# Around Radlett \*

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In the last edition of Around Radlett

I stated that we were hoping for

good weather for the Jubilee

celebrations. Unfortunately that did not turn out to be the case,

but I think everybody had a good

weekend and the British stiff upper

We are now looking to the future

and the maior concern for all

Parish and Town Councils is the

Localism Bill and what it means

to local councils. We are aiming

lip was much in evidence.



Badger

# Chairman's Message



Councillor Ron Worthy Photo: Ken Morris Photography

to prepare a neighbourhood plan. The results will be put to you, the electorate, and if agreed will become law. The major thrust of this is local planning where we can decide what sort of development we will allow, and the style and type of housing. This would hopefully take the emphasis of decision making away from Borough and District Councils and give it to Aldenham Parish Council. We have asked the Radlett Society and Green Belt Association to put forward some ideas for this plan.

If you would like to be involved or have any comments, please speak or write to the Parish Office. This is an exercise we need to do quickly before we have lost all the character in the neighbourhood.

During the weekend after the Jubilee, a party from Radlett attended the 1000 year celebrations for Reichenbach, which is part of Lautertal, our German twin town. It is usual to exchange gifts and this time (it was not an effort at one upmanship) we found a copy of the original charter granting Aldenham to the Diocese of Westminster, in 785AD, by King Offa. It is useful to remember that the Parish has a long history and everything we do now reflects on the future. We have to be careful that we don't get it wrong.

> Councillor Ron Worthy Chairman Aldenham Parish Council

# Artwork on the front cover and throughout this edition



Cardinal Beetle by Chris Townend

this edition has been painted by local amateur artists especially for the border of a proposed rd (see details right).

The artwork in

Interpretation Board (see details right). The artwork depicts what you are likely to see while walking the footpaths around the Parish of Aldenham.

The editorial team of Around Radlett would like to express their thanks to all the artists for allowing their paintings to be used.

The front cover consists of 'Great Spotted Woodpecker' by Gemma Benson, 'Heron' by Inga Armstrong, a 'Kingfisher' by Peri Ryan, 'Canada Goose' by Chris Townend and 'Magpie' by Louise Bunge.

Other artwork in this edition includes 'Aldenham' by Gayna Lawton, 'Badger' by Kate Lambe, 'Blue Tit' by Jean Derrick, 'Grey Squirrel' by Annette Hakham, 'Crab Apple Blossom' by Louise Bunge, 'Nettle Leaved Bellflower' by Linda Shayer, 'Daffodil' by Ronda Lawrence, 'English Native Bluebell' by Viv Prowse, 'Ox Eye Daisy' by Julie Edgley, 'Field Poppy' by Diana Briggs, 'Fox' by Jan Adams, 'Gold Crest' by Viv Prowse, 'Great Tit' by Pam Stacey, 'Hedge Sparrow' by Val Gold, 'Peacock Butterfly' by Inga Armstrong, 'Radlett Synagogue' by Jenny Watkin-Rees, 'Lych Gate Christ Church' by Robin Beattie and 'Red Campion' by Sherri Collinwood.

Radlett watercolour and drawing classes consist of four groups who meet mornings and afternoons on Wednesdays and Thursdays each week during term time. The groups are fun and informative, and a wide range of ability is catered for. Outings to Art Galleries and other places of interest are also organised. Qualified art teacher Jenny Watkin Rees will be pleased to hear from you should you wish to join. Email Jenny on jennywatkinrees@hotmail. com or telephone 01923 859901.

### **Interpretation Board**

The Radlett Society and Green Belt Association, in conjunction with Aldenham Parish Council, are creating an Interpretation Board which will be sited in the grounds of the Radlett Centre. The centre of the board will show the Radlett Society's new footpath map and the border will consist of the paintings featured in this edition. The Radlett Society would like to thank Groundwork Trust for funding this project.

Jan Adams



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Blue Tit





# What's On Locally



**Horticultural** Society Saturday 1 September 2012 3 – 5.30pm

### Autumn Flower Show in the Vision Hall

Classes include flowers, vegetables, fruit, domestic, photographic, flower arranging, childrens' classes and the Aylett Childrens' competition.

### **Thursday 18 October**

Talk at 8 pm 'The Allotment Year' by Stuart Thorne in Christ Church

### **Thursday 15 November**

#### AGM at 7.30 pm

followed by Talk 'The Chinese Gooseberry Man' by Geoff Hales in the Vision Hall

Sundav 25 November Store closes 12 noon for winter break

#### ..... Saturday 22 September at 8pm

St John the Baptist Church, Aldenham Alex Ainley presents 'Piano and Patter' with refreshments

Tickets: £10 from 01923 857017

### Saturday 1 December at 7.30pm

Elstree Singers 'Christmas Music -Medieval to Modern' Mince Pies and Drinks

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#### Monday 1 October 10am onwards



Macmillan Coffee Morning

at Georgie's Café Bar, The Radlett Centre

#### Saturday 13 October at 7.30pm

Radlett Choral Society Concert - works by Handel Aldenham School Chapel, Aldenham Road, WD6 3AJ

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Box Office: 01923 226836/243545

Friday 2 November 10 am to 3pm

Charities Annual Christmas Card and Gift Sale.

At The Radlett Centre. Refreshments. 

#### Friday 9 November 10.30am - 12 noon

Talk by a member of the Low Vision Clinic in the Vision Hall.

Coffee, tombola, raffle and cakes in aid of Age Related Macular Degeneration

### Saturday 10 November 11am - 2pm

### **Poppy Appeal**

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The Beavers, Cubs and Scouts of 1st Radlett Scout Group will be selling poppies at the War Memorial



Radlett War Memorial

Judv Weisser

### Sunday 11 November Remembrance Sunday

then arrive at **Radlett War** Memorial by 10.50am At Letchmore Heath arrive at Memorial at 10.30 am.

Then go to St. John the Baptist, Aldenham.



