

## HOME SAFETY / SECURITY

Over recent weeks there has been an increase in burglaries and car crime in the area and also reports of suspicious behaviour and roaming vans. Whilst all of the burglaries have been reported to the police, the suspicious behaviour has not been reported. In instances where it has, the police have taken action and just recently two vans on the lookout for scrap, have been stopped. As a result, they were found to have had no tax, insurance or MOT and the vehicles were seized and the drivers reported. This is really just a reminder that any suspicious activity should be reported to the police by telephoning 101 (**asking for Warwickshire Police**). Obviously if a crime is in progress, it should be a 999 call. The police have warned the Parish Council that the practice of leaving scrap and domestic appliances etc on the verge or your own property should be discouraged since it attracts unauthorised scrap dealers, who may also be attracted to other items on the property. As you may be aware, we do have a Community Alert system in the village, and on a number of occasions the sharing of such data has been most helpful to the police, and has been instrumental in achieving successful convictions. Should any of you wish to receive these community alerts (police reports, trading standards, scams, Parish Council notices) please email [stever2000@sky.com](mailto:stever2000@sky.com).

In summary, the police have advised all residents to be extra vigilant and to be aware of people in the area who have recently been seen going around trying car and house doors. Make sure you lock your cars and don't leave valuables on display.

## PARISH COUNCILLOR WANTED

Due to a resignation, Binley Woods Parish Council is now looking to co-opt a Parish Councillor to fill the position. It is your chance to put something back into the Village and to make things work for the benefit of the whole Community.

At present, we have nine Councillors who give a little time each month to 'run' and maintain Binley Woods, which includes decision making on many issues to keep the standards of the area at the high level it is at present. It is an opportunity to get to know contacts, and which departments are responsible for what activity, and then to push for a resolve to these people to get a conclusion. Finally, it is a great way to make '**Your Village**' a better place for you, and every resident, to live and enjoy. Please contact any Councillor if you want further details or information.

### Binley Woods Parish Council Information

The Parish Council meets in the **Morrison Room, Binley Woods Village Hall** at **8.00pm**. Meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of the month, but this may vary.

Members of the public are welcome to attend Parish Council meetings. There is an item at the start of each meeting for members of the public to raise concerns and ask questions.

Meetings are advertised on the Parish Council noticeboards around the village. Previous Minutes are available at [www.binleywoods.org](http://www.binleywoods.org) or by written request to the Clerk.

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# BINLEY WOODS PARISH COUNCIL

## NEWSLETTER No 43

### May 2017



You are invited to attend the

## **PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL ASSEMBLY**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 7-30pm  
Village Hall, Rugby Road, Binley Woods.

Your continued support is appreciated.

### ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

This is the meeting where we will not only be telling you what we have been doing over the past year, but also what is on the horizon for the future. There are a number of issues which will have a big impact on Binley Woods and the surrounding area, and we would like to hear your views. A lot of these are out of our hands and will go ahead, but we need to get into discussions with the appropriate departments to try and get the best deal for residents. TGI Island, the Local Plan Housing and what is happening to the Garden Nursery and Brandon Speedway sites, are just a few unanswered questions for future years. If you have any concerns, the Annual Assembly is the place to raise them. We may not know the answers, but it will certainly give the Parish Council a list of concerns to work with. Please make every effort to attend.

## **Village Fun Day – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

The Village Fun Day is well on plan and there are many things organised to make it a great success. The Committee of Residents have broken into smaller 'working parties' to focus on all the events, positioning, issues and timings to get everything to run smoothly on the day. There is support from Mark Pawsey MP, Rugby Borough Council Mayor, Borough and County Councillors and more, who have all stated that they will attend on the day. These people have all expressed their delight in being able to support a 'Fun Event' that has the aim of gelling residents coming together for a day of enjoyment. The Day will include the following, and events will start at around 10-00am through until late at the various venues. (Please note the majority of events are on The Recreation Ground).

### **Fun Run – From 10-00am**

This is proving to be a great inclusion which will be taking place at Binley Woods Primary School at around 10-30am start. There will be a number of categories for the different ages, classes and varieties of entrants. Fancy dress is optional, and it is envisaged that everybody will get a medal when they have completed the course. All 'would-be' athletes are expected to arrive at about 10-00am to be told which category they are to be in, and then it's off to the start. There will be from one, to a number of laps around the School field, depending on ability, which will be on grass. Please make sure you have the correct footwear to suit the conditions, along with the appropriate clothing.

