

The Binfield Beacon

July 2019

Your Binfield Parish community magazine - there's lots going on!



IT IS OUR LIGHT, NOT OUR DARKNESS
THAT MOST FRIGHTENS US.

Marianne Williamson

Sing into Summer

Scones, songs, fizz and
games - see page 17 for details



Binfield Church Fete

— **save the date!**

See page 8 for details



Whizz Kids Summer Club

Book now and
join us for great
fun and adventure!

24th - 25th July, 9:30am-12:00pm
£5 per child, £4 per sibling
St. Mark's Church, Binfield

Booking is essential, please email
daisyridell@gmail.com!



Binfield Calendar

Photo Competition

see page 10 for how to enter

Closing date 1st September

OUR MISSION: *To help people follow Jesus and his teachings*

SERVICES AND GROUPS @ ALL SAINTS' AND ST MARK'S CHURCHES

Monday 1st July

9.30am Time of Prayer at St Mark's

Wednesday 3rd July

9.00am Women's Walk/Talk from Foxes' Den Café -
see page 6 for more details of this week's walk

10.00am 3G Group at St Mark's

7.00pm Oasis Group at St Mark's

Saturday 6th July

7.45am Men's Walk from Oakmede Village Shops

Sunday 7th July

8.15am Holy Communion at All Saints'

9.30am Parish Communion at All Saints'

11.00am All Age Service with Baptism at All Saints'

NO WHIZZ KIDS

There's a Whizz Kids Bake Sale after the 11am service so please bring some money and support the children's group as they raise money for the ARC Project



Monday 8th July

9.30am Time of Prayer at St Mark's

Wednesday 10th July

10.00am 3G Group at St Mark's

7.00pm Oasis Group at St Mark's

Thursday 11th July

10.15am Midweek Holy Communion at All Saints'

Friday 12th July

10.00am Open Door at St Mark's

Sunday 14th July

8.15am Holy Communion at All Saints'

9.30am Parish Communion at All Saints'

10.45am Whizz Kids at St Mark's

11.00am Informal Service at All Saints'

Monday 15th July

9.30am Time of Prayer at St Mark's

8.00pm Practice the Presence of God—The Rectory

Wednesday 17th July

9.00am Women's Walk/Talk from Foxes' Den Café

10.00am 3G Group at St Mark's

7.00pm Oasis Group at St Mark's

Sunday 21st July

8.15am Holy Communion at All Saints'

9.30am Parish Communion at All Saints'

10.45am Whizz Kids at St Mark's

11.00am Informal Service with Communion at All Saints'

Monday 22nd July

9.30am Time of Prayer at St Mark's

Tuesday 23rd July

12 noon Silver Service at St Mark's

Wednesday 24th July

9.30am—12 noon Whizz Kids Summer Club at St Mark's
NO 3G Group at St Mark's until 4th September

Thursday 25th July

9.30am—12 noon Whizz Kids Summer Club at St Mark's

Saturday 27th July

7.30am Men's Breakfast at St Mark's

Sunday 28th July

8.15am Holy Communion at All Saints'

9.30am Parish Communion at All Saints'

10.45am Whizz Kids at St Mark's

11.00am Informal Service at All Saints'

Monday 29th July

9.30am Time of Prayer at St Mark's

Saturday 3rd August

7.45am Men's Walk from Oakmede Village Shops

Sunday 4th August

8.15am Holy Communion at All Saints'

9.30am Parish Communion at All Saints'

11.00am All Age Service with Baptism at All Saints'

NO WHIZZ KIDS



From the Registers:

Baptisms

Arabella Sofia Kentish

Millicent Coco Kentish



Weddings

Charlotte Oakes-Dean and Liam Marshall

Funerals

Jane Holmes

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LETTER FROM YOUR RECTOR



What is your deepest Fear?

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate.

Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous?

Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God.

Your playing small does not serve the world.

There is nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are all meant to shine, as children do.

We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone.

And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

Why is this? The Bible says, God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us to do good works, which God planned in advance for us to live our lives doing. *Ephesians chapter 2 verse 10*. So stop hiding in the shadows of fear. Be who you were created to be, a child of God. Do what you were created to do, good works, and go and shine brightly in this world.

Luke

Poem by Marianne Williamson, from A Return To Love: Reflections on the Principles of A Course in Miracles



ClothesBank

Clothing for local families in need

A big THANK YOU to everyone who donated clothing and helped at the June Giveaway day. It is much appreciated.

The next ClothesBank Giveaway is on Wednesday 9th October. Donations will be accepted from **Monday 30th September ONLY**. Thank you.



**Whizz Kids Bake Sale after
11am service
Sunday 7th July**

**please bring some money and support the
children's group as they raise money for the
ARC Project**

FREE FUN FAMILY



On Foxley Fields

(next to Binfield Primary school)

Friday 26th July

from 5.00pm

FREE Burgers & Hot Dogs

BYO drinks

EVERYONE WELCOME!

For more info call 01344 421079



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Thank you.



All Saints' Repair & Care

Fundraising for essential repairs and updates to our historic Parish Church

On to the next phase (with your help!)

Step by step we are managing to carry out repairs to our beautiful old church building. The work on the porch is now completed and scaffolding has been put up in anticipation of starting the next main phase of work on the roof coverings and lead valley between the South Aisle and Nave (this repair work has been a great lesson in learning all the names of the different areas in the church!).

All the internal boards will be replaced, and insulation added, as in Phase 1, to help reduce the heating bills over winter.

Some of the stone and wood work will also be renovated where required, and the guttering improved to help with the heavy rain we keep getting!

Every penny added to the repair fund helps us to complete another part of the work that needs doing, and we really appreciate all and any contributions towards this!

Thanks

A huge thanks to Michael Hawkins who has been busy helping the repair fund by running the Binfield 10k and raised £120 sponsorship money. Thanks to everyone who came and helped out at the water station and helped make the annual village event a huge success again! Michael also helped organise the beautiful organ recital at All Saints' by Renata Bauer. Many thanks to Renata for playing, and for those who contributed to the £167 given in the retiring collection. We have also been given a hugely generous donation by Ocean Partners UK of £1,213.

Upcoming Events

4th July: **Ebay Social** @ The Foxes' Den, enjoy a glass of wine and some company while you sell items for the ARC Project!

6th July: **Party Bye the Pitch**, 4pm, Binfield Cricket Club

We are still looking for helpers to run the tea/refreshment tent, and would appreciate donations of cakes or biscuits to sell!

Please contact us if you would like to get involved.

7th July: Our **Sing into Summer** at St Mark's, from 2:30pm. Join us for a lovely afternoon of scones and songs, fizz and games. A great way to recover from Party Bye the pitch!