### Monday 12 November 7pm for 7.30pm Radlett Rotary presents

'Bangers and Mash'

Tickets £10 from James Jarrett 01923 852131

### Saturday 17 November 10am - 12.30pm

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Christmas Market at Radlett United Free Church, Station Road.

Stalls and bargains galore. Coffee shop and light refreshments.

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### Saturday 17 November at 7.30pm

Christian Aid Quiz Evening with Supper in the Vision Hall

Tickets £10 each from David Clout on 019234 854403 or david.clout@btinternet.com Tables of 8. Raffle prizes requested.

#### Sunday 18 November at 2pm

Community Action Day (formerly Mitzvah Day) Meet at Scout Hut, Scrubbits Park Road, Radlett. Refreshments.

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#### Sunday 18 November from11am - 3pm

Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research Christmas Bazaar at Phillimore Court, Radlett

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### Sunday 25 November from 10.30am to 3.30pm

NSPCC Christmas Craft and Gift Fair Allum Hall, Allum Lane, Elstree WD6 3PJ

#### Sunday 2 December 2 - 5pm

Christmas Switch On and Fair

### The Radlett Centre

With Kiddies Fun Fair and Seasonal Craft Stalls

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### Wednesday 5 December at 7.45pm AGM of Red House Patients Group in the Vision Hall. Coffee from 7.30pm



Wednesday 12 December at 7.30pm Annual Carol Rotary Concert at the Radlett Centre



For Regular Events see Page 15

To avoid clashes with other societies and local events, and to view dates of events throughout the year, please use and refer to the Parish Diary situated in Aldenham Parish Council Office at 1st Floor, The Radlett Centre, 1 Aldenham Avenue, Radlett, Hertfordshire, WD7 8HL.





### the radlett centre

BOX OFFICE: 01923 859291 www.radlettcentre.co.uk September - December 2012

### SEPTEMBER

Art Exhibition: Ground Floor and				
Apthorp Galleries – New Image				
	Photography			
Thur 6	Elkie Brooks 8pm			
Sat 8	All Star Goodmen Orchestra			
	7.30pm			
Mon 10	Pantomime Auditions			
	For Girls 7 yrs and over			
	Max beight 5' / 30pm			

- Max. height 5' 4.30pm 16 yrs and under Min. height 5' 6.00pm Wed 12 Blood Donation Clinic
- 12pm–8pm
- Sat 15 The Importance of Being Earnest 7.30pm
- Wed 19 Strictly Stevie 8pm
- Thur 20 Art Society Lecture 8pm
- Sat 22 Tiny Mites at the Seaside 11am and 2.30pm
- Fri 28 An Audience with Sherlock Holmes 8pm
- Sat 29 The Vagina Monologues 7.30pm
- Sun 30 Clare Teal 7.30pm

### CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAU

Every Tuesday from 10am to 1pm. First Floor, The Radlett Centre. Sessions operate on a 'drop-in' basis. If required appointments can be made on 0844 826 9703

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### t: 0845 872 4949 e: info@thecornworks.co.uk

Call in and see us at: The Corn Works, Station Road, Radlett, Hertfordshire, WD7 8JY www.thecornworks.co.uk

### OCTOBER

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Blossom

Art Exhibition: Ground Floor and Apthorp Galleries – Glynnis Abraham

Wed	3	Antarctica 8pm
Thur	4	Jonty Hearnden: What's in Your Attic? 8pm
Fri	5	How Lion Became King of Tinga Tinga Land 1.30pm
Sat	6	How Lion Became King of

- Sat 6 How Lion Became King of Tinga Tinga Land 11am and 2pm
- Sat 6 Paul Zerdin: Puppet Master 7.30pm
- Wed 10 Sat 13 Footloose 7.45pm
- Mon 15 Michael Portillo 8pm
- Tue 16 Radlett Music Club 8pm
- Wed 17 Sophie Tucker's One Night Stand 8pm
- Thur 18 Art Society Lecture 8pm
- Sat 20 Coppelia 2.30pm and 7.30pm Sun 21 Andy and Mike's TicK TocK
- Time Machine 1pm
- Sun 21 Masters of the House 8pm
- Mon 22 Tony Stockwell 8pm
- Wed 24 The Ghost's Touch 8pm
- Thur 25 The Canterbury Tales 2.30pm and 8pm
- Fri 26 Three Tenors 8pm
- Sat 27 Joe Longthorne 7.30pm
- Wed 31 Pinocchio 11am and 2pm

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### NOVEMBER

Art Exhibition: Ground Floor Gallery and at Apthorp Gallery – Ryan Doick

- Thur 1 Tango! Tango! 8pm Fri 2 Charity Christmas Car
- Fri 2 Charity Christmas Card Sale 10am-3pm
- Fri 2 Paul Gascoigne 8pm
- Wed 7 Sat 10 Radlett Players present 'Round and Round the Garden' by Alan Ayckbourn 8pm
- Sun 11 The Snail and The Whale 1pm and 3pm
- Tues 13 Art Society Lecture 1pm
- Thur 15 & Friday 16
- High School Musical 7.30pm Sat 17 High School Musical 2.30pm
- and 7.30pm
- Tue 20 Sat 24 Radlett Light Opera Society present '40th Anniversary Show', a review of four decades of performances, 7.45pm Sat Matinee 2.30pm
- Wed 28 Radlett Music Club 8pm

### DECEMBER

Art Exhibition: Ground Floor Gallery - Huw Hopkins Apthorp Gallery – Giovanni Caputo			
Sat	1	Magic 7.30pm	
Sun	2	The All Jewish Christmas Variety Night 7.30pm	
Wed	12	Rotary Community Carol Concert 7.30pm	
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Sat 8 - Monday 31 - Pantomime Beauty and The Beast

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For further information contact:

Milton Simanowitz 7 The Avenue, Radlett Telephone and Fax 01923 855007





English Native Bluebell



Ox Eye Daisy



# Radlett Music Club 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The Radlett Music Club marked the closure of its 75th anniversary season with an evening concert at Christ Church in June.

