



Theydon Bois Parish Newsletter

Produced for residents
of Theydon Bois

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Commuter Parking in Theydon Bois



Is this what Elizabeth Drive will look like in the future?

District Councillor Roy Newland gave a presentation at the Parish Council meeting on 30th January, detailing planned parking restrictions in the Village designed to overcome the congestion caused by commuter parking. Cllr Newland provided a map which showed the roads which would be affected by the proposed one hour parking restrictions. A ban between 10 am and 11 am is proposed in some of the roads with adjacent roads having a restriction between 11 am and 12 noon. This

provides availability of parking for residents throughout the day and would ensure efficient use of time for the Parking Enforcement Officers. Cllr Newland stated that the proposals had overwhelming support after consultation with residents and local businesses. It was, however, an interim solution and the areas with restrictions could be extended or modified at a later date. The current proposals could take between 6 and 16 months to come into effect. Residents in all of the roads to be affected by the restrictions will be written to by Epping Forest District Council, in order to seek their views and to ensure a consensus from a majority of those householders before any Order is published.

It is proposed that the parking ban be imposed on the following roads: -

Orchard Drive Elizabeth Drive
Buxton Road Barn Mead
Slade End Thrifts Mead
Forest Drive (Between Buxton Rd & Dukes Ave)
Poplar Row
Green Glade (Poplar Row to Boundary of No.1 Green Glade)
Loughton Lane (Avenue of Trees) in No Parking Bays.

A map showing the affected roads will be available for inspection in the Parish Office in the near future.



Report on Parish Council Meeting Held on in the Village Hall Thursday 30th January 2003

PRESENT

Cllrs J Eaton (Chair), R Glozier, P Gooch, M Hannibal, M O'Connor, M Oliver, J Padfield, S Powell, W Shales

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs K Cushing and R Smith

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 28TH NOVEMBER, 2002 & MATTERS ARISING.

Minutes of the meeting on 28th November 2002 were confirmed as a correct record.

Matters Arising

- Cllr Eaton had contacted Tesco Stores to find out their intentions as to retaining the post office facility currently in the One Stop shop, whose parent company, T&S Stores, Tesco have now brought out. Their response was as follows:

“We have no plans to remove Post Office Counters from T&S Stores. We will be considering on a site by site basis which shops will be converted to Tesco Express Stores. As part of this consideration we will look carefully at the facility currently on offer, including Post Offices before making decisions”.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported on the following:-

- Cllr Eaton had been in contact with Paul Sutton, Conservation and Environment Officer, at Epping Forest District Council regarding the setting up of a Conservation Areas and Local List of Buildings Scheme for Theydon Bois.
- The Parish Clerk had complained to Epping Forest District Council about the unsatisfactory way the water board had signed and guarded their works.
- Epping Forest Media Release regarding their idea to develop proposals for a new school and leisure centre in Epping on the current St. John's School site.
- A letter from Lambourne Parish Council supporting the objections made by Theydon Bois Parish Council and Theydon Bois Rural Preservation Society regarding the Planning Application for creation of an earth bund at Theydon Hall, Abridge. Road. The application has now been withdrawn.
- Letters from Epping Citizens Advice Bureau and Haven House Foundation for donations made by the Parish Council for £200 and £312.16 respectively. The latter was collected at Theydon Bois Lighting the Christmas Tree, organised by Cllr Shales.



Report on Council Meeting (cont)

TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS AND CONFIRM PAYMENTS

The accounts up to 27th January, 2003, having been circulated, were approved.

PRECEPT

It was Resolved that the Parish Precept for 2003-2004 be set at £54,099. Proposed: by Cllr Hannibal, seconded by Cllr Padfield and carried Unanimously

Cllr Padfield stated that he hoped that it was considered that the Parish Council represents good value for money.

