

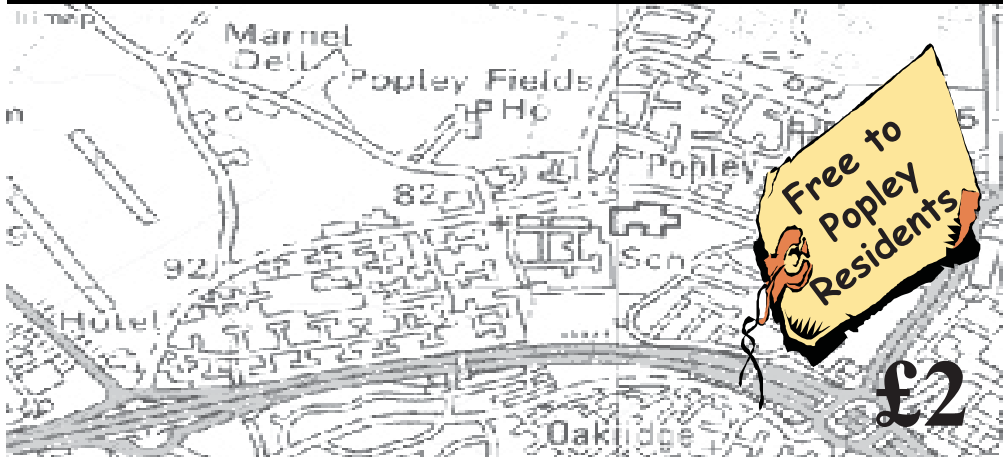
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Editor  
Jane Frankum

**Message from the Editor:** As I write this I am, like a lot of other people, melting. It is good to have beautiful warm weather but it does have its down side too. I was shocked to see some young children either not covered up or without sun block on. Another concern was the burning hot roads and paths that pets were walking on. There must be some very sore people and animals.

That brings me to my annual plea at schools' summer break, about parking inappropriately that is even more thoughtless and dangerous for our children on their school holidays and playing out in the open air. Please, please don't be mean; let the children be seen. Marnel Park

is really about one of the worst areas for this just a few mindless residents impacting on the safety of many. I have spoken to Chief Inspector Matt Reeves and our PCSO that will be writing in Popley Matters with a regular article. I also spoke to the cabinet member cllr. simon.bound@basingstoke.gov.uk about parking and have written also in Popley West Councillors report on page 3. I have been assured that there will be please also CC in your local Councillors so we can add more evidence of need.

The summer brings extra activities that you can join in with:- Popley Fields page 7 for the young; for everyone try Melrose Hall on page 9; Bermuda Community Centre page 12; bowls at Marnell Club page 16; Air Scouts page 18; MFC pages 22 and 23. You can even learn to play Bridge details on page 23, visit the amazing Vyne House page 25; Boys Brigade page 26;. Football/Referee coaching page 27, visit the library page 28, and for the over 55s read page 28. Certainly lots to do as well as the usual parks; Popley has at least three great parks Chineham Splash; Pershore Road; and Popley Community Park with some added features and some green open spaces to play. Have a safe and happy summer. Email the Editor at editor@popleymatters.org.uk. Contact me at either 405 Abbey Road, phone me, 01256 819924 or email me at editor@popleymatters.org.uk.



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**Councillors' Page:** I am now on the committee in Hampshire County Council for Health and Adult Social Services and had my first meeting in June, There was a presentation on the future of adult care and the pressures by the present government to "save" £56 million. In truth it will hit those in most need the hardest. Then followed a presentation on "Introduction to the NHS Landscape" mostly on some of the steps and how they will shape the changes. I was adamant that their steps had missed the very root of many problems and that was just getting to see a doctor. The waiting times in most doctors surgeries is two to three weeks for "non" urgent cases. While you wait to see the doctor, often the conditions worsen. I met a veteran on Armed Forces Day who was clearly unwell and despite trying, his wait was over two weeks to see a doctor, no wonder A&E gets so busy and overloaded. I was backed by some other councillors of all parties that we need to know more so we will be looking at that later this year. The final presentation was on Stroke services in West Surrey that takes in part of Hampshire. They have 40% vacancies for senior staff here in North Hampshire at least facilities are much better. Email me at [jane.frankum@hants.gov.uk](mailto:jane.frankum@hants.gov.uk) **Cllr Jane Frankum 01256 819924**  
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**Popley West:** Residents of Marnel Park are contacting me about the parking issues there. I have spoken to Police Chief Inspector Matt Reeves and said that there needs to be action from the police as paths are blocked and parking on corners and opposite T junctions are causing a hazard. I also spoke to the portfolio holder Simon. Bound and acknowledged what I have been saying and contacting him and previous cabinet members about for some time. "Yes there is a problem," he agreed "and there will be a review". "Creating about 30 to 40 parking spaces a year for the whole borough is not going to be an answer". The council needs to allocate more funds and at least start addressing a problem that is getting worse. In the meantime if residents parked in their allocated spaces and gave some thought for pedestrians it would help. It is made a lot worse by a few people who just don't seem to care about the chaos they cause for the many. When the lines at the bottom part of Appleton Drive were suggested there was an outcry and 170 objections. Residents are now saying that it does work. I am meeting officers on 23rd June about extending the scheme. I will of course report back in the August Popley Matters.

