Bodenham Newsletter



July / August 2012

July		Aug	
3rd	Gardening Club Summer Party	1st	Coffee Morning Siward James
5th	Mothers' Union	7th	Gardening Club
6th	Ploughmans and Pudding Lunch	13th	Leisure Club Trip
9th	Leisure Club	18th	Gardening Club Annual Show
16th	BRSG AGM	19th	Afternoon Tea at the Hunt Kennels
19th	Knit-In	23rd	Knit-In
23rd	Leisure Club	28th	Flood Group AGM
24th	Tennis Club Social		
31st	Flood Group Meeting		

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St Michael's Church

As I write this we are having a brief respite between the storms that have brought so much rain this summer. The weather is a constant topic of conversation - we long for warm days and pleasant evenings – maybe they are just around the corner! But, despite the weather, we can still appreciate the sights and sounds of nature. The birds work tirelessly to feed their young, and there are plenty of young rabbits in the Vicarage garden! Flowers bloom, and roses fill the air with their scent. In the fields the crops are growing, and the hedges give shelter and food to a whole variety of wildlife. Life goes on all around us, sometimes so rapidly it is hard to catch up with the changes. It is good to stop and look when we can, seeing in the great race of nature the power and energy of God.

"Surely God is great, and we do not know him; the number of his years is unsearchable. For he draws up the drops of water; he distils his mist in rain, which the skies pour down and drop upon mortals abundantly." Job 36:26-28

Our Bible is full of descriptions of the natural world, they point us to our Creator. But we don't have to rely on other people's descriptions of the beauty of God's world, we just have to look out of our windows to see God's hand at work everywhere. And, of course, we are part of God's creation, made by God to live in the world, a vital part of the web of life.

You are the Maker of earth and sky, You are the Maker of heaven on high, You are the Maker of oceans deep, You are the Maker of mountains steep, You are the Maker of sun and rain, You are the Maker of hill and plain, You are the Maker of such as me. Keep me, O Lord, eternally.

Teach me to see you, Lord, In all things seen and heard, In beauty of the heather moors, In the singing of a bird.

David Adam.

David Adam's prayer calls us to recognise our place in Creation, may we honour God through our care and concern for the world we call our home, a world we share with one another and every living, growing plant and animal.

> Yours in Christ, Heather

St Michael & All Angels' Church Bodenham SUNDAY SERVICES FOR JULY/AUGUST 2012

July 1st	8.00am (The 6.00pm	Holy Communion Revd Heather Short) Choral Evensong
July 8th	•	G SERVICE Special Jubilee g – with Refreshments
July 15th	9.30am (The 6.00pm	Family Communion e Revd Heather Short) Evensong
July 22nd	9.30am Sung 6.00pm	g Eucharist (Preb David Roberts) Evensong
July 29th	10.00am 6.00pm	GROUP SERVICE at BODENHAM Evensong
Aug 5th	8.00am (The 6.00pm	Holy Communion Revd Heather Short) Evensong
Aug 12th	9.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Preb Bill Massey) Evensong
Aug 19th	9.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Preb David Roberts) Evensong
Aug 26th	9.30am 6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (To be arranged) Evensong

NB: Evensong will normally include hymns and be led by one of the Churchwardens

HOLY COMMUNION AT SIWARD JAMES CENTRE

There will be celebrations of Holy Communion at the Siward James Centre on Friday July 27th at 11.00am and Friday August 31st at 11.00am.

All are welcome to attend.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (held over from June)

Our first year of the current term is complete, we have achieved a great deal in this year and I am looking forward to next year already. The parish plan will be published soon and we aim to support the action plan where we can and hope that everyone gets involved.

We continue to concentrate on key areas in the parish, planning, highways, speeding, environment and leisure. We have set up several sub-groups which deal with these issues in detail and efficiently. We now have a lengthsman and you should have seen more grass being cut around the village.

I would like to thank all of the councillors, sub-groups and volunteers for all of their hard work and commitment which makes our Parish a better place in which to live.

Derek Ling, Chairman

THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS A VACANCY....

