

The Langford Life

The Newsletter of Langford Village Community Association

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It's Your Newsletter - So what do you want?

We hope you all enjoyed the last issue of The Langford Life following its long absence from the printing press. We are fully aware that many people have different ideas of what a newsletter is and what should and should not be included.

There is no right or wrong answer but we of course want to please as many of our members as possible whether they be young or old, single or married, with or without children.

Now is your chance to say exactly what you would like to see! How about the following:

Current issues concerning everyone - Estate Development including public facilities such as the School, Public House and Bus Services.

Letters to the Editor.

Kids Corner - contributions from the young people on Langford Village - fun or serious.

Reports from the User Groups of the Village Hall - what they have been up to, forthcoming plans, how to join in the fun.

Favourite recipes.

Gardening Tips - how do you cope with your waterlogged garden!

I look forward to your feedback. I will leave a suggestion box in the Foyer of the Hall or alternatively give me a call or drop me a line at the address and number below.

LVCA Grand Christmas Draw

Tickets available from Macs, Jardines and your Road Rep.



Fantastic Prizes Including:
Fly a Boeing 737 Simulator
Panasonic Colour TV
Mountain Bike

Draw will take place at Christmas Party
Proceeds to purchase storage equipment
& Donation to Bicester Cottage Hospital

The Road To Nowhere (L V Distribution Road)

Railtrack will commence tunnel work during March 1995, with completion set for September 1995. This will involve power drilling through the railway embankment. We are in discussion with the Environmental Officer regarding the operating times of such drill work.

If Railtrack allow completion of the road in conjunction with their tunnelling work then we should see the Distribution Road open by September 1995. If not then the road will open by November 1995.

The Tibbet and Britten building (Mars Warehouse), which can be seen from Langford Village, will also be fully operational by September. We will see a massive increase in traffic along the Distribution Road. It has been estimated that up to 100 trucks will be operating from the Mars Warehouse each day. More industrial units are planned with the possibility of another warehouse of a similar size being erected the Launton side of the Tibbet and Britten site. As these proposed units open the traffic volumes will increase.

There are a number of concerns to arise from these issues including road safety, increased noise, operational times of the warehouses, landscaping and the proposed use of such units.

If you have any comments or questions then please contact Allan Huddart on 248554 (Eves), and Bob Duxbury (Planning Officer) at Cherwell District Council.



LVCA Christmas Party

Saturday 17th December 1994

At Langford Village Hall

Bar opens 7.00pm - Last Orders 11.15pm

Disco - 8.00pm 'til Late

Tickets only £6.50

Includes buffet and 1 year membership
of LVCA - normally £1

Tickets available from Road Reps and
Al or Sarah Rogers on 323927

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LVCA exists to promote a community spirit and to improve the facilities and environment in Langford Village.

Membership of the Association is by annual subscription of £1 per household.

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Deadline for the inclusion of articles in the next issue: 15 January 1995

The current term, which ends on 16th December, has been very active for both the Toddler and Playgroup, with lots of enthusiasm put into arts, crafts and play. The children are now enjoying the build up to Christmas with activities designed to develop their imagination as well as thinking of others.

We hold the draw for our Christmas Raffle on Friday 16th December, at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Feel free to pop along.

If you require further details on the playgroup or wish to put your child's name on the waiting list then please call Janine on Bic. 324290.

If you would like to visit our Toddler Group we meet at the Village Hall on Tuesday and Friday afternoons between 1.30pm and 3.30pm. For further details call 240209.

We are always seeking new toys. If you have any Duplo, Playmobile, a Cassette Recorder or anything else your children have outgrown and you would like to donate to the Group then please call Sally on Bic. 240642.

Langford Village School - Update

Plans have been agreed and tenders for building work submitted, however, the finance for this project remains on hold until the 1995/96 Budgets are known. Until the Budget is approved no building work will commence. The earliest estimate is April 1995.

LVCA would like to thank everyone who contributed to the school survey. The results have been communicated to the relevant bodies.

Public House - Update

No plans as yet have been formally submitted. We continue to be in open discussion with CDC who will let us know of any developments.

LVCA Meeting Dates

General Committee Meetings are held in the Village Hall and are open to ALL residents.

9th January 1995	7.30pm
6th March 1995	7.30pm
1st May 1995	7.30pm

Many Sub Committee meetings take place on a regular basis, when practical these will be advertised on the Village Hall and Macs Notice Boards.

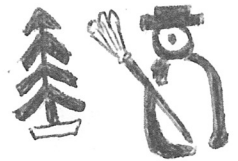
Langford Village Scout Group

We have had a busy term with many varied activities including a Fete where all the stalls were run by the Beavers - this was most successful and we donated some of the takings to the Unite Immunisation Project to help the children of Uganda.

We dressed up as devils and vampires for our Halloween Party and made stars and stripes sandwiches for our Thanksgiving supper. We are looking forward to Christmas having already made sweets, crackers and cards. We are having a Christmas Sing a Long for the "Old Folk" of Langford Village on 6th December when we will present them with the Hyacinth bulbs we have been growing.

We are still very keen to start a Cub Scout Pack, but are unable to do so until we have the offer of more adult help. If there is anyone out there who enjoys a **Challenge, fun and adventure** then we would love to hear from you. Please ring Ellie on 322425.

Christmas Funtime Quiz



Write your name(s), address and answers on a sheet of paper and return to Ellie Thompson, 15 Heron Drive by 8 January. A small prize for the Family or Individual with the most correct answers.

1. Cold water turns into this.
2. He's cold and his first name is Jack.
3. Birthplace of the Holy Child.
4. Name the gifts of the Wise Men.
5. Rather a strange Christmas spirit in the butter?
6. Another name for Father Christmas.
7. In the Song "The 12 Days of Christmas" how many "Maids a-milking"?
8. Name 3 plants associated with Christmas.
9. Where does the tree in Trafalgar Square come from each year?
10. What animals would you expect to see in a Nativity Scene?
11. Name the parents of the baby Jesus.
12. Name 5 things you eat at Christmas.
13. The time leading up to Christmas has a special name, what is it?
14. Where might someone in Australia have Christmas Dinner?
15. Name 6 things you might decorate your house with at Christmas.

