamwood and Elstree CSP meeting will be held on Monday 1 June 2015 at 6.30pm at the Civic Offices, Borehamwood.

If you would like to find out more please contact the council on 020 8207 780, email partnership.support@hertsmere.gov.uk or visit www.hertsmere.gov.uk/csps

Yoga Liz

Yoga for the Fabulous 50's and beyond...

Thursday 10 to 11 am
£6 drop in

Fairway Hall, Brook Road,
Borehamwood WD6 5BT

Liz is also available to teach individuals and groups privately.

Please email or call for more information.
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e: info@yogaliz.biz



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Borehamwood, WD6 1DX

BASTILLE BALL IN THE WOOD
Presented by your Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association at Fairway Hall on the 10th of July 2015 7pm

Come and join and dance on Live music, Traditional Accordion and show your skills on the dance floor...
The best dancing couple competition... Best Bastille outfit competition.
Entertainment, refreshments and drinks provided. Raffle and friendship included. A night not to be missed...

Let's Dance
Rumba
Foxtrot
ChaCha
Mambo
Swing
Tango

BETTA Price for members: £10 & £12 non members

Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association
Fairway Hall, Brook Close,
Borehamwood.

BOX OFFICE: 0203 441 6510
or E-mail: bettagroup@hotmail.com
www.betta.org.uk

BETTA entertaining the Wood since 1982!

What's on

Saturday 2 May

Quoincidence

UK's premier authentic tribute to Status Quo

The Ark Theatre, 8pm

All tickets £10

Tuesday 5 May

Quiz Night @ The Ark in the Ark Bar

The Ark Theatre, 7pm

£9 per head - Teams of 6, price includes Fish & Chip Supper

Saturday 9 May

Hits from the Blitz

Experience the sound of the 1940s in a commemoration of the 70th anniversary of VE Day

The Ark Theatre, 8pm

£12

Tuesday 12 May

Ballet Cymru's Cinderella

An enchanting interpretation ideal for young (and older) dance enthusiasts alike, with a chance to meet the cast

The Ark Theatre, 6.30pm

Adults £15 / Children £10

Tuesday 12 May

Elstree and Borehamwood Green Belt Society AGM

Allum Hall Manor House, 7pm for 7.30pm

Saturday 16th May

Visually Impaired Club Quiz

St Michaels Church, 6.30pm

£3.50 / £3 Concessions

Saturday 16 May

Herts Inclusive Theatre's production of Alice in Wonderland

The Ark Theatre, 3pm

Adults £8 / Children £6

Wednesday 20 May & Wednesday 22 July

Lark @ The Ark

An Open Mic music night providing a platform for local performers. All styles and abilities welcome.

The Ark Theatre, 7.30pm for 8pm - 10.30pm

FREE - JUST TURN UP!

Thursday 28 May

The Theory of Everything (12A)

96 Shenley Road, 1.45pm

£5 including tea & cake

Thursday 4 June

Tried and Trusted BBQ (with entertainment)

King William IV, 6pm - 10pm

£10, including glass of wine

Saturday 6 June

St Michael's Summer Fair

Stalls, plants, refreshments.

Brook Rd/Gateshead Rd, 10am - 1pm

Sunday 12 July 2015

E&B NSPCC Summer Garden Party

Schopwick Place High Street, Elstree WD6

3SW, 2pm to 5pm

Saturday 18th July

The Maxwell Jam Night

Maxwell Park, 8pm - 11pm

£3, first drink free with ticket

Sunday 19 July

Swingin' in Slippers

Brand new Swing Show for 2015 bringing you the sensational songs of Andy Williams, Doris Day, Perry Como and friends.

