

BLUSTERETTE

The Watermead Village Newsletter

Spring 1994

The Chairman's Brief

Hello everybody! As you may know, an almost entirely new Committee was elected at the AGM on 21st April. My first task as the new chairman must be to thank the retiring members of the Committee for all the hard work that they put in over several years. Thanks to their efforts we have an up and running Association with a sound financial base.

The new Committee has taken urgent steps to bring the Village Hall up to scratch and has started planning an active year of social events. I hope that you will visit the arts and crafts Fair in the Piazza on VE anniversary day (8th May). We are already looking ahead to VE day next year, which will of course be the 50th anniversary of this momentous event.

The new Committee is pledged to work closely with all interest groups on Watermead, including Neighbourhood Watch - which has got off to such a splendid start - and the Preservation Society. We also wish to foster a spirit of co-operation with our local businesses. I would urge you to support them whenever you can - why not dine out at the Watermead Inn or have your hair cut at Avanti? (I confess to reservations at having my hair styled!)

I hope to keep you informed of progress on the letting of vacant units and the sale of the ski centre. We welcome Harpers to Watermead and wish them well. As some of you will know I have mooted the idea of residents setting up our own company to revive businesses which have closed down - I think the practical difficulties may be too great but I would welcome any feedback.

I also see the role of a Residents Association as looking out for the interests of the community where we can. In future Newsletters I hope to be able to brief you on the proposals for remaining development. I am sure I am not alone in recognising that there must be a limit (and that limit may soon be reached).

Our Constitution was remodelled at the AGM, reflecting the needs of a growing association. Please feel free to approach me or any member of the Committee if there is any issue affecting Watermead you wish to discuss. I live at No. 7 Willow Herb, and my telephone number is 397963, FAX 393151.

The Agendas and Minutes for Committee meetings will be published on the Notice Board (in the 'tunnel' leading into the Piazza or Village Centre, near the hall) and the tradition of open Committee meetings will continue. I look forward to the year ahead, a year which I am sure will see our community grow closer together.

Michael Shrimpton 25th April 1994

Don't forget *your*
CRAFT FAIR, Sunday 8th May 1994
See separate insert for full details.

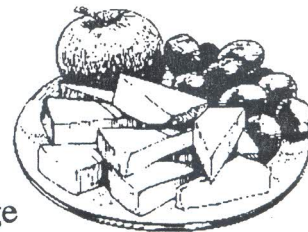
WANTED URGENTLY

1. A volunteer is needed to maintain the booking system for the Village Hall. The regular users have fixed bookings and need no attention other than reminding them to pay their hire charges monthly or quarterly as appropriate! This is an important job, necessary to avoid double bookings. Although the volunteer will hold a Hall key for emergencies, they will not necessarily be required to meet casual hirers and admit them to the Hall.

2. One or two Hall cleaners are required. The Hall needs cleaning weekly, and the job could be shared to provide cover if one person is unavailable. Terms negotiable.

Please contact Caril on 28043 if you can help with either of these above jobs.

Let's Party!!



The new committee is about to attack the renovation of *your* Village Hall. After we have corrected the damp problem, we want to hold a party - a **PAINTING PARTY!** If you would like to help, please 'phone Marion on 393832. refreshments will be served (alcoholic, of course).

You are invited

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UPDATE

To those of you who were not already aware, the Neighbourhood Watch is now up and running.

Arrangements are in hand to erect street signs, although this will take a few weeks. Also during the next few weeks, all residents will be receiving a visit from their co-ordinators. We will be able to help with any questions that you may have. Unfortunately we have not yet had any volunteers to become co-ordinators to cover the following areas.

The Falcon	Swift Close
Curlew	Swan Close
Robin Close	Raven Close

Fayrefields, the new Bryant Development
Alexanders Walk, Bellways - there is only one volunteer from Waxwing although at least two more are required.

Sadly, unless volunteers come forward, these areas will have to be excluded.

The police have informed us that crime is on the increase on Watermead. Two crimes were reported in February, eleven in March. Unfortunately crime affects everyone, so please show your support to the co-ordinators and stop this increase before things get out of hand.

