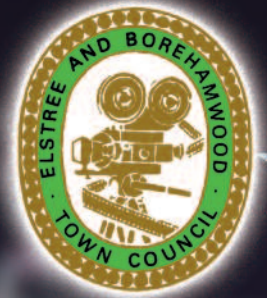


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TOWN CRIER



The magazine for Elstree & Borehamwood residents

Christmas 2012

Christmas Carols

All Saints Church
3pm

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and mince pies

Sunday
2 December 2-7pm

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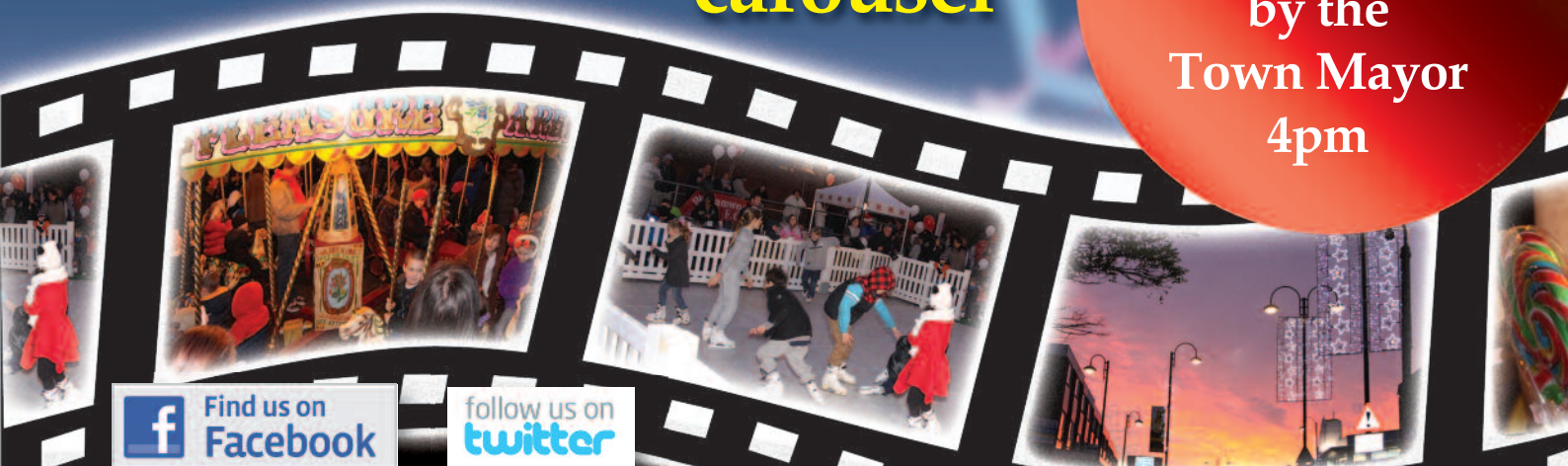
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Festive Decorations
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Town Mayor
4pm



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Letter from the Mayor...

Welcome to the winter and Christmas edition of the Town Crier!

This has been an eventful and memorable year for the Town Council. In addition to the fantastic Town Festival, we were chosen as one of the sites for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Beacon Lighting event in June. Thank you to all those who helped organise this very special occasion and of course to all who took part.

The time as Mayor has flown, and I am almost halfway through the year already. During the first 6 months I have had the pleasure of meeting hundreds of people (see pictures below), and have visited voluntary groups, clubs, businesses as well as our very own Boreham Wood Football Club. The full list of functions is too long for this message!

I am constantly amazed to see how much voluntary work is done in the community by unsung heroes who give up their time and, in some cases, have devoted most of their lives to a local club or organisation. They are the people who help bind our community and society together.

Looking forward, the Town Council is busy preparing for the Fireworks Night, Christmas lights switch on and Christmas festivities, which includes the BBC Band Concert.



I look forward to seeing you and wish you all the compliments of the season and a very happy new year.