The Ark Theatre, 7.30pm

£12 / £10 Concessions

Monday 14 September

Borehamwood Four Parks Friends Association AGM

Hertsmeare Civic Offices, Elstree Way, 7.15pm

Sunday 29 November

E&B NSPCC November Craft Fair

Allum Hall, 10.30am to 3.30pm

THE ARK THEATRE BOREHAMWOOD

Box office **020 8238 7288** Book online www.thearktheatre.co.uk

South African Cultural Choir (SACC UK)

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Friday 19 June @ 7.30pm

£12 / £10 concessions



Hertfordshire Christian Centre

Hertfordshire Christian Centre (HCC) is a community church that is committed to serving and supporting local people to help them fulfil their God given purpose. We would like to extend a warm invitation to you and your family to worship services at the Ark Theatre, 10am every Sunday. Remember - God's thoughts and plan for you are good and not evil and He wants to give you hope and a prosperous future.

If you would like us to pray with or for you, please don't hesitate to contact us on:

07956532471 or

info@hertfordshirechristiancentre.org.uk

Sundays @ 10.00am - 12.00pm

Sat 27 June @ 8pm

£7.50



Elstree & Borehamwood's Got Talent 2015

£4 / £3 children. Family Ticket £12 (2 adults+2 children / 1 adult+3 children)

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Thursday 25 June @ 8pm

£4 / £3 children. Family Ticket £12 (2 adults+2 children / 1 adult+3 children)

Summer Festival Crossword

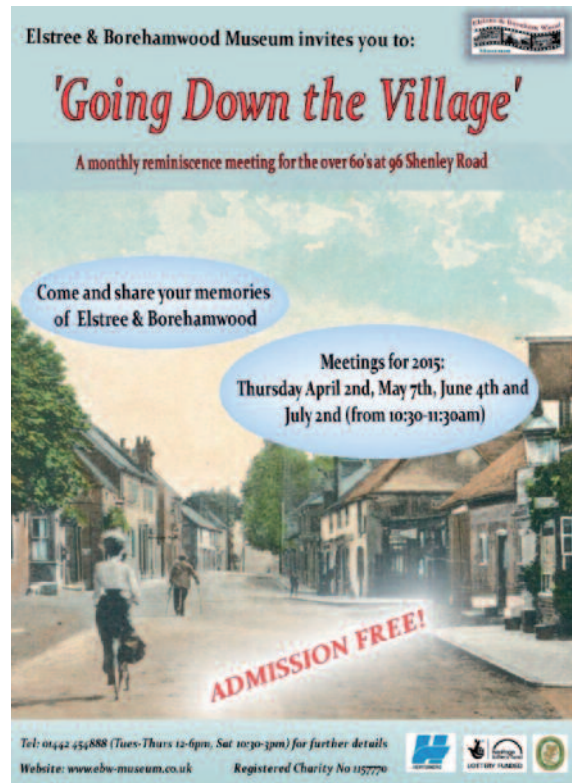
Fill in the puzzle on productions made in Elstree and win a 8" digital photo frame.

ACROSS

- 6 "Asps... very dangerous. You go first." (7,2,3,4,3)
- 10 Mrs McClusky & Mr Maurice "Bronco" Bronson (6,4)
- 14 Thunderball remake (5,3,5,5)
- 17 Phone-a-Friend (3,5,2,2,1,11)
- 18 Is this the real life? Is this just fantasy? Caught a landslide, No escape from reality (8,16)
- 19 E 20 (4,6)
- 20 Club Obi Wan (7,5,3,3,6,2,4)

DOWN

- 1 King Henry VIII's second wife and her sister (3,5,6,4)
- 2 83rd Academy Awards Best Picture (3,5,6)
- 3 Restaurant at the End of the Universe (3,11,5,2,3,6)
- 4 Part I - The Miracle of Birth (5,7,3,7,2,4)
- 5 Withdrawn by its director for 27 years (1,9,6)
- 7 Goodbye Girl (3,11,3)
- 8 The Overlook Hotel (3,7)
- 9 "I'm not bad. I'm just drawn that way." (3,6,5,6)
- 11 Guest stars included Dudley Moore, Bruce Forsyth, John Cleese, Elton John and Sylvester Stallone (3,6,4)
- 12 The last Hammer feature film to be made in Elstree (2,3,4,1,8)
- 13 Blue Harvest (6,2,3,4)
- 15 "Worth waiting for" (3,4,2,4)
- 16 An epic pub crawl 20 years in the making! (3,6,3)



