



Parish News

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Dear Parishioner,

I hope you have enjoyed a happy and successful time since the last newsletter,

We have all enjoyed an excellent summer overall with soaring temperatures. However, the summer months I'm afraid, also brings out the worst in a minority of our residents. Over the last few months there has been a substantial increase of incidents of anti-social behaviour across the Parish, ranging from, graffiti, vandalism, excessive noise and litter. This not only costs us money to clear up or repair, but also it makes many resident's lives a misery.

The Parish Council is determined that this sort of behaviour must stop and with the help of each and every resident working with us, we can make a difference. For example if you see any incidents, as described above taking place, please contact the Police. If you have a genuine emergency requiring the attendance of the police, such as a crime that is in progress or someone who is in immediate danger call 999, for non-emergency policing matters only call Surrey Police on: 0845 125 2222. Similarly if you have any information relating to an incident which may help the Police with their enquiries, please contact them on the above number.

Alternatively you can contact any of the Parish Councillors (see inside). The Parish Council operates a reward system (up to £500) for information that leads to a successful prosecution of persons damaging Council property. All information is treated in strict confidence.

It is only by bringing this mindless minority to account that this can be stopped.

Let us together make the Parish of Ash a pleasant and clean environment where we are all proud to live.

Nigel Manning

Chairman Ash Parish Council

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Ash Parish Councils Publications

Ash Parish Council produce the following publications:

- **A Year Book** - gives information of the members of the council, committees and their functions, meeting dates, and employees of the council.
- **Who does what in the Parish of Ash** - this is a trifold leaflet that lists the responsibilities within the parish of Ash Parish Council, Guildford Borough Council and Surrey County Council.
- **The Ash Centre** - this is also a trifold leaflet that gives details of facilities available at the Ash Centre.
- **A-Z services** - This is a booklet listing the services provided for you in the Parish of Ash.

If you would like a copy of any of the above publications please contact the office.

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The University of the Third Age is an international organisation of people of retirement age eager to use their new found freedom to take up new pursuits, keep both mind and body active and make new friends in the process.. Each unit is entirely independent and endeavours to set up whatever viable interest groups the membership desires.

On 18th April 2000 over 60 interested people from the Ash area met in the Youth Centre. Then on the 6 September 2000 at the Victoria Hall 100 people became members, having seen what activities and groups were proposed. At the first Monthly Meeting in October, more groups were formed, the most popular being Local History, Theatre Visits and Rambling, day trips were also arranged.

In November the first issue of the newsletter, The Ash Branch, appeared with nine groups, progress and prospects reports, and news of matinee bookings at the New Victoria Theatre and a Christmas lunch, both of which traditions persist. Membership by the end of our second year had risen to 200, with groups as diverse as craft and creative writing, family history and horticulture. During this year we have achieved charity status and several grants which have enabled us to purchase sound and projection equipment. Apart from a few private venues, all our meetings are held at the Ash Centre, outside which we have a notice board.

Monthly Meetings are at 2pm on the third Tuesday of the month term-time only. Talks are given by outside speakers on varied subjects including several of local interest. If you would like to attend one or require further information just phone 01252 321347. Why not come along on 9 September 2003 from 11am - 2pm to see what's on offer and maybe even join!

Mary Lewis, Publicity U3A

Your Local Police Community Enforcement Team

Vanessa Privett and Dave Thomas are the neighbourhood specialist officers for the parish working as part of a team run by Surrey Police and Guildford Borough Council for the benefit of the community of the parish of Ash. They are based at the Ash Police Office and can be contacted by e-mail on privett1231@surrey.pnn.police.uk and thomas656@surrey.pnn.polic.uk.

Their colleagues are Police Community Support Officer Andy Coumbe and Community Safety Wardens Garry Jones and Lindsey Shrubbs. Their main priority is to work with local councils, residents' associations, youth workers and voluntary groups towards the reduction and prevention of crime and disorder in local communities.

They promote Neighbourhood Watch within the local area to try and reduce the fear of crime by reporting abandoned vehicles, litter, graffiti and vandalism, to help gather information to aid the prosecution of those involved in antisocial behaviour.

The Police Community Support Officer for the parish Andy Coumbe is instantly recognisable in his blue uniform, with a blue shirt and cap with a blue band, he is equipped with a mobile phone and personal radio to help the police maintain close links with your community, Andy is based at Ash Police Office, he can be contacted by e-mail coumbe10501@surrey.pnn.police.uk.

The Community Safety Warden for Ash Vale and Tongham is Garry Jones he is based at Samuel Cody House on Avondale, Ash Vale, and the scout hut in Tongham, he can be contacted by telephone on 07901 513652 or e-mail: jonesg@guildford.gov.uk

The Community Safety Warden for Ash is Lyndsey Shrubbs she is based at St. Peters Centre, Ash Church Road, and can be contacted by telephone on 07769 642053 or e-mail shrubbl@guildford.gov.uk

If you have information about crime and do not want to leave your name, call Crimestoppers on: 0800 555 111.

