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SPRING 2010 NEWSLETTER

LGVA QUIZ NIGHT



7.45PM FRIDAY 5TH MARCH

LEVERSTOCK GREEN VILLAGE HALL

Quizmaster RALPH RAYNER

£8.00 including supper
(per person)

Max 8 per team

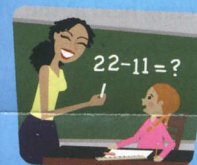
We welcome villagers who wish to attend either on their own or as a couple, and will endeavour to place you in an existing team, or make up a new one.

All profits to LGVA

"MORE THAN A CENTURY AND A HALF OF LEARNING"



An illustrated talk by Barbara Chapman
about Leverstock Green's Schools



Friday 19th March 7:45 pm

Leverstock Green Village Hall

Admission £6, children £5

All profits to LGVA



MAIN HALL

Thinking of having a party or starting up a new group?

Investigate our website for details of rooms and charges.

Still interested?

Contact Sally, our administrator, by e-mail, or phone between 9.30 and 12.30 am weekdays to find availability and arrange to view our rooms.

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BUGLASS AWARDS FOR SERVICE TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

In November LGVA made two presentations, each recognising contributions made to the Leverstock Green community.

The first award, the Buglass Youth Award 2009, was presented to 11 year old Amy Carl by LGVA Chairman Barbara Chapman, at Holy Trinity Church Leverstock Green on Wednesday November 11th. Amy received the award primarily for her contribution to Holy Trinity's Junior Church, and especially the help she gave the younger children. On presenting Amy with her crystal trophy, certificate and Waterstones voucher, Barbara commented that in addition, Amy could always be relied on to willingly help at the Annual Village Fete. (Photo by John Baldwin)



The second award, the Buglass Award 2009, was presented to Mrs Helen Glass by Mick Reeve, (the recipient of the award in 2008), at the Association's

Annual General Meeting held at the Village Hall on Monday 16th November. Helen had been nominated for her work as Chairman of Leverstock Green Primary School's PTA over the preceding six years. (Photo by John Ayling)

Both awards were set up in memory of past LGVA President Fred Buglass who died in 1998 aged 93. For further details about the awards and how you can nominate someone for this year's awards visit: <http://www.lgchronicle.net/BuglassAward.html>

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 2009

The following 11 Trustees were elected for 2009-2010 at our AGM held on 16th November 2009, with the officers being elected at the December Trustee's meeting:

Barbara Chapman (Chairman), Margaret Rayner (Vice-Chairman), Iris Parish (Treasurer), John Baldwin, Colin Gage, Ralph Rayner, Pamela Richardson, Stuart Ridge, Nick Taylor, John Walker, & Audrey Whiteman.

The following LGVA Trustees for the year 2009-2010 have been nominated by local groups/societies etc:

Sue Brind – Leverstock Green Amateur Dramatic Society (LADS), Bill Dawes – Leverstock Green Football Club, Barry Dixon – Leverstock Green Tennis Club, Cllr Margaret Griffiths – DBC, Derrek Smith – Leverstock Green Cricket Club, Cllr Graham Sutton – DBC & Northend Residents Association, Mick Reeve – Leverstock Green Players, – Holy Trinity Church DCC (to be advised). Margaret Rayner also represents the Leverstock Green WI.

For a copy of the Chairman's report to the AGM, ask either at the LGVA office, or download a copy from our website.

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USE FORM ON THE BACK PAGE

LGVA 500 CLUB

*Your chance to win £100 every month
and help raise funds for the Village*

Join the LGVA 500 Club, and for just £1 a month you have the chance of winning a £100 top prize, or one of two runner-up prizes for *every month* you are a member! You will also be making a vital contribution to village life in Leverstock Green. All profits go to LGVA funds and will help to maintain and run our busy Village Hall, provide community events such as the fete and firework display, and give a voice to the residents as a village group.

Just complete the form available from the Village Hall or on-line and return with your annual subscription of £12 by cash, cheque (payable to LGVA) or Standing Order, our preferred method of payment. Forms are available from the Village Hall Administrator, Sally Burrows (01442 268723) any weekday morning, or by download from our website www.lgva.bravehost.com.

We hope that Leverstock Green residents will continue to support the Village through the 500 Club, and keep on enjoying their winnings this year. A new 500 Club year starts in April so please don't delay!

Winners: September 2009 - 314 members

Drawn by Jackie Small - Leverstock Green News

1 st	£100	Mrs Christine Terry
2 nd	£19	Mrs Kathy Cartwright
3 rd	£6	Mrs Carol Rumble

October 2009 -315 members

Drawn by Jenny Simmons – Leverstock Green Librarian

1 st	£100	Mr Cyril Clarke
2 nd	£20	Mr Simon Roberts
3 rd	£7	Mr Hitesh Dodhia

November 2009 - 316 members

Drawn by Frances Evans – Stylist at Julie's Hair Salon

1 st	£100	Mrs Jane Attwood
2 nd	£20	Mr Eric Phelps
3 rd	£7	Mrs Lynda Foxwell

December 2009 - 316 members

Drawn by Sally Burrows – Village Hall Administrator

1 st	£100	Miss Caroline Evans
2 nd	£20	Mrs Lesley Goundry
3 rd	£7	Mrs Ivy Wilby



We would welcome old mobile phones and chargers (which we can exchange for vouchers), as well as good condition children's & teenage books for LGVA fete bookstall. These can be dropped into the Village Hall on Mon – Fri. 9.30 am – 12.30