..... following the resignation of Mrs Katy Wrathall. If you would like to serve on the Parish Council or would like to nominate someone, please contact Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com by mid-July.

PARISH MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.30pm on **Monday 2nd July** at the Siward James Centre.

Copies of the agenda are placed in advance on parish notice boards and on the parish website (www.bodenhamparish.org.uk). Everyone is most welcome to attend and raise any matters of concern during the slot reserved for this purpose. If you prefer you can raise matters in advance by contacting Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com.

Minutes of previous meetings are available on the parish website - www.bodenhamparish.org.uk.

A list of meetings for the next 11 months is also on the website.

THE TELEPHONE BOX OPPOSITE ENGLAND'S GATE

......has now been adopted by the Parish Council and has been renovated. The next step is to find a new use or uses for the telephone box. Pictures created by children at St. Michael's School will be displayed in the kiosk shortly. Also, it has been proposed that the telephone box be used as a book exchange and that a small noticeboard be installed. Do you think that these are good ideas? Do you

have any other suggestions? Please suggest anything that occurs to you. Every suggestion will be considered.

Please contact Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797132 or by email at fork.lightning@gmail.com with your ideas.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No planning applications have been received since the last Newsletter. The planning applications included in the June Newsletter were:

- Maund Farm: Installation of 12m x 6m outside swimming pool and wooden plant room/changing room
- Dewdale Hope Farm: Lawful Development Certificate for existing use of mobile home accommodation for stockman for welfare of livestock.

THE SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE IN BODENHAM

You will have seen the SID (Speed Indicator Device) in and around Bodenham. It is moved from time to time between four locations: - Millcroft Road, near the Post Office, on The Moor opposite the farm and near the war memorial. The SID operates in two modes. In 'overt' mode the SID shows each vehicle's speed as it approaches and also records the vehicle's speed as it enters and leaves the SID's coverage. In 'covert' mode the speed of the vehicle is not displayed, but is still recorded.

The results from many months of operation at each location are very consistent. They show that a substantial proportion of drivers are breaking the speed limit when the encounter the SID; indeed, along The Moor this is typically 60% or more of all drivers. However, the records also demonstrate that the SID does help to reduce speeds because most drivers do slow down considerably when they see the SID, especially when it is in 'overt' mode. The SID, therefore, is making a major and continuing contribution to road safety.

DID YOU KNOW?

.....about the parish website?

At www.bodenhamparish.org.uk you can find an absolute wealth of information about Bodenham past, present and future - such as Bodenham history, who to contact, local groups and even Parish Council minutes. Take a look.

Bodenham Community Access Point

The C.A.P. meets every other Wednesday evening at Siward James meeting room from 6.15pm - 8.15pm.

We look forward to seeing you there.



BODENHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Chapel Lane, Bodenham

Programme for July and August

9.00am	Praise and Prayer
10.30am	Worship Service - Revd Ken Morey
10.30am	Worship Service - Revd Ken Morey
10.30am	Fellowship Service and Communion
10.30am	Worship Service - John Waldegrave
10.30am	Worship Service - Malcolm Roberts
	10.30am 10.30am 10.30am

On Sundays during August Worship Services will be led by Fellowship members.

Praise and Prayer on Sundays 1st July and 5th August will be followed by a simple breakfast. Coffee will be served after all services.

Café @ Chapel meets every Thursday morning - Why not call in for a coffee and chat at any time between 10.30am and 12 noon.

Midweek Study and Discussion Group meets on Thursdays at 7.30 for 7.45pm in members' homes. Visitors are welcome to meet with us as we begin a new study of 1 Thessalonians: 'Live in Peace' Contact Peter Lefroy-Owen for more information.

Ladies Bible Study at the Chapel at 10am on Tuesdays 3rdm 17th and 31st July. We continue our study of the life of Abraham. All ladies are very welcome. Please contact Margaret Seccombe for further details.