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**Popley East:** The HCC is proposing an extension to the Nursery Building at the Chineham Early Years Centre (formerly Chineham Park Primary School), Shakespeare Road.

The HCC will make the decision on its own application. We are being consulted on the proposal.

Currently around 90 children use the Nursery and are housed in the Sure Start building and rooms in the closed school.

It is argued that running the nursery in two separate buildings is inefficient and it will be better to house the children in one extended building.

There are 24 parking spaces on site and the capacity of the nursery is not being expanded.

Clearly once the former school building is vacated it makes it easier for the HCC to consider other uses for the site. Other users will also have an interest in this.

We will be monitoring developments closely.

Update on the Planning Application for the Pub/Restaurant off Carpenters Down.

The applicant has indicated that they will be revising the scheme and relocating the pub building to the North West of the site with the car parking to the South East of the site. Amended plans will be submitted in due course.

Our position has been and remains that this is not a suitable location for a Pub/Restaurant and therefore the siting of buildings etc. is probably irrelevant.

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Dear readers,

I hope you are all enjoying this lovely weather!

Firstly, I would like to address the issue of parking. As we all know it is an issue and will unfortunately continue to be. As Police we have limited powers to deal with parking but we are, however, able to deal with obstructions. If you think a vehicle is parked in a manner in which it is causing an obstruction – call 101 and they are likely to deploy if units are available.

You are also not allowed to park within 10 metres of junction.

We lack powers to deal with the circumstance in which a vehicle is parked on a footpath but please do take the time to think about how your parking is affecting others. It may not be illegal, you may be forcing someone with a pram or a wheelchair to have to use the road and this could have extremely dangerous consequences.

We regularly attend Youth Club at Popley Fields Community Centre on both Mondays and Wednesdays and I am pleased to say that the behaviour during these the last couple of weeks has been great and we have thoroughly enjoyed attending!

Anti-social behaviour tends to increase with the improvement of weather and so don't be surprised if you see us around more than usual. Feel free to stop and say hi. Please do call us if you see anything relating to ASB as we do not tolerate this behaviour and want to keep our residents happy!

A few weeks ago, myself and a colleague visited the Gurkha Museum and Sir Harold Hillier Gardens in Romsey on a day out with our Gurkha community. We had a thoroughly fantastic time, learnt lots and even had a little dance.

I wish you all a safe and happy summer and hope to see you many of you on my patrols out in the sunshine.

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This festival is in aid of The FA's Charity Partner, the Bobby Moore Fund ([www.cancerresearchuk.org/support-us/become-a-partner/our-charity-partners/bobby-moore-fund](http://www.cancerresearchuk.org/support-us/become-a-partner/our-charity-partners/bobby-moore-fund)), and is open to everyone regardless of age or ability.

We're looking to recruit teams for the 6-aside festival, in the age categories **50-65yrs** and **65+yrs**. In addition, we will be seeking entries from any individuals aged 18+ looking to try Walking Football for the first time, or those who fancy giving their family members a run for their money!

Entry will be **£5 per player** and must be paid directly to Hampshire FA. As the FA has kindly agreed to cover all festival costs, **100%** of your entry fee will go directly to the Bobby Moore Fund to fund life-saving bowel cancer research. An entry form can be found below.

Once you've registered, you'll receive more information about the day itself including a Bobby Moore Fund fundraising pack. As well as the festival itself, we hope to turn the weekend into a county-wide fundraiser! You can use our pack for some inspiration and we encourage everyone in your local community to get involved.