Roger Sayer, organist at Rochester Cathedral, gave an inspiring recital of music by a number of composers including Bach, Mendelssohn and Vaughan Williams.

The audience of Club members was joined by their President, the musicologist, Antony Hopkins and a number of invited guests. Also present were members of the congregation at Christ Church and of the Radlett Choral Society. Roger is currently musical director of the Radlett Choral Society.

After the performance everyone retired to the Vision Hall for celebratory cake and bubbly.

The 76th season will include five concerts between October and March at the Radlett Centre. On Tuesday 16 October the Club will present One Piano Four Hands by Helen and Harvey Davies who are foremost exponents of the piano duet repertoire.



On 28 November the noted cellist Natalie Clein will give a performance of Bach and Brahms. Natalie came to prominence after winning the BBC Young Musician of the Year Competition a few years ago.

*Natalie Clein* All the concerts begin at 8 pm. Seats are unreserved and tickets are £14 each from the Centre box-office on 01923 859291. or online at www.radlettcentre.co.uk.

The Club is a registered charity. Further details about all the concerts and membership are on the Club website at www. rmc.wd7.org.uk. You can also request a copy of the new season's brochure on the website.

Michael Stockbridge Club Chairman



The new year for Radlett Rotary Club started on Monday 2 July 2012 with the installation of the new President, James Jarrett.

During the year of past President, Colin Powell, the Club has had a high profile activity with the worldwide 'Polio Plus Campaign' with the ultimate objective of eliminating polio worldwide.



James Jarrett

In the coming Rotary year many national, international and local organisations will be benefitting from the activities of Radlett Rotary Club.

For more information about Radlett Rotary Club, contact James at 01923 852131 or 07973835592.



Radlett Cricket Club join with Middlesex County Cricket Club to celebrate the completion of an extensive redevelopment project. Radlett Cricket Club is

one of Hertfordshire's

The new Radlett Cricket Club Pavilion

premier clubs. It has partnered with Middlesex County Cricket Club, a First-Class County Club with three of England's current Test and One-Day stars, to change the future of cricket for good.

July 10 marked the completion of a project to redevelop Radlett CC's pavilion and facilities, provide a permanent training and practice base for Middlesex CCC's professional playing squad and a home ground for Middlesex's 2nd XI.

Middlesex CCC's Managing Director of Cricket, Angus Fraser commented: "We have for some time been looking for a 'home away from Lord's', where our squad could train when Lord's is unavailable and our 2nd XI could base themselves.

Radlett CC was identified as the place to achieve this goal and thankfully they were equally keen to have us on board. These facilities, including a luxurious home dressing-room, gym, physiotherapy room, first-class standard grass pitches and a bespoke net system will allow our professional staff to train and practice at a venue that feels like home."



Club President of Radlett, Philip Marsh added: "It is very difficult for a cricket club, with no other sport involved, to survive at the top level of amateur cricket. We are flattered that Middlesex chose Radlett as their partner and know that this will secure our future. The facilities we now have are second to none in the

Geoff Norris, Andrew Strauss and Phil Marsh area and probably in the home counties."

Marsh was joined by Middlesex CCC's President Geoff Norris, for the official opening of the pavilion on July 10, with England Test Captain, Andrew Strauss, Middlesex Captains Neil Dexter and Chris Rogers, and Middlesex all-rounder and former Radlett player Gareth Berg in attendance.

Radlett CC provides first-class facilities for its members, supporters, and the local community and welcomes new playing and social members, and anyone wishing to hire the pavilion.

Tony Johnson Club Chairman



# Radlett Cricket Club







# Local People

### 25 Years On - Jan Adams

In August 1987, I started working as Deputy Clerk to Aldenham Parish Council. I initially applied as I wanted something that was local, part time and would fit in with family life. I have to confess that I knew nothing about local government and not a great deal about Radlett. Little did I know where it would lead to.

The council office was then situated in an Edwardian house, with a single storey library attached to it, at 1 Aldenham Avenue, see painting right. Computers were unheard of and typewriters, files and filing cabinets were the order of the day, as it seems was curly hair, see photo opposite.

The duties of the Deputy Clerk were to attend all council meetings, taking minutes and acting on decisions made by councillors. Most weeks involved one or two meetings but on a 'bad' week there could be three. I also dealt with bookings and the maintenance of Radlett Hall (now the Pater Hall), Radlett Youth and Community Centre, the allotment register, the Taxi Voucher scheme and among other things the Volunteer of the Year Award. One of the things Donald Evans, the then Clerk and I enjoyed doing was looking after Moggie, the council cat; there was never a mouse in sight at the old building so she did a great job.

In December 1987, the chairman, Douglas Hicks, said he would like the Parish Council to produce a newsletter and would I like to be involved. It sounded like a fun thing to do and since then, together with councillors, we have produced ninety six quarterly editions of Around Radlett, the first going



Jan at the former Aldenham Parish Council offices in 1990. Photo Graham Nunn

Gold Crest

out to residents in March 1988. We have also produced three Official Guides, the booklet Sweet Radlett, postcards, maps and a calendar for the year 2000. We had a great time producing all these publications and I would like to thank everyone who has been involved.

Have things changed over the last twenty five years? Well, of course they have; it's been a long time. Back then, we were not restricted by Health and Safety, Best Value and the restrictions now imposed on Local Government. If a job needed to be done then you asked a local tradesman, it was very important that work was given to 'one of our own'.

I retired at the end of May 2012 and had a lovely leaving reception attended by past and present Councillors, past and present Clerks, family and friends.

Jan Adams



Former Aldenham Parish Council offices. By Tony Jennings

#### **Stuart Thorne & John Walton**

Stuart Thorne is a fellow craftsman. I work with a brush and Stuart with a needle. We worked side by side as I painted the picture and he created an elegant jacket. It was an altogether positive and fun experience.