Cllr Charles Kelly
(Mayor of Elstree & Borehamwood)



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BBC Elstree Concert Band brings Christmas favourites to The Ark



To kick off the festive season with a swing, with the help of the Town Council, the BBC Elstree Concert Band will be making a welcome return to The Ark Theatre Elstree and Borehamwood on Monday 3 December when they will present a selection of Christmas favourites and treats.

The programme promises a selection box of musical delights, drawing on seasonal favourites from the worlds of screen, stage, classical music and popular tunes following their sell-out success with Music From The Movies in July.

Theatre Manager Tom Lagden commented: 'We're delighted to welcome The BBC Elstree Concert Band back to The Ark. It's going to be the perfect show to begin December and get everyone in to the festive spirit.'

Over the twenty-five years of their existence, the Band has played at a wide range of venues in and around London as well as at both Dorchester and Westminster Abbeys. Further afield their travels have taken in France, Germany and Belgium but Elstree and Borehamwood remains very much their spiritual home.

Founded by flautist Ian Marshall, their first public concert was at the BBC's Elstree Studios in July 1986 and since then the Band has returned to Borehamwood yearly and gained a loyal audience. With tunes everyone can hum or tap their feet to their most recent visit is due to offer more magical music.

The continued development of the Band into the versatile and entertaining ensemble they are today is down to the inspirational and energetic leadership of two people: the founding Musical Director, Mike Crisp, and the current Musical Director, Andrew Morley. Now with forty five players, the Band provides an opportunity for audiences to listen to a wide range of live music with a 'big band' sound rarely available nowadays.

Tickets, priced at £9.00, can be booked in person via the theatre's Thrift Farm Lane entrance, by contacting the Box Office on 020 8238 7288 or online at www.thearktheatre.co.uk

Win two tickets for this great Concert at The Ark Theatre on Monday 3 December. Enter our prize draw at The Christmas Lights switch on at All Saints Church on Sunday 2 December.



Competition time

Congratulations to Mary Sherwood, (Pictured) Competition Winner from our Autumn Edition, who will be enjoying Sunday Lunch at the Holiday Inn courtesy of Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council.

Mary said "I am so pleased to have won this Facebook Competition. Thank you Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council. I was so surprised and we are looking forward to a lovely lunch."



Photography competition

Take the best winter photograph of our town and you could win this excellent digital photo frame, kindly donated by Barkers Estate Agents and possibly have your picture used on our website www.elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

The image could be the Christmas lights or a snow scene when the weather changes. You choose.

The Competition will remain open until 20 January 2013. For more information or to send your pictures in JPEG format, please call 020 8207 1382 or email towncrier@elstreeborehamwood-tc.gov.uk

Community donations

Local Community Publication Tried and Trusted (www.triedandtrusteduk.com) has been busy donating much needed funds to Borehamwood clubs and charity organisations. The cheques were presented by local Councillors.

Borehamwood Swimming Club is a volunteer run organisation which has been operating for over 50 years. They encourage swimmers of all abilities (age five upwards) from the community to join in and strive for their best.

Some of their swimmers have gone on to do great things, including swimming at county, national and Olympic levels and representing Great Britain in water polo. They also support young people to gain qualifications; this opens doors for further employment.

Councillor Ann Harrison presented a cheque for £115 to the club.

Cllr Graeme Franklin gave a cheque for £107 to Carol Denbigh of the **7th Borehamwood Scouts**, a self funding registered charity established 53 years ago and run purely by volunteers, which has evolved from an amalgamation of the 7th, 8th and 6th Borehamwood Scout groups.

At present they have 65 youngsters made up of three sections; Beavers,

Cubs and Scouts catering for girls and boys. All sections meet at Denbigh Lodge, Berwick Road, Borehamwood. Beavers on Wednesday Cubs and Scouts on Tuesday. Further information can be gained from the website www.7thborehamwood.org.uk.