LEVERSTOCK GREEN ON FACEBOOK

Membership of Leverstock Green Village Association on Facebook is growing steadily. Why not register as a Member and let us keep you up to date on what is going on? You can let us know what you think about current issues, and upload your photos taken around the village. If you are not already a member of Facebook register at www.facebook.com

To view our LGVA Facebook Group as a non-member go to: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/group.php?gid=229284140440>

POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT MEETING

TUE. 16 MARCH 7.30 pm
IN LEVERSTOCK GREEN
VILLAGE MAIN HALL



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PC Johanna Stuart & PCSO Richard Barnes will be present. Please attend and take this opportunity to raise any local issues and meet like-minded people who care for their community.

PCSO Surgeries with Richard Barnes are also booked for the Buglass Room as follows:

Monday 1 March 10 to 11am,
 Saturday 17 April 10 to 11 am Tuesday 11 May 4 to 5pm
 Sunday 27 June 2 to 3pm Wednesday 21 July 6 to 7pm



FRIENDS OF BUNKERS PARK

DBC has assisted in the revival of Friends of Bunkers Park with a meeting held at Nash Mills Village Hall on 12 October last year. This was well attended and many present volunteered to take part in activities to preserve and improve this wonderful facility.

On Saturday 21st. Nov. around 15 volunteers assembled in the car park to take part in coppicing part of the new hazel plantation. The party was led by Colin Chambers, Trees and Woodlands Officer to DBC, who provided the necessary tools, gave instruction in their safe use and demonstrated the essentials of the task in hand. He was accompanied by Claire Covington, Parks and Open Spaces Manager. In overcast but, thankfully, dry weather the volunteers enthusiastically set to work coppicing as well as clearing a large fallen branch and opening up an overgrown vista nearby. One kind lady supplied coffee and mince pies while work continued under the watchful eye of a Dalmatian dog and with the assistance of grandchildren of one of the volunteers.



This was a fun day during which a lot was achieved, but there is still a great deal to do. Another day of coppicing was planned for mid-January. Martin Chapman our editor, and John

Baldwin the "Friends" LGVA representative, can be seen here obviously enjoying their task along with other volunteers.

Anyone wishing to join Friends of Bunkers Park should contact Claire - email Claire.Covington@dacorum.gov.uk. Future voluntary working parties will be advertised at the entrances to the park and at the Village Hall.



LET'S KNIT

a course for beginners who have either forgotten or have never knitted.

Course: Five lessons - Time: 7.30 - 9.30
 Start date: Wednesday 3rd March 2010 and following 4 Wednesdays in the Buglass Room

Cost: £20 in advance (profits to Leverstock Green Village Association)

For further details and to register e-mail office@lgva.freereserve.co.uk or request a form from the LGVA office.



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Reader's photographs



Spindle Tree in Bunkers Park: Martin Chapman



Harvest: John Baldwin

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH - "The Bells"

After 160 years of faithful service, the clock and bells of our village Church are undergoing urgent repairs. The clock hands are driven by means of a rod and sleeve system passing through the wall of the bellcote from the clock chamber. Over the years the bearings between the rod and sleeve have seized causing the clock to stop.

In addition, the lever of the bell hammer that strikes the hourly chime and the rebound spring that lifts the hammer clear of the bell after striking both need replacing.

Further inspection of the bellcote has revealed a need for repair and repointing of cracked and worn masonry. All these tasks required the erection of scaffolding, see photo, and in order to reduce hire costs the works have been consolidated.

The recent exceptional weather conditions have delayed the start of operations but we should soon have the friendly face of our clock and its regular chime restored. Hopefully, and with God's blessing, to serve both the Church and the Village for another 160 years.



Derek Sanvoisin. Assistant Churchwarden.

LGVA Dates for your Diary

Friday 5 th March 7:45pm	SPRING QUIZ – Quiz Master Ralph Rayner £8 ea including supper.
Friday 19 th March 7:45pm	"MORE THAN A CENTURY & A HALF OF LEARNING" An illustrated talk by Barbara Chapman on Leverstock Green's School. Village Hall, tickets £6 (Children £5)
Saturday 10 th July	VILLAGE FETE - Westwick Field 2pm
Saturday 6 th November	FANTASTIC FIREWORK DISPLAY – Westwick Field - Adults £4, Children & Pensioners £3, Family ticket (2 x adults + up to 6 children) £12
Monday 15 th November	LEVERSTOCK GREEN VILLAGE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Sunday 5 th December	CAROL CONCERT by children from local schools and Holy Trinity Church Choir.



Reader's
Photographs

Sunset, by
Caroline Hall

Deadline for Next Issue

Friday May 7th

VOLUNTEER HELPERS FORM – PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO LGVA OFFICE

(This form can be copied, or downloaded from our website, & can be posted in our secure post box out of opening hours.)

NAME:

ADDRESS:

DAYTIME PHONE NO: EMAIL

Please tick ALL boxes which apply:

I am willing to help at the summer fete 10th July

I am willing to help at the fireworks on 6th Nov

I am willing to go on a "general helpers" list

Please contact me with further details re

Becoming a Trustee (Main Management committee
member meeting 2nd Mon. each month except Aug.)

Helping with catering for quizzes etc.

Joining this year's fete planning sub-committee

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