Dates of Fellowship services and events can be found on the

Bodenham Website: www.bodenhamparish.org.uk Contact Peter Lefroy-Owen (760580) or Secretary: Pat Horrigan (797044)

BODENHAM ROMANIA SUPPORT GROUP

Monday 16th July BRSG AGM at 14 Brockington Road at 7.00pm. Visitors are Welcome.

Friday 28th September BRSG Quiz at Bodenham Parish Hall at 7.30pm.

Thursdays 19th July and 23 August Knit-Ins at 14 Brockington Road from 2 - 4pm. Visitors are always welcome. We don't charge anything and will provide you with wool if needed.

We are always grateful any spare rug or knitting wool. Chairman: Pat Horrigan - 797044

BODENHAM MOTHERS' UNION

Thursday 5th July at 10.30am at 14 Brockington Road. Visitors are very welcome to come and meet **Ben Lea**, who will tell us about **'Close House'** in Hereford.

Thursday, 17th July at 7pm MU Praise Service at Sutton St Nicholas Church.

No branch meeting will be held in August, but on Tuesday 9th August, (Mary Sumner Day) midday prayers and MU Eucharist will be held in Hereford Cathedral, followed by a picnic in the garden of the Bishop's Palace. All members and friends are invited.

Branch leader Pat Horrigan (797044)

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BODENHAM LEISURE CLUB JULY

On **Monday 9th July** we meet in the Parish Hall at 2.30pm when we shall have a speaker, Colin Cheesman from the Herefordshire Nature Trust, who will present a talk entitled, "50 Years On".

I am sure this will be most interesting. We shall have a Raffle, Sales Table and Light Refreshments.

Visitors most welcome at £1 entry.

Monday 23rd July sees us in the Parish Hall at 1pm for a Lunch.

Following this there will be time to chat, to visit the Sales Table, buy Raffle tickets and have a cup of tea. Visitors welcome at £3 to include lunch.

AUGUST

On **Monday August 13th** we have our annual trip to the seaside. This year is it the lovely Welsh seaside resort of Llandudno with its promenade, pier and very good shops. The coach will leave the Parish Hall at 9.30am and depart from Llandudno at 4pm.

The cost will be £14.

An advantage of travelling by coach is that you can sit back and enjoy the scenery and no worries about parking cars and paying parking charges.

We look forward to visitors joining the trip.

As **Monday 27th** is a Bank Holiday there will be **NO Leisure Club meeting** - enjoy the Bank Holiday!
Gwenllian Bowden
Secretary/Programme Secretary

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BODENHAM WOMENS' GROUP
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On May 15th Anita Griffiths held a Coffee morning at her home in aid of 'Smile Train'. A total of £225 was raised to support the work of those doing operations on children with a cleft lip and palate. Thank you to all who contributed especially Anita.

Having had a very busy spring and early summer, we seem to have nothing planned at the moment for July and August. This may well change and if it does the events will be posted at the Post Office. Thank you as always to Rowland for his display area.

NOVEMBER

Sunday November 4th Overnight trip to Liverpool to be organised by Linda Creaton.

More details later or phone Linda on 01568797494

DECEMBER

Visit to Abbey-Cwm-Hir Hall

Tuesday 4th December 10.30am £13

Guided tour of the Hall with its wonderful Christmas decorations and access to the gardens.

See www.abbeycwmhir.com for further details. Lunch optional.

Names and full payment by cheque made out to Paul Humpherston

and passed to organisers Marie-Loiuse Epps 01568797524 or Carolyn Morgan 01568797669 by end of August at the latest

For membership details phone our Treasurer, Anita Griffiths 01568797929 or any below

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The Committee of LUGG VALLEY FRIENDS would like to thank everyone who supported the Quiz Night at Bodenham Parish Hall on Friday 16th May 2012, which raised £250 for CANCER RESEARCH UK.

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PARISH HALL NEWS

Parish Hall Management Committee meetings

These are held at least quarterly, usually in the Parish Hall and members of the public are very welcome to attend. Please give one of us a ring to chat through what's involved if you are interested in helping in any way.