Cllr Ernie Butler presented a cheque for £107 to Tara Clark treasurer of the **Brookside Boys Club**. Established for over 45 years, with the main aim being to provide a safe environment for children and young people to socialise with their friends and take part in a range of sporting activities. The club is currently run by Richard Clark (82) and Vera Clark (77), who have won many awards for their support to the local youth community. To offer support or for more information call Richard on 0208 386 5935.

Cllr Sandra Parnell presented a cheque of £107 to the **Herts Junior Chess Club**. Based in the Borehamwood Baptist Church (Drayton Road Entrance) this is a weekly Junior Chess Club held in term time on Tuesdays between 6pm - 7.20pm.

The age restrictions are five to thirteen and they have a monthly competition. The coaching is hosted by both Ravi Kumar an International Chess Master and former National team coach who is a FIDE & ECF accredited coach and Phillip Breindel the Hertfordshire County U11 Team Manager whose own children are junior national players. HJCC is also looking for local sponsorship! For more information please contact them via Hchess@d-cctv.co.uk or www.Hertsjuniorchess.info



Cllr Sandra Parnell



Cllr Ernie Butler



Cllr Graeme Franklin




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Train station *celebrations*

On Tuesday 25 September Community leaders celebrated the completion of forecourt improvements worth £925,000 at Elstree & Borehamwood railway station with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque by Borough Mayor Cllr. Pat Strack.



Attendees included (pictured) James Clappison MP and Larry Heyman of First Capital Connect.

These developments have been complemented by a series of projects carried out by First Impressions, a community-led group dedicated to celebrating the town's fame as a centre of film and television.

These improvements make travel easier for First Capital Connect customers and at the same time celebrate its role as a gateway to a town famed for its film and TV heritage.

Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council has been an active member of First Impressions, and is a key supporter of recent landscaping work undertaken. They also helped share the cost of putting in place two large new panels to catch the eye of passers-by and remind them of our unique heritage.



Christmas Lights

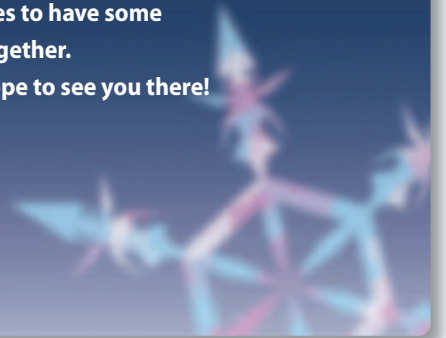


To mark the festive season Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council is bringing some yuletide cheer to the Town with the annual Christmas Lights Switch On event on Sunday 2 December.

The family fun event takes place from 2pm - 7pm behind All Saints Church on Shenley Road. Free entertainments include the ever-popular Ice Rink, sponsored by The Ark Theatre, a vintage Carousel and more. All Saints Church plays host to local primary school children singing carols from 3pm before mulled wine, mince pies and Borehamwood Brass warm up the crowd for the main event. At 4pm

Cllr Charles Kelly will turn on the lights illuminating Shenley Road, Manor Way, Leeming Road and Elstree High Street, formally marking the start of the season. It's a chance for the Town Council to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and for families to have some fun together.

We hope to see you there!



Fairway Hall

Located in Brook Close, off Brook Road, Borehamwood, Fairway Hall is available for hire at competitive rates. This attractive and modern



facility has a fully equipped kitchen, cloakroom, toilets and a stage - making it ideal for weddings, barmitzvahs, children's parties, lectures and meetings. For more information, please call 020 8207 1382

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Wonderful Weinfest with Borehamwood Brass and BETTA

Borehamwood Brass has just returned from a successful trip to Offenburg (Gateway to the Black Forest) in South West Germany. The Band was invited by Die Brücke, the twinning organization in Offenburg to play at the town Weinfest celebrations. A total of 25 musicians performed a concert of lively entertaining music in the historic market place of Offenburg on Saturday 29 September.



The trip was hailed as a "Wonderful Success" and tribute must be paid to the German hosts, Klaus Teufel and the 'Die Brücke' committee as well as Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council which contributed £1,000 towards the cost. The trip was hugely enjoyed by all, especially by those who made much of sampling the delights of the many wines and food on offer.