For more information about the day, please get in touch with Flo Lunn on 01256 853000 (Ext 327) or email [Flo.Lunn@HampshireFA.com](mailto:Flo.Lunn@HampshireFA.com).

Kind regards,

Isabella Sakias

**Business Support Officer | Hampshire FA**





## **Make Your Community Better**

Your local community groups together with the Popley Neighbourhood Partnership are looking for ideas and suggestions for improvements to Popley.

Have you got ideas on how we can improve Popley? Would you like to be involved in making your community a better place?

Please submit your ideas and feedback to Alan Fowler, Deputy Chair, Popley Neighbourhood Partnership

[alangfowler@yahoo.com](mailto:alangfowler@yahoo.com)

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It's always difficult to deal with disappointments and the feeling of being let down; so can we be as generous and noble in defeat as in victory? How quickly will all those St George Cross flags disappear if we are beaten and how many of us will still be glued to the TV to watch the one day matches?

It's the same in our every day lives! If we raise our hopes and expectations too high only to be let down our natural instinct is to turn our backs and walk away in despair. There's a wonderful story in Luke's Gospel of two followers walking home to the town of Emmaus that really captures the sense of loss and disappointment.

But there is another way (to coin a phrase!). St Paul wrote to the Christians in Rome "Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance produces character; and character produces hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us."

These are wise words and worth dwelling on when you're going through a tough time. One thing you can be absolutely certain of; God will never let you down, disappoint you or dash your hopes; he has a perfect plan for your life, even if it doesn't feel like that sometimes – why not give Him a chance and try talking to Him about it for a moment – you may be surprised!

Have a fantastic summer, long may the sun shine on you and may we look forward to a great celebration of England victory in the test match – bring it on!.

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# Colemans Content with Solid Silver Start

Popley based reigning World and National Powerboat Champion, Daisy Coleman, and her brother Sam settled for a solid silver medal in this weekend's UK season opener. The Aalborg Regatta, Denmark hosted some fantastic heat racing with over 70k spectators enjoying the weekend festival. Sam & Daisy Coleman qualified 2<sup>nd</sup>, pipped by just four tenths of a second to pole position by current USA Champions and fellow Welshmen; James Norvill and Christian Parsons-Young. Sam and Daisy won both of their heat races on the Saturday setting the stage for a straight showdown between the UK and USA Champions in Sunday's Grand Finale.

Ultimately with the teams so evenly matched it was pole position which enabled the USA Champs to make it first to the first turn mark. With a tight course and flat water James and Christian drove faultlessly leaving no opportunity for the hard charging Coleman Racing to take the win.

The next round takes the teams to Greenock for the Scottish leg of the tour in only 2 weeks' time. With last year's Scottish round being their first ever event win they're hoping for the same result this year. With preparations already underway be sure to stay up with the latest Coleman Racing news by heading to [www.colemanracing.co.uk](http://www.colemanracing.co.uk) or @



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including: Orienteering, Money Education, Working in the Community and Animal Care during 3 days of Enrichment. A Geography Field Trip to Salisbury and MFL trips to both France and Germany are also scheduled in July.

Year 6 Induction Evening will take place on Thursday 6 July at 6.30pm, and the Year 6 Induction Day is Friday 7 July. We look forward to welcoming both students and parents to the Academy.

Our Year 11 GCSE exams have finished and our students are looking forward to their 'Prom' on 30 June at Sandford Springs, Kingsclere.

## Students' View

On Sunday 22nd May, many students attended Popley Festival. There were fun stalls and activities, including hook-a-duck, beat the goalie, rides and much more. Those who attended thoroughly enjoyed the festival, and many students described it as "one of the best days of my life" and wished that they could have "had our own stalls and helped fundraise for the school and charities." There was even the chance to meet the mayor!

Pan Everest performed at the festival, playing just before the festival began, opening the festival on a musical note. Overall, the Festival was a widely popular affair and was appreciated by all who went. We look forward to next year's festival!



