

Bramcote Hills Community Association Newsletter Summer 2014

A Letter from the Chair

In the last Newsletter I focused on our celebration of the 50 years of this association's role in our community. This time I am wondering how we adapt to a changing society. It is evident that we enjoy a broader ethnic and cultural mix with tenanted properties as well as homeowners.

How might we provide for and welcome these different groups? Do email me any ideas. I had wondered about having some 'taste and see' event to go with next year's annual meeting.

By the time you get this you may already have been to the Hemlock Happening on Bramcote Park. We have supported that event since its inception and hope that its adapted format will have been successful and will continue into the future.

Stan Heptinstall has worked hard with others over the years to make this Community event such an on-going success and we congratulate him on becoming Mayor of Broxtowe.

It was good to get positive feedback on the last newsletter and we thank our Editors Di and Dink for the effort they put into compiling this information.

Subscription collectors will be calling on you over the coming weeks and if you wish would be glad to pass on any of your concerns or ideas.

Kind regards

Ann Hart
Chairperson

HEMLOCK HAPPENING 2014
Bramcote Hills Park June 7th 1 pm to 10.30 pm

You will find some changes to this year's Hemlock Happening. The main stage will be located in the park adjacent to Ilkeston Road and there will be continuous performances right through from the opening at 1 pm to the Firework finale at 10.30.

Performances include music, song, dance and drama provided by a wide variety of people, from local school children to established bands ***The BHCA will be represented this year including the CARE group and the Neighbourhood Watch, so look out for our gazebo.***

Do support this wonderful, free, local event.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Laurie Mason, our Bramcote Hills Neighbourhood Watch representative would like to draw people's attention to the problem of 'nuisance/cold-caller' telephone messages.

As soon as you discover the call is someone trying to sell you something or any other 'iffy' sounding activity say "I am NOT interested." and immediately put the phone down. Do not start a conversation or try to re:contact the caller.

Information on current 'scam' calls can be found on the bramcotetoday.org.uk website

Reminder:

Residents of Bramcote Hills, Bramcote Moor and Oaklands can contribute to making their communities safer using their own PCs/tablets/smartphones on a new web based crime alert system.

This new website brings the traditional Neighbourhood Watch scheme in the 21st century by allowing community members to contribute without having to attend meetings or patrol streets. It's simple to use, highly secure and free!

The website can provide warnings about local criminal activity and prevention advice by email, text or phone. It also allows members to supply information to the police about suspicious activity in total confidence and discuss local issues online.

Register at <http://www.nottswatch.co.uk>

Your Neighbourhood Watch Coordinators:

Laurie Mason is the lead coordinator for Bramcote Hills, Steve Austin is the lead coordinator for Bramcote Moor and Brian Hughes is the lead coordinator for Oaklands. Laurie can be contacted on 925 5785. Steve can be contacted on 928 8153 or at bramcotemoornw@outlook.com. Brian can be contacted at oaklands.nh.watch@ntlworld.com.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS
Midsummer Pub Ramble
Saturday 21st June

The pub is sorted! Good weather has been prayed for!
We meet at the pub at 10.30 for coffee and to order our food which should be ready for us when we finish the walk at about 1.15.
The route of the walk has yet to be finally decided, but it has the makings of a very pleasant day out - fresh air, good company, good food!
For more details:

Contact John Spencer (Tel: 9258618). Firm bookings, please, by Tuesday 17th June at the latest

Playhouse Pantomime Visit

The panto trip has, for a long time, been one of the most popular events organised by the Bramcote Hills Community Association.

This year tickets have been reserved for the Saturday Matinee of 'Sleeping Beauty' on January 3rd 2015.

The Nottingham Playhouse Pantomime is justly famous for adhering to the classic 'panto rules' whilst producing a fun-packed, modern treat for all ages.
Why not take the opportunity to enjoy one of the best loved pantomime stories which has the added attraction of a wicked fairy, a beautiful princess and a handsome prince. Just the thing to help escape those dreary winter days.

Contact John Spencer on 9258618

Annual Dinner

The annual dinner will be on **Thursday, November 27th 2014** at the ever popular **Victoria** in Beeston.
The Menu and further information will be in the autumn newsletter.

Contact Kevin Powell on 9287184

CHILDREN'S SUMMER PLAYScheme
TUESDAY JULY 29th TO FRIDAY AUGUST 1st 2014

This event which normally attracts 100 to 120 children between five and eleven years (and four year olds **WHO ARE ALREADY ATTENDING SCHOOL FULL TIME**) is run by parents for *children of members of the association*. We are registered with Broxtowe Borough Council, but membership of BHCA is essential. This year's playscheme will run from **Tuesday 29th to Friday 1st August, 10 am to 12 noon, at The Bramcote College, as last year.**

Among the many attractions will be a visit from Taekwondo, Fencing instructors, bouncy castles, a transformer bus with climbing wall, 'Owl Experience', Forest Footballers and Derby County footballers and Cricket etc.

A fire engine will be on display.

The booking form is on the last two pages of the newsletter distributed to Members, feel free to send it now, but **no later than July 6th.**

Please note the cost is £2.50 per child per session. Payment must be included with the booking form (**CASH ONLY PLEASE, NO CHEQUES**) *This is a suggested donation, but, please note the playscheme cannot run without sufficient funds.*

All parents please ask Sheena for an information leaflet with further details, if you have not already received one. It is important that all parents and children are made fully aware of the premises. **Parents must remain with their children until they are registered and given that day's sticker.** It is unreasonable for other parents to be responsible for your children if they do not know they are there.

The scheme needs more adult helpers—dads or mums—particularly if your own child is benefiting.

PLEASE TRY TO GIVE US AT LEAST ONE DAY'S HELP.
Contact Sheena Powell on 0115 928 7184