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ADAM WILBY

Remembering Adam Wilby

Adam grew up in the village and would have been celebrating his birthday on May 30th.

A dearly loved son, brother and friend, sadly missed by us all.

Happy Birthday among the stars, Adam - you live on in our hearts and memories and we will be raising a toast to you on your special day!

Trish remembers her son Adam by kindly sponsoring this May birthday issue—thank you Trish and happy heavenly birthday Adam

DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE

21ST MAY 2025



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BOW BRICKHILL VILLAGE NEWS MAY 2025



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Bow Brickhill Events proudly presents.....



Bow Brickhill Recreation Ground,
Rushmere Close

Saturday 7th June 2025

12.30pm to 5.30pm

Food Stalls & Refreshments Hornes Bar
Games & Tug o War Dog Show Live Music

The Village News is hand delivered to all the homes in Bow Brickhill and a few beyond
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY MAY 2025

DATE	ACTIVITY/TIME	VENUE	CONTACT
Tues 13th	Parish Council AGM & AVGM 7.00 p.m.	Pavilion	Parish Clerk clerk@bowbrickhill-pc.gov.uk
Sun 18th	Sunday Lunch Club 12.30 p.m	Community Hall	Sally Pepper 07831 633653
Mon 12th	Book Club 7:30 p.m.	Community Hall	Celia Sherratt Celiasherratt@gmail.com
Wed 21st	3 Parish Coach Trip 9:30 a.m. Witney	Greenways	Brenda Toombs 01908 375151
Thurs 22nd	BB WI - poetry with Liz Houghton 7.30 p.m.	Pavilion	Stephanie Warren 01908 671394
Weekly Mon:	Yoga 6.00 p.m.	Community Hall	Elli Flitton Www.elli.yoga Email: info@elli.yoga
Weekly Wed:	Drop In : 2.30 - 4.30 p.m.	Community Hall	Andrea Spurdle An- drea_spurdle@earthling.net
Weekly Wed:	Brownies 6.00 p.m.	Community Hall	Sally Pepper 01908 375365
Weekly Sat:	Kick Boxing : 9.30 a.m.	Pavilion	Mark Mackrill mark.ecka@outlook.com
	Tai Chi : 12 Noon	Pavilion	Frank Purcell fjmp1953@yahoo.co.uk
Alternate: Thursdays	Acoustic Guitar Club 8.00 pm	Community Hall	Martin Bishop mbishop61@googlemail.com
Monthly:	Buccaneers : Model Making 3rd Weds : 8.00 p.m.	Pavilion	Derek Giles Derek.giles@skedda.test 01908 374494
Monthly: 1st,3rd,4th	Old Apostolic Church Group Sun 9.15 a.m.	Pavilion	Fatima Cronje 07577 478037 fatima.cronje@Oldvwfs.co.uk



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The Rectory, 10 Pound Hill, Great Brickhill MK17 9AS

Churchwarden: John Wales Tel: 01908 373907
To contact the Rector and Churchwarden email:
bowbrickhillchurch@gmail.com

Please remember that the Benefice website will be the best way to obtain information and updates on any of the services, etc: www.brickhillschurches.org.uk

RECTOR'S MAY MESSAGE:

This is The Way

Dear Friends,

Later this month I will celebrate what feels like a significant birthday. It is a time to celebrate, and also to pause and reflect.

At times like this it is good to look back, and reflect on the way we have travelled. My life over the years that I have been here has certainly included challenges and sorrows that I would never have expected, but there is also so much that I am thankful for, in the ways that God has blessed me, often through the care and support of friends and neighbours.

And this is also a time, whatever our age may be, to look forward, because the Christian faith always calls us to live in hope. There is much that we do not know about the future, but we are called to trust in God's loving purposes, and that the best is yet to be, as we seek God's guidance for the way ahead.

As I look back, and look ahead, I often return to the promise of these words from the Old Testament:

Whether you turn to the right or the left,
Your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying,
'This is the way; walk in it.' (Isaiah 30. 21)



Revd John Waller

(Rector's Bible Study at the Rectory resumes in May)

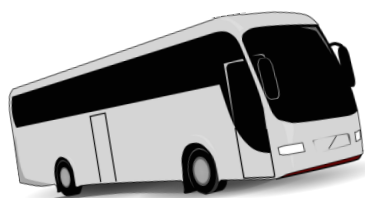
GB CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING, TUESDAY 13th MAY:

The Church Annual Meeting is being held in the church at 7.30pm, refreshments from 7.15pm. A photo presentation will be given showing the various events, which have been held throughout the year. All formal notices and forms for the Annual Meeting are on the website and also on display in the church. **We would welcome new members to join the PCC and also require someone to take on the role of Warden.** Full details are on the website:- <https://brickhillschurches.org.uk/great-brickhill/annual-church-meeting/> Please contact either Julia or Phillipa if you would like to know more about what is involved in being a member of the PCC, or becoming a Warden:

Julia Turner:- 07714 028785 juliaturner.it@icloud.com
Phillipa Cook:- 07788 40969 pjcook6@gmail.com

THREE PARISHES COACH TRIP

WITNEY : WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY



cost is £14.50 for Parishioners over 60
£16.00 for Non Parishioners
(if space available)

Departing 9.30 a.m.
Return from Location 4.00 p.m.

