

## Nash Mills Parish Council Community Tea Event



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Thank you to everyone who joined us for afternoon tea on Wednesday 20th of June at Nash Mills Village Hall.

Around 35 guests attended and enjoyed tea, cake and the opportunity to socialise. Mingling with the guests were Parish Councillor Terence Collins and County Councillor Tina Howard along with Richard Ball our local OWL co-ordinator and Keith Gower, Chair of the Village Hall Committee.

Organisers, Councillors Louise Gross and Rosie Moubray said afterwards "it was great to see so many residents getting to know each other over tea and cake. It was a lovely way to bring the Community together and also gave residents a chance to meet us and talk over any concerns with their local Councillors".

The Parish are grateful to Keith Gower and the Trustees of Nash Mills Village Hall for allowing the use of this great venue.

Watch this space for more Community Tea events later in the year.

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### News from St Mary's

On the day of the Royal wedding, on Saturday 19th May, the Archbishop of Canterbury came hot-foot from Windsor to a special service at St Albans Cathedral to celebrate "Thy Kingdom Come". About 3,500 people from across Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire, including some from St Mary's, attended and heard a short address from both him and also Bishop Michael Curry who many of you I am sure saw preach at the Royal Wedding -although his address was much shorter to us!!

Some of us from St Mary's went to St Alban's on Saturday 23rd June to join in the celebrations for St Alban's Day. We joined in the procession with the huge puppets through the town centre and down to the front of the cathedral where the Martyrdom of St Alban over 1,700 years ago, was retold.

The weather was indeed very kind to us and the thousands of people who attended the event, and we all enjoyed a wonderful day in the sun as well as two wonderful services.

Another event which we all enjoyed was "A Strawberries and Cream Tea" afternoon that we held in the churchyard at the beginning of July, on another lovely summers afternoon.

The process continues to replace Revd. David Lawson as our Team Rector, and hopefully by the next edition of the Newsletter I will be able to have some further news.

Meanwhile our current ministry team continues (with the support of retired clergy) to cover all of our normal services. So why not, during the summer months, join us on a Sunday morning at 10am, and see what your local church can offer! Indeed, our Sunday school will continue to be held as normal over the school summer holidays including, in August, their annual Teddy Bears Picnic.

If you cannot come on a Sunday morning you could of course join us at our community café between 10am and 12noon on a Saturday. This would give you the opportunity to look round the church and churchyard and admire the roses and other work which is carried out by our Working Party!

More details concerning services and events in our Benefice can be found on our web site which is [www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk](http://www.beneficeoflangelei.org.uk). Meanwhile enjoy the summer months!

Peter Bladon.

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Our extra-curricular clubs offer a lively balance of sport, performing and creative arts, science and technology, journalism, problem-solving and debating. The school is involved in charitable and school partnership activities in the wider community. In such a nurturing environment, pupils grow naturally in confidence, are happy to embrace new challenges and eagerly take on increasing responsibilities. Pupils leave Abbot's Hill fully equipped to take on with passion the challenges and opportunities life has to offer. To experience Abbot's Hill for yourself, come along to one of our Open Events (full details are available on our website) or you can email our Registrar at [registrar@abbotshill.herts.sch.uk](mailto:registrar@abbotshill.herts.sch.uk) or call us on **01442 240333**.

### 'Summer Breeze' Quiz 2018

- 1) What is the collective name of the group of islands straddled between Canada and the United States of America?
- 2) In what region of Italy is Castel Gandolfo located?
- 3) How is the singer La Donna Gaynes better known?
- 4) Which duo had a hit with 'Summer Nights' in 1978?
- 5) Which actor, later to find fame in 'It Ain't Half Hot Mum', played a role in the film 'Summer Holiday'?
- 6) Who composed the 'Overture to A Midsummer Night's Dream'?
- 7) What sort of fruit is traditionally used in a summer pudding?
- 8) In what county is Stonehenge located?
- 9) In December 1998, UNESCO included the Summer Palace on its World Heritage List where is it located?
- 10) How many times a year do Solstices occur?
- 11) What variety of fruit is 'Mara des Bois'?
- 12) Which actor took the lead role as Captain Anson in 'Ice Cold In Alex'?
- 13) What does SPF stand for?
- 14) France recently won the World Cup in Russia this year. Who won the World Cup in 1950 and in what Country was it staged?
- 15) Which wind originates in the Arabian or Sahara deserts?