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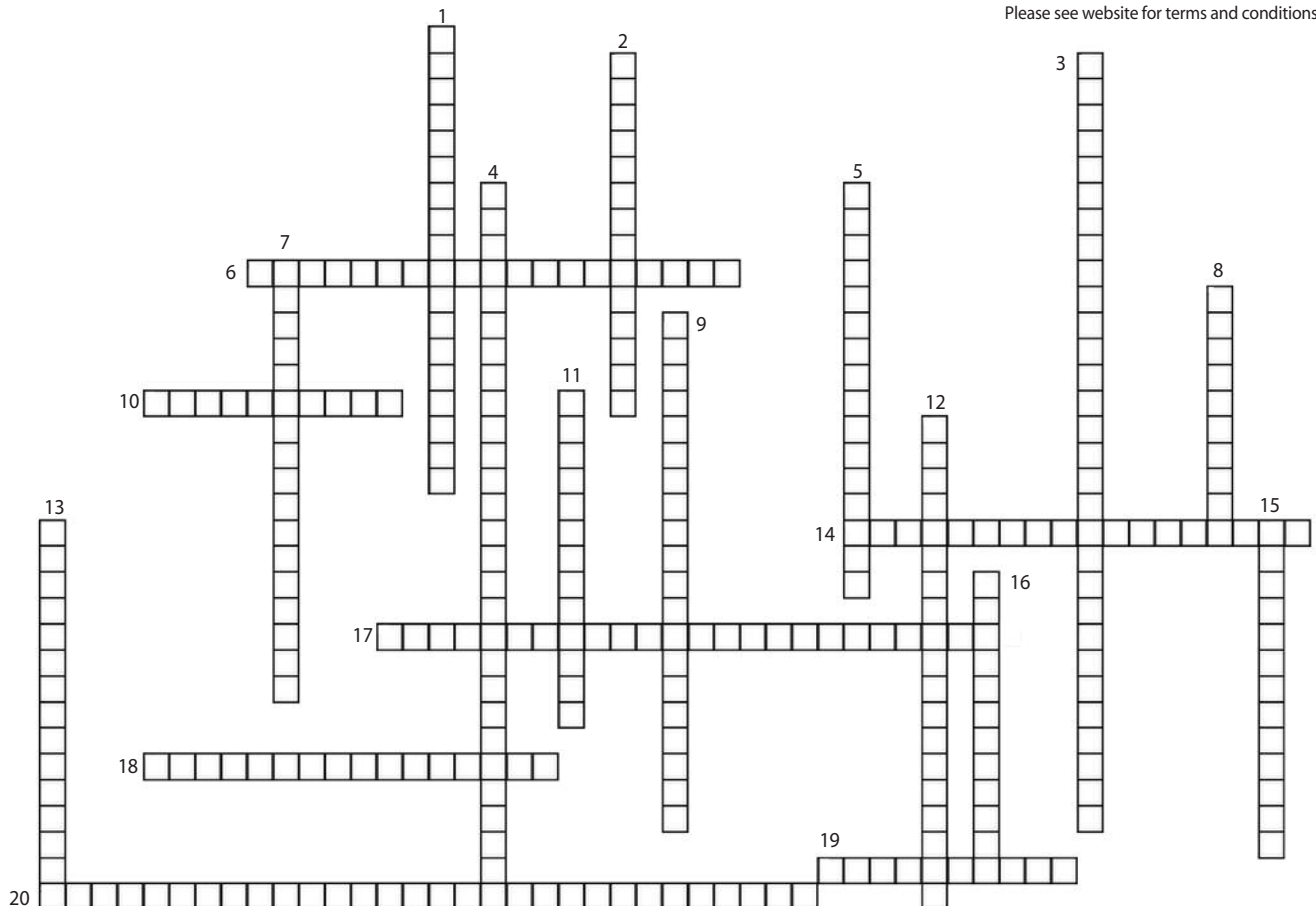
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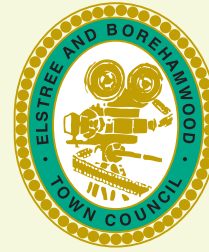
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Annual Report 2014/2015