Travelling with the band was Nick Male who compered the concert, gaining well deserved applause from the German audience, especially from those who were old friends from previous visits.

The Band's special guest, who became the "Talk of the Town", was Borehamwood Piper George McGregor, who performed with the band during the concert and also at the opening ceremony of the Weinfest, where Borehamwood Brass was officially welcomed to the festival by the Mayor of Offenburg Edith Schreiner.

With this great link re-established via Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association (BETTA) and Die Brücke, (meaning "The Bridge"), it is hoped that further visits to and from Offenburg will follow in the future.

Borehamwood Brass is always looking for new members. If anyone has played a brass instrument in the past and is interested in starting to play again, make contact. The band accepts players of all standards.

The band rehearses at the Holy Cross Church Hall, Balmoral Drive, Borehamwood, on a Friday night between 8-10 pm. For further information about Borehamwood Brass please contact the Band Secretary, Alan Gibbins on 020 8953 4097 or look at the band website, www.borehamwoodbrass.org.uk



Poppy Appeal

Deputy Mayor Cllr Clive Butchins attended the Coffee Morning Launch of the Poppy Appeal at the British Legion.

Carol Denbigh said "Thank you to the Town Council for showing your support and encouraging our collection at the Annual Fireworks Display".



Bringing the news to those who cannot see it

Could you volunteer?

Not everyone's eyes allow them to read newspapers or magazines; yet, local people with vision problems are able to hear local news courtesy of a weekly recording produced by the Radlett, Elstree, Borehamwood and Shenley Talking Newspaper.

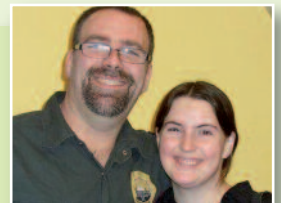
People who know about the Talking Newspaper's weekly recording enjoy receiving their copy, but there are probably many others in our community who do not know about the availability because none of their sighted friends, neighbours or family have brought it to their attention. Perhaps you know someone with vision problems but have you told them about the local Talking Newspaper? If not, why not act today? Check if the person would like to be a recipient of the weekly recording and, if so, please contact either David Clout on 01923 854403 or Don Scott on 01923 856935.

Local Couple, Amanda & John Byrne are running the 2013 London Marathon in memory of Amanda's father

and for the Spinal injury research charity, Aspire, based at Stanmore Hospital,

Donations would be gratefully received on our just giving page

www.justgiving.com/Amandaandjohnbyrne



Exam Success all round for Hertsmeire Academy

Students of Hertsmeire Academy of Dance and Performing Arts, based at Fairway Hall, are celebrating after receiving outstanding results for their Imperial Society of Teachers of Dance (ISTD) Tap, Modern and Jazz exams. With ages ranging from 5 to 18 years of age, 98% gained top marks with Distinction and the remaining 2% with High Merit.

All 7 advanced examinations resulted in Distinction; this is very rare for such high level examinations. Hertsmeire Academy still holds its record 100% examination pass rate since it opened in Borehamwood in 1982 by Diane Parks.

Principal Chahna Morgan, Qualified teacher of the ISTD and Royal Academy of Dance (RAD) and a professional dancer who performed at the Olympic Opening Ceremony said: "I am so proud of my students and their achievements, I only hope that this encourages more people to take part as dancing is fun, creative and great exercise."

Exams are extremely beneficial for students as they help them gain UCAS points for universities and they also develop students physically and mentally.

Chahna continued "We're now preparing for the RAD Ballet exams in November and in January our Youth Musical Theatre production

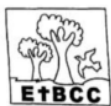
company 'Inspiring Productions' will be holding open auditions for the community to take part in our Junior Musical!

Competition

To win 5 free lessons, email us through Hertsmeire Academy of Dance website stating Town Crier Competition.

We have 5 passes for lucky winners available for January 2013.