Now until 1st Sept: **Binfield Calendar Photo Competition**.

See page 10 for details on how to enter the Photo competition for the 2020 Binfield Calendar!

15th November: **Ladies Clothes Exchange Evening** @ St. Mark's. Save the date and save your clothes for this popular event!

With many thanks from the Fundraising Team



Total Donations Received Since Project Launch: £227,381

Plus Charitable Grants: £42,000

New Phase 2 Target: £455,000

Phase 2 Donations to Date: £106,846

Phase 2 Costs to Date: £14,503

Current Phase 2 Funds: £92,343

plus PCC funds of £100,000

How to donate or fundraise:

Please note new details!

If you are able to make a donation, however big or small, it will all help and be appreciated! You can donate by:

- **Cheque:** send a cheque to the church office. Please make sure it's made payable to "**Binfield PCC**". Please write **ARC on the back** and include your name and address if you are a UK tax payer so that we can claim Gift Aid.
- **BACS:** Name: Binfield PCC
A/C No.: 80175528
Sort Code: 20-11-74
Please add **ARC + your name** as a reference.
- **Virgin Money Giving:** Fundraising website for sponsorship
uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/binfieldarcproject_P2
- **Facebook:** Create a Fundraiser or Donate
- **Ebay:** Sell your items and donate to the Project. See the ARC website for details.

Don't forget to Gift Aid it if you are a UK Tax Payer - this will add an extra 25% to your donation! Ask at the church office for more details.

Don't forget to check if your employer can fund-match any money you raise for charity!



Email: fundraising@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Online: www.binfieldarcproject.org.uk

www.facebook.com/

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Let's keep our beautiful church standing!

CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH GROUPS



Hey Everyone,



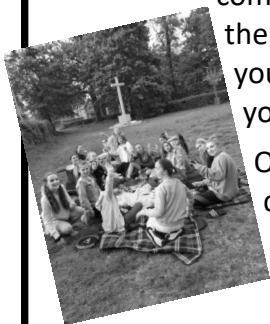
This term the young people have been busy getting ready for summer, raising money for the ARC Project, and letting off a lot of steam! We've got lots coming up in July, so keep reading for everything that's going on...

The Whizz Kids have been baking every month to sell cakes and biscuits at the All Age services, and so far have raised over £250 for the ARC Project, which is fantastic! Our last bake sale before the summer holidays will be 7th July so if you fancy baking us something, or simply eating something come and join us at 11am at All Saint's Church.



We also have the return of our summer club for 2019 this month, on the 24th and 25th July. If you are in school years 1-6 and want to come along you can expect craft, games, sports, and a whole lot of fun! Last year was a blast and the club is open for everyone, whether you have been to one of our events before or not. If you'd be interested in booking on, or would like more information, get in contact and we'll be happy to help.

At Oasis we've been having all kinds of fun, with outdoor games nights and even a mocktail evening to celebrate the weather! It's such a great environment to hang out, eat dinner, and build community together. We will also be at Party By The Pitch on the 6th July at the tea tent in aid of the ARC Project, so if you're going please come alone and say hello to our wonderful youth volunteers!



Our last evening before summer break will be on the 17th July and we will be getting dinner from the local Chinese takeaway and toasting marshmallows over the campfire, so if you are a girl in school years 7-10 and would like to join us, you are most welcome to come along and see what we do!

Daisy,

Children's and Youth Worker

daisyridell@gmail.com

Whizz Kids dates: July 14th, 21st then restarting 8th September

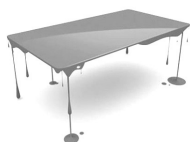


CHILDREN'S SUNDAY GROUP
10.45am-12noon @ St Mark's
 ART & CRAFT ACTIVITIES...GAMES...
 FUN...AND MUCH MORE!!
 For children of school years 1-6 every
 Sunday (not the 1st Sunday of the month)
All children welcome - Bring your friends
 (Leaders have enhanced DBS clearance)



Wednesday Girls' Group
7pm-8.30pm @ St Mark's

Yr7+ girls welcome to come along and chill,
 chat and meet up with friends that have
 moved to different schools. Term-time only.
 email daisyridell@gmail.com for more info



Creative Table (for pre-school and Reception year children)

The creative table is available during the 11am service every Sunday
 (except the first of the month)
 for younger children to use while their parents are enjoying the service.
 Some of the children's work is displayed in the Lady Chapel at All Saints' Church

MEETINGS & GROUPS - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

THE SILVER SERVICE



A more traditional short service designed and led by our retired congregation members followed by a delicious homemade lunch

Next dates:

Tuesday 23rd July @ 12 noon

Tuesday 27th August @ 12 noon

at St Mark's Church

We'd love to meet you and please bring your friends too!

If you would like help with transport or you can help with transport please contact

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY WALK (and talk)



We usually meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at Foxes' Den Café in Binfield

3rd July—9am meet at The Foxes' Den to drive to the Waterside Centre, Thames Valley Park (or meet us at TVP at 9.30am). We will then be walking to The Bull Inn at Sonning, stopping for coffee, and back

17th July—9am meet at The Foxes' Den

7th and 21st Aug— NO walks

**For more information contact
Gisele Taylor on 07724 889169 or
Claire Thomas on 07912 746289**

MEN'S MONTHLY COUNTRY WALK



**Saturdays
6th July and 3rd August**

We start at 7.45am from the car park at the Binfield village shops. Duration approx. 1 hour.

Be ready for all weathers!

Contact Kim Swain for more information
07894 469633 or kim.swain1@gmail.com



Small Group Meetings

A Small Group is a gathering of three or more people who meet on a regular basis to share fellowship, study the Bible and pray together.

If you'd like to join a Small Group, meeting in the comfort of someone's home, please contact the Church Office on 01344 421079 or email office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

MEN'S BREAKFAST SATURDAYS

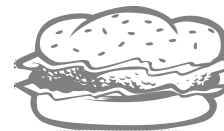


Men's Breakfast is usually held on the 4th Saturday of each month at **St Mark's Church**

Next: 22nd July

Discussion topic : "Should men be feminists?"

07.30 "Smell the Coffee"
07.45 "On the Soapbox"
08.45 "On your Bikes"



Our Speciality: BACON & EGG BAPS
for more information contact Tony on 07596 461160

3G 3 Generations playing together!

Every Wednesday

July 3rd, 10th, 17th ONLY then from 4th September

10am - 11.30am at St Mark's Church,
Popeswood Road.

Everyone is welcome: babies, toddlers, parents, carers and the older generation.

Extra parking available at Newbold Church opposite

Come and join us for cake, coffee and a chat while the little ones play!