Jennifer Welldon—Year 10



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**Tuesday evening** Community bingo, doors open at 7.00pm, eyes down at 8.00pm. Finish around 9.45pm (light refreshments available at halftime)

**Thursday evening** Street dance and ballet classes for two and a half years to adult 4.30 - 6.30pm. School term time. Please contact Samantha Pike on 07811299484

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**FUNDRAISING:** A steady dribble of cash continues to arrive from previous events.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**8/7/2017 Heritage Light Orchestra and supporting singers** perform for us at QMC. This year's concert, which is part of Basingstoke Festival 2017, is "ALL AT SEA" and promises a very lively and interesting evening. You can buy tickets direct from our website [www.basingstokelions.org.uk](http://www.basingstokelions.org.uk), from [mauricehockley@hotmail.com](mailto:mauricehockley@hotmail.com) or tel: 01256 421867, or Toucan Travel at the Chineham shopping Centre.

**WELFARE:** Our Club and the Loddon Valley Lions Club (LV) have agreed to jointly support 2 projects:-

- a. Team Rubicon [www.teamrubiconuk.org/](http://www.teamrubiconuk.org/) : To keep teams busy when not engaged on disaster deployments, they may undertake charity work. The Dove House Project is currently looking at refurbishment of the Privett Centre, an Outdoors Education facility, which may be of interest. We have agreed to jointly contribute to material costs if it goes ahead.
- b. Disport Games is an annual organised games day designed for people with a variety of disabilities. Costs are normally funded by Basingstoke Disability Forum which is, unfortunately, running out of money. The games are manned by volunteers. Julian Thomas, the games organiser, is looking for additional sponsors. Our Club and LV have pledged donations. If anyone else is able to help in any way, please contact the Treasurer, Pauline Lentell, on 07721473465.
- c. Our Club also agreed to support St Joseph's Church with their "Holidays at Home" for the elderly project and made a donation towards another piece of equipment needed by Helping Hands for the Blind.

Our Club's total commitment to the computer system and these projects to date is £1,250.

**LIONS CLUB MEMBERSHIP:** Everything we do is to support our community. But, we 're not saints, we really do it because we enjoy it. Take a look at the pictures on our website. It is a sociable activity which allows you to use your talents and learn new ones, exchange ideas (and sometimes even implement them) and generally have a good time. You can easily check us out at a business meeting or a dinner meeting. Just put your contact details on the "Contact Us" page of our website and someone will get in touch. Give it a go!



## Popley Ponds

Firstly, many thanks to everyone who joined us at our pond dipping session in June which was a great success thanks to the interest of so many Popley residents. We managed to catch a whopping 73 newts, including all types - Smooth Newts, Palmates and Great Crested Newts (or 'cresties' as we call them). The cresties are what really puts Popley Ponds on the map as they are quite rare and we are the only place around here that has them. Having said that, my personal favourites are the Palmates as they are tiny and have webbed 'duck-feet'.

Just to give you an idea of what an awesome place Popley Ponds is, when I arrived at the main pond on the Saturday morning there was a small totally silent crowd of people. It turned out they were watching a fox circling the edge of the pond, then a large deer (which I am told was a roe deer) walked down the bank on the opposite side.

In other news we are starting to get ourselves known and have been asked to 'plant up' a couple of new ponds that form part of the Popley Ponds newt corridor. This involves moving some plants from the main pond to replant around the edge of a couple of sorry looking ponds, one of which is new and another that had to be cleared as it had some nasty 'invasive plant' with a long and complicated name that I can't remember.

In July, we will also be spending some time manning the Natural Basingstoke stand at Basingstoke Live. This is a great chance for us to boast about the fact that Popley has the most interesting site in the whole of Basingstoke and I am told may also involve some listening to local bands and drinking beer - small quantities of course ;-).

For those that are interested, there are photos of some of the things we have found since we restarted the group, plus a few 'before and after' shots of our work, on Facebook. If you would like to get involved, besides Facebook, MPCV can also be contacted at the email address below.

[www.naturalbasingstoke.org](http://www.naturalbasingstoke.org)

e-mail: [popleyponds@gmail.com](mailto:popleyponds@gmail.com)

[Facebook: Marnel & Popley Conservation Volunteers](#)

# Tales of Marnell Woods

The season is now well underway for Popley's own bowls club. Our league programme is progressing well with some competitive but enjoyable matches. Win a few, lose a few, standard fare I guess but who wants to win all the time? To do that would necessitate a much more serious approach to the sport and might distract from the enjoyment side of it. We are not professional sportsmen; we are grown adults, fortunate and grateful that we can still play in a competitive arena. We have outgrown, or are mature enough, to no longer need our egos massaged by beating everybody we encounter, Winning is, of course very nice and I always strive to but for me personally I get greater satisfaction from an opponent shaking my hand after a match and thanking me for a enjoyable evening and saying, "I look forward to our return match" than I would ever get from simply counting the league points earned. I'm not saying my way is the right way, as others might, and a few do see it differently, but it is my way and the attitude I take into all my matches. It is not soft we do win and we do get grumpy with ourselves if we fail to do what we are trying to do, but when the final whistle blows the deciding factor is "Did we enjoy that?" the target being "Yes we did!" that is my measure of success, not "How much did we win by?"