Stuart's workshop is but five minutes from my house and I must have passed his window and seen him sitting on his bench many times over the span of some forty years!

The catalyst for the painting was my wife Alice's addiction to Stuart's honey plus the fact that I had failed to contribute a picture for the People's Portraits collection at Girton College, Cambridge.

I know that Stuart would like to see the end product of our efforts hung in the college in 2013. The portrait can be viewed at Stuart's shop, 22-24 Aldenham Road, Radlett until June 2013.



Stuart Thorne, Tailor and Beekeeper with John Walton, Artist. Photograph by Dennis Toff FRPS



Portrait of Stuart Thorne Tailor and Beekeeper (Oil 21" X 25") By Artist John Walton RP

John Walton is a Member of the Society of Portrait Painters

# 米米米米米米ボベ Radlett Celebrated The Queen's Diamond Jubilee - June 2012





BOTH HAPPY AND GLORIOUS - 1952 The Queen and her Consort, Prince Philip on the balcony of Buckingham Palace waving to 70,000 people outside the palace



60 Years On © Royal Household /John Swannell

### JUBILEE STREET PARTY

Watling Street at 8am to get everything set up. We discussed whether to set out all the tables, as it was thought many people might not turn up, but decided to proceed as planned. Round Tablers and members of the United and Reform Synagogues set out the tables and the Scouts put the numbers on. We were grateful, and many hands made light work.

By 11.30am people were starting to arrive, bringing gazebos, parasols, umbrellas, picnics, wine, cakes and waterproof attire, together with an abundance of Union Jacks. Many dressed in 1950s clothing and children wore masks and had painted their faces with red/white/blue colours. By 12.30pm almost all the tables were occupied, and the entertainment was commencing with everyone joining in.

There was a really happy community atmosphere with everyone making the most of the occasion, irrespective of the weather - in true British spirit.

Martyn Dias (aka Elvis Shmelvis) did a great job as MC and introduced

#### **BEACON LIGHTING**

Radlett was one of the official Beacons of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and as such was due to be lit at 10.15 pm. The Beacon was constructed in the corner of Salter's Field, near the Cricket Club, and had been prepared earlier in the day by the Parish Council staff with wood soaked in diesel. the Three Belles, The Bevin Boys Swing Band, the magicians and Miss Ballooniverse who were the other acts. The music was great and people joined in dancing on the pavement.

Stuart Nagler, in his role as Deputy-Lieutenant of Hertfordshire, gave a moving tribute to Her Majesty and James Clappison MP thanked the organisers and wished the event well. Michael Seres, a local Radlett resident, spoke about his battle with Crohn's disease which had earned him the opportunity to proudly represent Radlett as an Olympic torchbearer.

The event was curtailed a little due to the rain becoming much heavier after 3pm, but by that point everyone agreed that it had been a great day which we will all remember for many years to come.

Viv Charrett



Smug Chairman of the Radlett Festival Committee, Viv Charrett, looks on as James Clappison MP is interviewed by police!



The Rugby Club organised food and drink during the evening before the lighting up and then we all went out in the dark to light up the Beacon. A two and half minute fuse was lit which snaked very slowly up to the Beacon, but then there was a lot of smoke, but no flames. It appeared the rain earlier on in the day had washed away some of the diesel. However, Parish Council chairman, Ron Worthy, in true scouting tradition, lit some rags and dropped them onto the Beacon, which fired up immediately, and produced a great flame. A very satisfactory, if slightly late, Beacon lighting.

It was estimated that about 200 people attended the lighting up and everyone thoroughly enjoyed this finale to the Radlett celebrations.

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'Mazeltov Your Majesty' outside the Radlett United Synagogue, Watling Street

### The United Synagogue Celebrates

Radlett United Synagogue celebrated the Queen's Diamond Jubilee alongside the rest of the Radlett community in a right Royal Radlett style. Those entering or passing the synagogue were greeted with a huge "Mazeltov your Majesty" banner on the front of the synagogue, organised by Dr. Michael Ingram of the Red House surgery. It gathered very positive and appreciative comments from both members and passers-by, as did the planters with salvia and lobelia in red, white and blue which had been lovingly planted by Esther Kalms so as to blossom over the festivities.

Chair Ray Rubenstein showed our appreciation to those members of our community who had served the Crown in the Armed Forces by giving aliyot (the honour of being called to read from the Torah) to Flying Officer Stanley Katz, Lieutenant Anthony Gold, Senior Aircraftsmen Gerry Rosenthal and Bob Rubin as well as to Home Guardsman Harry ("Don't give them your name, Pike") Morris who were all called up by rank and service number.

The Chief Rabbi's special prayer was read on behalf of the Queen's representative for Hertfordshire, by Deputy-Lieutenant Stuart Nagler, who made an address to the community. Prayers were led by Laurence Singer who managed to integrate the melodies of Sir Hubert Parry's "Jerusalem" and the National Anthem into the service. In honour of the occasion, this was followed by a celebratory champagne and Union Jack cupcake kiddush together with strawberry jam and clotted cream scones - all organised by Jo Sugarman and her team.

Nothing could dampen the spirits of the 2,000 Radlett residents and their families and friends of all faiths, who joined the Radlett Queen's Diamond Jubilee Street party on Sunday in Watling Street. Superbly organised by the Radlett Diamond Jubilee Committee, these experienced committee members found the helpers, entertainers, magicians, musicians and especially Elvis Shmelvis, who acted as the compere. The whole community thoroughly enjoyed themselves celebrating this "once in a lifetime" occasion.

Cross communal cooperation was at its height. Members of the various churches and synagogues worked



James Clappison MP talks to Benoit Dujardin and Jean-Marie Saunier, two members of the Twinning Committee of Louveciennes

together alongside other communal groups such as scouts and brownies as street stewards, and by erecting over 150 tables and directing traffic, to ensure the whole event went off so smoothly. Deputy-Lieutenant for Hertfordshire, Stuart Nagler, made the opening speech to the Queen followed by the National Anthem and the singing of a patriotic chorus.