For more info contact Jan Watts:
07445 000 443



OPEN DOOR



**We would love you to join us
for a short informal service at
St Mark's Church, Binfield**

...followed by refreshments

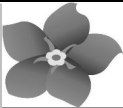
A crèche is available if you have young children
10am Friday 12th July—SUMMER SPECIAL!!

**NO Open Door in August
EVERYONE WELCOME
THE DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN**



Please contact Liz for
more details at
orinoco@hotmail.co.uk

HELPING EACH OTHER



Bereavement Support Team

We will all suffer loss, grief or bereavement at some time in our lives, mainly through death, but also in other ways such as relationship breakdown, loss of a job, or sudden disability.

The Bereavement Support Team are not counsellors, but can offer support and companionship if you are suffering a loss of any kind.

There is no charge for a visit. All support team members are DBS checked and have ID badges.

Bereavement, Friendship and Coffee Morning – Peer to Peer support open to anyone dealing with grief. Held in Foxes' Den on Fridays 10.30am – 11.30am (term time only).

If you would like to talk to a member of the team, in confidence, please contact Liz Hall for more information
orinocco@hotmail.co.uk /07850 799434

Pastoral Care Visiting Team — need a friend?



In All Saints' and St Mark's Churches we have a small pastoral care team, who are happy to visit and befriend the people of Binfield. So, if you have recently moved to the area and don't know many people; if your family live far away; if you are a Mum at home with a baby and would like adult company; if you find it difficult to get out or just fancy a friendly chat over a cup of tea, please get in touch with one of us. You don't need to be a member of the church; just enjoy some company occasionally!

And, if visiting others is something you would enjoy doing, please also let us know

Jane Aylwin	tel. 481692
Jill Hanson	tel. 452694
Margareta Hawkins	tel. 411681
Sarah Muller	tel. 428782
Jan Vigar	tel. 411267
Gisele Taylor	tel. 07724 889169
Dave Dawson	tel. 360389

Or contact the church office on 01344 421079 or email office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Volunteering—we'd love some help, please!



Meet people and get involved with the many projects and ministries that make up All Saints' and St Mark's Churches.

We are especially looking for help with:

- Cleaning at All Saints' and St Mark's churches
- Beacon Deliverers for the new housing developments
- Tea & coffee rotas for the 9.30am and 11am Sunday services
- Welcoming and reading for 11am Sunday services

To find out more and to offer your help, please call 01344 421079 or email the church office on: office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk



Praying for and with you

Prayer ministry teams are available on Sundays at the 9.30am and 11am services at All Saints' Church so if you have anything that you need prayer for, please make use of this prayer ministry at a service or if you prefer, please contact Luke.

We also have weekly prayer sheets — please email office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk to have your prayers included each week.

CONTACT US: 01344 421079 office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Rector:

Revd Luke Taylor
07939 526361
lukethevicar@gmail.com
(Friday is Luke's day off)

Churchwardens:

Dave Saunders - 07834 459672
Neil Harrison - 01344 455174

Church Office:

Hayley Fourie, Administrator
01344 421079
office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk
All enquiries for weddings and baptisms

Office opening hours:

Tuesday: 9.30am - 1.30pm
Wednesday: 9.30am - 1.30pm
Thursday: 9.30am - 1.30pm

Organist & Choirmaster:

Michael Hawkins
01344 411681

Bell Tower:

Liz Harris
01344 649628

P.C.C. Secretary:

Kate Hayes
07809 736372

Treasurer:

Sarah Muller
01344 428782
Treasurer@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Stewardship Secretary:

Andrea White
01344 421079

ARC Fundraising Team

fundraising@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Church Website:

www.binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

We are also on Facebook

[facebook.com/AllSaintsWithStMarks](https://www.facebook.com/AllSaintsWithStMarks)



The Church Office is sited in St Mark's Church

St Mark's Church

Popeswood Road
Binfield RG42 4AH

All Saints' Church

Church Hill
Binfield RG42 5NS

PLEASE LET US STAY IN TOUCH!

Here at All Saints' and St Mark's Churches we are looking to improve our communication with everyone in the village and congregation. To do this we need to keep our contacts database up to date. We have a new privacy policy in line with the new GDPR rules on our website and if you would like to sign up to receive emails from us regarding updates, news and events from the parish please go to this webpage:

<http://eepurl.com/dtqaqr>

We'd love to hear from you—if you have any feedback on the Binfield Beacon, please send your comments, suggestions and compliments to The Editor.
Thank you. **Beacon Editor:** Carolyn Adams beacon@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Binfield Church Fete

SUNDAY 15th September 2019

www.binfieldchurchfete.co.uk

Our much loved Church Fete is coming soon! Put the date in your diaries and come along to enjoy a traditional village fete with lots going on...

- The return of the Dog Show
- BBQ and Pimms Tent, Tea Tent with fantastic cream teas and homemade cakes
- The Silent Auction and Raffle will be running again, so if you have any prizes you would like to donate to either, please get in touch with the church office.
- The traditional fete stalls such as books, toys, adult and kids tombolas and the teddy tumble. We would be grateful for any donations for these stalls, and the church office will be open one day a week over the summer for you to leave them there. **Please note NO BRIC-A-BRAC**, thanks.
- Stalls – if you would like a stall to sell your products please contact Claire at claire.Pascoe@hotmail.com for more info.

If you would like to get involved with the Fete, please contact the church office at office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk



Baptisms at All Saints' Church

Did you know that we offer a baptism service on the first Sunday of each month?

Baptisms are taken within the 11am All Age Service at All Saints' Church and everyone is welcome to attend.

Baptism is available to anyone who lives in the parish or is on the church electoral roll and a regular worshipper.

Parents and godparents of the baptism candidate must be baptised themselves. We baptise adults as well as children.

To find out more please ask Luke or contact the church office on 01344 421079 or office@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Binfield Tennis Association

The sun is shining and summer is upon us.
Time to dust off your tennis racquet?

We are actively recruiting and encouraging new members to join our club! All playing abilities are welcome.

Membership is open to all living or working in Binfield and the surrounding area. We have very reasonable subscription rates and new members can join through our website at binfieldtennis.co.uk/home/joining.

Playing sessions for adult members

- Every Sunday 10-12 noon (mixed – everyone welcome)
- Wednesdays 9-10.30am (mixed – everyone welcome) and Club night – everyone welcome – (starting from 1 April and running throughout the summer) 6pm – dusk
- First and Third Saturdays in the month 9-10.30am ~ (Ladies Doubles)

We also hold two tournaments every summer, which all adult members are invited to join. Members have free access to use the courts as well as joining club sessions.