For more info and to Book a Ticket contact Brenda

01908 375151 or 07792610055

AGE UK Campaign for off-line support

I'm worried that so many services require us to be online to access them these days. There are nearly 6 million older people who either don't use the internet or can't use it safely and successfully and they're being cut out.

I think you should be able to access services by post, phone or face to face if you want to, so I've signed Age UK's petition to guarantee this right for everyone. Please will you sign too?

Thank you,
Ann

If you or a loved one would like to sign you can request a form by writing to FREEPOST Age UK Campaigns (that's all the address you need!)

Everyone should have fair and equal access to services. But older people are being overlooked.

For those who aren't or choose not to be online it's becoming impossible to do basic things like booking a medical appointment or paying for parking.

Please join our call for all public services to always offer
a post, phone or face to face option!

SERVICES ACROSS THE BENEFICE TO THE END OF MAY

Sunday 27th April

10.00 (St. H.) Holy Communion *Benefice* JW
This is a joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond

Sunday 4th May

11.00 (Gt. Br.) Holy Communion *Benefice* JW
(followed by a Bring & Share Lunch)

This is a joint service/lunch for all in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond

Sunday 11th May [Christian Aid Week 11th – 17th May]

11.00 (St. H.) Family Service with Holy Communion JW
(Christian Aid Theme)
18.00 (Gt. Br.) Evensong (BCP) *Choir* Phillippa Cook
18.00 (St. H.) Compline JW
(followed by Annual Meeting)

Sunday 18th May

9.30 (Bw. Br.) Holy Communion JW
11.00 (Gt. Br.) Family Service & Blessing JW
(Christian Aid Theme)
9.30 (St. H.) Morning Worship Jeremy Hopkinson

Sunday 25th May (*John Waller away*)

11.00 (St. H.) Service in the Community Centre Dave Webber
11.00 (Lt. Br.) Family Service Phillippa Cook
18.00 (Bw. Br.) Evensong (BCP) *Choir* Jeremy Hopkinson

(N.B. Thursday 29th May Ascension Day – no services are planned)

The Church Electoral Roll:

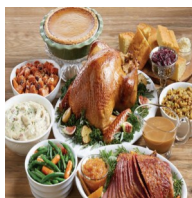
As already advised, this has to be renewed every six years. Everyone who wishes to remain on the electoral roll will need to re-apply. For details of the Electoral Roll and to download the 2025 Application Form for Enrolment on the Church Electoral Roll, go to <https://brickhillschurches.org.uk/electoral-roll/>

(Anyone who wishes to vote on any matter at the Annual Meeting is required to be registered on the Electoral Roll.)

SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB

18TH MAY

Join us on **Sunday 18th May at 12.30 p.m.**
For our Sunday Lunch Club in the Community Hall



We look forward to seeing existing and new members

**Please contact Sally or Alistair on 07831 633653
if you want to join us or help in any way**

ASTRA 500 Club



The results from the March draw of the 500 club are:

1st prize:	£21.50	ticket	104	Peter Willis
2nd prize:	£15.05	ticket	61	Mary Preen
3rd prize:	£ 6.45	ticket	9	Cynthia Crosby

Draws are held on the last Thursday of every month

A big thank you to Andrea Spurdle who manages these monthly draws

Drop-in Wednesday afternoons



Everyone is welcome to come to the meeting room in the Community Hall on Church Road any time from **2.30 - 4.30pm on a Wednesday** for a cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat with fellow villagers in a **warm space**

We'd love to see you there!