Hertsmeire Academy classes run 6 days a week at Fairway Hall, offering all types of dance and Performing Arts classes, which are only taught by fully qualified teachers. If you would like more information or are interested in Auditioning for the 2013 show, please visit www.inspiringherts.co.uk



Elstree & Borehamwood Christian Council

Celebrate Christmas 2012 with us



Roman Catholic Parishes of Borehamwood

St Teresa of the Child Jesus, 291 Shenley Road & SS John Fisher & Thomas More, 28 Rossington Avenue

Saturday 22nd Dec. 10am-1pm: Extended Confession time (St Teresa's)
6pm: 4th Sunday in Advent (St Teresa's)

Sunday 23rd Dec. 8.30am: Mass (SSJFTM)
10am: Mass (St Teresa's)
Noon: Mass (SSJFTM)

Monday 24th Dec. 6pm: Christmas Vigil & Children's Nativity (St Teresa's)
8pm: Christmas Vigil Mass (St Teresa's)
11.30am: Carol Service (SSJFTM)
Midnight: Midnight Mass (SSJFTM)

Tuesday 25th Dec. 9am: Mass (SSJFTM)
Noon: Mass (SSJFTM)

Monday 31st Dec. Midday: Mass (SSJFTM)
10pm: Mass (St Teresa's) followed by party at Parish Centre to welcome the new year

Tuesday 1st Jan. Midday: Mass (St Teresa's)



International Christian Fellowship

Manor Way, Borehamwood WD6 1QY

www.icfellowship.org Patrick Bateman (Pastor) 020 8207 1837

Sat 15th Dec. 7.00 pm Christmas Banquet - Public invited free

Sun 23rd Dec. 10.00 am Worship every Sunday

Tue 25th Dec. 10.00 am One Hour Christmas Service

Mon 31st Dec. 10.30 pm Watchnight Celebration - All welcome

Church of England

Team Parish of Elstree & Borehamwood
Parish Office (020) 8905 1365 Weekdays a.m.
www.borehamwoodchurches.org.uk

All Saints Church

Shenley Road, WD6 1EB

Sunday 23rd Dec. 11.00am
12.15pm

Christmas Eve 6.00pm
11.30pm

Christmas Day 10.00am

Holy Cross Church

Balmoral Drive, WD6 2QU

Sunday 23rd Dec. 7.00pm

Christmas Eve 4.30pm

Christmas Day 10.00am

St Nicholas Church

Elstree High Street, WD6 3EW

Sunday 16th Dec. 6.00pm

Christmas Eve 4.00pm
11.30pm

Christmas Day 9.30am

St Michael & All Angels Church www.achurchnearyou.com

Brook Road, WD6 5EQ

Sunday 2nd Dec. 9.30am

Sunday 23rd Dec. 9.30am

Christmas Eve 5.00pm
11.30pm

Christmas Day 10.00am

Sunday 30th Dec. 10.00am

Revd Tim Warr (020) 8207 6603

Lessons and Carols
Holy Communion

Crib Service
Midnight Mass

Family Communion

Revd Christine Hina (020) 8953 2183

Community Carol Service

Crib & Christingle Service

Christmas Family Communion

Revd Karen Gardiner (020) 8953 1411

Nine Lessons and Carols

Crib Service
Midnight Mass

Christmas Family Communion

Revd Richard Leslie (020) 8953 2362

Advent Carol Service

Carols & Communion

Christmas Story and Christingle
Midnight Mass

Family Communion

Parish Communion

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

St. Paul's Close, corner of Cranes Way & Furzehill Rd.
Borehamwood, WD6 2DB
www.stpaulslutheran.co.uk Revd David Jackson (020) 8953 3308

Sunday 16th Dec. 6:00pm: Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight
with special music sung by the Junior Choir & Choristers

Sunday 23rd Dec. 10:00am: 4th Sunday in Advent

Monday 24th Dec. 6:00pm: Christmas Eve Service by Candlelight

Tuesday 25th Dec. 9:00am: Christmas Day Service



St. Andrews U.R.C Church

Aycliffe Road, Borehamwood

Sunday 16th December at 10:15am Nativity play

Wednesday 19th December at 8pm Carols by candlelight

Christmas Day service at 10:15am.