Coaching

Tony Williams our LTA accredited coach runs junior sessions on Fridays and adult beginner/ rusty racquet sessions on Sunday mornings, 9-10am.

For further information, contact Tony on email tony@ctc-tennis.co.uk, or call 07980 844487.

For all up to date information, please look at our website: binfieldtennis.co.uk

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Songs from the Shows

Bracknell Choral Society

conducted by Greg Hallam
and with Guest Soprano Emily Burton

invite you to enjoy
highlights from
A Chorus Line, Fiddler on the Roof,
Miss Saigon, The Sound of Music,
Wicked, Mary Poppins,
Les Misérables
and other well known shows

Friday 12th July 2019 at 7:30
Lambrook School, Winkfield Row RG12



Cabaret seating with refreshments from 7pm.
Bring your own drinks. Adults £18, accompanied under 18s £5. Booking essential. Tickets via choir members (or tickets@bracknellchoral.org.uk after July 4th). Registered charity No 282753

COMMUNITY NEWS



News from the Parish Office

Binfield Parish Council upcoming meetings:

The Parish Council meetings are open to the public and are held in the Parish Office, Benetfeld Road (unless otherwise stated)

July 2019

Tuesday 9 July	Parish Council	8pm
Tuesday 23 July	Planning and Transportation Committee	8pm

Upcoming Dates for your Diary

Dates	Details
Parish & Bracknell Forest Borough Councillor Drop-in	Saturday 13 July, 10am - 12pm
Binfield Summer of Fun, Farley Wood, RG42 1FW	Wednesday 7 August, 11am – 3pm
<i>See all of the Summer of Fun dates/locations below</i>	
Arts Week 2019 www.arts-week.org.uk	Events from Sunday 27 October to Sunday 3 November Arts & Craft Exhibition 1-3 November NEW! Craft Fair Sunday 27 October 1pm-4pm NEW! Photography competition open!

With the summer months here it's a busy time for events. So, pop these dates in your diary and we look forward to seeing you out and about in Binfield!

Come and meet your Parish Councillors on 13 July

You are all most welcome to come along to the next Councillor Drop-In session (no appointment necessary) at The Foxes' Den on Saturday 13 July, 10am-12pm, to meet your Parish and Bracknell Forest Borough Councillors and raise any questions or concerns you may have. Also, please visit our website to learn more about the individual Parish Councillors: www.binfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk/councillors-and-staff#Councillors

See you at the Binfield Summer of Fun event! Wednesday 7 August, 11am – 3pm

You can expect to see the following activities at this year's family-friendly event at Farley Wood Community Centre (RG42 1FW): Bungee run, laser tag, crazy golf, climbing wall, soft play (toddlers), Strike-a-Light reaction test game, circus skills, balloon modelling, active storytelling, plus a police van and fire service engine presence.

Come along to the events taking place across Bracknell Forest – all events run from 11am to 3pm:

Friday 26 July Warfield Memorial Ground, **Wednesday 31 July** Great Hollands Bracknell, **Wednesday 7 August** Farley Wood Binfield, **Friday 9 August** Memorial Park Sandhurst, **Wednesday 14 August** Locks Ride Recreation Ground Winkfield, **Thursday 15 August** Braybrooke Recreation Ground Bracknell, **Wednesday 21 August** Morgan Recreation Ground Crowthorne, **Wednesday 28 August** Northlake South Hill Park Bracknell.

NEW FOR 2019 at the Summer of Fun events! Express Your Talent! A local youth talent competition hosted by BM-Active.

So, come on Binfield, let's show what talent we have! Apply now – view link to the application form on the Parish Council Facebook page and the News section on our website.

Wicks Green Summer Tasks – 13 July, 10am – 2pm

Join the Binfield Environment Group for some conservation tasks in Wicks Green and to check on the progress of previous projects.

A date for your diary – Clean Up the World, community litter pick Saturday 21 September

Be part of a global clean-up campaign by joining a local litter pick in Binfield on Saturday 21 September. More details in the next Beacon!

The most often complained about issues in Binfield? Litter, dog foul, inconsiderate parking

Please can we ask that you pick up your own litter and, if not by a bin, dispose of your litter when you next reach one or take home. Same for dog mess please! Please also note that dogs must be kept on a lead in Foxley Field.

Also, we politely request considerate driving and parking, particularly avoiding parking on pavements that pedestrians use.

Ally, Amanda, Janet & Kirsty
01344 454602/Binfield Parish Council at the Parish Office, Benetfeld Road, Binfield, RG42 4EW
Parish Office opening hours: 8.45am-1pm Monday to Friday
office@binfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk
www.binfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

COMMUNITY NEWS



Binfield Calendar Photo Competition

Have you taken great photos of Binfield through the seasons on your camera or smart phone or posted them on your social media?

Do you have photos of Binfield from the past?

If so, why not enter them into this year's competition and the best ones will feature in the 2020 Binfield Village Calendar

The details:

- you can enter up to 5 photos, ideally landscape format, though there will be a portrait front cover image too. **Images must be recognisably from or about Binfield village.**
- free entry
- you must have sole copyright to the photos and give us (the Binfield Beacon/Church Office) the rights to use them
- winners be chosen at the Church Fete on Sat 15th Sept 2019 and will feature in the 2020 calendar, The Beacon and on the church website
- to enter, email your images to Beacon@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk by Sunday 1st Sept
- Entries must include your name, phone no., location of the photo and age if under 16yrs

For full competition rules please go to www.binfieldcofechurches.org.uk/photo-comp-rules/

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The BINFIELD 10K

A HUGE THANK YOU!

Well, I am so proud to say that we did it again! The Binfield 10K is a truly successful event, not only in the village but also as a professional run on the runners circuit!!

On behalf of the committee, I would like to share with you that although the final figure is not confirmed yet, we know we have raised in the region of £11,000 which as usual, will be shared around the village and everyone will benefit.

We are pleased to announce that Binfield Primary School will receive a third of the monies raised, Youthline UK will also receive a third, and the rest of the money will be divided equally amongst the community groups that help to make the event such the special success that it is!

We know that the reason the Binfield 10K is a success is because it involves the whole village. It is impossible to thank everyone, there really are too many, however we have to highlight the marshals (everyone always says how brilliant you all are), the community groups – the cubs, the guides, the scouts, the brownies, the beavers, the churches, the police cadets, the Binfield Environment Group, the Parish Office and everyone who is involved in either a small or a large way. It's the little things that make the 10K so special... the music at All Saints' Church, the drummers provided by Newbold Pathfinders, the wonderful tea tent with our branded biscuits, and of course the many runners that sign up each year!!