Mayor's Summary

Summing up at the Council meeting on 18 March 2015, the Town Mayor, Cllr Mrs P Strack, said "It has been a wonderful year for the Town Council and the Community of Elstree and Borehamwood with so much going on. The Council looks forward to a great Festival and VE Day celebration on Woodcock Hill. Thank you to all my Colleagues, Council Staff and Volunteers who make such a difference to people's lives locally."

Community Services

Allotments (Allum Road, Melrose Avenue and Stapleton Gardens):

Plot occupancy continues to be 100% with 50 new plots being opened in the North of Borehamwood at a reclaimed site in the Summer of 2015. The bee keeping hives at Allum Lane are now well established.

Planning and Consultations: The Council considered a total of 334 planning applications, commenting on 65 of these. Concerns included overdevelopment, parking and the need for family sized dwellings in the area. Consultation responses were made to 13 documents, including a Parish and Town Council Charter, Bus Service Reductions, Elstree Village Conservation Area, Affordable Housing Document and "main modifications" to the Elstree Way Corridor.

Site and Street Maintenance: The Council maintains the film plaques in Borehamwood, 47 benches and 8 notice boards. The cost of keeping high street planters is shared with Hertsmere Borough Council. Both War Memorials, St Nicholas and All Saints Churchyard (and Church Clock) are maintained by the grounds team.

Grants: A total award of £4,800 was made in budgeted and community grants: Hertsmere Performing Arts (£750), Residents Association (£150 and inclusion in newsletter), Garden Crafts Society (£300), Elstree Screen Heritage (£1,600), Boreham Wood Football Club (£1,000) and Twin Town Association (£1,000).

Transport Forum: The Forum has responded to a consultation on proposed bus service subsidy reductions in Hertfordshire and received representations at its quarterly meeting from local bus service operators, train service providers, Hertfordshire Constabulary, road users and those affected by traffic and parking in the area on a wide range of issues. A particular achievement was pushing for improvements to the safety of Stirling Corner roundabout.

Events Forum: To demonstrate community engagement, a public events forum was re-established to hear views and suggestions on Council events from a wide range of age groups, interests and cultures.

Leisure and Entertainment

Hall Bookings: Fairway Hall is available for regular and casual hire and provides a service much in demand by the community including dance, yoga, children's activities, private birthday parties, theatrical shows, wedding receptions and public forums.

Coach Trips: the 12 subsidised coach trips for the over 60s were sold out. New destinations for 2015 were agreed as Cambridge and Poole.

Civic Festival: The Festival fortnight was hugely successful with a Summer Holiday themed Town Council float in the parade, there were over 20 entries. The Classic Car show was a novel addition to be repeated in 2015 and Families Day included over 60 community stalls, falconry, dog show and axe display.

Fireworks Display: The 5 November free entry display was choreographed to Elstree film and TV themes. Over 5,000 spectators enjoyed a safe and well organised show with the 'Penny for the Guy' competition growing each year.

Musical Concerts: A youth orchestra from San Francisco performed during the Festival as well as the brass band from Offenburg (Twin Town) and the BBC Band for a Christmas concert.