PLANNING

- Cllr Gooch reported that there had been 21 applications since the last meeting.
- There were four applications of particular concern. Applications for detached houses at 24 Green Glade, and at the rear of 32 Theydon Park Road. A large extension at 8 Blackacre Road and the conversion of Fairytale Flowers into a restaurant. The Council objected strongly to all of the above.
- Cllr Shales stated that an allegation had been made at the Planning Meeting on 2nd January about the way the application by the Tennis Club to install lighting had been handled during his Chairmanship of the Parish Council. Cllr Shales stated that this was not correct as all correspondence regarding the application had been dealt with promptly by himself and the then Clerk, Frank Jones. The application was withdrawn to allow further discussion. Cllr Shales offered members of the Council the opportunity to go through the file relating to the matter if they so wished.

PARKING FORUM

District Councillor Roy Newland gave a brief talk about the plans for parking restrictions in the Village. For details see the front page of this newsletter.

LITTER

Cllr Eaton reported that he had received two letters from residents complaining about the amount of litter in the Village. It was reported that a visit by councillors to some of the local schools to give a talk on the subject was planned and that better value was needed from Epping Forest District Council with regard to road sweeping and rubbish collection. The next litter pick will be on Saturday 1st March 2003 at 9.30 am outside the Village Hall.

CEMETERY

- Cllr Hannibal reported that during January a skip had been hired and members of the parish council worked to remove the rubbish fly-tipped at the cemetery last summer. The cemetery has been placed under regular surveillance to try to prevent a reoccurrence of this appalling behaviour. At next month's Cemetery Committee



Report on Council Meeting (cont)

Meeting the possibility of keeping the main gates locked for much of the week to bar unauthorised access will be discussed.

- As a result of the heavy rain in the autumn a number of gravestones became destabilised and these have now had been re-fixed.
- An advertisement will be appearing in the forthcoming Parish Magazine to employ a caretaker for duties in the cemetery.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PUBLICATION SCHEME

A draft schedule prepared by Cllrs Cushing, Eaton and Smith had previously been circulated for approval. It was Resolved to accept the draft schedule on the Freedom of Information Act Publication Scheme in order that it can be submitted for approval by the Information Commissioner. This was Proposed by Cllr Glozier, Seconded by Cllr Gooch and carried Unanimously

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Cllr Oliver reported that the newsletter had been entered into a competition and the feedback had highlighted that there was room for improvement. As a result, Cllrs Oliver, Powell and Cushing have produced a proposed format for a revamped magazine. After studying some of the winning entries from other local areas it became evident that their magazines were parish magazines rather than parish council magazines. Therefore it is intended that the new format will be more of a magazine for the village by the village. Tony Ames, the current editor, will have an expanded role and volunteers will be sought to help with articles. The new magazine will have links to the web site. Cllr Eaton thanked Cllrs Oliver, Powell and Cushing for their detailed proposals.

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

- **Allotments.** Cllr Glozier reported that reinforced gate posts with a catch are required to ensure the allotments remain secure and the gate kept closed. Norman Riley has offered to undertake the work and Cllr Glozier expressed the Council's appreciation for his efforts. There is a broken stop-cock on the site. Cllr Glozier has approached the allotment holders to ask them to come up with proposals of how they would like to see things improved in the allotments in general.
- **Environment.** Chris Willis is to undertake maintenance of the bus shelter opposite Fairytale Flowers.
- **Countrycare.** Cllr Powell proposed that Norman Mead, an official speaker on the Stansted Airport Expansion Scheme, be invited to a public meeting at the Village Hall in the summer to speak about the implications of airport expansion might have on Theydon Bois. Councillors agreed and Councillor Powell will organise a date.



Report on Council Meeting (cont)