The sponsors are equally important! The race costs approximately £9000 to organise and we would not be able to fund it without our sponsors. This year, we had David Cliff, CVD Wellbeing, Spitfire, Lexus, Binfield Parish Council, Bellway Homes, Bloor Homes, Thyme In Catering, Orlando Attractions. Zuant and Advantage PrintRoom. Thank you so much to all of you for your continued support and please let us know if you would like to be involved again next year!

In readiness for next years' event, if you have any ideas or feedback or would like to be involved, please do let us know. Once again, thank you so much to all of you for your help and support, it's a really wonderful village event.

save the date for next year...Sunday 17th May 2020!

Binfield 10K Committee—Karen Williams, Ally Wickham, Alexandra Bartlem, Claire Murphy, David Legg, Denise de Groot, James Foster, Jo Foster, Julie Nixon, Purveen Hira, Selina Westbury

Binfield Lighthouse Programme



The Lighthouse Programme continues to support the homeless and those in need in our local community, providing home-cooked meals and shelter on Tuesday evenings at St Mark's Church. During the warmer months the doors are open from 6.30pm, the hall is set up with numerous games and a hot meal is served from 7.00pm. Typically we help 15 ~ 20 guests a week and they all leave with a packed lunch too!

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THANK YOU!

Some Influential Binfield Victorians, part 3 Alfred Caswall and his brother's conversion to Catholicism

Alfred Caswall could not easily countenance his brother's conversion to the Roman Catholic faith.

In her book, "Edward Caswall, Newman's brother and friend" Nancy De Flon reports Edward's studied approach to his conversion: on the length of time it took to reach a final decision and on how conscientiously he progressed - carefully examining doctrinal issues as well as weighing the effect he knew that his conversion and that of his wife Louisa would have on both their families.

Nevertheless, Edward's conversion angered Alfred. He first became concerned in 1846 when his brother relinquished his perpetual curacy at Stratford sub Castle. Then Alfred must have sensed the impending finality of Edward's conversion when he and Louisa auctioned all their household possessions.

But it was four years later, just three months after their father's death, that Edward's taking the first step towards becoming a Catholic priest created a major rupture in the Caswall family. As De Flon reports, Edward's eventual ordination took place on December 21st 1850, the anniversary of his wedding to Louisa. A letter from Alfred awaited when Edward emerged from his Retreat, reminding him of the wedding when, "the entire family and a long list of friends [were] united in one happy feeling of hope and joy". Alfred wrote, "I cannot describe the deadness of my very soul when I think of its probable anniversary." He went on to ask Edward to think of our Father's holy memory or our Mother's age blighted by you - of our happy Home destroyed by you ... & you must be more or less than man if you can with unfaltering lips pledge your broken faith to this foreign Church which, be assured, is doomed".

Strong feelings vehemently expressed and perhaps written as only a sibling could. But the letter reveals Alfred as someone intensely protective of "family" with any counter incomprehensible. He makes the common Victorian accusation of a "false" and "foreign" church - both privately and publicly. In speaking to a motion to address the Bishop of Oxford on "Papal Aggression", in Winkfield on 29th November 1850 objecting to the Pope's appointment of Roman Catholic bishops in the realm, he had made similar accusations. Alfred did not hold back. He opened with an unsupported assertion that "a long residence and careful observation on the continent had convinced him of the fact that wherever the roman catholic religion was predominant, there were the minds of men debased and low" and even though the rest becomes more reasonable, it shows clearly that his mind was stubbornly fixed.

And remained so. Both Louise and Edward would have preferred that the family remained unaware of their donations to the Oratory. But that proved impossible and Alfred was again angered when he found out, opining that the money should have been used to support the family, unaware that Edward had responded on several occasions to aid brothers Tom and Frank. When he became aware of a gift of money to Tom he churlishly suggested that it should be regarded as a loan.

It seems unlikely that, after his conversion, Edward ever visited his family in Binfield, even after Alfred's death just five years later. And his contact with other members of his family was unhappily infrequent.

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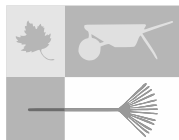
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COMMUNITY NEWS



Binfield CE Primary School (VA)

Y6 to the River and Rowing Museum, Henley

On Friday 7th June, our Year 6 went on a fascinating trip to Henley River & Rowing Museum.

Unfortunately, it was a very wet, soggy day for a walk up the river, but the children showed a fabulous growth mindset and learned about the composition of rocks in the Thames Valley and the role they play in shaping the path of the river from its source to its mouth. They also learned about the river's confluences, where it is joined by its many tributaries, and about the social history of the Thames and the people who live, work and play along the river. They even got to see the lock in action!



Y6 took part in five geography workshop sessions within the River and Rowing Museum: they conducted experiments to show the process of erosion and deposition; named and located the major settlements along the Thames; examined various historical artefacts

once owned by users of the river; explored a model of a floodplain and observed the effects of human developments on rainwater and run-off.

A great time was had by all, and everyone learned lots about the river (and rain!).

Y6 production – 'Treachery and Traitors' Quay!

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With their SATS done and dusted, our Y6 children put on three fantastic performances of 'Treachery and Traitors Quay' to their parents, teachers and fellow pupils in June.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



News from the Foxes' Den...

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We are continuing our fundraising efforts for local causes, so keep reading the Beacon for updates. We have changed our opening hours on Saturdays, so we are now open 9am – 2pm. Pop in and see us soon!

Here is wishing all children leaving school or changing classes the very best of luck – and enjoy your summer break!

Have a great month, Team Foxes' Den!

WHAT'S ON IN THE DEN THIS MONTH.....

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BINFIELD LIBRARY NEWS

This month will see me visiting our local schools to promote the Summer Reading Challenge for children aged 4 - 11 years. It's a national challenge and the biggest reading event for children in libraries. Thousands of families all over the country take part and the aim of the challenge is to get children to read any six books of their choice from their library during the summer holidays. Every year there's a different theme and this year it's 'Space Chase.'

This challenge is completely free all your child needs is a library card so if they're not a member join them up, so they can start the challenge on Saturday 13th July. It's fun and a creative way to encourage literacy.

What's on at Binfield Library for children in July?

Lego is every Monday from 3.00pm until 4.30pm, it's still free! This will continue to run throughout the summer, it's a great way to unwind for an hour and we have air conditioning at Binfield Library when we get those beautiful hot days.

Our Tuesday craft sessions continue throughout the Summer, but timings and arrangements are a bit different. Our theme will tie in with The Summer Reading Challenge, so all crafts will be Space related. Here are the dates and times to put in your diaries:

Tuesday 23rd July 2.00pm - 3.30pm we have a special event hosted by young members of the National Citizen Service. This is a ticket event so please book your place at Binfield library. The cost will be £2.50.

