

Boughton Village Matters

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Welcome to the September edition of BVM

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BUCKTON FIELDS: COMMON SENSE AND PEOPLE POWER PREVAILS

The chambers of Daventry District Council's offices were crammed to bursting with people, many from Boughton, who came to hear the planning committee emphatically turn down the Ensign Group's application to develop "Buckton Fields". This decision came despite the Planning Officer's recommendation for acceptance. Our two local MPs had been very vocal in their opposition, while at the meeting John Clarke, John Shephard and Michael Stead all spoke against the proposal. The Planning Officer also acknowledged the huge number of letters of objection received. "This decision goes to prove that perseverance and pulling together do bear fruit," says John Clarke, Parish Council Chairman. "However, we must not take our eye off the ball. The Ensign Group may appeal."

SUSPICIOUS VANS IN VILLAGE

Neighbourhood Watch has warned residents to be vigilant after two suspicious white vans were spotted in the village. The Police are currently making efforts to combat metal-related crimes and believe there may be a connection with these vehicles. Report anything unusual to Chris Boyce (843714 or chris.boyce@nhs.net) or a Neighbourhood Watch coordinator.

GIDDY UP FOR RACE NIGHT

There's a chance to win on the gee gees at a charity race night in the Village Hall on 24th September. Tickets are £12.50 (tables of six please) and include a ploughman's supper and homemade puddings. All proceeds are in aid of maintaining the Pocket Park. Anyone unable to attend but who would like to support can sponsor a race (£10) or buy horses for the races. These cost £2.50 each and have a one-in-eight chance of winning their "owners" a £10 prize. Contact Charlotte Mackaness (842311) for more information.

JESS DIMMOCK'S SUMMER OF SUCCESS

A young Boughton showjumper has enjoyed a sensational few weeks. As reported in the last BVM, Jess and her horse Capello were selected for the GB team for the Young Riders Championships in Portugal. They finished fourth individually – the best performance of the team. "Capello was amazing. We're now looking forward to the Horse Of The Year Show," says Jess, who would be keen to hear from anybody wishing to sponsor her.

MELODIES AND MORE AT THE VILLAGE HALL

"Muse and Music" invite you to an evening of words and music in aid of the Red Cross in the Village Hall on 1st October from 730pm. There will be songs from opera and musicals, both classical and contemporary, with words from the past and present. Tickets, which are £10 for adults, £8 for senior citizens and £5 for under 16s, include light refreshments. For further information, contact Bella Dean on 846009 or belladean@btinternet.com

FASCINATING AND PERSONAL INSIGHTS INTO VILLAGE HISTORY

Tickets are on sale for "Boughton Through The Ages", a unique evening of local history and nostalgia at the Village Hall on 7th October. Village historians will delve back 1,500 years with talks, picture shows and displays. The Boughton Mummers will be making their first appearance in many years. Doors open at 6.45pm for a 7.30pm start. Light refreshments include cheese and nibbles with a complimentary first glass of wine. Tickets are £7.50 from Sandra Lee (843491), Susan Wilson (820003) and Cassie Handshaw (844926).

CRICKET AND CAKES KNOCK BOUGHTON FOR SIX

"Thank you to everyone who came to the cricket and vintage tea in aid of Thomas's Fund," writes *Lucy Smith*. "A whopping £1,144 was raised. This will go towards providing much-needed music therapy. We are also starting a pilot project in Northampton General Hospital, including work in the neonatal wards for babies who have yet to see the outside, some of whom sadly never will. Special thanks to those who played for Harry's Stars and the Boughton Cricket Club."

JUMBLE SALE REMINDER

Please bring bric-a-brac, books, DVDs etc to the Village Hall on the morning of Saturday 10th September ready for a jumble sale from 2pm until 4pm in aid of Village Hall funds. A collection will also be made. Contact Sandra Lee (843491) or Susan Wilson (820003).

NEED A HELPING HAND IN THE HOUSE OR WITH YOUR CHILDREN?