Do you know someone who is being bullied, assaulted, harassed, called names or having their possessions damaged because of the colour of their skin, sexuality, disability or religion? If so, this is a HATE CRIME. Report this now on www.stop Hate Crime.co.uk or call Surrey Police on: 0845 125 2222.

Ash Parish Councillors

Ash Vale Ward

Cllr N Manning
40 Wentworth Crescent
Ash Vale, Surrey
GU12 5LE
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Ash, Surrey
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Tel: 01252 664675

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Ash, Surrey
GU12 6TD
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Borough Councillors

Ash Vale Ward

Cllr Nigel Manning* Cllr Marsha Moseley*

Ash Wharf Ward

Cllr Steven Evans Cllr Jayne Hewlett*
92 Ash Lodge Drive
Ash, Surrey
GU12 6NW
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Cllr John Ades*

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159 Ash Hill Road
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100 YEARS OF SERVICE at VICTORIA HALL

The laying of the memorial stone of the Victoria Hall took place on the 10th December 1897 and it's official opening took place the following year.

The hall has fulfilled it's sponsors hopes, many times over, with an array of activities so varied that it is hard to imagine that our parishioners can have had so many different interests.

Today the wide variety continues as can be seen by the following list of users who are always looking for new members.

3rd Ash Brownies
Ashes (self help group)
Ash Conservative Ladies Circle
Ash Parish Garden Club
Ash Ring Craft (dogs)
Ash Sequence Dancers
Ash Spinning Club
Ash Table Tennis Club
Creative Needles
Dance Factory
Dog Training (Tuesday)
Format 88 Camera Club
Guildford Model Yacht Club
IOF Table Tennis Club
Past Pleasures (16th C dance group)
Hall Bookings
WS Fanciers Association (rabbits)
Whitehill Table Tennis

Fran Beavan 01252 327921
Lisa Howard 01252 676678
Betty Pearce 01252 311303
Brian Perry 01252 542341

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Dave Brown 01252 657682
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Graeme Roe 01252 338019
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Brian Naylor 01252 326944
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Tony Tapp 01252 321869
Robert Huggett 0118 9474891
Dave Brown 01252 657682
Nigel Beasant 07950 647375
Steve French 01420 511122





Christmas Celebrations

This years Christmas celebrations will not only include the Christmas tree illumination ceremony to be held on Saturday 6 December 2003, but also a

Christmas Fair at the Ash Centre starting at 12.30 – 6.00pm in aid of South West Thames Kidney Fund.

Christmas carols will be sung around the Christmas tree commencing at 4.45pm, with the Salvation Army and St Peters Church Choir providing the accompaniment.

The lights on the Christmas tree will be lit by Father Christmas around 5.00pm who will be distributing sweets to all children present.

After Father Christmas has given out all his sweets you are invited to join us at the Ash Centre for mince pies and mulled wine, where the Christmas Fete will still be open. A chance to buy your last minute Christmas goodies.



Baden-Powell Scouts Association



1st Blackwater Valley Group

Registered Educational Charity No: 278525



Do you like being part of a team and taking part in indoor and outdoor activities? Would you like to learn about wildlife, go camping, take part in quizzes or make models? These are just some of the fun things to do at the Baden-Powell Scouts Association.

We welcome boys and girls from the ages of 5 to 18 years. All the activities are designed to suit the age groups of the children.

Meetings are held during the term time at The Scout Hut in Carrington Lane Recreation Ground, Ash Vale.

Why not come along and join in, you will make new friends and have a good time.

All sessions are supervised by adults who are parents of children who currently attend or have attended.

If you would like more information please contact:
Margaret Young on (01252) 835014

Sponsorship for Hanging Baskets

The Council would like to say a big thank you to the following businesses who have sponsored hanging baskets throughout the parish this year.

- **Vale Furnishers**
Wharf Road, Ash Vale
- **The Art of Craft**
248 Shawfield Road, Ash
- **Mitchell & Partners Estate Agents**
1 Station Approach, Ash Vale
- **Advanced Preservations**
2 Station Approach, Ash Vale
- **The Forge Works**
129 Ash Street, Ash
- **Village Pets**
12 The Parade, Wharf Road, Ash Vale
- **Groomers of Matted Moggies & Dirty Doggies**
167 Ash Hill Road, Ash

Editors Report

Welcome to the second issue of the Parish News and may I thank you all for your comments on the last issue.

The general response from most parishioners was that they felt the newsletter should be produced three times a year.

Many parishioners have asked for a list of forthcoming events in the parish. If you are a member of a group or organization (scouts, guides, brownies, football club etc) please contact me with the details of any forthcoming events.

Denise Cooper

Any suggestion for improvement or comments can you please contact me at:

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