Please post your entries for the 'The 'Summer Breeze' Quiz 2018 to the Parish Clerk alternatively, email your entry to: [clerk@nashmillsparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@nashmillsparishcouncil.gov.uk) by the 31st October 2018. The winning entry (drawn at random) with all 15 correct answers will win £10.00.

#### Answers to 'The Spring has Sprung' Quiz 2018

- 1) Hebe. 2) Carnation. 3) Saffron. 4) The Waste Land.
- 5) Printemps. 6) Grand Prismatic Spring. 7) Out like a lamb.
- 8) 1984. 9) 28. 10) May - Great Spring Show. 11) Botticelli.
- 12) The Pet Shop Boys. 13) Igor Stravinsky. 14) Gundog.
- 15) Spring Equinox.

Thank you for all your entries and Congratulations to **Mrs Hatter, Highclere Drive.** 



"I found myself on the phone to a woman whose baby, like mine, had died. 'Tell me about your baby', she said and I poured my heart out to a perfect stranger with whom I felt an instant connection." *Mum.*

As a Member of **WHAB Sands** we have heard similar quotes or stories like the one above many times. Many parents come to Sands wanting to support from other parents who have experienced the death of a baby as they can offer real understanding. All of our local support groups like WHAB Sands are run by trained Befrienders who are bereaved parents and often offer regular meetings and can be contacted by telephone and/or email. However, all Groups are run by a Committee who also need additional help and support. WHAB have a Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer, but would like to find someone to become Secretary and others who could consider taking on another role such as Hospital Liaison, MSLC Rep {Maternity Services Liaison Committee Rep}, Fundraising Coordinator and others. Whilst many are bereaved parents, and some are long-ago bereaved parents, not everyone has to be to offer help to the Committee. They also need additional 'Befrienders' to facilitate Support Meetings. (To be a Befriender you need to be at least 2 years from your loss and need to attend or have attended preferably 3-4 Support Meetings) .In order to continue to help local parents and hospitals with emotional, practical support and information including memory boxes, literature, training, funds for equipment including cold cots and our support meetings WHAB Sands needs people like yourself to come forward to help support the Committee. Also if you know anyone who has administrative, financial, or fundraising skills who would be interested in helping please do ask them to consider becoming involved. None of the roles are particularly onerous, meetings are held 3 to 6 times a year, and there is huge amount of guidance, support and resources from UK-Sands and your Network Coordinator to make your role as easy as possible. If you would like to discuss this please call your Network Co-ordinator **Rose Abrehart** on **07707480020** or [rose.abrehart@sands.org.uk](mailto:rose.abrehart@sands.org.uk) Sands supports anyone who has been affected by the death of a baby before, during or shortly after birth. We offer emotional support and information for parents, grandparents, siblings, children, families and friends, health professionals and others.



### **Bunkers Park**

Summer has come and we have gone from green pasture to dry grass in a month. The Cows are now with us so please visit them - they are quite friendly but naturally keep dogs on a lead if you walk through the fields where they are. They are moved between the three fields on a regular basis.

For the first year we have managed to coppice one eighth of the planted area which means we have proved we can work on an eight year cycle which is what used to happen when hazel was used as a crop. We have marked the area into eight sectors and will be tackling one sector per year from now on. Work is still going on to produce the firewood bundles which should be available in the autumn, thus giving a valid purpose to the work.

We know some of the steps need to be repaired and we will be working on this over the next few months. However we have worked on clearing the gates and steps of undergrowth and overhanging branches as well as mowing the rides and the areas around the benches to make the Park more accessible.