Christmas Switch On Display: New additions included a Santa's grotto, Christmas Tree, children's activities bus and cakes provided by the community. The ice rink, carousel and mulled wine/mince pies supplied by the Town Council continued to be appreciated.

Finances

The Summary of Council Finances at Year End is as follows:

	Actual year to date	Current annual budget
General Management		
Expenditure	£271,045	£262,245
Income	£390,218	£383,423
Net Expenditure	-£119,173	-£121,178
Environment and Planning		
Expenditure	£7,832	£12,730
Income	£6,057	£5,667
Net Expenditure	£1,775	£7,063
Leisure and Entertainment		
Expenditure	£85,156	£87,050
Income	£9,610	£11,000
Net Expenditure	£75,546	£76,050
Community Grants		
Expenditure	£39,041	£43,940
Income	0	0
Net Expenditure	£39,041	£43,940
TOTALS		
Expenditure	£403,074	£405,965
Income	£405,884	£400,090
Net Expenditure	-£2,810	£5,875

General Reserve Fund: £170,994

Earmarked Reserves: £298,212

Earmarked Reserve expenditure in year: £10,049 (for new Council van)



Children and Young People

School Swimming: The Council supports local schools in meeting the cost of travel to The Venue swimming pool for lessons.

Youth Council: Achievements included environmental improvements, raising funds for Hertsmere MENCAP and supporting a local young carers group.

Public Access to Annual Report

The report contents were approved by Full Council on 18 May 2015 and the report is available for inspection by any elector in the Parish area by contacting the Town Council Offices or viewing on the Council website (www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk) and social media pages. The report is published in the quarterly Town Crier publication distributed to every resident in Elstree and Borehamwood (16,000 copies). Copies are available at the Town and Borough Councils and at Borehamwood Library.

2015 Elections

On 7 May 2015 General, Borough and Parish elections will take place resulting in a new set of Town Councillors in post from 11 May 2015. The new Mayor and Deputy Mayor will be appointed at the Annual Council meeting on 18 May 2015 along with Committee Chairmen and representatives on outside bodies.

Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council meetings

For a full list of our forthcoming meetings, please see the website.

18 May	ANNUAL COUNCIL - MAYOR MAKING	Civic Offices	7.30pm
26 May	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
27 May	General Management	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
9 June	Entertainments	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
10 June	Youth Council Working Group	Fairway Hall	5.30pm
17 June	Youth Council	Civic Offices	6.30pm
17 June	COUNCIL	Civic Offices	7.30pm
23 June	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
1 July	Youth Council Working Group	Fairway Hall	5.30pm
2 July	Transport Forum	Civic Offices	7.00pm
14 July	Entertainments	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
16 July	General Management	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
21 July	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
1 September	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.00pm
2 September	Youth Council	Civic Offices	6.30pm
2 September	Events Forum	Fairway Hall	7.00pm

Note: Times and venues of meetings may be changed at short notice. Meetings listed are open to the press and public.

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Pre Festival Event

Saturday 2 May 2015 11am - 4pm

Outside and at the rear of All Saints Church, Shenley Road

Come and find out what's happening in the 59th Annual Civic Festival.

Stalls, Live Music, Activities and Entertainment throughout the day for your enjoyment, tickets for events during the festival will be on sale.



Classic Vehicle Show

Saturday 20 June 2015 12pm - 6pm

Maxwell Park Community Centre

★ Replica "Italian Job" Minis on display ★ Classic Cars and Bikes ★ Food & Drink available form Maxwell Park Community Centre ★ Free Outdoor Cinema ★



4pm



6pm

Families day

Saturday 27 June 2015 12pm - 5pm

Meadow Park

★ Falconry Display ★ Comedy Tightrope ★ Bubbleologists ★ John Evens Balance Act ★
★ Mountain Bike Display ★ Balloon Models ★ Table Top Circus ★ The Kinovan ★
★ Dog Show ★ Activity Centre and Children's Rides ★ Plus much more!!! ★



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