

NEWSLETTER

Spring 2010

Chalfont St. Peter Community Association

Association Events.

The Activities Committee has started the new year with great vigour (new blood and all that).

Two fund raising events are already planned. A new QUIZ, on the evening of Friday 8th October 2010, open to all and including a fish and chip supper and drinks service direct to the tables.

The annual CRAFT FAIR will be held on Saturday 27th November 2010 with a Christmas theme, (table bookings will be taken from 1 September, more details later).

Offers of help, either with the work of the Activities Committee or on the day of any event would be most welcome, contact Jenny Everitt in the office.

What Else?

What other events or activities would you like to see taking place in the Centre? It would be great if they could raise money, but this is not essential. The Association exists to provide a service to the Community.

It is planned to circulate a questionnaire on this subject sometime soon, but ideas and suggestions can always be given to Heather Glasgow or John Long when you see them (or if you don't know us, try Jenny Everitt in the office! - Editor)

200 Club.

Unfortunately, the proposed 200 Club did not attract much support. In view of the administrative work involved in running it, the General Committee decided at its January meeting not to proceed. Money received for entries has been returned to the donors.

Feast Day.

This year, the village Feast Day celebrations will be held on Gold Hill Common on Saturday 26th June, which is the closest Saturday to the actual Feast of St Peter on 29 June. The Association has already booked a stall for a stand on the day. Volunteers to help serve on it, for an hour or so, between say 10am and 4.30pm, please step forward (or more constructively, please contact Jenny Everitt.)



'Sno Wonder !

The recent bad weather inevitably led to a large number of room booking cancellations. The resulting loss of revenue to the Association was around £850.

The floors throughout the centre were cleaned and polished during the Christmas closure, but these too fell foul of the weather with snow and grit being walked into the building.

And this was supposed to be a mild winter.

Definitely not for turning.

Coming by car on the A413 from the Amersham direction there is an official "NO RIGHT TURN" sign on the road itself, but an arrow on the Parish Council Sign on the verge, indicating, amongst other things the Centre. Apparently this has confused some motorists looking for the Centre. The Executive Committee has suggested that the Parish Council might review its sign.

Fabric Sale.

This popular event will be organised in future, by a group of enthusiasts. Unfortunately no suitable date could be found this year, when the Main Hall would be free and all the main players were available.

Better luck next year.

New Centre Building.

Just in case you thought nothing was happening. The Association has approached Chiltern District Council, (who presently own the Community Centre, the land upon which it stands, and all the surrounding buildings,) to transfer the freehold to the Association, broadly in line with present Government thinking. Separately, the Association made an application for financial support for a study to discover, amongst other things, what a new Centre should provide to meet the needs of local residents, and what it might look like, to meet planning requirements

Its fun to dance! (At last, another contribution! ED).

Line dancing continues to be a very popular pastime. Not just for the sheer joy of dancing and great music but also the social aspects of being part of such a fun loving club. It's often been said that it is "difficult not to feel happy when you are dancing". For many people, the perception of line dancing may be that of "stomping and clapping" to a handful of Country & Western tracks. But line dancing has changed over the years. These days, line choreographers use all types of music such as modern pop, Latin, Rock, soul, Irish, Reggae and yes, even a little Country & Western still.

There are a number of line dance clubs across the UK including a very successful one here at the Community Centre. The club has more than 100 members and runs two classes, Wednesday morning and Thursday evening. Both classes follow a similar structure in that they have three sections with beginners, improvers and intermediate levels. It is addictive - some of our members go back to 1995. We also organise social activities, London theatre trips with a coach provided and informative guided walks.

For more information, please contact Heather Glasgow 01753 887221 or via the web www.chalfontlinedance.co.uk.

Dates for your Diary.

The Centre will be closed on the two May Bank Holidays, Monday 3rd and 31st May 2010.

And finally, the nightcap.

The Association still holds a full public house style alcohol licence, but it has been decided that Affiliated Groups (only) may provide their own wine for private events in the Centre, without payment of corkage charges, but it is hoped that they will hire glasses from the bar at 10p each, if they do so (contact Jenny to arrange.)

Otherwise, the current Rules restricting the introduction of alcohol onto the premises for consumption remain in force.

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