

# EMSWORTH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

March/April 2005

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Please ensure that all items to be included in the Newsletter are sent to either Mr. R Bente or Mrs. M. Ballard-Neale. Thank you.

Membership      £2.00 per household for one year.  
                         £3.20 postal for one year (inc. postage)  
                         £25.00 per person for life.

## **BOOKING ENQUIRIES**

Please contact the Booking Secretary by phone at home on 01243 372294 or by post or through the letter box in the main door at the Centre if written application is preferred. Envelopes should be addressed impersonally to 'The Booking Secretary'.

WEBSITE [www.emsworthcommunityassociation.org.uk](http://www.emsworthcommunityassociation.org.uk)

## FROM THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

During the next few weeks Hampshire County Council are arranging for redecoration of the old school building and the Lumley area. We will try and arrange the work to minimise disruption to user groups but some room changes may be necessary. We ask you to be patient and understand that there will be some difficulties during this period.

I am pleased to report that a portable skittle alley has been made during the Christmas holiday period - seven 5 foot portable sections, together with competition standard balls and skittles. During a Committee trial evening, we found that the alley could be assembled and dismantled and stored away in 15 to 20 minutes, no tools being necessary. Should you wish to book a social evening, the alley can be set up in the Mountford Rooms 1 and 2 (new annex) with plenty of space either side of the alley for tables and chairs, so that groups can bring their own refreshments. We have agreed that the initial charge for an evening will be £40. Please use it - it is good fun! Get in touch with our Booking Secretary and make a date.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank Springfields Nursing Home for their generous donation, which has covered the cost of the skittle alley materials and will contribute to the cost of a new hearing loop and public address system in Rooms 1 and 2 of the Mountford wing.

I would like to remind all members and friends that the first Craft Market under new management will be held on Saturday 5th March and monthly thereafter. We wish Penny Baker and the craft people a successful year ahead.

Rex Ballard-Neale

## CRAFT MARKET

After fourteen years at the helm of Emsworth Craft Market I have now retired. I have enjoyed those years during which I had the privilege of working with creative and inspired craftspeople. However I had run out of the energy needed to get it back to the vibrant, ground-breaking event that it had grown into after starting in a small way with Helen Barnard and Nan Robinson nearly 30 years ago (followed by Hugh Robinson as director). At that time there were no such craft outlets in the area and Emsworth Craft Market gained a high reputation among designer craftspeople of calibre from a wide area. In more recent years we have had to compete with any number of craft venues, fairs and markets. Most of these include mass-produced and/or imported crafts, which is not our policy. In recent years visitor numbers have dropped and the event now needs an overhaul of presentation and advertising.

We were about to say 'enough is enough' and finish at Christmas but at the eleventh hour one of the stallholders, Penny Baker volunteered to take over the organisation with the help of Jenny Stacy, another experienced and popular stallholder.

Penny has an Art College Diploma in Craft Design and a lot of organisational and community arts experience as well as being young (comparatively!) and dynamic. If anyone can help Emsworth Craft Market (or whatever it will be called in future) to return to its former prestige position, then I'm sure Penny and her team can!

Look out for the new advertising. I hope that all the loyal friends who have enjoyed the Craft Market for many years will continue to visit and, along with a new generation of visitors, will draw pleasure and inspiration from the work on show and celebrate our 30th birthday with us after all!

Penny Baker can be contacted on 01243 376778.

Liz Mardel.

## **BLOOD DONATIONS - 12th APRIL**

The usual times for giving will apply -1.00 - 3.205 p.m. and 4.20 - 7.15 p.m.

Are you well? Aren't you lucky - lots of your fellows are not so fortunate! Come on - give them a pint! This pint will cost you nothing to give.

Maureen Ballard-Neale.

## TEA DANCES

Thursday afternoons at 2.00 p.m... £2.00 per head to include light refreshments.

This enjoyable afternoon entertainment is really 'taking off. Why not come along and enjoy modern and sequence dancing, accompanied by keyboard and CD music. Basic instruction available. Hope to see you there.

Brian and Gloria - 01243 373558.

## NEARLY NEW SALE

### **AH day Thursday 10.00 to 3.30.**

The Nearly New Sale re-opens on March 17th. Dig out your unwanted Spring and Summer clothing in very good, clean condition, and if accepted, we shall do our best to sell it for you. If sold, you will receive 2/3rds of the price, and the Centre the remaining 1/3rd.

Our refurbishment of the storage area and redecoration of the Assembly Room may incur cancellation of one or two of the sessions. This will be advised by notices displayed in the Centre.

Mary Faulkner.

## EVENTS DIARY

### CAR BOOT AND TABLE TOP SALE

Spring Cleaning - looking for some extra space - or just having a clear out - why not join us for our first Car Boot and Table Top Sale.

### **On Sunday 3rd April from 9.00 a.m. to midday.**

We will be holding our first boot sale in the Community Centre car park or you can book a table in the Mountford Suite for just £5.00. Tea/Coffee and light refreshments will be available. To book a space for you car (sorry - no vans) in advance please call 377493 or 372417. Tickets available on a first come - first served basis. (Anything you wish to donate to the E.C.A. stall can be brought along on the day)

### **Spring-Summer Fashion Show - Tuesday 5th April 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. Emsworth Community Centre Assembly Rooms. £2.00 per ticket**

Refreshments available and a Raffle on the Evening.