Volunteers to become co-ordinators (who will be welcomed with open arms) should please contact Mike or Sandra Gowling on 20956.

AMITY

Come on down!
Single people, 40+ needed.

If you would like to make new friends and have fun, do try our club. We do lots of interesting things, walks, pubs, theatre, bowling, restaurants, etc.

If you are interested, please 'phone
Barbara on 397530

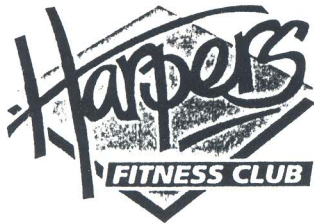
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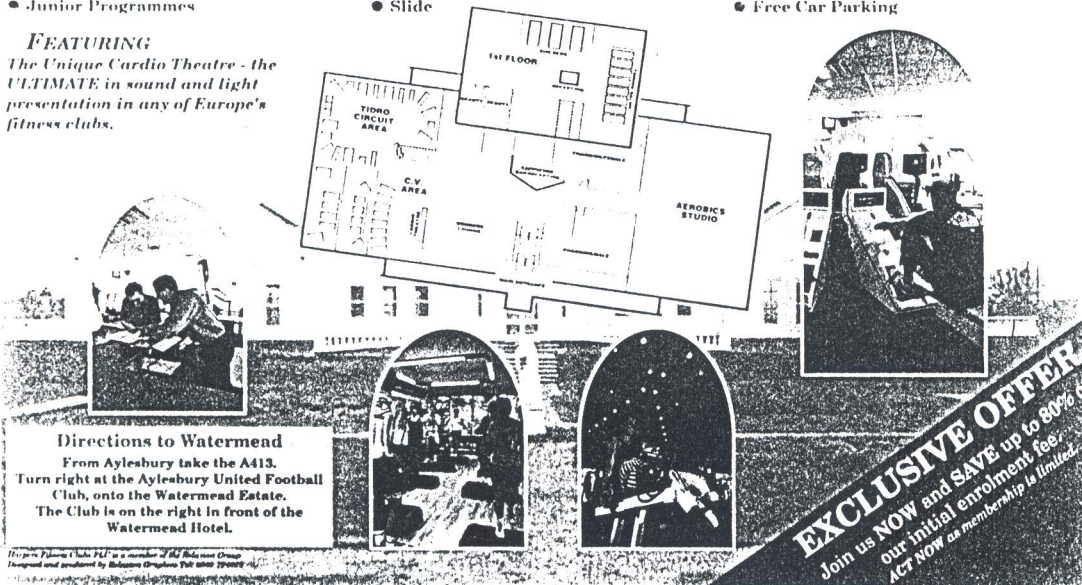
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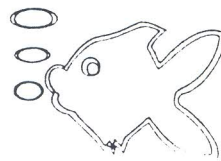
Sometimes friends or relatives are not always available at short notice. The best alternative - if you have to leave your pets for holidays, hospital or just a weekend away - is for them to be cared for by "THE PET NANNY".

I can attend your pets regularly at your home throughout your break so that you and your pets can be free from worry. I can also attend to your indoor & outdoor plants too.

If you would like more details please call:

(0296) 28043

References available.



St. James the Great, Bierton

Residents in Watermead are within the Anglican (C of E) parish of the above church. It is unfortunate that although the church is only a half-mile walk away, you have to drive nearly three miles to reach it. However, you can hear the bells when the wind is in the right direction!

If you would like any information about Services or other matters please telephone the Vicar, the Reverend Mike Whalley (23920) or Anne King (26743).

WI

The Watermead & Weedon Womens Institute would still like to see some more ladies from our village.

Don't be shy! We're all rather nice and it is a good way of meeting new friends and neighbours. We have a very interesting programme for the rest of the year. Any queries? Please 'phone Carol on 28043.

YOU can advertise in Blusterette at very reasonable rates. We reach about 750 homes on Watermead.

Our advertising rate is £40 per page and *pro rata*. For example, this space would cost you just £5!

Contact Carol on 28043 to place an 'ad'. We publish roughly six times a year.

PS. We URGENTLY need an Editor for Blusterette!

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