- **Limeslink.** Cllr Powell reported that there was to be a major development at Epping in order to refurbish the surgery, with the addition of a new pharmacy attached which will open in May. There will be no parking spaces available while the work is being carried out and patients will have to use the car park at St. Margaret's Hospital. This development may have a detrimental impact on Theydon Bois Pharmacy.
- **Web Site.** Cllr O'Connor reported that all the shops are now on the web site, together with the primary school. The news, diary pages and the shops were the most popular sites. Trevor Roberts, the local history recorder, has produced articles entitled "The Month in Theydon Bois" and November and December's articles are currently available on the site. Cllr O'Connor produced print outs of parts of the web site which contained these articles, together with an overview of the shops, and these were made available to the public to look at. There are now around 180 people accessing the web site per month, up from the early days when there was 30-40 people using it. It is envisaged that there may be a Guest Book in the future where people can leave their e-mail addresses. Articles are welcome through councillors or the parish clerk.
- **Vandalism and Anti-Social Behaviour Group.** Cllr O'Connor reported that the Chairman of the group was stepping down due to work commitments and more volunteers were needed to come onto the Committee. The Safety Course for Women had been a great success and Year 11 students in six local schools were being offered the course, which had been well received by the Head Teachers.
- A talk had been arranged with the British Transport Police for 5th December but no one had turned up to speak and the meeting was rescheduled for 23rd January. However, although the British Transport Police seemed keen to come and give the talk, they again failed to appear. The Vandalism and Anti-Social Behaviour Group will be writing to them to again press for the talk to take place.
- Two members of the Group attended the Youth Club which was well attended by younger teenagers after the County Council had advertised the facility by posting leaflets in the local shops. However, there was a rumour that Essex County Council proposed to close the Youth Club and Cllr O'Connor suggested that the Village Association should be approached with a view to integrating some youth activities and clubs (e.g. Badminton) into using the Hall, if there was the availability. It was also planned to undertake a Youth Audit to see what the youngsters themselves would like.
- The Beatmobile had been used less often in recent months and there is a risk that it could be lost if it does not have more visitors.



Report on Council Meeting (cont)

- Cllr Glozier reported that there is to be a meeting in March of the Safer Communities Group.
- **Tree Strategy.** Cllr Shales reported that the draft Tree Strategy Plan was nearing completion with a planting plan and selection of trees being arranged. A report was to be printed with the intention that every household should receive a copy. Epping Forest District Council had allocated a generous contribution for planting in the village, and funds had been forthcoming from the Rural Preservation Society, the Horticultural Society and other sponsorships in order to pay for the printing of the Report. There was however, a shortfall of £500 and Cllr Shales proposed that the Parish Council make the extra funds available to enable publishing to go ahead.
- Cllr Shales expressed his thanks to all those who had participated in surveying the roads. There have been some requests for an area to be allocated for Memorial Trees and this will be looked into. The Tree Strategy Committee is made up from representatives of the Parish Council, The Rural Preservation Society and Jane Turner, the Village Tree Warden. It was Resolved that the Parish Council provide £500 towards the cost of printing the Tree Strategy Report. This was Proposed by Cllr Shales, Seconded by Cllr Padfield and carried Unanimously

THE FOLLOWING TOPICS WERE RAISED BY THE PUBLIC

- A plea to support Theydon Bois Pharmacy in the light of the opening of a pharmacy at the Limeslink Practice in Epping.
- Parking in Graylands/Loughton Lane.
- Fly-tipping at the Cemetery.
- Open Gardens Day will be held on 29th June and new gardens and more helpers will be welcomed.
- Concerns over the possible closure of the Youth Centre.

ARE YOU A PATIENT OF THE LIMES MEDICAL PRACTICE?

Do you have concerns of the future of the Surgery in Theydon? The Senior Practitioner & Partners of the Limes Medical Practice will present

The Strategy for the Future of Theydon Bois Surgery

**at the Village Hall on
Tuesday 25th February, 2003 at 8.00 pm**



50 years of Country Dancing in Theydon Bois

Country dancing in Theydon Bois began in 1957 at the original village hall which was in Loughton Lane, in front of the present Youth Club where houses now stand. The building had been an army hut in the 1914-18 war and came from the home of John Strachey, MP, at Lambourne. It cost £500 and was opened in 1949, one year after we moved here. The future of the Epping/Ongar railway line. Country dancing was designated as an official evening class run by the local education office and I was introduced to it by a friend, Dora Dewey. Mrs Betty Kernihan was our teacher and then Mrs Lily Fleming. Lily Fleming's niece, Freda Roberts, played the piano and Freda's husband, Ken, drove them there. Mrs Sylvia Keen was the very efficient hall caretaker and Mrs Renee Sutton, equally efficient, helped with our end of term parties.