Tuesday 6th August 2.00pm we are lucky to have Creative Eye hosting a Wooden Rockets event. Again, this is a ticket event so please book your place, cost £2.50.

The following Space crafts are led by Chris our wonderful library assistant:

Tuesday 30th June 2.00pm - 3.30pm Space related crafts cost £1.50

Tuesday 13th July 2.00pm - 3.30pm Space related crafts cost £1.50

Tuesday 20th July 2.00pm - 3.30pm Space related crafts cost £1.50

Tuesday 27th July 2.00pm - 3.30pm Space related crafts cost £1.50

If you are interested in these events but they clash with other things you are doing why don't you come to Whitegrove library instead?

Wednesday 24th July 2.00pm Gliders hosted by Creative Eye cost £2.50

Wednesday 21st August 1.00pm - 3.30pm event hosted by young members of the National Citizen Service cost £2.50

Drop in Space craft events led by our lovely library assistant Elaine:

Monday 29th 2.00pm - 3.30pm £1.50

Monday 5th August 2.00pm - 3.30pm £1.50

Monday 12th August 2.00pm - 3.30pm £1.50

Monday 19th August 2.00pm - 3.00pm £1.50

'Tots Time' is still every Thursday at 9.30am followed by the Tots Times craft at 10.00am. The charge is £1.20 per child to include the singing, tea and craft however if you just want to sing it's 50p and if you just want to have tea and a biscuit it's 50p. This will continue throughout the summer holidays, all ages welcome so if you have older children bring them along as well, the more the merrier and I get help with the singing!

Is there anyone out there who would like to volunteer at one of our Libraries? Now the Northern area Libraries are looking for help at Ascot Heath, Binfield and Whitegrove Library. So if you'd like to fill some of your spare time meeting people whilst providing a very valuable service to the Community please come and have a chat with me at Binfield or for further information take a look at our website: www.bracknellforest.gov.uk/libraries

Now for the Adult Events in July:

We have an afternoon quiz for adults once a month on the first Saturday which will be 6th July at 2.00pm, 50p for refreshments. If you fancy some stress free relaxing fun come along.

Knit and Natter is on Monday 1st July at 2.00pm and Saturday 20th at 2.00pm. 50p for refreshments.

Brain Gym is on Thursday 11th June at 11.00am it's a one of most animated groups.

Reminiscence group run by Susan is on Friday June 14th at 2.15pm, refreshments 50p, this is a very popular group and the themes which have been discussed so far have provided some lovely memories.

The Binfield Film Group I'm pleased to say is still going strong and is on Tuesday 16th July at 2.00pm. 50p for refreshments.

Drop in Book group is on Monday 29th July at 5.45pm

Our Coffee morning and Quiz, meets on the last Thursday of the month 25th July 11.00am and Rummikub is on the last Friday of the month which makes it 26th July at 2.00pm both have refreshments for 50p.

Don't forget we now have Open+ so that you don't need to be tied to staff hours, it provides much more flexibility and we do have free WiFi.

Garden sacks are still available for all those nasty weeds and grass cuttings so don't run out and while you're buying those take a look at our lovely books.

And finally Quiz Quote for July "Sometimes, I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast."

The first person to identify and show us the book this quote comes from will win a prize!



For more details of library events please go to www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/libraries, find us on facebook and twitter or call 01344 306663.

The Binfield Library team, here to help with a smile!

BINFIELD PATIENT GROUP

This is the story of Karen, one of the original members of Binfield Patient Group. The story is told in her own words and has been authorised by Karen for printing in The Beacon.

"Back in July 2018 I took a conscious decision to share my 'cancer pathway journey' on Facebook but I am now sharing it via the patient group and the Beacon because I am hoping it will highlight the importance of taking up the various NHS Cancer screening Programmes.

In May 2018 I was called for my routine Mammogram and I nearly didn't go as I had just changed my job and as I regularly check my breasts I was sure I would be fine. Thankfully, I changed my mind and that decision may well have saved my life getting a recall in June was a shock and an unfortunate delay in getting my biopsy made it a very fraught time. I was finally diagnosed with 15mm of High Grade DCis - Ductal carcinoma in situ - which was described as cancer cells which have not learnt how to be cancerous yet so can't invade other cells.

I had a lumpectomy to remove it on 8th August 2018. The lump was deep in the breast and they removed a large margin around it for additional precaution and believe it has all gone. But because it's high grade they can't guarantee that it won't return as invasive, so I had a course of 15 radiotherapy treatments over three weeks in Sept/Oct 2018. Side effects were fatigue,

skin soreness and sunburn type issues...but they said I could be a poster girl for the mammogram screening programme as six months later might have been a very different story.

I was completely shattered both physically and emotionally but so very very relieved. I have had an amazing support network which got me through the ups and downs of living with my health issues. But the emotional journey continues and will no doubt be a bit of a rollercoaster through the next 5 years of yearly monitoring. Peer support and good self management skills have underpinned my journey. I also have trauma therapy which is making a massive difference to my wellbeing and I highly recommend seeking support from Healthmakers or Talking Therapies to anyone who is struggling alone right now."

Healthmakers can be contacted via the internet on: <https://www.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk/get-involved/our-patient-participation-and-groups/join-healthmakers/>
Telephone: 01344 415947

Talking therapies can be contacted on:
www.talkingtherapies@berkshire.nhs.uk
Telephone: 0300 365 2000



Duncan Johnston. Binfield Patient Group.

Binfield Environment Group



Earlier this week this gorgeous creature visited our garden. This is a male stag beetle and he has only a couple of months to find a mate, surviving mostly on the fat reserves that he built up while a larva. Stag beetle larvae live

underground for between three and seven years feasting on the decaying wood where the female beetle laid her eggs. Once fully grown, and they can be up to 11cm long, the larvae leave the rotting wood they have been feeding on to build a large cocoon in the soil where they pupate and finally metamorphose into an adult. Adults spend the winter underground and usually emerge from mid-May onwards. Once they have emerged, the beetles will only live for a few months and will not see another winter.

Although both male and female beetles can fly, the males can't fly very far and the females prefer to walk. The males take to the air towards dusk on a warm still evening and fly around looking for a female to mate with. If they are successful then the female will return to where she emerged and look for suitable decaying wood in which to lay her eggs.

Stag beetle numbers have declined across Western Europe, mainly because development (and our tendency to tidy up

fallen wood) is fragmenting their populations. We can help them by leaving wood to rot where it falls or by building "loggeries" near to existing stag beetle populations. Adult beetles are seen regularly in Binfield, and there are stag beetle loggeries in Wicks Green, Popes Meadow, Piglittle Copse, and Wykery Copse. Bracknell Forest Council has set a target of at least two loggeries in every public woodland site by 2023.