### **Procession – Approx 11-15am**

Following on from the Fun Run, it is proposed to conduct a procession from the School to the Recreation Ground. This will be led by a Steel Marching Band, followed by the King, Queen, Prince and Princess of Binley Woods on a float. We hope that all runners, along with residents, will join the procession around some of the streets of Binley Woods. The King and Queen will be drawn from 8 to 11 year old children associated with the Village whilst the Prince and Princess will be from 3 to 7 years. Nomination forms have been sent from school, and also available at 'Turnips'.

### **Official Opening – 12-00 noon**

Once the procession reaches the Recreation Ground, the event will be officially opened by our dignitaries around mid-day. After this, the fun begins. All stall holders and entertainers have been asked to set up early and informed that we do not want any vehicle movements within the park after 11-30am. This will only change in the event of an emergency vehicle needing to leave to attend an incident.

### **Fun**

The fun will now begin and there are plenty of different things going on throughout the afternoon for everybody to enjoy. We have put the activities etc. into a number of Zones which include a Food Zone, Fun Zone, Dog Zone and Music Zone. There are stalls and plenty of places to obtain refreshment. More information on where these will be sited and what will be available will be included in a programme which will be on sale nearer the date. There are also quite a number of competitions for both adults and children to enter, which will be judged either before or on the day. Please see the flyers and local shops for more details of how to join in.

## **Competitions**

'My Binley Woods' photograph competition is for any photo of somewhere in the Village that you feel is dear to your heart. They could be old or new, and will be judged by a local person on the day. Please bring your photos along (copies please as returning them will be difficult) with your contact details, a short note of where it is and why it means so much to you, written on the back.

'Decorate-a-Cake'. Come on, all you would be 'Bake Off' people within the Village. This is your chance to win a 'Decorate-Off' competition by using your imagination. There is no theme, style, type or size, and anything from a cup cake to a five tier wedding cake (yeh, yeh) will be judged at around 1-00pm. It is hoped that after this, all cakes will be donated to The Women's Institute stall for sale throughout the afternoon. This means if you are quick enough, you may be able to buy your own cake back. (See how good we are to all the entrants).... It is for fun so please get involved.

'Dog Show'. This will start at around 12-30 in the rear field and there are quite a number of categories. These include Most Handsome Dog, Prettiest Bitch, Waggiest Tail, Golden Oldie (over 7), Best 4 Legs, Most Appealing Eyes, Best Childs Friend and finally, Best in Show (overall winner). As you can see from this list, it's also a fun competition and even though I haven't a dog, I think I could qualify for a couple of the above myself. Please contact Vicki Loughran on 07909 781799 for more details.

'Draw a Scarecrow'. The Allotment Committee are organising a Design a Scarecrow competition which the school children will be invited to enter. It is fairly simple and requires a drawing of what they think a scarecrow should look like to scare off the birds. All the children will be given a sheet of paper with details on, when they break up for the half term. Winners will be informed on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at the Primary School Assembly. A selection of the designs will also be available to view at the Pavilion on the Fun Day.

### **Entertainment**

Throughout the afternoon there will be more music from the Steel Marching Band, a Brass Band, a sit-on miniature railway, the Wasps Fan-Zone, Emergency Vehicles, Family Fun Races, Vintage Cars, Dance Groups, Speedway Motor Bikes, Graffiti Workshop, Local History Display, Academy Footballers and much, much more. For your delight there will be a selection of hot and cold food available, and even something sweet for afters. (Afternoon teas etc) The Committee have really tried to cater for your every need.

The activity in the park will finish around 5-00pm and will restart at the Roseycombe after 6-00pm until late. There is live music throughout the evening with 'Insomnia' and food available, although liquid refreshment could be consumed, especially by the organisers..... It really does promise to be a great day but we need residents to come along to make it even better. Please make this a date in your diary, and turn up with a smile. You might even be able to splat somebody in the stocks.

One final note on the day's arrangements is that **we are looking for volunteers** to help throughout the day. This could be an hour on an event, taking stall holders a cuppa, or even helping to set up in the morning or clean up at the end of the day. The more volunteers we have, the less each person needs to do, and it is all helping to create a great atmosphere, and a joining together of all residents. If you can spare an hour or so, please contact **Lisa (02476 545503) or Chris (02476 543046)**