

# Beckingham Bugle

April 2010



It was the Annual Parish meeting on the 26 April. Apologies that the date wasn't in the Bugle. I had been advised the date was the 10 May after the last Bugle went out but the Parish Council meeting on the 6 April was cancelled (which was in the Bugle) and the date of the Annual Meeting changed. I publish all dates in good faith. In future please don't take any Parish Council dates as definite. The Parish Clerk advised me at the meeting that dates are not official until the notice is put on the notice board 3 days before the meeting. That may seem odd but it is how our Parish Council currently does things.

It seems that Council minutes are again going to be published on the village website. If you can't access the Internet and want to see a copy you should contact the clerk or one of the councillors.

*Mikki*

TEXT  for the Fête to 07808 593044

## Dates for your diary.....

### May

- 6** General Election - remember to vote at the Village Hall  
*No book exchange this month due to the above*
- 9** All Saints Family Morning Service 11.15am
- 11** Fete planning committee - Pack Horse 7pm
- 21** Family Fun Quiz - Village Hall

### June

- 3** Beckingham Book Exchange 6-8pm Village Hall
- 15** Parish Council meeting 7pm Village Hall
- 19** Beckingham Great Summer Fête - see it on Facebook!

# BECKINGHAM GREAT SUMMER FÊTE

## SATURDAY 19TH JUNE

Planning is well underway for this years Fête. Ideas for activities are still welcome - by text or in person! It would be great to have some of the younger members of the village running their own activities as part of the day. We have Dave Gaskill, cartoonist, opening the Fête and he will also be giving some demonstrations and selling some of his graphic novels.

Confirmed activities so far include:

- **Bottle Tombola**
- **Bar and BBQ and Afternoon tea**
- **Various stalls (Tables available to villagers at just £10)**
- **Art activities**
- **Fun Run throughout the afternoon (individually timed)**
- **Community Led Planning activities**
- **Tug of War on the Village green**
- **Hog Roast and Country and Western evening in the Pack Horse**

### Help wanted!

Can you spare an hour or two to man a stall on the day? We would like to set up a **rota** so that everyone has a chance to enjoy the Fête. It is fun but a rota would help spread the load and match times to availability.

We have not been able to borrow tents from the army camp this year as they have been sent to Afghanistan. If you have a **Gazebo** or large tent or can borrow one from somewhere please help us! We need them whether it is wet or sunny!

**Bottles** for the Bottle Tombola (anything as long as it is a bottle - soft drink, shampoo, alcohol) would be welcome. We are doing a raffle but want to have a small number of good **prizes**. If you would like to donate something that may be suitable for that or the Fête Bric a Brac stand it would be wonderful.

Please can you drop any donations off with Carol Else at The Sheridan (next door to the Pack Horse). If you are able to volunteer any time or can help in other ways please tell Carol or ring Mikki Young on 626117 or Gill Green on 626635

### **Beckingham Carol Sheets**

For Carol Singing around the village two years ago we had brand new Carol Sheets. But someone asked to borrow them and last Christmas they were nowhere to be found, so we had to use old ones. Has someone out there got those new sheets hidden away? If so, please return them to Gill Green or Val Rampton so we don't have the expense of doing new sheets again. Thank you!

### **Congratulations Pink Ladies**

The Pink Ladies darts team have won the cup at their first attempt beating many teams from higher leagues.



### **Beckingham 100 Club - new format for 2010**

The final draw for the 2009 100 Club took place in April. The winners were No 82 David Dobson £25, No 98 Edward Durham £14 and No 53 Kevin Meehan £10.

For 2010 we are having more people selling tickets which will hopefully increase both income and prizes. 50% goes to the prize fund, 25% to All Saints Restoration and 25% to improvements at the Village hall.

Tickets will still only cost £10 for the year. Contact Mikki Young (626117) if you would like to buy one or are willing to try and sell some at work!

## **Family Fun Quiz**

**Friday May 21 - Village Hall 7.30pm**

Great fun for all the family!

The format will be similar to last year's quiz where you can get your teams together before the night and join up with people on the night.



- Maximum team size is 6, no minimum
- Questions for all ages
- Cash Bar for soft and alcoholic drinks
- Just £2 per person entry fee
- Prize for winning team and a small Raffle on the night

All profits from the evening go towards the Restoration of All Saints



## **HOME BEAT**

More news on the Police front. There has been a reorganisation of areas covered and we have been added to the cliff villages, along with Stragglethorpe, whilst Brant Broughton remains with the old area which has been almost doubled in size.

Our new area has one PC and 3 PCSOs but I don't have any contact details for them as yet.

Duncan Sturges, our Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator said "This was a bad idea for Beckingham four years ago when it was first suggested and it still is. We are now some 6 miles from the nearest village on our patch and stuck right out on a limb. It would be helpful if as many people as possible could write to the Chief Constable and complain about it."

We may have been at the edge of the area in the last group but now we are a long way from the rest of the group. Our local PCSOs and PC had spent time getting to know our area and now that is all lost.

Write to:

Richard Crompton, Chief Constable  
Lincolnshire Police  
Police Headquarters  
PO Box 999  
Lincoln LN5 7PH

**Also please keep an eye out for a red Ford Focus car anywhere near the Church.** There have been a series of break-ins at churches in the area and getting the license plate and time seen of this car would be helpful.

## **Contacts**

**Village Hall** Graham Else 626709

**Parish Council** Clerk - Judith Lyon 01400 272268

**County Councillor** Ray Phillips 01522 686432. **District Councillors:**  
Sue Howe 01522 788496 / Pat Woodman 01522 788236.

**Litter picker** James Keane 07787 355932

**Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator**

Duncan Sturges: duncansturges@aol.com

**All Saints** - Rector: The Revd Dr Alan Megahey 01400 273987  
Church Warden Gill Green 626635

**Police** 0300 111 0300 ([new number](#)) or 999 in an emergency or:

Awaiting new contact details

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