Borehamwood Baptist Church

Furzehill Rd., Borehamwood

Sunday 23rd December - 10.30am and Carol Service at 6.30pm
(followed by light refreshments)

Christmas Day: Family Service at 10.00am

King's Grace Chapel

(Redeemed Christian Church of God)

Holy Cross Church Hall, Balmoral Drive, WD6 2QU

Services as normal: Wednesdays 7pm-8:30pm, Sundays 11am-1pm



Home-Start Borehamwood and District is a local charity which supports young families within the area. Last year in Hertsmere we supported 48 families.

Families need support for many reasons: perhaps they are struggling to cope with postnatal illness, a child's disability, family breakdown or bereavement or maybe they feel isolated and

unable to connect with their local community. Whatever the reason, Home-Start provides non-judgemental practical and emotional support and helps build the family's confidence and ability to cope. Volunteers visit one family for a couple of hours each week, offering them support, encouragement and friendship. In return volunteers benefit by gaining experience, confidence and making new friends.

To find out more about what this charity has to offer or perhaps what skills you need to be a volunteer contact us on 020 8953 5082 or email us at bridget@home-startbw.org.uk

The Air Training Corps

The Air Training corps was established on 5 February 1941. Elstree & Borehamwood 1372 Squadron was formed on 8 April 1941 and offered an opportunity for young boys to establish the skills required for a future career in the Royal Air Force.



Prior to the 1980s young girls were unable to join the air Cadets organisation, however, in 1981 girls were welcomed and so it became the organisation it is today. These days there is no pressure to join the armed forces upon leaving the cadets, however, they still provide the hands-on experience and assistance to help develop your skills in order to succeed in whatever it is you decide to do.

So, are you ready for a challenge? 1372 Squadron, in Rossington Avenue, is offering you the chance to experience all of the activities and benefits that being a cadet can provide. Aside from adventure training and sports, we also give cadets the opportunity to go flying, gliding, target shooting and camping as well as taking part in residential camps on RAF bases. These camps provide a real insight into military life but they're also great fun too! Everyone is also given the chance to obtain their Duke of Edinburgh Awards which are designed to leave you feeling like a much more confident, motivated and capable person.

The Air Cadets is open to anyone so no matter what your nationality, background or ability, no matter whether you're male or female, as long as you're between 13 and 17 you can join us.

For more information, come and visit us or call us on 020 8207 1046 Monday or Thursday evenings.



The Royal British Legion - Onwards and Upwards



Borehamwood Branch has seen a very satisfying increase in membership over the last three months; membership is growing in the younger age groups, a sign that the Legion is still relevant today.

We have one of the best snooker teams in the area to say nothing of the darts teams.

The very strong Women's Section began its work in 1921 after the First World War, when women wanted to "do their bit"; after all throughout the war they had had to do the work of men and they wanted to continue to work to care for others less fortunate, the widows and their families in particular. Sadly even today most of the calls on the Legion are for financial welfare. Allowances can be paid by The Women's Section Welfare Programme to assist women who have served or were married to servicemen, also the children of service and ex-service personnel who are experiencing difficulties. The Women's Section can also provide educational sponsorship mainly for young children and family welfare breaks for those devastated families after a bereavement or when even just a short holiday break would be beyond their means.

The Women's Section are especially noticeable every year from mid-October to mid November. During this time all their fundraising goes to the Poppy Appeal rather than to their Welfare Schemes.

There are many ways Borehamwood's Women's Section enjoy their fund raising, quizzes, raffles, bingo, collection of spare change, a regular stall on Families Day are just a few.

Their formal meeting is at the Legion in Shenley Road on the 2nd Monday of every month. New members will be very welcome. Rene Davies will be happy to give further information on 020 8207 6053, so if you would like to belong to a friendly network of ladies in your community, enjoying events and the use of the Legion's Club great facilities whilst making a real difference to the serving and ex-service personnel who need your help - why not give Rene a ring.