In spite of the inclement, weather spirits were very high and cross communal friendships were strengthened. Overall a day of great time was had by all. Here's looking to the 70th Platinum Jubilee!!

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Lewis Osborne



### Radlett Festival 2013

The date of next year's Annual Radlett

Festival has been booked – SUNDAY 9 JUNE 2013. All offers of help and involvement from local residents, organisations, shops and businesses would be very welcome. Please contact Viv Charrett on 01923 856209 or email viv@charrett.com.

Local Scouts helped set tables up at the Jubilee Street Party





Jenny Lou dresses their window



Land of Hope and Glory - well sung Helen

At 1 pm on Sunday 3 June 2012 the nation raised their glasses to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in celebration and congratulations on her Diamond Jubilee. The Loyal Toast was led in Radlett by Stuart Nagler, Deputy-Lieutenant of Hertfordshire.

Jan Corfield, joint winner of the Best Dressed Cake.



The Radlett and Bushey Reform Synagogue served teas, coffees and delicious home-made cakes.



Juliette Keeps Calm and Celebrates



The Editorial team of Around Radlett would like to thank ALL of the photographers for the use of their photographs

# The two winners of the shop treasure hunt were...

Sam Karmer aged 10 and Abigail Harris aged 7. Sam said, 'The fact that it is a once in a lifetime experience because it's something I'll remember forever' and Abigail said, 'The fact that Radlett had a street party where I could meet all my friends and eat candy floss was great'.

Sam wanted to share his win with his friend Josh Beach also 10. Sam's gift was a set of fluorescent memo tabs in different sizes on a board, and as it was double sided on the back, it is easy to share with Josh. Nice touch Sam...

### Winners of the Best Dressed Shop Window

Radlett Horticultural Society, Aldenham Parish Council and the Radlett Festival Committee would like to thank you for decorating the front of your shops for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend.

The displays ranged from the modest to some truly spectacular arrangements but all contributed to make our village festive and colourful.

The winner of the Centenary Cup was Stuart Thorne. Runner Up was Vila Flora and 3rd prize went to Beaver Travel. Highly Commended: Best in Beauty, Peace Hospice Shop and Rojo.



### Radlett Rotary Five Fields Fun Runs & Walk

A very patriotic poodle

Monday 4 June 2012 (Spring Bank Holiday)-1.5 km & 5 km

NaglerSimmons

The fifth fun run event organised by Radlett Rotary Club took place on 4

June 2012. As last year, there were two runs – a 1.5 km run around the club grounds for under elevens and a 5 km run for anyone aged 7 and over, which included the two cricket club grounds, Salters Field and the Rose Field. In addition, there was a new experimental 5 km fun walk event, along footpaths round the edges of Radlett.

Turnout was slightly up on last year with 132 runners in the 5 km event and 48 in the 1.5 km. Winners of the children's 1.5 km race were Andrew Rogers aged 10 in 5 minutes 18 seconds and Sasha Fear in 6 minutes. Sam Griffiths aged 15 and Georgia Fear aged 14 won the 5 km in 18 minutes and 19.5 minutes consecutively. Both also came first in the under 16s class!

All finishers received medals, which were presented by Councillor Ron Worthy, chairman of Aldenham Parish Council, who also presented the winners' trophies.

Next year's event will revert to the May Day weekend and be held on Monday 6 May 2013. Simon Pyzer (Radlett Rotary) simon.pyzer@btinternet.com, 01923 854978





### Street Party Costs

The Street Party was seen by the Radlett Festival Committee as a community event to celebrate the Jubilee. We are grateful for the financial support we received from Aldenham Parish Council, Hetsmere Borough Council, Hertfordshire County Council and many local residents who hired tables that enabled us to cover our costs of about £8,500 and yield a small surplus.

### Roger Housechild, Treasurer

### **Application for Funds**

Applications for funding can be made by local groups or societies who have a project in mind. Applications should be received by the end of September. Forms from Viv Charrett at viv@charrett.com or 01923 856209.



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### YOUR COUNCIL WORKING FOR YOU

### Aldenham Parish Council Offices

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Parish Council Manager: Peter Evans Email: clerk@aldenham.gov.uk

### **Phillimore Recreation Ground**

Gills Hill, Radlett, Herts. WD7 8AL Tel: 01923 853546 To book Multi-Use Games area and Tennis Courts - 07806 878569

# The Parish Council staff can help you with:

• HCC bus pass forms

- Viewing planning applications
- A free kitchen caddy
- Caddy liners £2.50 per roll
- Garden waste sacks 50p each
- Copies of Around Radlett, the Official Guide, the booklet 'Sweet Radlett' and a small variety of black and white postcards depicting old village scenes
- Footpath Walks Booklet £1
- Footpath Maps £6
- Recycle Batteries

We will help you with a Parish, Borough or County Council query or put you in contact with the person who can help you.

#### <u>Allotments</u>

Allotment gardening is a great way to get outdoors and get active whilst growing your own vegetables and fruit. Aldenham Parish Council own and manage an allotment site on land adjacent to Phillimore Recreation Ground. If you are a resident within the parish of Aldenham, and you are interested in renting an allotment garden, please contact the Parks and Open Spaces Officer on 01923 856433 for further information.

### Trees at Phillimore Recreation Ground

There are plans to improve the appearance of the tree lined footpath in Phillimore Recreation Ground. Aldenham Parish Council have already pollarded the poplars which had reached the end of their useful life. We are keen to keep the avenue of trees and we're aware that the stumps have got to be removed. We are currently seeking advice over removing the stumps and replanting.