We had summer garden meetings at the home of Mr and Mrs Palmer of Piercing Hill and Mr and Mrs Strick of Forest Drive - these continued for about 20 years. In 1966 the club transferred to the new village hall on the glebe field, which had cost £20,000 to build

When I became the secretary in 1975 one of my duties was to record the pension numbers of retired members to enable them to pay £1 a term against our £8 a term. We had special evenings such as May Hyde's 80th birthday celebrations in about 1980 at our end of term party. May's father had been head gardener at Wansfell when it was still a private home. After it became a residential college, and by now retired, he used to visit and enjoy the garden. When this was queried by some of the college staff Dr Down, the principal, thought it perfectly natural as Mr Hyde had helped create the garden.

In spring 1981 our membership dropped and we were no longer able to continue as an official class. Mrs May Andrews, one of the class, offered to run it for us for love, which she did for many years with the help of her husband, Raymond. In 1997 May felt it was time to retire but luckily Mrs Tricia Haselhurst took the club over and continues to do so. I gave up the secretaryship in 2000 and Mrs Pauline Martin took that role over with Don Edmunds becoming treasurer.

In November 2001 the club moved to the new village hall which had been built alongside the 1966 hall on the glebe field. Thus, country dancing in Theydon Bois, which is believed to have existed for over 50 years, moved to its third village hall venue and continues to meet **Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30 pm in the Village Hall during its terms.** (phone 01992 814445 for details or log on to the website at www.theydon.org.uk).

SHEILA GYMER



Varia

MEDICAL UPDATE - Expansion of facilities, car parking and an on-site pharmacy at the Limes Medical Centre, Epping



An extra 17 car parking spaces, 6 more consultation rooms and an in-house pharmacy will be under construction in the next few weeks at the Limes Medical Centre in Epping. For the past two years the Partners of the Limes have been working with the National Co-operative Chemists to secure an on-site pharmacy to provide patients with a “one-stop shop”. With this comes the opportunity to expand and provide much needed consultation and treatment rooms for current patients.

Debbie Thornton Limes Executive Director said that “We have been successful in recruiting a new GP, Dr Juan Munoz, Practice Nurses Clare Crowley, Gujit Cholia and Susan Konizi and need additional parking and consultation space to help us to achieve both clinical and Government targets. The practice now achieves the target of an appointment with a healthcare professional within 24 hours the vast majority of the time and has made significant improvements towards the 48 hour access to a GP. We are finding that there is an increasing demand and we need to be in a position to meet the needs of our patient population.”

“Work should be completed by the end of May 2003 and we apologise for any inconvenience during this time. Our car park will be closed except for emergency vehicles, disabled access and taxi drop off. Temporarily patients will be able to park in the hospital car park and walk across. No parking will be allowed on the road outside of the surgery. There will be no interruption in patient services, although some sessions may be held at our branch surgeries instead of the main site. Patients will be advised when booking their appointment where that particular surgery is to be held.”

Theydon Bois Surgery

“The Limes Medical Centre is committed to continuing its services at Theydon Bois. At present we offer a minimum of three morning GP surgeries, usually four. We also have general practice nurse sessions, a travel clinic, physiotherapy, phlebotomy and a diabetic clinic.

The Partners would like to increase the range and number of services and are working with the Epping Forest Primary Care Trust to try to attract new Government funding to enable this to happen. To date it has not been possible to attract this funding, but the current services will continue.”

All surgeries at Theydon Bois are by appointment only.



Varia (continued)

For further details please contact either:

- **Debbie Thornton**, Executive Director, The Limes Medical Centre, The Plain, Epping Essex, CM16 6TL Tel: 01992 566555
- **Clive Appleby**, Corporate Services Manager, Epping Forest Primary Care Trust, St Margaret's Hospital, Epping, Essex Tel: 01279 827572

Theydon Bois Pharmacy

The creation of a new pharmacy at the Limes Medical Centre is a positive move for a number of people, particularly those without their own transport; however, the new pharmacy could have direct adverse impact on the Theydon Bois village pharmacy. It is hoped that the people of Theydon Bois will continue to support the village pharmacy as the expertise provided by Sailesh Dawda is valued by local people, and would be sorely missed if the business suffered as a result of the Limes Centre pharmacy.

