

Havering-atte-Bower

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September 2016

HORSEMAN SUNDAY



**ON THE VILLAGE GREEN
SUNDAY 9th OCTOBER 2016**

Service at 12.30 PM

At the end of the service refreshments will be served.

We are delighted that our new vicar Rev David Anderton will be taking the service and hope he enjoys the event. Please note that the time is back to its original one.

London Open House

Open House is on the weekend of September 17/18 this year. The Bower House will be open on Saturday 17th from 10am to 4pm - you can just turn up. The Round House will be open on Sunday 18th but it is necessary to book beforehand. Please email michael@roundhouse38.fsnet.co.uk if you wish to come with names, address and contact telephone number. There are four tours at 1030, 1200, 1400 and 1530. There is room for just 15 on each tour and it takes about 90 minutes. If the weather is kind and you are fit to climb a ladder, we will be able to go on the roof. Parking is limited to the disabled and infirm but Bedfords Park is not far away. There is capacity at the time of writing but the tours do tend to get full up. If you cannot email, either write or telephone or text 07836 243401.



HABCOS QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 15th October 2016

@

BOWER HALL, WELLINGTONIA AVENUE
HAVERING-ATTE-BOWER

7.30pm

Teams of 8 people maximum - £5.00 per person
Please call or text Nicky 07919 933866 to book your team

AGM Wednesday 30th November 7.30 p.m.

We are delighted to be able to welcome back to the village Freda Rhodes, daughter of Mr Mason who ran the village shop for many years. Amongst many other things, the shop sold postcards and Mr Mason commissioned a good number showing scenes from the village. These have been digitised by Simon Donoghue from the Local Studies and Family History Centre at Romford Library and he and Freda will be showing them at the AGM for, we believe, the first time. Those of many years may remember both Freda and her father and will be looking forward to meeting her and doing a bit of reminiscing, no doubt.

Sent to his old home, Elmwood in North Road, we have recently received from his son John, who now lives in Australia, the recollections of his father Arthur Kilby who acted as air raid warden in the village during the war. An excellently written record of what an air raid warden had to deal with in our village, we hope to be able to read out at least part of it.

The AGM will be held in the Pepperell Centre, St Francis Hospice at 7.30pm. As usual, after the formalities there will be cheese, wine, tea/coffee and we plan to allow time to discuss issues informally as well.

Carols on the Green – scheduled for Sunday 11th December at 6pm

Children's playground at Dame Tipping School

Many of you will already know that the new playground was opened on 20th July this year by Councillor Melvin Wallace. It was funded by a £39,000 grant from Veolia topped up with £2000 raised by the school and £2000 from HABCOS. It is of course a school play area for the school's children but it is also available for village children outside school hours, whether they are at the school or not and HABCOS is delighted to have been able to provide some support to enable its construction.



The times at which the play area will be available to those from outside the school are as follows:

During school term

Mondays to Fridays	9.15-10.00	10.45-12.00	13.15-18.00
Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays	All day but the car park will be closed		

During school holidays All day, every day, but the car park will be closed after 1800 and may be closed in the day. The playground is not lit so is not suitable for use after dark.

The playground has been designed for use by children of primary school age and you should ensure that you are satisfied that your children are adequately supervised. Their safety is your responsibility. If you find anything damaged, please inform the school forthwith. Hopefully we can together ensure that it remains in good order for a long time.

Ragwort

I apologise if I bore you with this request but if anyone still has any ragwort in their garden, all the horse owners in the village would appreciate you digging it up and burning it. Wear gloves for this. If you do not know what this yellow flower looks like, there is a picture in the Habcos September 2011 newsletter (available on the Habcos website) and there is plenty of information on the internet. I know some of you have put in many hours this year and thank them profusely.

Macmillan coffee morning - Saturday 1st October

The Church is hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning in St John's Church Hall, 10am till 2pm. This is the first time it has been held at our church and you will all be welcome.

November 5th and fireworks

In the last couple of years especially there have been some spectacularly noisy fireworks parties in the village. Because of the large number of horses in the village and also the many pets, I have been specifically asked to include a request to the organisers to be as considerate as possible. In this respect, an early warning to your neighbours would often be much appreciated and, similarly, to any stables nearby. However, if you will let me know, I will gladly email around those nearby.

Habcos email list

If you are not on the email list and would like to be added, please let me know. You will not be inundated!

Michael

Parking on the Green

Traffic wardens now check to see if anyone is parked illegally on the village green, especially where there are yellow lines. With Habcos having worked so hard to get these lines correctly installed, it would now be most embarrassing if villagers got caught!

Party on the Green

(Report by Nicky)

I can only begin by thanking everyone who helped selling tickets prior to the weekend, setting up on Saturday, clearing away in record time on Sunday and especially for staying overnight as security. The help we receive is always much appreciated as, without this, it would be impossible to put on such an event. There are too many to name individually but thanks to you all. I also want to thank the members of the committee who worked very hard before the event as well as all weekend.



(Sorry this had to be a picture of the Heap family – it was all I was sent. Ed)

However, we can put on a party, but it is those that attend who make the evening; what an evening it was. The warm weather, good food, drink and plenty of dancing made the occasion a great success and this has been reflected in the comments received from many people attending, which made it all worthwhile.

The local sponsors, who we would also like to thank, are:

- Stapleford Flight Centre – flying lesson
- Lavender Blue Beauty & Skincare - £40 Environ Facial
- Holly's Haircut – Cut and Blow dry
- Orange Tree pub – Meal for two
- Beauty @ Havering-atte-Bower – Manicure
- Tahiti – Standard manicure
- Keswells Angling Centre - £30 voucher
- Greenhouse Water Gardens - £10 voucher
- Flowers by Vicki – Bouquet
- Orange Tree Handmade Crafts – Lantern
- PJ Camping – One of the BBQ gas bottles
- Pink Piggy Balloons and Orange Tree Handmade Crafts – Balloons

RFC Suttons Farm, Hornchurch exhibition

(Simon Donoghue has asked us to circulate this)

To mark the centenary of William Leefe-Robinson, flying from RFC Suttons Farm, Hornchurch, shooting down a German airship on the night of 2nd and 3rd September 1916, Havering Museum's exhibition **RFC Suttons Farm** is now on display on the ground floor of the Central Library, Romford, during normal opening hours.

In addition, should you need to contact Simon or wish to research anything in particular, his number is 01708 432392

Committee

We are sorry to say that Anastasia Carter has been unable to attend the committee meetings due to a change in circumstances and has therefore resigned.