JUBILEE EVENT SUNDAY 3RD JUNE

This event was organized by a special Jubilee committee, but the Hall provided the venue. It was completely free and the Jubilee Committee was able to hand over a cheque for £875 to the Parish Hall. Enough for a hot cupboard for the new kitchen I think. The Parish Hall Management Committee is very grateful for this generous donation and is aware of the many people who were involved in making the event a success. Thank you very much.

100 CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to..

MAY

1st £34.80 Mrs Worwood 2nd £17.40 Graham Richards

3rd £5.80 John Rice

JUNE

1st £34.80 Mike James 2nd £17.40 May James 3rd £5.80 Tim Burnhill

We now have 116 members. I am delighted to report that everyone renewed and several people increased their 'holding' from one number to two. If you would like to have a number, costing £8 for the remaining eight months of the year then contact me, Mary Nickols on 01568797144, The Forge, (by Bodenham bridge) and I will arrange it for you. Exactly half the income will be paid out in prizes regardless of how many people take part. Go on, have a go!

The next draws, for July and August, will be held at Gardening Club on Tuesday 7th August.

JUMBLE SALE

A new event for many of us, this proved to be hard work but very successful financially. A total of £543.38 was raised. This is enough to purchase a dishwasher for the new kitchen. Hurrah! The left over items were taken to the Hospice shop at Leominster. We would like to thank all those who kindly donated their goods. Also we are very grateful to the 12 people who helped, who are not on the Committee. We couldn't have done it without you. You are stars!! If there's anyone out there who would like to help like this from time to time, but not be on the committee, we'd love to hear from you.

NEXT JUMBLE SALE This will be later in the year. Please start saving your jumble for us now!!

The Kitchen

We have some quotes for what we want to do and are submitting these for grant approval. However it looks like we will have to provide a considerable amount of the money from Parish Hall funds.....watch this space!

Hourly Rate

- Main Hall £9.50 (Minimum Charge £12.00)
- Committee Room £5.00 (Minimum Charge £6.00)
 - Stage Only £5.00 (Minimum Charge £5.50)
 - Store/Back Room £8.00 (per evening)

Party/Dance/Disco £120.00 (£100 deposit)

Concerts/Musical Evenings £60.00
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Jubilee event at the Parish Hall on Sunday 3rd June

What a day! Cold, rainy and grey!! But that couldn't dampen spirits. Oh no!!

At 9am the normal discussions took place. Where should we put the gazebo? Have we left enough space to get to the bar? Where will the free jelly and ice-cream table go? Have we really got to hull all those strawberries?? Just how many sandwiches do we need for the guests of honour?

As the Classic cars arrived and the fun runners started to appear it was so very clear that the rain was not going to stop. Not for us, not for the Queen, not for anyone. We all needed to get on with it.

Mike the Postie was our celebrity runner in the Fun run. I think he could have won (ha ha) but he chose to enter into the spirit of the event by running with the crowd.

The outright winner (by quite a long way) was Lucy Marriott aged eight, followed by Cameron Morris aged ten, then June Hartfield and Mike Stephens. Huge congratulations to all of them!

I think we will see Lucy's name in the future in some high class stadium. We can say, "We saw her run back then."

Thanks to Simon Nickols and all his marshals for a smooth accident free event. Sorry about the mud!! Thanks also to Broadfield Estate for allowing us to use their farm tracks.

Under a gazebo, there were three classic motorbikes and beside them a fine display of many more Classic Cars. Lots of memories were stirred of the days when you could change your own oil and you didn't have an on board computer.

Massive thanks to Jim Henshaw for organising the whole thing and cajoling his friends into bringing vehicles along and taking part in the day.

Sadly the 60 year old Ford Prefect police car, complete with flashing blue light had its big end go, just as it was reversed into the car park.

The Police car was to have collected Mr and Mrs Payne and Mr and Mrs Rhodes, four of the guests of honour celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary this year. Instead they were collected by a Sunbeam Rapier. Many thanks to the driver.