Fireworks 2012

On Monday 5 November several thousand people attended the annual Fireworks Display at Meadow Park provided by Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council.

The crowd atmosphere was electric as they waited to join in the countdown led by Town Mayor Cllr Charles Kelly, who also awarded prizes to The Air Cadets (£100) and The Youth Council (who announced that their cash prize of £50 would be donated to Teenage Cancer Trust) for their efforts in the Guy Competition. On the count of one, Borehamwood Football Club switched out the floodlights, plunging the park into darkness.

The music started and the fireworks exploded!

Fantastic Fireworks did a superb safe job on set up and firing, Stage Two provided an improved sound system on towers this year that had the music (and the Mayor) heard all around Borehamwood.

We had many kind comments made to Councillors, the Town Council office and on our Elstree and Borehamwood Facebook page. (Why not join us on Facebook?)

We hope you enjoyed the show and we look forward to next year.



Photo courtesy of Clive Butchins



Huge Crowds



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Saffron Green goes to London

On Monday 10 September 2012, Year 6 from Saffron Green Primary School travelled to Fleet Street in London in order to watch the Athletes Parade.

Their Teacher, Mrs Elaine Elliman, had been a London Ambassador volunteer during the London 2012 Olympic Games and because of this she wanted them to experience the atmosphere and share in the historic moment by watching the Parade. Being on Fleet Street meant that, with the school banner and chanting of 'Team GB', they soon came to the attention of a journalist from The Sun newspaper who included them in his write up of the event in the following day's edition.

And what of the children themselves? What did they think of the whole experience? Here are just some of the things they had to say:

'We went down to London to watch the Athletes' Parade. I really enjoyed the part where I saw Mo Farah, the gold medallist of London 2012 in the 10,000m and 5,000m races. It was an inspiring opportunity for me as the Olympics will probably never be in my home country again in my lifetime. I really enjoyed the day.' **Brandon**

'As I laid eyes on Jessica Ennis my heart jumped out of my skin in excitement. I screamed for her as she is the one who inspires me. As I chanted her name she turned and smiled at me! I am so lucky my teacher was a London Ambassador because she gave us the biggest chance of our lifetime. I would like to say a massive thank you to her.' **Jade**

'My favourite part of the Athletes' Parade was the feeling of actually being part of history and at such a great event. I enjoyed seeing the athletes, especially Mo Farah, and felt proud to be British. I also enjoyed travelling up to London on the train. Overall the whole day was overwhelming.' **Billy**

'While we were at the Athletes' Parade I was one of the lucky few who got a chance to hold one of the Olympic torches (that had been carried through Margate). At the moment I was handed the torch I felt so astounded it was amazing! For me, that day was a once in a lifetime opportunity and for me there won't be a better day in my life!' **Caitlan**



Park Street Camera Club 50th Anniversary (1962-2012)

We will be holding another two Open Meetings during our 50th Anniversary Year for Elstree & Borehamwood residents to join us and listen to some very interesting speakers.



There will be no charge for the evenings and we are certain that you will enjoy the presentations. At each meeting there will be a short break for refreshments and a chance for you to chat to our members.

17 January 2013: 'A Touch of Glass - A Victorian Magic Lantern show' by Gordon Casbeard & Tony Brown. Several typical slide shows that were around in Victorian times, many of the slides are hand painted and move!

07 February 2013: 'A Year Through My Lens' by Tony Hawkins - Photographs of British landscapes and wildlife through the seasons.

If you would like to come along to the Open meetings, please telephone Maggie Fricker, Chairperson 01923 673323 or Rosemary Wenzel, Publicity Secretary 01923 677111 to book your place.

Visit our website on www.parkstreetcameraclub.com to view our programme, photo galleries, competition winning photographs and much more.

Another Award for BoxCleva

BoxCleva is a Youth Initiative which started in Borehamwood. It helps children channel their energy with non contact physical exercise and educates them on leading a healthy lifestyle. It has once again been recognised as a success by winning a prestigious Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service Heart award for Community Initiative of the Year in September 2012.