If you find an adult stag beetle, please leave it where it is, unless it is in danger of being run over or trodden on. If you have to move a beetle for its own safety, then please move it as short a distance as possible.

If you dig up a stag beetle larva, please put it back exactly where you found it. The next best thing is to re-bury the larva in a safe shady place in your garden with as much of the original rotting wood as possible. If you find a stag beetle, dead or alive, please record your sighting here - <https://ptes.org/get-involved/surveys/garden/great-stag-hunt/stag-hunt-survey/>. There is also a beetle identification guide on this site.

Binfield Environment Group's next events are a Wicks Green work-party on Saturday 13th July and bird and bat box building at Foxes' Den on Saturday 21st September. We can be contacted by email at binfieldeg@gmail.com or on Facebook

Mike Coker



Binfield Garden Club

by Sue Jeffery



Our May Plant Sale was a great success. The Memorial Hall was packed with plants and people enjoying buying bargains and receiving gardening advice. The tombola and bric a brac were busy and the tables and chairs kept full of people with tea and homemade cakes. Not just a fun evening but a

healthy increase in profit which helps to pay for our excellent monthly speakers.

Just a few days later was our visit to Highgrove. The weather was wonderful, the journeys smooth and everyone thoroughly enjoyed a memorable day touring HRH Prince Charles' beautiful and interesting gardens, afternoon tea and the temptations of the excellent shop!



Our June speaker was Marcus Dancer on "How to grow clematis successfully" covering examples of clematis for shade, scent, sun, every season and evergreen varieties, accompanied by photos of these colourful flowers. The clematis family consists of evergreens; clematis montana; large flowered hybrids; clematis viticella; texensis; tangutica; herbaceous clematis and macropetala alpina. When pruning the important thing to remember is that if you do get it wrong don't panic – at worst you will just prune off the flowers. Pruning group 1 contains evergreen, montana and macropetala alpina varieties. Technically these varieties don't require pruning but can be pruned from the top or sideways after flowering if desired. Pruning Group 2 consists of the large flowered hybrids which tend to flower on the previous year's growth. In January/February starting at the top of each stem, follow down until you come to a plump green bud. Cut off above that, removing any dead wood. Pruning Group 3 contains the remaining varieties not already mentioned. In January, February or early March prune back to about 12 inches from ground level. Other than wilt, which can affect the large flowering hybrids, clematis don't suffer with any major problems. The most important thing is to plant in well-drained soil and feed with a slow release fertiliser. Avoid putting slates or stones around the base as these will harbour slugs and snails!

The winners of the monthly competition for "An arrangement of perennials in a recycled container" were 1st Belinda Thornhill, 2nd Christine Leonard, 3rd Carol Fraser and 4th Liz Ferris.

Our speaker on Thursday 4th July will be Thomas Stone on Gardening for Wildlife. Further details can be found on our website - binfieldgardenclub.wordpress.com or find us on Facebook.

You may phone Richard on 01344 286752 or Rosemary on 01344 45990.

The Binfield Belles



As I write this WI piece for our Beacon it has now been raining rather well over the past few days so much for flaming June, it got lost. However it was only couple of weeks ago some of us were walking up at Frosts Folly on a sunny Monday morning. We have a walk every month sometimes around the village or further afield usually ending with a coffee stop which we did at Moss End. The walk takes us past Warfield church and back, there are wildflower meadows developing and the council have planted trees and put in ponds in the area. We also saw some wonderful skylarks who are nesting up there. A return visit is planned.

Our meeting falls next week as I write this so more news about our belles. An open day last week at the Foxes' Den to promote the group was fruitful and we are hoping to have some visitors from the village to our next meeting. We are also promoting in Bracknell for a community day for local groups and charities to raise awareness of what we have to offer; let's hope the weather clears up!!

The AGM was at Bournemouth this year and a group of our ladies had a great day out, nothing as good as several thousand women singing Jerusalem and later the national anthem. We were treated to general business from our Chair and then several speakers on our current resolutions including the depletion of local bus services in all areas and the fear of the smear test by many women these days. Both these Resolutions will be pursued by the WI Federation over the next year. Maggie Philbin was a great speaker in the afternoon from her days on Swap Shop to her OBE from the Queen and her science project rolling out around the country; an inspiring and truly clever, energetic speaker who has achieved so much in a primarily man's world.

Looking forward, July's trip to Swanage is on the cards and our litter pick in the village, our demonstrations and lunches are also planned, also Mamma Mia trip in the autumn.

Join us on 11th July at 7.15pm at the Memorial Hall when we have Margaret Thomas from Thames Valley Hospice speaking to us, a competition, a small item to sell in their shop, coffee, cake, chat and more.

For more info call Linda on 01344 454503 or 07708 731294. Visit our website: binfieldwi.wixsite.com/binfieldwi or pop along and see us at our next meeting.



Sailing with "the spirits of their young selves"

by Terry Dillaway

Most important event in the Royal British Legion's June diary was almost certainly the commemoration of the 75th anniversary of World War Two's D-Day landings.

Comprehensive television coverage featured the parades, services and entertainment in Portsmouth and France in the presence of Her Majesty the Queen, United States President Donald Trump, the Prince of Wales and Duchess Camilla and UK Prime Minister Theresa May.

Her Majesty and President Trump mingled and spoke with Normandy veterans from all Services, and the RBL-chartered cruise ship MV Boudicca sailed to France with 250 D-Day veterans, on a mission to revisit and remember comrades who fell on the June 6th beaches. Boudicca was saluted with Royal Navy guns and escorted across the English Channel by RN warships.

But, before she sailed, a surprise awaited the veteran passengers on board.

Musicians and backing girl singers appeared on a stage on deck and were joined by international singing star Sir Rod Stewart who proceeded to entertain the enthralled audience of ex-servicemen with favourite songs, including his world-wide hit 'I Am Sailing'. Accompanied by his lovely wife Penny Lancaster, Sir Rod took time to speak with and hug as many veteran passengers as he possibly could. One old soldier told the TV: "He said nothing of his performance – he was focussed only on meeting and thanking the ex-Servicemen. He is a nice fella!"

Penny was photographing the whole occasion for Hello magazine. Of the old soldiers, sailors and airmen she said: "You could see the spirits of their young selves in them."

Binfield Royal British Legion branch has seen a change of President. Popular John Patey resigned last month after serving since the loss of Bill Holmes. John leaves with the thanks and appreciation of all members for his contribution to the role.