Bow Brickhill Women's Institute meets on the
4th Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm
In The Pavilion, Rushmere Close, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9JB

New members and guests are very welcome

Our May meeting will be an evening of poetry with Liz Houghton

For further details please email bowbrickhillwi@gmail.com

Part of the Bow Brickhill Village Fayre



Bow Brickhill Family Dog Show

Saturday, 7th June 2025

Fayre: 12 noon
 Family Dog Show: 1pm



Kindly Sponsored by

Classes - £2 per Class*



- Handsomest Boy
- Prettiest Girl
- Golden Oldie
- Perfect Puppy
- Scruffiest
- Best Trick
- Dog who looks like their owner
- Dog who hasn't won a Rosette
- Best Treat Catcher
- Best in Show

*** With proceeds to the National Animal Welfare Trust**



Bow Brickhill CofE Primary School



We have many traditions at Bow Brickhill CE Primary including a special Mothers' Day Tea which our EYFS pupils work hard to prepare for their mummy's each year. This year our Acorns pupils fully embraced the event, making sandwiches, baking scones and cakes as well as making table decorations so the classroom was beautifully decorated for their special guests. The children were so excited to welcome their mum's and to show them to their seats before the refreshments were enjoyed by everyone!



P.E and school sport are an important part of the curriculum, helping us teach the children about the importance of having healthy bodies and active lifestyles. This year, as well as their P.E lessons, our children have represented the school at a number of sporting events, competing against other local schools. Most recently, at a year 3/4 football fixture, our team won 10-1 followed a few weeks later by an equally impressive result for our year 5/6 basketball team who won every game in their tournament. We are so proud of our teams who come together for training and give every event their all and are very grateful to parents who support them.

In the spring term, the children in Cedars class learnt to play the clarinet assisted by the MK Music Service. Each week the children worked extremely hard, learning how to put their instruments together, mastering notes and short musical pieces which they performed for their parents in the last week of the spring term.

Cedars were also lucky to experience a funded trip to Hazard Alley Safety Centre where they learnt how to keep themselves safe in different everyday scenarios. The class had a super time exploring and investigating a range of possible different situations, all the time learning essential safety skills which will hopefully stand them in good stead for the future.

We currently have spaces in some year groups. If you are interested in a place for your child and would like to visit our school we would love to show you around, please contact us via office@bowbrickhillprimary.co.uk or call us on 01908 373672

Bow Brickhill History Society

Milton Keynes Heritage Association have very generously given BBHS a grant towards the cost of undertaking a geophysical survey of one of the Edgwick Farm fields near to Danesborough Hill Fort.

There has only ever been one archaeological dig at Danesborough Hill Fort, an early Iron Age structure situated on the edge of the Greensand Ridge towards Woburn Sands. This was undertaken in 1924 and details are covered in a report called 'Excavations at Danesborough Camp' by J Berry.

There is extensive LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) material available online which shows the area stripped bare of trees. BBHS are hoping that by surveying the Edgwick field we will learn something of its history but also that it may throw up some new evidence about nearby Danesborough Hill Fort.

If you are interested in getting involved please contact Mary Preen
marypreen@gmail.com



COMMUNITY HALL GARDEN

Children are most welcome to use the Community Hall garden when the hall is not in use, there may be newcomers to the village who do not realise this.

Can parents please ensure that children are supervised when using the garden.

Thank you BBCH Committee



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PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Bow Brickhill Parish Council are looking for an enthusiastic person to join them in the management of Parish affairs. There are important issues facing the Parish Council and you can help shape the outcome by giving up just a little of your time. We meet nine times a year plus some ad hoc meeting to decide financial matters and planning applications along with a whole range of local issues.

If you care about your village and want to have a say in running it, this is your opportunity to get involved. We have a responsibility for the finances, Pavilion, and influence planning in Bow Brickhill. Traffic and transport issues also feature in our discussions, and we are able to act as a pressure group with Milton Keynes City Council.

Please don't leave it to somebody else to get involved - you can make the difference if you join us.

Further details are available from the Parish Clerk:
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The May meeting of the Parish Council is on
Tuesday 13th May at 7.00 p.m.

This precedes the Annual General Village Meeting at which all the groups and organisations of the village report on their activities for the year.

Please show your interest and support by attending and hearing what has been happening in your village during 2024/25



BOW BRICKHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Council Meeting Dates 2025/26

All held at 7.00 p.m.

Normally at The Pavilion, Rushmere Close, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9JD

13 May 2025	Annual Parish Council Meeting and Annual General Village Meeting
10 June 2025	Community Engagement Meeting
8 July 2025	Full Parish Council Meeting
9 September 2025	Full Parish Council Meeting
14 October 2025	Community Engagement Meeting
11 November 2025	Full Parish Council Meeting
13 January 2026	Full Parish Council Meeting
10 February 2026	Community Engagement Meeting
10 March 2026	Full Parish Council Meeting
12 May 2026	Annual Parish Council Meeting and Annual General Village Meeting

In accordance with approved Standing Order 3e, members of the public may make representations, ask questions, and give evidence at a meeting which they are entitled to attend in respect of the business on the agenda.

The total period of time designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 20 minutes and an individual member of the public shall not speak for more than 3 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting

Acting Chairman: Philip Ball Parish Clerk: Mrs Julie Godden