

# ***The Annual General Meeting***

***Wednesday 23 November 2016***

The Recreation Committee consists of 7 members, 5 are community members 2 are members of the Parish Council.

Our responsibility is the day to day running of the village hall, the committee also organises social events and fund-raising events and using the proceeds for the benefit of the Parish. The committee by virtue of its role shares with the Parish Council responsibility for the upkeep and maintenance of the Play area and the Parish Properties accordingly, close and regular consultation between the Committee and the Parish Council is essential on all matters relating to this shared responsibility the Parish Properties is the first call on the committee's funds.

***December 2015***

***The Village Pantomime***

***This year was ' Dick Whittington' by Ben Crocker.***

This year we had three performances including a full house standing-room-only on Sunday matinée. Congratulations to everyone involved in this most enjoyable and worthy event. Proceeds of £570.00 [less the licence £100] £470.00 to Prostrate Cancer UK and the raffle raised £152.00 for Home Start in Hertford.

***January 2016***

***February Quiz.***

We had a full house and thank you to Chris and Marie who ran the evening. The winning team was St Joseph in the Park.

***March was Sport Relief***

A bit disappointed not many people came and again the committee made tea coffee bacon rolls and Paul supplied us with some great music.....Jane and Helen run a cake stall and we raised £280.25p so thank you to 28 adults 3 children and their dogs.....

***March The Great Egg Rolling Competition.***

This is really is good fun if you haven't been down Breach Lane to the Great egg rolling competition you are missing out. It follows with tea and cake in the village hall.

Thanks to Elaine and Simon

***July The Village Picnic.***

Little Berkhamsted Recreation Committee voted this year not to hold a *Village Fete*.

A difficult decision but in the last few years we have had very little support setting up and taking down often members of the committee are running one or two stalls, we have asked for help advertised and put leaflets to every door with no response.

*So not* to let the day go by we have decided to have a Village Picnic and Celebrate the Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We had a BBQ, music, Pimm's and a game of rounder's. The sun shone and everyone came with their picnics the children played and everyone had a brilliant time. Thank you to Julian for the Music Wayne for the BBQ and Marie for the Pimm's.

The villagers comment was that the best part was taking part in Rounder's match..

### ***Sept Quiz Night***

Still a very popular night out with Mark as our Quiz master and Marie on the score board we had great night.

### ***October Macmillan Coffee Morning***

Brilliant morning lovely cakes well done everyone and thank you. We raised £166.00

### ***November Firework night***

Well Simon really pushed the boat out this year with his trusty team. Simon and Paul dug the pit for the fire .On the Saturday evening we had mulled wine, hot chocolate, hotdogs, veggie dogs, and free nibble for the children. The fireworks were specular, the fire roared and everyone had super evening.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the fireworks and to the members of the Recreation Committee who gave us a brilliant evening thank you.

### ***Charities we supported the year.***

Macmillan' Coffee Morning, Tolmer's, Scout Camp and Home Start in Hertford. We made a donation to Simon Hedley who took part in a 100 mile ride London-Surry ride in aid of Prostate Cancer The village Pantomime also in aid for Prostate Cancer UK.

.A Fantastic achievement we also we support St Andrews Church Repairs and the Red Cross also in Hertford.

### ***December Village Ball***

There will be no Pantomime this year but we will end 2016 with a Village Christmas Ball at *The Essendon Country Club*.

### ***2017***

There will be the usual Quiz and Fete in 2017 we are planning a musical and food theme so please come forward and get involved it's your village too

*I would like to thank my committee for their support and wish them and everyone here a very **Happy Christmas**.*