CLLR. SHEREE POWELL

Theydon Bois Tree Strategy

Theydon Bois Tree Strategy is a project to improve our Village by planting of further street trees. This is being organized by Epping Forest District Council in co-operation with a committee comprising, the Parish Council, who have two members, representation from the Rural Preservation Society and our Tree Warden, Mrs Jane Turner. Progress has been made during the past 12 months with a number of meetings to plan these improvements and to produce a professional report, which it is hoped will soon be printed and distributed to every household. This does depend on funds being available, contributions towards the cost have come from the District Council, the Parish Council, Rural Preservation Society and the Horticultural Society. It is hoped that the balance will come from sponsorship.

The planting plan and selection of tree species is being drawn up by the Landscape and Arboriculturist Officer for District Council, when completed the committee will then meet again to consult and finalise arrangements. It is aimed to commence planting later in the year, our aim is to further enhance our village of Theydon Bois for the benefit of our residents.

CLLR. WILFRED S SHALES

Under Age Drinking

Epping Forest District Council and Essex Police have recently shown great concern with this problem. As a result you will see special notices in various establishments called - Licencees Against Drink Pushers. The Management and Staff of these premises support the campaign by EFDC and Essex Police to prevent alcohol from being supplied to underage persons.



Varia (continued)

It goes on to say that any person suspected of buying alcohol to supply to underage persons could well at the discretion of the management not be supplied with alcohol for their own use.

Underage drinking leads to crime - our local establishments are working in partnership with other organisations to make this district safer. They need your support and involvement to help them in their efforts.

Vandalism and Anti-Social Behaviour Group

This group hopes, with the help of the public, to keep our village safe for everyone - a number of meetings have been held and various objectives have been achieved.

However we need more people to join our group - why? Simply because our Chairman has to step down in the near future - purely due to ever increasing work commitments. Later this year we will also lose our Youth Representative as she will be going to University. So if you feel that you would like to become involved please contact us via the Parish Office. You will be made welcome and your ideas listened to. At the present time we are desperately trying to increase facilities for the youth of our village. All of us feel that this is a vital part of our remit. So if you are a young person with lots of ideas about the lack of facilities for you please contact us.

Anti-Social behaviour is not confined to youth - we all see it every day - rubbish dumping- litter - dog mess which people are too lazy to clear up (even though they can be fined) - parking on green verges and ploughing up the grass - parking across access for the elderly and young mums with push-chairs. These may seem minor things but they all contribute to ruining the quality of this village. So if you feel strongly about these things - please contact us.

CLLR. MARGARET O' CONNOR

(on behalf of the Vandalism and Anti-Social Behaviour Group)



THEYDON BOIS MUSIC SOCIETY

An evening with **Rachel Calaminus - Viola**
& **Rachael Buxton Piano** in the Village Hall on
20th March at 8.00 pm. Tickets £5

The Music & Life of Stamford - with Dr Jeremy Dibble - in the
Village Hall on **10th April at 8.00pm.** Tickets £5



This is the first of what I hope will be a regular feature on Neighbourhood Watch items. Of news for the Parish Magazine.

Usually I will try to keep you up to date with facts and figures relating to the small amount of crime occurring in the Village, but this edition is a plea for more residents to visit and use the mobile Police Bus. I make this request, as the number of people visiting the Bus is rapidly dwindling, and we do not want to lose this valuable Police presence, as High Beech and possibly Sheering have. There are other villages waiting for a turn on the rota.

The Bus "visits" the Village Hall every other Thursday afternoon (in February the dates are 13th and 27th) between 1.30 pm and 3.30 pm.

It is staffed by ex PC Chris Caton, the civilian driver, and usually has a Police Officer in attendance. Even if you do not have any problems or queries for them, you may be given a cup of coffee, and you will be given a copy of Chris's Neighbourhood Watch news sheet. You can also get bicycles, mobile phones etc. security coded.

So please go and call in and save Theydon Bois from losing the Bus.

If you have any queries about this, or anything related to Neighbourhood Watch, *please contact me, Caroline Law, on 01992 813905.*

THEYDON BOIS DRAMA SOCIETY

presents

THERESE RAQUIN

a psychological
thriller by

Emil Zola at

The Village Hall

on

March

13th-15th.