DBC have re-laid the access road to the carpark so do make use of the Park this summer. Some will have noticed ditches dug around the carpark which is to prevent cars driving over the grass as there have been a few problems recently.

The butterflies are abundant this year and if anyone identifies some of the varieties can they let us know. We are short of a butterfly expert so if you want to join the Friends in that capacity please let us know. When the notice board is erected near the carpark we want to list the wildlife to be found in the Park as well as some of the plants and trees. If you take any photographs of the park or its wildlife we could also make space available to feature those.

Enjoy the rest of the summer  
Geoff Doole



### **PARISH COUNCIL'S DOG BAG SCHEME**

If you are a dog walker or dog owner and would like to supplement your own dog bag supply: then visit the drycleaners who have kindly agreed to store dog bags on our behalf. They are situated at The Denes, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP3 8AP.

Alternatively, speak to Dave Drew, our friendly Parish Warden.



**Jan Maddern**

**...your Nash Mills Councillor  
on Dacorum Borough Council.**

I start my update with congratulations to the team at Tesco, who managed to re-open the store at The Denes on Friday 4th May, 6 weeks ahead of schedule! Planning issues have been the biggest issue recently.

Sadly, Nash House was passed at Development Management despite my very vocal opposition, and the 9 flats will add pressure to the already difficult parking situation around Nash Mills Wharf. However, 143 Belswains Lane was refused, and I am now in discussion with Dacorum about forcing the developer to lift the road that was put in without permission before any future application is made on the site.

It is very frustrating that while most people abide by the rules and apply for permission for extensions, dropped kerbs etc. just a few people think it is acceptable to build what they wish, how they wish, and with no regard for others.

I have worked on three such situations recently, and thankfully at least two had a positive outcome! The third is still ongoing.

I have responded to the latest transport assessment on the Mosque, and am awaiting a response from DBC and Hertfordshire Highways.

On a positive note, following a recent meeting with Herts Highways, Sir Mike Penning MP, our county councillor, local residents and me, Georgewood Road has been repaired... not a proper fix, but better than we had.

Hats off to the local residents who campaigned tirelessly for that to happen!

Finally, I have – at last – managed to speak with the developer regarding the traffic issues on Red Lion Lane. They are meeting me on site soon to look at a possible way forward. I will of course update you with any news.

If you have any concerns, or would like to be kept up to date with the work I do locally, please contact me or follow me on Facebook or Twitter:

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Jan4Hemel](https://www.facebook.com/Jan4Hemel)

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## Jan's Quiz Night...



**22nd September 2018 -Nash Mills Village Hall,  
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chip supper!**

**\*Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles\***

65 people came to Jan's last quiz night (in the snow), and had such a good time they wanted another one in the autumn, so she's set the date for the next one!

Teams of 6 (smaller groups are very welcome; we will join teams together if requested). Please book early as we can't squeeze many more in than we had last time!

To book tickets please contact Jan Maddern:

[jan.maddern@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jan.maddern@hotmail.co.uk) or call **07711 06696**.

Jan Maddern has organised many successful quiz nights over the years to raise funds for Hemel Hempstead District Scouts, charities, family and friends. She is hosting this Quiz Night to help cover the costs of her newsletters so she can keep her constituents informed about local matters.

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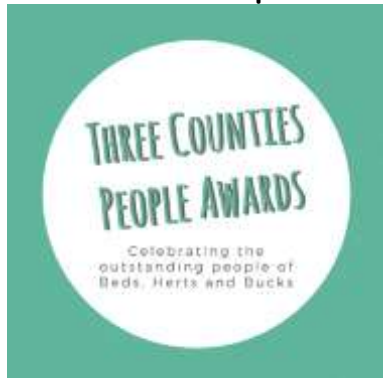
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If you know someone like that, you can nominate them for a Three Counties People Award by going to



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website and clicking on the link at the bottom of the page or call **01582 63 69 63**.

The closing date for nominations is 11.59pm on Friday 31st August.

Laura Moss, editor of BBC Three Counties Radio, says 'this is a fantastic opportunity to recognise the unsung heroes of the three counties.

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