If you fancy a night on the town and need a babysitter or want plants watered and pets fed while you're away, Clarissa Blake from Vyse Road, can help. Ring her on 07857 349346.

HOSPICE REQUIRES VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

The Cynthia Spencer Hospice needs people to join its team of volunteer drivers to help with patient transport. If you have a few hours a week spare, call Lesley Bacon on 678078.

INJECT SOME COLOUR INTO YOUR HOME

Eileen Clarke from Moulton Lane has started selling an eclectic mix of "shabby chic" and antique furniture. She also stocks Annie Sloan chalk paints, waxes and glazes, and plans to run workshops in painting furniture and textured finishes. Open Saturday 10am until 4pm or by appointment. Visit www.eileenclarke.co.uk or call 820433 for more information.

LIBRARY TIMES FOR BOUGHTON BOOKWORMS

Northamptonshire County Council's mobile library will be outside the school on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 3pm until 3.30pm.



DENISE BATES' BISCUIT TORTONI

Ingredients

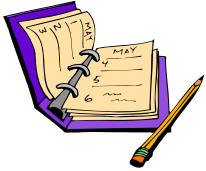
¾ pint double cream	¼ pint single cream
2oz icing sugar	12 macaroons
3fl oz brown sherry	

Whip the creams together with the sugar and a pinch of salt until the mixture is firm but not stiff. Spoon into a 9in loaf tin or plastic box. Cover with a double layer of foil and freeze until nearly solid. Crush the macaroons into fine crumbs. Set aside a third for decoration. Break the frozen cream into a basin and blend in the sherry and remaining crumbs with a hand whisk. The mixture should stay light and bulky. Spoon the mixture back into the washed container and freeze. When firm remove and invert the container over a serving plate, rubbing with a warm cloth until the ice cream drops out. Press the saved macaroon crumbs over the top and sides. Garnish with brandy snaps.



FOCUS ON *Boughton Short Mat Bowls Club*

Are you looking for something fun to do? If you are at a loose end on a Thursday afternoon, why not join us at Boughton Short Mat Bowls Club, *writes Andrea Brame*. We meet in the Village Hall, starting at 2.15pm and finishing around 4pm. We are not competitive: it's about enjoying the fellowship and time out. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Mary Cheer (843581) or Andrea Brame (844027)



DATES FOR YOU R DIARY

- 10th September** **Jumble Sale** 2pm until 4pm in the Village Hall.
- 11th September** **Clear-Up Afternoon** from 2pm in the Pocket Park. Volunteers warmly welcomed to help weed, prune, strim, litter pick etc.
- 12th September** **Parish Council Meeting** 730pm in the Village Hall.
- 19th September** **Ladies' Fellowship** Annual church service at 7.30pm followed by a shared supper. All members please bring a plate of food to share. This is the first meeting of the new autumn programme, a copy of which is in the newsletter
- 24th September** **Race Night** 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Tickets are £12.50 to include a ploughman's supper and homemade pud. Tables of six please. Contact Charlotte Mackaness (842311).
- 1st October** **Melodies & More** Music and prose in the Village Hall at 7.30pm for the Red Cross. Ticket information from Bella Dean (846009).
- 7th October** **History Evening** 6.45pm in the Village Hall. Tickets are £7.50 and include light refreshments. Contact Sandra Lee (843491).
- 1st and 3rd Mondays** Ladies Fellowship, Church Rooms - contact Sue Greatorex 842332
Every Monday Pilates 12- 1pm Village Hall - contact Roberta Gee 07816768252
Every Tuesday Pilates 6.30 - 7.30 pm Village Hall - contact Roberta Gee
Last Tuesday of month Spencer Club – Mrs Cumbleton/Mrs Sallie 843652/843314
Thursday evenings Short mat bowls - contact Andrea Brame 844027

HIRE BOUGHTON VILLAGE HALL

Contact Sandra Lee (843491)

**MEETINGS, WEDDING RECEPTIONS, CHILDREN'S
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