The other guests of honour were Mrs Alice Arrowsmith and Mrs Millie Millichip, who cut the ribbon to open the event. Also Mr and Mrs Knott who between them have given well over 100 years' service to the Parish Hall. They were treated to a beautiful spread of home-made cakes

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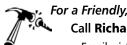
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21 May - Falls Prevention an open meeting for anyone who has fallen or who is worried about falling

18 June - Carers Week outing afternoon tea at Brockington Golf Club -YOU NEED TO BOOK

16 July - Richard Green from Just Wills - any questions on wills, trusts, etc

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If you need alternative care for the person you care for, or a lift, please let us know and we may be able to provide this. If you need alternative care we need to know at least two weeks prior to the meetings.



ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL

We are situated within St Michael's C of E Primary School in Bodenham. We have our own playground and access to the main playground and playing field.

The Pre-school is run by staff with Early Years qualifications and experience of working with pre-school children. We are managed by the Governors of the School.

Pre-School is normally open during school term-time.

Full details of our sessions can be viewed at: www.stmichaelsbodenham.co.uk/PreSchool.htm Charges: £3.80 per hour Please contact Pre-school Supervisor, Sophie Walker-Ball for visits and questions on 01568 797241 or e-mail us at nursery@st-michaels.hereford.sch.uk



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All Meetings, unless otherwise notified will be held on the last <u>Tuesday</u> of the month at Siward James Centre starting at 7.30 pm

The next two meetings are: July 31st

August 28th - AGM

If you are unable to attend or have points which you would like to be raised at the meeting, please contact the Secretary Mrs Babs Mitcheson 797170

Jubilee event at the Parish Hall on Sunday 3rd June

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and sandwiches largely made by Ann Hartfield. Thank you.

The rest of us braved the outside for a BBQ burger or sausage. This was manned by Bob Clarke, Lyn and Jeff Pollard and Pat Austin, ably supported by Anita Griffiths precooking in the kitchen.

The residents of Moor Court Farm enjoyed this fare too and they also tucked into strawberries (courtesy of S and A Produce) and the free jelly and ice-cream. This was manned by Gwen Bowden and me.

To wash it all down we had drinks from the bar run by Dennis Jackson, ably assisted by Kath Tremain and Steve Lavender. On teas and coffees was Robin George who made sure everyone had a personally made cuppa for the princely sum of 50pence. We must thank both Wye Valley brewery and Bulmers for their very generous contributions.

Liz Davies ran a very successful draw with many donated prizes. There was a basket of items all 'Made in Bodenham'. Thank you for all these donations.

As if that wasn't enough excitement there were the belly dancers in Red, White and Blue costumes and The Tribes led by Dave Evans to finish off the day.

Phoebe won the Fancy dress competition judged by Margaret Hughes and Daisy won the best dressed dog competition judged by Doreen Davis. Well done to 'em all.

There were also vodka jellies and they have a tale of their own to tell. Well you've got to keep warm somehow in flaming June!

Thanks to all those I have not mentioned including all the brave souls who ventured away from their TV sets to come to the event.

We passed a cheque for £875 to the Parish Hall Committee towards the new kitchen.

Mary Nickols (on behalf of the Jubilee Committee)