Did anyone see the article and picture in the Gazette? Now don't go telling me you can't afford the Gazette now it costs as much as the Sundays but without their added coloured supplement because you don't have to buy it. The article was duplicated in the midweek freebie and we can all afford that. The picture in the freebie reflected exactly what this sport is all about. An 84 year old connecting with a 12 year old. Everybody say "Aaah". You can do it when you see babies or cute kittens so you can do it for pictures like that. If you are a 12 year old or an 84 year older any age in-between you would be welcomed any Tuesday evening from 6 to 8 pm for our open nights where you can see for yourself the facilities Popley has to offer you via Marnell Bowls Club. For the younger generation who know better about these things than I ever will, check out [www.marnellbowlingclub.co.uk](http://www.marnellbowlingclub.co.uk) [www.marnellbowlingclub.co.uk](http://www.marnellbowlingclub.co.uk) for further information, pictures contact details etc.

I had better get on my bike now probably bored you enough for this month. I will try harder next month **Ray**

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Cub Scout section: Douglas Gowan 01256 412326  
Beaver Scout section: Vacant Leader post – contact GSL

The Cub Section are extremely busy doing all sorts of fun and exciting activities. This is but a 'snap-shot' of recent programmes.



For several weeks in the spring the Cubs worked on Science Badge. They created all sorts of experiments including growing cress seeds, blowing up a balloon using vinegar and baking powder and making a human circuit using an energy stick.

The Summer Term started with the Cubs going on a Leaf Identification treasure hunt in the woods aiming to see how many leaves they could identify and using a leaf dial to record their findings.



The following week saw the Cubs doing Soap Carving with many weird and wacky carvings put on display at the evening.



Next it was an evening of Road Safety to complete most of the requirements for Road Safety Badge. Cubs learnt about different road signs and what they mean, and composed a code about how they should behave as a passenger in a car. They were also challenged to find out about the different types of pedestrian crossing there are and how to use them. How many do you know?



We weren't able to visit the police station as planned due to the force moving to new premises so (and maybe even better), Sarah came to visit us one evening with a fully equipped police van She told the what her job involved and how to stay safe. All the Cubs had a good look round the van, and tried on different items of clothing and equipment before experiencing how being handcuffed felt!

The Pack is about to embark on a series of 'show and tell' evenings working towards yet another activity badge and we are expecting some rather 'wacky' and varied stories!

The Group is in great need of more leaders in all sections. Adults must satisfy Confidential Enquiry and Disclosure and Barring Service clearance but, apart from wanting to help young people have fun and extend their knowledge/skills, no other experience is required. Training is given 'on-the-job' - roles are flexible - uniformed or non-uniformed and can work round shifts/other commitments. Find out more from Group Scout Leader Colin (01256) 410559 / 07796 772 500 or e-mail [colink@base2000.co.uk](mailto:colink@base2000.co.uk)

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## Social Media – Beware – Don't Lose Your Job!

Social media can help you keep in touch with family and friends, but beware there are significant boundaries between home and work.

Gill Brown, Head of Employment Law at Phillips Solicitors is warning all social media users that these boundaries can be easily blurred and could lead you into trouble and even dismissal from your employment.

Misuse of the internet and social media is thought to cost our economy billions of pounds every year through theft of time used engaging in social media instead of working, defamation of businesses and their products and cyber bullying of other people often leading to absenteeism. Your employer has the right to protect itself and although you do have certain rights to freedom of speech and protection from invasion of your privacy, these rights have to be exercised with caution.

The first thing to do is to check your employer's Social Media Policy. These vary as some companies allow and even embrace it as part of a working day. More commonly, however, there are strict rules on its use during working hours or even a complete ban on its use. These rules are separate of course to your legal duty not to make defamatory remarks about the company or work colleagues, or to make comments, that even unintentionally, might bring your employer into disrepute. Most company policies make it clear that breach of their Social Media Policy will lead to disciplinary action and even dismissal.