Tickets -Carol James 01992 812250

Theydon Bois Drama Society is keen to welcome new members in both an acting and non-acting capacity.

We are particularly short of people to help with the lighting and sound for our shows. Our lighting rig is almost up to professional standards - but the help needn't be! As they say in the job adverts - *'no previous experience needed, training will be provided'*.

We also need extra help with costumes, props and scene painting. In adverts like this they always say, 'Come and join our friendly Society', but in this case it's true!

**If you would like to know more,
please ring**

**Graham James
on 01992 812250.**



How About Joining a Flower Club?

Members of the West Essex Flower Club have been enjoying flower arranging for over 50 years. Meetings are held regularly at **THORNWOOD VILLAGE HALL, Weald Hall Lane, Thornwood at 1.45 pm**
Forthcoming Meetings as follows

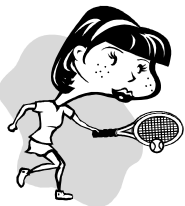


The Club welcomes new members & visitors. Why not come to a meeting & enjoy a relaxing afternoon?

| Date | Demonstrator | Title |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>April 14</i> | <i>Mrs Pat Potter</i> | <i>Sending a Postcard</i> |
| <i>May 12</i> | <i>Mrs Wendy Munnian</i> | <i>Variations on a Theme</i> |
| <i>June 9</i> | <i>Mrs Dorothy de Lacy</i> | <i>For Your Pleasure & Mine</i> |

**Further information from Delia Shelley,
 Club Secretary, on 01992 577036**

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children



A LADIES DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT

is to be held on
Tuesday, 20th May

at Theydon Bois
 Lawn Tennis Club.

Application Forms can be obtained from
**Pat Walter (81 3485) or
 Carole Risdon (81 3724).**
Lunch is included

St Mary's Church An

'Auction of Promises'

*in aid of the new
 Meeting Rooms
 extension at St Mary's
 Church, will take place
 in the Village Hall on*



**Saturday, 8th March
 commencing 7.30 pm.**
*Catalogues - £4.00 (including supper)
 from Joy Simmance (81 4410).*

SITUATION VACANT - CARETAKER REQUIRED

To work a few hours a month at the village cemetery. Duties include keeping the gardens neat & tidy, the interment of ashes and supervising funerals. Pay is reasonable. Full details available from the Parish Clerk



NOSTALGIA EVENING



Last year Theydon Bois Cricket Club hosted a 'Nostalgia Evening' at which many old photographs of the Village, and in particular of the Cricket and Football Clubs, were on display. Rarely seen footage of a Cine film shot in 1952 was also shown. The evening was enjoyed by all.



As we have received many requests to repeat the evening, it has been agreed to stage the event again on **Wednesday 2nd April** starting at 8pm. The Cricket Club will again host the evening.



However, this time it is hoped to expand the material on display. So if you have any old photographs or film of the Village from years gone by, that you don't mind showing, we would be very pleased to hear from you. Please contact either

**Anthony Purkiss on 01992 813515 or myself
(Cllr. Peter Gooch) on 01992 812908.**

Friends of Wansfell College



Quiz Evening at Wansfell College on **Sunday 27 April**, starting at 5 pm. Price £7, including fish and chip supper. Provide your own drinks and nibbles. (Bottles of wine will be available for purchase.) Tables of up to 8, but single or small group bookings are very welcome. Tickets by personal application from Wansfell College or from the Treasurer at 10 Vale Close, Brentwood, CM15 9RG. (Please enclose sae and make cheque payable to 'The Friends of Wansfell College'.)

May Fair, organised by the Friends of Wansfell College, in the College and its grounds on **Sunday 18 May** from 1pm to 4pm. All are very welcome. There will be stalls, sideshows, raffle, tombola, etc. Delicious home-made refreshments will be available all afternoon. This is also a good opportunity to explore the lovely garden. Admission only 50p





FOR THE ATTENTION OF PATIENTS AT ABRIDGE SURGERY

Dr D A Colvin - Dr R E Chew
Abridge Surgery, 37 Ongar Road
Abridge, Essex RM4 1UH
Tel: 01992 812961

In common with many practices both locally and nationally, it is our intention to suspend the provision of Saturday morning surgeries, pending confirmation from the Health Authority, with effect from late January 2003.