This is an event for your diaries. A leading fashion company will be modeling and selling well know quality store items at a competitive price for ladies of all ages and

sizes, plus children's clothing for 5-12 year olds. The modeling of all the clothing will be done by local ladies and children. Please come and bring your friends to look, see and hopefully purchase. Tickets will be available in advance from 20th March from the contact names below -

Sandie  
'Louise  
372294

01243375544  
01243372262

Alison 01243 377493  
Maureen 01243

### **St. George's Day Celebration**

**On Saturday 23rd April - 7.30 p.m. to 11.00 p.m.**

We will be celebrating St. George's Day at the Community Centre with a truly English event. Music and dance with an English supper of local sausages, beans mash and onions, followed by fruit crumble and ice cream. Is your mouth watering already? All we ask you to bring is any alcoholic drink for yourselves to keep the evening flowing and the toes tapping. This will be a family event, so do bring your family and friends wherever possible. We would like to hold a raffle on the night and if you have a raffle prize to donate please call Louise on 372262. Tickets: £6 each, £3 for children, in advance from Committee Members,

### **SKITTLES**

Now that the skittle alley is available, I would like to have an Association Team - if we get proficient enough, we could challenge other groups in Emsworth. Please contact me if you would like to be part of the team and we can get together with the diary and sort out a convenient day and time. Waiting to hear from you.....

Maureen Ballard-Neale.

### **MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY.**

Thanks to all who have now paid their annual subscription and to those of you who have been kind enough to add a donation. For those who have not yet paid, I am attaching a personal reminder to your newsletter. We are printing the membership form again so that your friends may join the Association and receive our newsletters and who may wish to join in some of the activities that take place at the Community Centre.

Louise Bird. Membership Secretary.

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### **MEMBERSHIP FORM EMSWORTH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**

Subscriptions per Household      £2.00      Mrs. M.L. Bird  
Membership Secretary  
4 Creek End, Emsworth PO10 7EX.

The above are subscriptions for January 2005 - January 2006. Please return this form together with your subscription to Mrs. M.L. Bird at the above address. Cheques made payable to Emsworth Community Association. Thank you for your support.

Name.....

Address.....

Area.....

## **EMSWORTH MARITIME AND HISTORICAL TRUST**

### **Diary of events for 2005.**

March 10th. AGM 7.30 p.m. Mountford Rooms, Emsworth Community Centre.

March 26th. Museum re-opens. Main exhibition Sea Britain 2005. Emsworth's historical maritime links and its past role as a port.

March 26th to April 24th. Temporary exhibition by the Brook Meadow Conservation Group includes history of the meadow, work of the conservation group and a review of wildlife.

April 30th to May 30th. Exhibition of local views by Cyril Shutler. Pen and ink drawings and paintings made by a local artist over a period of 45 years.

## **W.E.A. HAVANT BRANCH**

Friday evening lecture.

Date - 4th March 2005.

Subject - Modernising Government: What has been achieved?

Lecturer - Sylvia Horton.

Phyllis Fawceter Corbett Annual Lecture.

Date - Friday 18th March.

Subject - United States power: A look at the role of the USA since the Cold War.

Lecturer - Tim Boatswain.

Both lectures 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. at Havant Arts Centre, Old Town Hall, 56 East Street, Havant. Fee-£3.00.

Saturday Day School.

Date-19th March 2005.

Subject - Ex-Soviet Union Countries.

Lecturer - Paul Flenley.

Time -10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Venue - Havant College, New Road, Havant.

Fee - £10.00

Enrolment and enquiries - Telephone 01243 373036.

## **ST AUBIN - EMSWORTH TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

Emsworth is twinned with St. Aubin-sur-Mer, a picturesque, small seaside town on the Cote de Nacre (the Mother of Pearl Coast) in Normandy. Both towns have developed from fishing villages, particularly renowned for their seafood.

The Association started with a few personal exchanges and formed a twinning relationship in 1968, which has flourished ever since. The aim of the association is to promote friendship and links between various parts of both communities, especially young people, who are encouraged to make friends with the St. Aubin young.

Like Emsworth, St. Aubin is conveniently located close to a ferry port. The French town is on Juno beach (one of the D-Day landing beaches, between Bayeux and Ouistreham). In summer, many visitors are attracted to the fine Normandy beaches, campsites, restaurants and hotels.

Every other year, members of the Emsworth Association visit St. Aubin, where they

are welcomed by friendly and hospitable hosts and other residents. The members of the St. Aubin Association also visit Emsworth every other year.

Last year, Emsworth members were invited to join their 'twins' to celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of the D-Day landings on the Normandy beaches. This year St. Aubin members will be visiting Emsworth, when much of the time will be spent visiting the local area with their English hosts.

To help fund the exchanges, the Association undertakes a wide variety of enjoyable activities that cater for all ages and interests. The 2005 programme started with the Association's Annual Dinner - a five-course meal at the Brookfield Hotel. The rest of this year's programme is as follows:

- March - a talk by David Hazle, a local estate agent
- April - a visit to 'The Crown' in Emsworth in order to discuss details of this year's exchange visit
- May - the French visit - to include a dinner dance at the Brookfield Hotel
- June - 'Sausage Sizzle' and boules match at Queen Elizabeth Park with the Chichester Twinning Association
- July - 'Mardi Gras' in a member's garden
- September - a treasure hunt around Emsworth
- November - the AGM
- December - TBA

The Association always welcomes new members, so if you would like to join, please contact the Secretary - Hazel Willard on 01243 379877, the Treasurer - Iain Lynch on 01243 373897 or the Chairman - Keith Richardson on 01243 430737. A year's subscription costs £20 per family and £15 for single membership.

All the above information may also be obtained from the Association's website:  
<http://web.ukonline.co.uk/emsworth.twinning/>