The scheme, which counts Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council amongst its funders and supporters, sees young participants attend weekly non-contact exercise sessions with former professional boxers and qualified coaches. These physical sessions are also supported by educational sessions covering areas such as healthy eating, the risks of substance abuse and community awareness.

Bob Williams, (pictured) himself an ex professional boxer, added "Winning the award really shows what a positive difference Box Cleva is making to these children in helping control anger. Thank you to all our supporters." Visit www.boxcleva.org



Local tennis club ladies A team are area champions!

Elstree Lawn Tennis Club's Ladies A team mounted a successful campaign to comfortably win the Watford & District league division 6 title this year.

A near perfect season saw Elstree lose only one fixture out of 12 matches to secure league victory and promotion with a match still in hand. Success was due to a strong, committed team which consistently delivered winning performances despite often terrible weather conditions. 2013 will see the team playing in division 5 and the challenge will be to perform just as strongly as 2012, consolidate their division standing and continue to improve their match play.

Elstree Tennis Club is always looking for new members and team players are chosen solely on ability, so if you are a confident player check out their web site at www.elstreetennis.com for club details. The club currently has 4 teams; two ladies, a men's and a mixed doubles so there is plenty of opportunity to get involved if you enjoy a challenge.



Youth Council

Since the last Town Crier lots of progress has been made within the Youth Council.

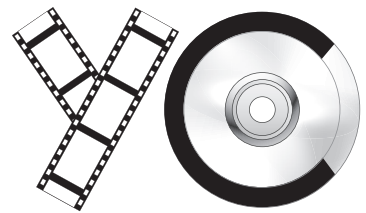
Firstly, the Business Card designed to give young people discounts at local businesses has really taken off. We have been out and having meetings with business owners and it has got the backing of many businesses within the local area. We are hoping to get formal letters out to the businesses who have expressed interest as soon as possible so the business cards can be completed.

Also, on 21 October, members of the Youth Council helped out with the planting of daffodil bulbs at Elstree & Borehamwood train station, this is something the Youth Council has been doing to help the First Impressions group. We want to make a good first impression on travellers coming in to Borehamwood via the station. In the spring time we will be helping to maintain the grounds at the train station.

On 18 November, Mitzvah day, as part of our Green initiative, we planted lots of trees at Allum Lane Allotments. We would like to thank everyone involved for allowing us to plant there.

If you are interested in joining the Youth Council we meet on the first Wednesday of every month at Hertsmere Civic Offices.

ELSTREE & BOREHAMWOOD



YOUTH COUNCIL

Bee Keeping Seminar

Hosted by Elstree and Borehamwood Town Council in partnership with local experts and Hertfordshire Beekeepers Association

Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood WD6 5BT on Wednesday 16 January 2013 starting at 7.30 pm

Come and find out about:

- How to get involved
- What the benefits of beekeeping are
- Some of the myths

Festival Feedback

Thank you to all those who took the time to return our Festival Feedback Forms from our last edition. The overall response was that the Festival was a resounding success.

The comments received and noted by the Members were all positive, with good ideas and suggestions to take into consideration for next year's Festival.

The 2013 Town Festival will commence on Saturday 15 June with the Town Parade and a Classic Vehicle Show in Meadow Park. The Festival finishes on Sunday 30 June with Families' Day taking place on Saturday 29 June.

If you have an event taking place that you would like us to consider including within the Town Festival then please contact the Town Council offices.



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Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council meetings

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21 November	COUNCIL	Civic Offices	7.30pm
27 November	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
5 December	Youth Council	Fairway Hall	6.30pm
18 December	Entertainments	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
9 January	Youth Council	Civic Offices	6.30pm
15 January	Entertainments	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
17 January	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
23 January	COUNCIL	Civic Offices	7.30pm
12 February	Entertainments	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
13 February	General Management	Fairway Hall	7.30pm
19 February	Environment & Planning	Fairway Hall	7.30pm

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