You must remember that it is not safe to rely on social media privacy settings because comments can and often are copied, shared or forwarded on and quickly get into the public domain.

Just be aware that in a recent case the Employment Tribunal upheld a company's right to dismiss an employee, who made derogatory remarks about her company.

The employee's defence was that she did not know that her Facebook page could be seen at work and she denied that she was talking about her employer. She also said that the company should have taken into account that she had been with the company for many years and had a previously clean disciplinary record.

In spite of all of this, the Employment Tribunal found that it had been within the band of reasonable responses for the company to dismiss her given the derogatory nature of the comment, which was clearly aimed at the company.

If you require clarification on your rights regarding social media or any other employment issue, we are here to help with professional advice. Contact Gill Brown on 01256 854605 or Karen Bristow on 01256 854670.

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MFC Popley All Stars have played their first ever tournament and they were superb, recording

9 wins and 1 draw with no goals conceded. The boys are proof that with hard work comes great success. A stand out performance from Harry Davis with 7 goals, including his first ever hat trick, was one of many highlights. George Deakin was easily the player of the day proving the progression he has made.

Our next tournament is at Woodley Saints.

We are seeking players for the new season, especially a goalkeeper. If you are interested in joining our squad please contact the club at [committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk](mailto:committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk).

Our MFC U8s (going into U9s) are looking for new players for next season. We are holding a series of open training sessions every Tuesday throughout June, 6-7pm, at Everest Community Academy and are free for anyone to just turn up and take part.

Although places in next seasons squad cannot be guaranteed by attending one of these sessions in June, we will assess all players before inviting them back.

We are also holding a Dads fundraising match on 1st July at Mapledurwell Village Hall, between 1pm and 4pm, should any one want to come down and watch and win some great raffle prizes.

Our U11s have put in some great performances in their tournaments recently winning the Oakley Tournament, runners up at Burghfield and reaching the later stages at Basingstoke Colts. The team is showing great depth in the squad. Great performances from Sam and William who will lead the team at Woodley Saints to finish our season.

Taylor and Jamie unfortunately didn't make the team to represent England school boys in New York, narrowly losing in the Semi Final, but we are EXTREMELY proud to say that MFC Popley helped these boys perform at their best by giving them the tools to succeed, as we do for all our players.

We are seeking players for the new

season. If you are interested in joining our squad please contact the club at [committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk](mailto:committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk).

Our U16's had their first tournament last weekend finishing runners up in the main competition.

We are looking for new players for next season. We are currently looking for players to join our U16 squad as we are looking to take a team into NEHYL, ages 16-17 mixed.

If you are interested, or know someone that might be interested in joining MFC Popley Youth, please feel free to attend our training session on a Monday night at Everest Community Academy on the 3G pitches, 8pm-9pm.

Alternatively please contact the U16 coach, Darryl Bradbury, on 07825498504.

Moving into next season the club is excited to be continuing its relationships with both Everest Community Academy in Popley, for 3G and indoor training facilities, and Basingstoke Sports and Social Club at Mays Bounty for match day pitches and club house.

A few of our teams are looking for new players to strengthen their existing squads, U7, U9, U12 Girls, U13, U14, U15 Sunday, U16, U17/18 – please register your interest at [committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk](mailto:committee@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk).

Next month's article will be a Tournament Special, rounding up MFC Popley's adventures in Tourneiland!!

As part of The FA's role in aiming to do everything it can to support a safe and enjoyable framework for football, a new film has been made outlining the four key steps to safeguarding.

The film, featuring Wayne Rooney, Steph Houghton, Jack Rutter and Nathaniel Chalobah, explains how both parents and children can raise concerns they have about adults working in football and centered around how the 8,500 safeguarding officers working across England football take the following four steps:

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Report – the importance of raising concerns about a child's welfare

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Following these simple but crucial steps means that there is a framework in place to ensure that, if standards ever fall short with poor practice or unacceptable behaviour, they can be addressed.

Anyone who has a concern about the welfare of a child or the behaviour of an adult towards a child or young person under 18 years of age in football, is required to refer it to The FA Safeguarding team. The team is staffed by professionals who are experienced in dealing with these concerns.

Referring a concern can be done via your club – ([cwo@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk](mailto:cwo@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk)), league or County FA – all will have a designated safeguarding officer (DSO).