### To contact a Parish Councillor go to councillor@aldenham.gov.uk

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### Aldenham Parish Council Accounts 2011 - 12

Aldenham Parish Council is required by statute to publish its annual accounts for the previous financial year.

These accounts are audited both internally by a company called Auditing Solutions Ltd, and externally for the Audit Commission by BDO Stoy Hayward. The figures I give below are un-audited as we await the final report from the external auditor.

### Income & Expenditure Account for the year ending 31st March 2012

2010-11	Income		<u>2011-12</u>
545,044	Precept	Note1	545,044
15,318	Agency Services	Note 2	10,694
194	Bank interest	<u></u>	3,691
9,300	Grants Section 106	Note 3	0
18,200	Grants other	Note 4	30,962
8,845	Fees from Council owned prope	rties <u>Note 5</u>	9,263
11,024	Youth & Sports	Note 5	6,268
3,287	Newsletter	Note 6	2,892
1,910	Miscellaneous Sale of Assets	Noto 7	1,471
<u> </u>	Total Income	Note 7	0 610,285
1,077,322		—	010,200
	<u>Expenditure</u>		
192,953	Administration	Note 8	203,683
2,095	Section 137 payments	Note 9	1,459
126,000	Other grants	Note 10	128,426
332,416	Capital Spending	Note 12	29,273
184,063	Recreation Grounds	Note 8	188,736
9,037 11,257	Youth Club Newsletter	<u>Note 13</u> <u>Note 6</u>	3,244 12,669
8,511	Transportation	Note 11	8,511
0	Community Development		2,342
1,629	Miscellaneous		1,751
867,961	Total Expenditure		580,094
209,561	Excess of income over expenditure for year		30,191
	Funds balance represented by		
282,912 209,561	Balance brought forward as at 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2011 Excess of income over expenditure for year		492,472* 30,191
492,473	Balance carried forward as at 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2012		522,663
*Following the advice from the external auditor, this figure was	Note 3 – Section 106 Grants – This was monies received by the Council	Note 7 - Sale of Assets – The Council sold a property it owned in 28 Elm	Note 12 – Capital Spending – Projects this year included the final
rounded down to 492,472	from the developer of 2 Shenley Hill.	Walk and its old tractor.in 2010.	expenditure on the depot building
The reserves currently held by the	Note 4 – Grants other – This is monies	This is deemed capital income and can only be allocated towards	on Phillimore Rec, more equipment at both Children's Play area and
Council are shown as follows	received from Hertsmere Borough	capital projects, and cannot be used	computer systems at the Council.
0 10 0107.005	Council & Hertfordshire County	to cover running costs.	
General Reserves £137,025	Council ward councillors who have paid towards new equipment in	Note 8 - Administration – Staff costs	Note 13 – Youth Club- following the expiry of the lease in September
Earmarked Reserves – (for	the parks at Radlett & Aldenham,	and other overheads.	2010, there are ongoing negotiations
certain Council projects)	plus monies from Network Rail as		with the head leases regarding the
£197,193	compensation for using the Picnic	Note 9 & 10 - Grants – Paid to groups to provide entertainment,	dilapidations due from the Council.
Capital Reserves - (which can only	Field as a compound.	(mainly the Radlett Centre Trust) and	I hope you have found this summary
be used on capital projects)	Note 5 - Fees from Council owned	counselling services in the parish.	useful. If you have any queries or
£188,445	properties/Youth & Sports -	Other grants (known as section	wish to see the actual accounts,
Note 1 - Precept this is the amount	Income derived from the hire of the allotments, football pitches/bowls	137 grants) are made to some local groups to enable them to continue	please do not hesitate to contact me.
of your Council Tax that is allocated	club and for use of council land for	their good work.	
to Aldenham Parish Council.	filming.	Note 11 Transportation This is the	Peter Evans
Noto 2 Agonov Sorvisos	Note 6 - Newsletter Advertising	Note 11 – Transportation – This is the	Parish Council Manager

Note 2 - Agency Services -represents income received from Radlett Centre Trust to provide accountancy & secretarial services.

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Note 6 - Newsletter -- Advertising

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For future editions of Around Radlett, any articles from individuals and organisations that you would like to be featured in the newsletter, or if you would like us to include a local event, please contact the Community Development Officer at Aldenham Parish Council by email APCComms@aldenham.org.uk or tel. the office on 01923 856433.

### FORTHCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS FROM 7 SEPTEMBER TO BEGINNING DECEMBER 2012

Friday	7	September	2012	Strategic Planning
Wednesday	12	September	2012	Parks and Open Spaces
Monday	24	September	2012	Planning
Thursday	27	September	2012	Full Council
Monday	1	October	2012	Planning
Tuesday	2	October	2012	Communications
Thursday	4	October	2012	Community Development
Monday	15	October	2012	Planning
Thursday	18	October	2012	All Faiths
Monday	30	October	2012	Full Council
Monday	5	November	2012	Planning
Wednesday	7	November	2012	Parks and Open Spaces
Monday	19	November	2012	Planning
Tuesday	27	November	2012	Full Council
Friday	30	November	2012	Strategic Planning
Monday	3	December	2012	Planning
Thursday	6	December	2012	Community Development

# Radlett Youth Council

### The Radlett Youth Council has been very active over the past year and now has a thriving Committee of young people who live in the area.

The Committee held a successful event at the Phillimore Recreation Ground entitled 'What Can I Do In My Local Area?' It was well attended by over 100 people and gave the Youth Council the opportunity to engage with the younger members of the community. As a result of this, the on-going project to refurbish or totally re-build the Pavilion at the recreation ground as a youth building, where they can socialise, will be considered further.

After the summer break, on the agenda for discussion will be better transportation to areas such as Stanmore and Edgware; more books in the library at exam time; the street lights going off at midnight; how to be more

eco-friendly and working with the older generation to provide a community service.

As well as all this, the Committee are hoping to hold another 'Social Event' in 2013.

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

In September the Youth Council will be holding elections to appoint its Officers for the coming year.

