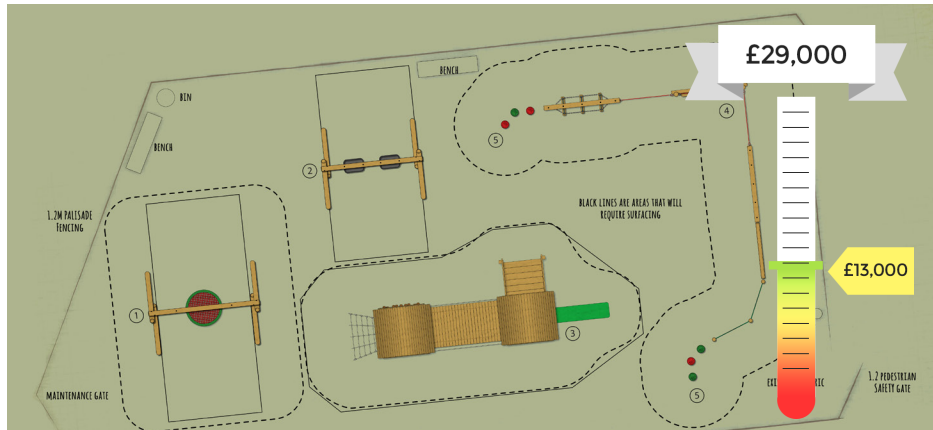


The Bugle

Resounding for a better Burton



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Pressing on with the Play Area - A flying start to funding

Recent events specifically raising funds for the play area were the Cake Sale (£111), the Auction of Promises (£353), Queen's 90th (£223) and the Halloween Party (£100). Combined with a grant from Tetbury Skittles League (£250), and a transfer from BCA reserves (£1610) we have funded the fencing and gates order (£2927).

Wiltshire Council approved our application for a grant of the S106 funds (£10137) from the Grange development. So to date our fantastic fund raising has raised over £13,000: nearly half of the total target of £29000 for the equipment, gates and fencing etc.

The New Year will see further fund

raising plans and grant applications. Please let us know if you can help:

- Do you know a local business that would be willing to sponsor the project?
- Do you have any fundraising ideas?
- Are you willing to make a donation?

Also, why not volunteer for our fencing team, who will be putting up the fencing and gates in the coming weeks?

Please contact Al Caie on 01454 218 072 or acaie@burtonwilts.org.uk



Merry Christmas

and a happy new year

from the Burton Community Association

Village Xmas 'X-pedition'

Saturday 3rd December saw 31 hardy Burton villagers venture out for the 'Christmas Do', hosted at Grittleton House. Great fun was had by all, with eating, drinking, dancing and laughing the night away. We have received really positive feedback; a lot of people commenting on how they enjoyed getting to know new people in the village - both 'newbies' and those who have been here for over 30 years! Based on the positive feedback received, we hope to do something to equal or be even more fabulous next year! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year - Rachel Scott



Speedwatch latest

Our Speedwatch sessions continue - 2 weeks in every 6 weeks - organised by Judith Bird. In July the police sent us new brighter high-viz jackets with much bolder reflective POLICE labels, but these don't seem to make a lot of difference to the proportion of drivers speeding. The Speedwatch team have now done 85 sessions (97 hours) since it started in May last year, clocking over 25,000 cars, and reporting 736 (about 3%) for exceeding 35mph (46 mph on Hillside).

Last week saw a new first for the team: a whole session at the Triangle in which no one at all was logged at over 35mph.

The team has one new recruit, Andy King from Hillside, who is awaiting training, but we could do with some more. It's not arduous or

time-consuming, but there is a long wait for the training places.

We have acquired a rather old speed indicator sign from Wiltshire Council. I've checked it out and it flashes up the speed when a vehicle goes over 30mph. It is short of its accessories, and needs a bracket and a post. It apparently logs the speed of every passing vehicle, but to download this, or to change its settings (e.g. to 40mph for Hillside) we need an electronics/IT geek who can work with old fashioned serial data communications.

Can anyone help?

Please contact Al Caie on 01454 218 072 or acaie@burtonwilts.org.uk

2016 Annual Burton Village Hallowe'en Party



The first thing we did at the Halloween party was the activity of bashing a piñata. There were two age groups; the first age group was 0 through 7 and for the second age group was 8+. Then we did a scavenger hunt where there were little pots with candy in them for young children. After all of that was one more activity with prizes but before we did that we had food; the food was hot dogs and hamburger and for pudding there were some sweets and cakes, there were some nibbles like shortbread and biscuits. There were a lot of decorations - a couple LED of spiders, cob webs, bones and a grave stone. It was held at Al and Marje's house on Church Hill. The last

activity was a costume contest with prizes - there were 4 age groups for this 0 to 6, and 7 through 12, and then 13 to 18, and finally 19+. Then finally people had a chat and children had a play. Then on the 31st all the kids and a few adults went trick or treating in one big group and it was a lot of fun. We raised £100 for the BCA for the new children's play area. Next year we will do it again - on Saturday, 28 October 2017 so please save the date so everyone can come!

*By Colten Sell, age 9
Burton Village Resident*

Burton's new constitution

Following specialist advice, a draft new constitution for the BCA was approved at a special BCA general meeting in September. Our income is now too high for the simple small charity constitution we adopted when we started, and specialist advice has recommended that we become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation, which offers

more flexibility, more transparency and more accountability.

The new constitution has been submitted to the Charities Commission, as part of our charity registration, and if they approve it, the BCA will implement it before the end of the financial year.

Join the Burton book club

The Burton Book Club meets on the third Monday of every month, at 19:30 in the Old House @ Home. The informal meetings start with a discussion of the books which invariably leads on to other subjects (current affairs, science, the arts, etc.).

Books are picked at random out of a hat from members' nominations. Each month the selected book will be posted on Burton's website: burtonvillage.org.uk.

Even if regular meetings don't fit in with your lifestyle, you could use the website's book list as suggested reading. The website also has

the facility for you to comment on individual books. We'd love to hear what you have to say about any of the books on the list or, indeed, to receive your book recommendations.

The Book Club also organises occasional outings to the theatre, cinema and places of interest. Most recently, we visited the National Trust property, Tyntesfield House.

For further information, please contact Amanda Read amanda_read@btopenworld.com.

What's on?

As well as the **regular ladies' nights**, there will be **another men's night on the 3rd of February**; if you are interested in joining either please get in touch with a BCA committee member.

St Mary's Church's pancake supper will be held at the Old House At Home on the 28th February, listen out for more news on that in the new year.

For those who aren't aware, **Happy Hour every Fridays** from 16:30 to 18:30 at the Old House At Home is when many of the locals get together to catch up on the week's gossip. Everyone is very welcome.

Burton Briefs

Judith Bird recently hosted her annual Macmillan coffee morning in aid of Macmillan cancer research; raising an impressive £124.

Locals have been using the MyWiltshire app to report any highway related matters, the most recent example being the prompt clearance of the steps leading to Burton Farm Close which had got rather slippery due to fallen leaves. The app can be downloaded from <http://pages.wiltshire.gov.uk/report.htm>, matters can also be raised on your behalf by any BCA member.