Founded in 2005, MFC Popley Youth FA Charter Standard Development Club & Nike Partner Club is a Not For Profit (NFP) organisation dedicated to coaching boys and girls of all age groups to play football. We provide the children with encouragement and a fun and friendly environment with the opportunity to play in matches.

MFC Popley Youth promotes "Respect" within the club to ensure everyone involved with the teams creates a fair, safe and enjoyable environment in which football can be played.

In the 2016-2017 season, MFC Popley had 18 teams competing in the Peter Houseman Youth League on Sundays, the East Berkshire Youth League, the Berkshire County Girls League, and North East Hants Youth League on a Saturday.

For further information on the Peter Houseman League, please visit the website: [www.phyl.co.uk/](http://www.phyl.co.uk/)

For further information on the East Berkshire Youth League, please visit the website: [www.ebyfl.co.uk](http://www.ebyfl.co.uk)

For further information on the North East Hants Youth League, please visit the website: [www.nehyl.org.uk](http://www.nehyl.org.uk)

If you would like to join our team of committed volunteers, either as a coach (experience not necessary as full training will be arranged by the club) or as a parent/guardian volunteer, please contact the club by email at [volunteer@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk](mailto:volunteer@mfcpopleyyouth.co.uk) for more details.

If you are a parent or guardian of a player at the club, and would like more information on becoming a

committee member, or getting more actively involved with MFC Popley Youth, especially on match days with refereeing (in particular our under 7s), running the line (under 11s upward) and the set up of the pitches & Respect lines, please speak to the manager of your child's age group.

You can get regular updates from the club by following our Twitter account, @MFC\_PopleyYouth & by using the hashtags #MFCPY #REDandBLACKARMY.

MFC Popley Youth has a dedicated club page on Facebook (as well as individual team pages), and you can also find us on

Instagram.

MFC Popley Youth FA Charter Standard Development Club & Nike Partner Club has a dedicated club shop website where you can purchase kit and accessories.

Please visit the MFC Popley club shop website - [www.clubwebshop.com/a-z/clubs/mfcpopley/](http://www.clubwebshop.com/a-z/clubs/mfcpopley/)

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## Learn to Play Bridge



If you've always thought you would like to learn to play bridge, but have just never got round to it; if you would like to try something new and challenging which opens up a wide new social circle for you and introduces you to a game that can be enjoyed at so many different levels; if you played a little years ago, but have forgotten most of what you ever learned; if you've never even played cards before, but would like to see what it is all about: why not come along to **Basingstoke Bridge Club on Tuesday 5th September at 7.15 pm**? We have been running classes for beginners for many years now. Every year some class members go on to become members of the club and most become as addicted to the game as the rest of us.

Beginners' classes take place on Tuesday evenings (7.15 to 10.00 pm). The course runs from September to July with various breaks for holidays. The cost is £60.00 for each of the three terms of ten lessons. The first of these evenings is entirely free. You will find yourself playing a mini version of bridge on the very first night. Each lesson comprises about 20-30 minutes teaching followed by lots of practice hands to play. You will receive notes and copies of the hands with commentary every week, together with some homework to keep you up to speed. The course is run by Chris and Helen Kinloch who can be contacted by e-mail: [kinloch@btinternet.com](mailto:kinloch@btinternet.com) or telephone 01264 333175.

Basingstoke Bridge Club is a very friendly club with over 200 members. Visitors are always welcome. We have bridge every day from Monday to Friday. Our main evenings are Mondays and Fridays, and there is also bridge on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Thursday evenings are for less experienced players who do not feel ready to join the other sessions. Table money for visitors is £3.00, but the first Thursday you play you will not be charged. (To find out more about Thursdays, telephone George Collins on 01256 780940.)

The club address is Maydene, Sherborne Road, Basingstoke RG21 5TG.

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The tour is followed by a drinks reception on the north lawn with light refreshments. Here, visitors will have the opportunity to leave their mark on The Vyne by signing a slate tile destined for The Vyne's portico. Each tile is roughly the size of an A3 sheet of paper and will be part of the house for centuries to come.





## 6<sup>th</sup> Basingstoke Boys' Brigade Newsletter

Hopefully you were able to make it to our first Charity Car Wash at St Gabriel's on the 18<sup>th</sup> June. The young people had a fantastic time meeting people from the community. We were able to raise quite a bit for the group so thank you to whoever came along and supported us.

As of June we are now in our Summer Programme, a lot of fun activities have been planned for the group to enjoy as much of the outdoors as possible – football, cricket, rounders, run outs and much more.

