

Shadoxhurst Village Quarterly Newsletter Summer 2011 SHADOXHURST NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

All members of the Parish Council were returned uncontested at the election held in May 2011.

The members of the Council are:-

Bill Hollands (Chair) - 732369
Mia Smith (Vice Chair) - 732423
Louisa Holmans - 733111
Caron Hutchins - 732024
Ron Buss - 732209
Harry Clark - 733339
Bernard Howe - 733499

Parish Council meetings continue to be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

VILLAGE HALL

It has unfortunately become necessary to raise the rent for the Village Hall to **£7 per hour**. This amount includes electricity.

We have received many complaints that the hall is not always left in a clean and tidy condition for the next user.

WE WOULD ASK EVERYONE WHO HIRES THE HALL TO LEAVE IT IN THE CONDITION IN WHICH THEY WOULD LIKE TO FIND IT. THE HALL IS A COMMUNITY ASSET AND SHOULD BE RESPECTED BY ALL USERS.

ANNUAL BONFIRE

The members of the Parish Council have decided that due to the resignation of the Recreation Committee and the fact that we have been unable to find anyone to help, we will have to cancel the bonfire this year. We would very much like to hold one next year and any offers of help would be greatly appreciated.

PLEASE DO NOT TAKE YOUR GARDEN RUBBISH TO THE RECREATION FIELD - THE GATES WILL NOT BE OPEN

THE FRIENDS OF KINGSNORTH AND SHADOXHURST CHURCHES

If you would like to become a Friend of our beautiful 900 year old church, contact Guelda Sammers for details on 01233 640433. The Friends are independent of the Church.

NEWS FROM 1ST SHADOXHURST SCOUT GROUP

The period over the last few months has been very busy. The troop is now on a more solid footing with 3 regular leaders and the numbers are slowly creeping up, presently standing at 25 young people.

The Cubs and Scouts have been getting the “out” into their scouting. The Scouts have been on several weekend camps, building on their camping skills and also on cycle rides and they took part in a District Cooking Competition where their 2 teams came 2nd and 5th. They are planning to continue through the summer with outdoor activities.

The Cubs have been working for several badges and awards. Some of these are Local Knowledge, Hikes Away, Nights Away, Community Challenge Badge, Pet Lovers Badge with the help of “Pets are Us” and they have taken part in many new skills such as Archery, Climbing and Backwoods Cooking to name but a few.

At the end of the month they have another weekend camp, encouraging some of the youngsters who have yet to experience the fun of camping. Planning for the coming Autumn is well underway. Two of the first activities include attending a Kent County Event in Dover and a District Quiz.

One exciting new development for September is the opening of a Beaver Colony for our younger members (6-8 years old) and we are now taking the names of boys and girls who would like to join the Scouting family.

The Group have a new Scout Leader, Gareth Bradford, known to us all as Brad. He is very confident it will not be long before the group opens an Explorer Section.

MEETING NIGHTS – Beavers – Monday 5.30 – 6.45 starting 5 September 2011

Cubs Scouts – Tuesday 6 – 8 pm starting 6 September 2011

Scouts – Thursday 7 – 9 pm

**MEETINGS TAKE PLACE IN THE SCOUT HUT IN THE FAR CORNER OF THE
RECREATION FIELD, HORNASH LANE, SHADOXHURST
FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT SUE ON 01233 733870**

TO BOOK

SHADOXHURST VILLAGE HALL

ON ANY DAY OF THE WEEK

CONTACT MRS TRACEY SKATES ON 733579

PLEASE CALL ONLY

AFTER 9.00 AM AND BEFORE 9.00 PM

Good luck to everyone who has recently started at a new school.

There are lots of people who would be interested to hear about the activities taking place in our schools, so if you are a year 7 and would like to write an item on your new school and send it to us, we will publish it in the next edition.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: www.shadoxhurst.info

**ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEWSLETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO THE
PARISH CLERK: judith.batt@btinternet.com**