Meetings are held regularly at the Radlett Centre. To find out when the next meeting will take place please go to the Aldenham Parish Council new website. www.aldenham.gov.uk and click on Youth Council.

Alternatively, you can log into Facebook and visit the 'Radlett Youth News' Page or telephone the Council Office on 01923 856433.

If you would like to make a difference to the area you live in and are between 11-18 years of age.

# WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU



Great Tit



Hedge Sparrow

# News in Brief



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

The new Radlett and District first official U3A meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 September at 9.30 am for 9.45 am at Vision Hall. The annual membership fee of £20 can be paid at that meeting (cheques please).

U3A stands for The University of the Third Age. U3A is a unique national and exciting self-help educational, creative and leisure activity for people not in fulltime work.

More than 170 people came to the inaugural meeting to hear just what would be involved and to vote on whether to set up a group. The enthusiasm was obvious and the vote was carried unanimously. Details contact Sylvia Cohen on 01923 856500 or Sandra Taylor on 01923 855139.



### Newberries Primary School form Guard of Honour

Eight schools from Hertfordshire were among the 250

selected to form the Guard of Honour at 2012 Olympic Games Opening Ceremony. Seb Coe, the Chair of LOCOG said, "the presence of so many young people at the start of the Olympics Games Opening Ceremony will continue to show London 2012's commitment to put young people at the heart of the Games." Children from Newberries Primary School were selectively chosen by the Get Set network, the official London 2012 education programme, for their commitment to Olympic and Paralympic values. The pupils represented the Cook Islands team by creating banners and holding lanterns in support of the competing athletes. It was a great opportunity to take part in such a momentous occasion, of which the school pupils will be able to re-tell for many years to come!

### WEA Courses in Radlett and Bushey in 2012 – 13

This year the Worker's Educational Association (WEA) are arranging four 20-week literature courses and a shorter music course. In the autumn, John Winter will return with a course on keyboard music from Bach to Rachmaninov. Steven Wade-Jones will offer book appreciation courses on "20th Century Literature" and on "Modern Literature" while Michael King will offer courses on "20th Century American Literature" and on "A Portrait of the 1950's".

WEA has been running courses since 1903 and now runs over 10,000 across the country involving more than 110,000 adults of all ages and background. Courses have been given in Radlett for more than 50 years and continue to be very popular. They are characterised by having highly trained and qualified tutors to guide the classes. Although they are not inexpensive, there is financial help for those in demonstrable need. Our courses are very friendly and the majority of participants return year after year, although there are always places for new ones.

For more details please contact Jim Parkin, Branch Secretary on jimparkin1@ ntlworld.com or 01923 469644.

### **Walks Around Radlett**

David Bagon has again volunteered to lead each walk in the coming months. He is an experienced Health Walk Leader and a Red Cross First Aid Volunteer. Walks for the next three months are listed below starting at 2.00 pm.

23/09/2012 WALK 3 Kitswell Way, off Watling Street, discreet parking is needed.

WALK: Harperbury Hospital, 7 km (4.5 miles).

21/10/2012 WALK 2 Car park at the Phillimore Recreation Ground.

WALK: Netherwylde Farm, 5.5 km (3.5 miles).

18/11/2012 WALK 1 Car park at the Phillimore Recreation Ground.

WALK: Out and About, 5.5 miles (3.5 miles).

For more information on the walks, David's email address is: dbagon@aol.com

### The Probus Club Of Radlett (Men's)

At our AGM in July, the President reaffirmed the Club's aims: to provide an interesting and stimulating forum for retired business men, and their ladies on certain occasions, to get together for relaxed and convivial fellowship. The Secretary advised that Club membership stood at nearly 90, with an average attendance at lunches of around 40.

A full programme of monthly lunches, usually with a speaker, and monthly walks followed by a pub lunch is in place for the rest of this year. A trip to the Royal Naval Dockyard at Chatham, with our ladies, is planned for August and it was agreed to pilot a regular theatre trip for members and their guests. Plans are being prepared for the programme for 2013, during which we will celebrate our 30th Anniversary.

Any retired, or partially retired, professional and/or businessman living locally and interested in joining us should contact me (tel. 01923 852842 or by email at chrisandrosalind@hotmail. com) or our Secretary Allan Johnston (01923 856758 or allan.johnston7@ ntlworld.com).

Chris Wilkins, President

### **Radlett Scout Group**

1st Radlett Scout Group now has two Beaver Colonies and is able to offer more places to 6-8 year olds. We would love to open a second Cub Pack for more youngsters aged 8-10 ½ and are seeking adults' help. Contact Jackie Glover on 01923 853483.







Radlett Synagogue

# Well House Dell

In the Jubilee Edition newsletter the Parish Council outlined its plans for the future of Salter's Field and Well House Dell so I thought I would take this opportunity of talking a little bit about the area.

Well House Dell lies on the north boundary of Salter's Field and they both lie beyond the Cricket Club land, between the Cricket Club's Second pitch and Watling Street. They formed part of the Kendal Hall estate, some 40 acres of which was sold to the Parish Council in 1938.

The name of Salter's Field is easily disposed of. The soil there is of very poor quality, suitable only for growing hay for cattle fodder. Each year this would be reaped by a local farmer called Mr Salter, and although it is many, many years since his last reaping, his name lives on. Lucky man, to have his name enshrined in the annals of Radlett's history!

Well House Dell is a much different story. Rumour has it, and we all know about rumour, that the dell was created when the railway line was being constructed in the 1860s, it being plundered for gravel. Whilst it is true that there are many gravel pits around Radlett, and that many of these have provided gravel for both the railway in the nineteenth century and for house construction in the 20th, and it is possible that Well House Dell made a contribution to the railway construction, it is not for that reason that the dell was created.