Summer Camp 2017 plans continue to progress nicely. A lot of work and planning goes in to making sure everything goes smoothly. We are all looking forward to a week of adventures, fellowship, activities and fun as we are returning to a campsite we used last year that everyone seemed to really like, I don't know if the swimming pool next door had anything to do with that but we all look forward to jumping in as soon as we get there.

### **Are you up to the challenge?**

We are looking for volunteers to join our officer and helper team. We meet on a Monday evening from 6:15-7:15pm and need additional support running our younger section. Give us a ring: **07775 535434** or drop us an email: **6thbasingstokebb@gmail.com**.

### **Date for your diaries**

#### **17<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

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- Course Duration 6 hours



This course provides a basic introduction to leadership skills required when involved with football.

**When:** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July & 3<sup>rd</sup> August

18:00 – 21:00

**Where:** Popley Youth Club, Popley Fields  
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# Chineham Library

The climax of the summer here is the Reading Challenge which begins on 15<sup>th</sup> July. Anytime from that day onwards children can come to the library and sign up. There will also be Wednesday crafts. We still need more volunteer assistance, so if anyone could help please contact us. Training and support will be provided.

We have a number of other activities coming up during the summer. On 6<sup>th</sup> July we are hosting the Pedlars and Petticoats group for their 'Strange Tales and Hidden Histories' event. This is aimed at adults who are interested in their local area who would enjoy tales and legends presented in a dramatic style. It starts at 7.30 pm and tickets costing £5 can be booked through the library. Then for children we are holding 'Charlie's Storytelling and Teddy Bear party' on 2<sup>nd</sup> August at 10.30am. Tickets cost £3.75 per child; accompanying adults are free of charge. You are advised to book.

The Crime Reading group continues to meet and their meetings will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> July and 5<sup>th</sup> August, both at 10.30am. Many of our regular groups meet in July and then take a break for August. These include Chatterbooks who will meet on 13<sup>th</sup> July from 3.45 – 4.45 and CHIPPS reading group whose last meeting will be 12<sup>th</sup> July from 10-11am. The Code Club finished at the end of June and will hopefully run a new session in the autumn. All the other children's activities will continue as normal. Age Concern commence their break after 5<sup>th</sup> July session. With all the activities and displays in the library this month we hope that you will be tempted to visit. Please follow us on social media for the most up-to-date information and enjoy the holidays. *Cathy Foster*

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## Over 55s Forum Trips

**7th July 2017 Hampton Court Flower Show**-Cost £46.40 which includes all coach travel and £32.50 entrance ticket.

**20th July 2017 National Memorial Arboretum** (Staffordshire) set in 150 acres, they have 300 War Memorials, 30,000 mature Trees, train ride around the site, restaurants. Cost £25.00 include all coach travel and entrance.

### Events.

We hold practice sessions on Tuesday 1.30pm to 3pm for our singing group "Carnival Chorus" at the Carnival Hall, Council Road. During the year we go round to care and residential homes singing to the patients, new members are always welcome. Fee £1.50 per session.

On Thursday morning 11.00am to midday we hold Movement & Stretch sessions for all Over 55s. This is just gentle exercises to keep you fit. Price £3.50 per session, Also at the Carnival Hall, Council Road. Why not come along and give it a try.

Date for your Diary. Our Music & Dance show to celebrate the "International Day for Older People" will be on Saturday 30th September 2017 at Queen Mary's College, Cliddesden Road, Basingstoke. Time 2pm to 5pm. Performers will be Alice Boyle O'Dowda Irish Dancers and "No String Attached" Band. plus afternoon tea. Price per ticket £6.00. To pre order your tickets please e-mail gerald.merritt @ntlworld.com.

The Forum have closed their membership at 653 and they have 15 on the waiting list to join. Those on the waiting list are kept informed of all our activities. *Gerald (Secretary & Tour Manager)*



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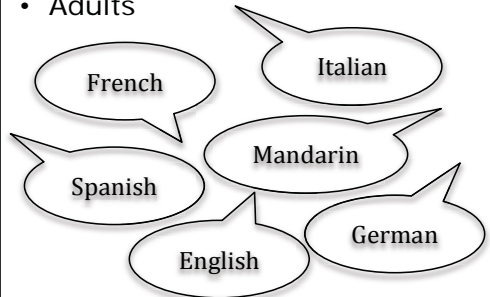
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