Please be assured that full emergency medical cover will continue to be provided by NHS Direct.

EPPING FOREST VOLUNTEER BUREAU

If you have time to spare and would like to find out how rewarding volunteering can be, why not contact

**Epping Forest
Volunteer Bureau**
on
01992 564256

for information about what opportunities are available.

CANCER RESEARCH UK



Theydon Bois Friends of Cancer Research UK

QUIZ NIGHT - 28th FEB

at the Village Hall Inc fish & chip supper or
vegetarian option, bring your own drinks, raffle

7.30 for 8 pm £8 per ticket

from 01992 - 614008



Please keep the news stories coming in.. If you have an event or an activity, remember a news item can advertise the event and afterwards a report can be used to thank the people who supported you and tell of the successes. More articles please.



HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Please note that the trading hut for members will be open from 1st March every Saturday 10am - 12 noon until the end of June and 10 - 11 am from July to October. Our show, open to all, will be on 13th September this year, plenty of time to grow exhibits and get busy with handicrafts.

The photographic classes are:

1. *The Riders*
2. *Eat, Drink and Be Merry*
3. *Natures Jewels*
4. *At the Water's Edge*
5. *Ancient & modern*
6. *In My Garden*
7. *A Themed set of 3 photos*



Talks and outings are still to be arranged but we hope to visit Savill Gardens in May and Groombridge Place, Kent in July.

Any enquiries to J. Turner, Secretary 812652

Litter

The Parish Council is promoting litter picks which are held periodically on a Saturday morning. The next litter pick is on 1st March. Many people will think that we pay our community charge and that litter is a matter for Epping Forest District Council, which in many respects is quite right.



However, we are appealing to those of you in our community that feel that it is our civic responsibility to help the Parish Council who are taking the lead to keep Theydon Bois tidy, no matter what we endure from uncaring people that use our village as a dumping ground.



Anything that you can do to promote a tidier village would be appreciated and a good turn out at the litter picks would be particularly welcome.



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www.theydon.org.uk

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CONTACT NUMBERS

| DISTRICT COUNCIL SERVICES | | ADVICE, HELP & INFO | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Epping Forest Dist Council | 01992 564000 | Citizen's Advice B-Loughton | 0208 502 0031 |
| Epping Sports Centre | 01992 564564 | Citizen's Advice B-Epping | 01992 574989 |
| Loughton Sports Centre | 01992 564574 | Epping Forest College | 020 8508 8311 |
| Waltham Abbey Sports C | 01992 716194 | Samaritans | 020 8520 9191 |
| Waste Management | 01992 564320 | TRAVEL & TOURISM | |
| COUNTY COUNCIL SERVICES | | Arriva Herts & Essex | 01279 426349 |
| Registrar Births & Deaths | 01992 572788 | Gatwick Airport | 01293 535353 |
| Registrar of Marriages | 01992 572788 | Heathrow Airport | 020 8759 4321 |
| Education Office | 01245 436231 | Luton Airport | 01582 405100 |
| Loughton Library | 020 8502 0181 | Stansted Airport | 01279 680500 |
| Social Services | 020 8508 9311 | London Regional Transport | 020 7222 1234 |
| | | National Express (Victoria) | 0990 808 080 |
| HEALTH & HOSPITALS | | CINEMAS | |
| Limes - Epping | 01992 573838 | ABC (South Woodford) | 020 8989 3463 |
| St Margaret's Hospital | 01992 561666 | Odeon (Gants Hill) | 020 8554 2452 |
| Holly House Hosp (private) | 020 8505 3311 | UCI (Lee Valley) | 0870 603 4567 |
| Princess Alexandra Hosp | 01279 444455 | Virgin (Harlow) | 0870 505 0007 |
| PUBLIC UTILITIES | | BREAKDOWN SERVICES | |
| British Gas | 0845 609 1122 | AA | 0800 887766 |
| TXU Energi | 0800 183 1144 | RAC | 0800 828282 |