In the Aldenham Tithe Award of 1838 (nearly 25 years before the railway construction) there is listed a grass field known as Well House field, and a woodland listed as part of Well House field, owned by William Robert Phillimore, owner of Kendals. Owing to the fragile condition of the Tithe Award Map, I have not been able to confirm where these two fields were.

However, prior to that the Inclosure Award of 1803 clearly shows a dell on

its accompanying map in the same position as our Dell. This dell is situated across two fields and the terrier attached to the award states that William Robert Phillimore was the owner.

So, that accounts for its provenance but not its name. I remember that in the 1950s there was a rifle club which met in the Dell. In one of the deeper parts (the Dell had many sections with ridges and dips abounding) the targets were attached to posts backed by a high bank and firing was from a specially constructed hut some 20 or 25 feet away. There was very little vegetation at this point in the Dell, because of the foundations of an old house – we were firing our rifles across part of the floor of the original house.

By that time, as I said the 1950s, all that remained was the concrete (or something similar) floor and a few, a very few, bricks where the walls had been.

There was also a Well, inadequately (by today's standards) protected by a wooden lid. The Parish Council staff sealed the top of this only a few years ago, thus rendering it safe (and totally inaccessible) for everyone.

There was therefore a house and a well. Who built them, when and why are questions which are frequently asked but to which there are, unfortunately, no answers. The two items, house and well, gave their names to our Dell, but their history remains to be uncovered.

There is one theory which believes they may have been part of the Chantry which was founded by Sir Humphrey Coningsby at Copthorne Hill (as Cobden Hill was formerly known). It was licensed for the celebration of the Eucharist and Baptism of Infants on 14th November 1520.

A house, built in the eighteenth century on Cobden Hill, bears the name The Chantry, but the original 1520 building was destroyed under the Act of 1547



Well House Dell Cottage ©Herts County Council Archives

for Dissolving Chantry Chapels, one of Henry VIIIs lesser known acts.

Some say Sir Humphrey's Chantry was in the Dell. I say that the foundations were far too modern for it to have been a four hundred year old house and anyway, why build the house at the bottom of a Dell? The well, yes, less distance to dig down, but the house also? Not very likely.

Shortly after completing this article, I came across a photograph of the house. It is part of the F Stingemore collection which has been preserved and digitized by Hertfordshire Archives & Local Studies and I am grateful to them for permission to reproduce the image in this article.

Philip Eastburn philip.eastburn@mail.com





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# **Olympic Flame Holder**



On 8 July 2012 I had the great privilege and honour of becoming an Olympic Torch Bearer. It was truly an incredible day and something that I will never ever forget. Despite the weather, my amazing family and friends turned out in force and the pride I felt when my torch was lit will remain with me forever. I appreciate that I was the lucky front man holding the torch for all IBD patients (those with Inflammatory Bowel Disease) and the day was as much their honour as mine.

Please visit my blog at http://beingapatient.blogspot.com.

Michael Seres

### **Radlett Opticians Wins Coveted** Award



Optometrist of the Year Kirit Patel

The coveted National Opticians Award on 14 April 2012 was a memorable day with Kirit Patel scooping two awards for his practice. This practice in a corner of Hertfordshire was firstly awarded "Technology Practice of 2012". The award was based on the practice having the most modern technology.

The second award was the highly sought after "Optometrist of the Year 2012" award. This award was based on Kirit giving his patients the most comprehensive eye examination, for his expertise in diabetic and glaucoma screening, macular degeneration diagnosis, fitting overnight corrective lenses called Dreamlenses and spending his free time writing articles and giving lectures to fellow professionals.



### **Police & Crime Commissioners -**Giving the public a vote on policing

Reform and The Police Social Responsibility Act became law in September 2011. The Act sets out the abolition of all Police Authorities, which will be replaced by Police and Crime Commissioners (PCCs).

An election will be held on 15 November across the county to elect the Hertfordshire PCC, who will then exercise all the key responsibilities that currently reside with the Police Authority. She/He will set the Police and Crime Plan that outlines the way strategic policing should be carried out in our area. The PCC will set the policing precept deciding how much additional money should be paid annually by residents in their local council tax to provide policing services. It is envisaged that, in time some other existing budgets will transfer to the Commissioner so that they can be used on schemes that will address community and crime reduction. She/He will also be responsible for the appointment and, if necessary, the dismissal of the Chief Constable.

Hertfordshire Police Authority is very proud of all it has achieved since its creation in 1995. Hertfordshire Constabulary is one of the highest performing police forces in the country whilst the level of police precept is one of the lowest. The Authority has always sought to act in a sensible and practical fashion. With these principles in mind the Police Authority has been preparing for an effective transfer of powers to the Police and Crime Commissioner on 22 November. All practical arrangements will be in place to ensure that the Commissioner can immediately set about implementing the manifesto that has been endorsed by the County's electorate.

Brenda Griffiths

# **Regular Events**

Bushey Craft Club - meets at St John's Church House, Bushey, first Friday of each month, 10 am to 12 noon. Contact Ann on 020 8950 1560.

St John the Baptist Church, Aldenham is open regularly every Saturday from 2 pm – 4.30 pm Guided Tours.

Refreshments available.

NHS GP out of hours service If you are registered with a GP in Hertfordshire you can call your local GP out of hours service on 03000 333 333. Mon-Fri 6.30pm-8am, weekends and Bank Holidays.

### **Radlett Badminton Club**

We are a friendly group of players, of mixed age. We hire 2 courts on Friday evenings throughout the year, from 8 pm to 10 pm at Aldenham Sports Centre at Aldenham School.

We welcome new members.

If you are interested, please contact Bonnie Joyce on 01923 856873.

**Radlett Duplicate Bridge Club** meets alternate Wednesdays 7.30 to 10 pm at the Vision Hall. Contact Jean Draper on 01923 854698.

Scottish Country Dancing Club meets fortnightly on alternate Wednesdays from 8 pm in the United Free Church Hall, Station Road, Contact Morag Foster on 01727 864226.

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