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Date	Description	Miles	Start	Grid Ref	Leaders
Wed 4 th July	Kings Caple, Hoarwithy, Sellack. Lanes, bridleways, parkland. Moderate	7	Park opposite Kings Caple church	Exp 189 559287	Margaret & Don 01432 760036
Sun 15 th July	2 Fairly long steep climbs. Hills & dales. Good views weather permitting. Moderate	6	"Secret Hills" Car Park Craven Arms	OS 217 434828	Eddie & Marian 01432 266994
Wed 25 th July	Bridge Sollers, Preston on Wye. Level walk. Easy	6	Bridge Sollers, park on verge 200 yards from bridge	Exp 202 411424	Mollie & Anne 01432 272606 01432 359033
Sun 5 th Aug	Flat walk through Arrow Valley. Stretford CH. Some stiles. Good views. Moderate	5.5	Ivington School CP	Exp 202 475567	Pam Johnson 01568 720219
Wed 15 th Aug	Riverside. Cubberly & Walford Moderate	7	Wilton Car Park Ross on Wye	Exp 189 593239	Sylvia 01432 830486
Sun 26 th Aug	Wellington Wood & Westhope Hill. Steady climb at start, lovely views. Moderate	6.5	Wellington School & Community Centre	Exp 202 497483	Wendy & Ray 01432 272031
Wed 5 th Sept	Walk from and around Kington. One easy uphill climb onto Hergest Ridge. 3 Stiles. Moderate	6.5	Kington CP Mill Street (Fee)	OS 201 297566	Jean Mills 01568 616949
Sun 16 th Sept	Rhydspence to Milton Hill & back. Field paths, lanes & drove roads. Mostly uphill before lunch. Moderate	6.5	Park in small laybys on lane behind Rhydspence Inn NOT in pub CP	Exp 201 243473	Jim & Joan 01432 268268
Wed 26 th Sept	Newton St Margarets. Afternoon tea on Ron. Moderate through Vale of Dulas	6.5	Upper Newton Farm. John & Mary Powell	OL 13 334330	Ron Munden 01432 272716

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OUR BUS SERVICE - UPDATE

Subsequent to the call for action in the May Newsletter, Jeremy Millar, our local District Councillor on Herefordshire Council, has made the appropriate enquiries on our behalf. It has been confirmed by Cllr Powell, the Cabinet member now responsible for transport services, that bus services serving Bodenham are not included in the current round of contractual negotiations. This suggests that our 426 service will continue with the existing timetable – good news indeed.

Thanks to all of you who supported the campaign and to Councillor Millar for taking up the issue on our behalf. Steve Layender.

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Steve Barnett (07814-534998) for details .

Social/Family BBQ – Saturday 14th July at 12.00-3.00pm.

The North Herefordshire Hunt

invites all the villagers plus their friends and families to Afternoon Tea at the Kennels

Afternoon Tea at the Kennels 19th August 2012 3pm - 5pm

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The kennels are on Bowley Lane just up from the garage.

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GARDENING CLUB

July 3rd Summer Party (7 pm) tickets only

August 7th Perfume in the garden (Sue Russell)

August 18th The 30th Annual Flower and Produce show

The Show Schedule will be available from usual places near to the show.

September 4th Plant Propagation (Hiliary Twigg).

Jacqui Price

The Big T: Raise money having fun!

St Michael's Hospice is asking people to fundraise in their communities during the Big T week: Saturday14th to Sunday 22nd July 2012.

Events can be as traditional or wacky as you like. Let your imagination fuel the fun ... what could you do as your Big T? You could have a Tea party with friends, maybe a Teddy Bear's picnic with the children or how about a G&T party for the adults? Perhaps dress up in Tutus and Tiaras for a day or maybe wear interesting

Ties or Tights to the office or school?

Big T Packs are available free from the Events Team at St Michael's Hospice (call 01432 851000) or contact them at events@st-michaels-hospice.org.uk

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Saturday 18th August 2012 for this fantastic 10km twilight walk.

Set in the National Trust grounds at Croft Castle, Herefordshire, the walk gives you exclusive access to the site after dark.

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The event is open to everyone with children under 16 year's old going free with a paying adult. If you register in advance you'll also receive a discount of £10 on the registration fee – so sign up now to take advantage of this offer! For more information please visit the website:

www.mariecurie.org.uk/walkten call 01633 853162 or email: claire.notman@mariecurie.org.uk

From the Editor,

Well, almost back to normal this month. The fight against technology continues, but I've learnt how to live with the problem enough so that this issue will, hopefully, be on time. Of course as I write this it hasn't gone to the printers yet! My computer hasn't got a virus,thankfully, and thank you to everyone who expressed their concern, but I think major surgery is on the cards! It will be brutal butwhen it's all over it will feel like a new machine, I hope. At least there's a couple of months' recovery time before the next newsletter, which will be the September issue!

The deadline as always is 18th of the previous month. Have the newsletter delivered automatically to your computer by signing up at www.bodenhamnewsletter.co.uk

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