Former Branch Chairman Charles Boorman was nominated and elected at the June branch meeting to become Binfield's new President. Deadlines for the Beacon prevented further news from the branch until the August issue.

LIVE ON – To the Memory of the Fallen and the Future of the Living



The Crying Guest and the Rowing PM *by Terry Dillaway*

Oyez, Oyez, Oyez! Gather round for the latest news from Bracknell Branch of the Royal Naval Association.

At their June meeting in Binfield Club, that's exactly how shipmates learned of the part still played in the modern era of communication by one of the oldest methods of spreading the news, when guest speaker Jonathan Jones described his duties as the Town Crier of Farnham.

In full regalia with tricorne hat and highly polished brass bell, Jonathan enthralled his audience with entertaining anecdotes from thirteen years on the Surrey town's weekend streets, announcing local news and information and attracting tourist interest to a centuries-old scene of the Crier addressing his townsfolk. Crier Jonathan's talk was greeted with appreciative applause and branch thanks from Shipmate Chairman Mike Daley.

Earlier in the meeting, Sub-Lieutenant Chris Edge, Commanding Officer of the Maidenhead Sea Cadet Unit, reported on the Cadets' mounting competition successes, including the winning of the Junior Girls' Rowing Trophy -- Maidenhead soundly beating Henley Unit, who had held the trophy for many recent years. Special guest of the Cadets to take part in their 'rowing on land' event was Prime Minister Theresa May who joined in the rowing machine exercises. The PM is Member of Parliament for the Maidenhead constituency.

Following his gratifying report – and much to the pleasure of assembled shipmates – Sub-Lt Chris then received his card and badge from S/M Secretary June Boddrell to become the latest new member of Bracknell RNA branch.

Social Secretary Lynne Daley reported on the branch's recent successful visit to the Windsor barracks of the Household Cavalry; and S/M Lynne informed members that plans were already being prepared for this year's annual Royal Navy Trafalgar Day which Bracknell branch will celebrate with a traditional dinner at the Binfield Club on Friday, October 25th.

Shipmate Treasurer Martin Powell told of healthy branch funds, suggesting that members should consider spending a little more on their own activities, and S/M Secretary June added an idea in her report for fundraising by conducting a 'ships lottery' draw twice a year.

Latest news from Central Office is new Second Sea Lord Vice-Admiral Nick Hine has joined Twitter and will be communicating with Service personnel and civil servants during his work at the Admiralty. There are now 127 Service personnel and RN organisational Twitter accounts in operation.

Once Navy, Always Navy

COMMUNITY NEWS & SPORT



Party Bye the Pitch & Help for Heroes cricket match—just some of the fun this summer at the Cricket Club

Hopefully July and August have left the damp early days of June behind us, and we can enjoy the summer with plenty of games on offer.

The month kicks off with our joint Annual Fundraiser with Binfield Scouts – Party Bye the Pitch -which sees over 800 local people come and enjoy a fabulous family day out. Other highlights in the summer include welcoming the incredible Help for Heroes cricket team on 4th August (always a very humbling experience to see how this group have used sport to overcome the adversity of conflict), and the start of the U19 T20 competition where are young guns – the Binfield Broncos, accompanied by various musical accompaniments.... strive to make the County Finals.

If you fancy something a little bit different, how about watching a game of Visually Impaired Cricket ?

We are hosting our County team – the Berkshire Stags – again fascinating to watch and admire their ability.

Feel free to pop down at any time we are playing, you'll always get a warm welcome!

Andy Bryant Chairman, Binfield Cricket Club

www.binfieldcricketclub.co.uk

July Home fixtures

Date	Team	Club	Time	League/Cup/Friendly
Thu 04 July	Under 15's	Slough Tigers	6.00pm	League
Sat 06 July	Social /Community	Party Bye the Pitch (ticket only)	4pm to 10 pm	Village
Thu 11 July	Under 13's	Valley End CC	6.00pm	League
Sat 13 July	2nd XI	Henley CC 3rd XI	1.00pm Traditional	League
Sun 14 July	Berkshire Stags VICC	Surrey VICC	1.00 pm	Cup
Tue 16 July	Midweek XI	Eversley CC	6.00pm	League
Wed 17 July	Under 15's	Wargrave CC	6.00pm	League
Thu 18 July	Under 11's	Slough CC	6.00pm	League
Fri 19 July	Binfield Broncos (U19)	West Reading CC	6.00pm	League
Sat 20 July	1st XI	Slough CC 3rd XI	1.00pm Traditional	League
Sun 21 July	Friendly XI	Presidents XI	2.00pm	Friendly
Mon 22 July	Under 9's	Shinfield CC	6.00pm	League
Thu 25 July	Under 13's	Shinfield CC	6.00pm	League
Fri 26 July	Binfield Broncos (U19)	Cookham Dean CC	5.45pm	League
Sat 27 July	2nd XI	Aldershot CC 2nd XI	1.00pm Traditional	League
Wed 31 July	Under 9's	Crowthorne & Crown Wood CC	6.00pm	League
Sat 03 August	1st XI	Cove CC 2nd XI	1.00pm Traditional	League
Sun 04 August	Friendly XI	Help 4 Heroes CC	1.00pm	Friendly




Party 'Bye' The Pitch


Saturday 6th July 2019
4pm – 10pm

Live Music including Binfield's Own Dads R Loud, Children's Entertainer, Dance Display, Bouncy Castles, **NEW!** Pizza Stall, BBQ, Bar, Tea Tent, Ice Cream, Face Painter, Fun Activities, Fete Stalls, and more!

Tickets go on Sale on Saturday 1st June
from www.ticketsource.co.uk/partybythepitch

Earlybird Offer: **£9.50/adult, £5.50/child, £24.50/family**
increasing to £12/adult, £7/child, £30/family from 29th June.

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THE ANTHONY NOLAN CHARITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT

to be held on Sunday September 15th,
limited to 24 players

10.00am -3.00pm

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When: 7.30 – 9.30pm Thursday 4th July

Where: The Foxes' Den Café

Binfield Parish Office, Benetfield Road, RG42 4EW

We will be getting together over a glass or two (BYO) to sell items on ebay

Bring a maximum of 5 items to sell and a gadget (phone, ipad or laptop)

There will be a tutorial and help throughout the evening if you need it – if you would like to sell using your own ebay account please have it and your paypal account already setup. This is a fundraising evening hosted by The Foxes' Den to raise funds for The Binfield ARC project to help look after our village church

claire@foxesden.co.uk

fundraising@binfieldcofechurches.org.uk

Vintage Afternoon Tea

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Sunday 4th August 2019

At The Foxes' Den

Glass of Prosecco on arrival

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Selection of cakes

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2019

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