



LONGDOWN LODGE ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2004

Dear Member,

Greetings from your committee for a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year and a warm welcome to all new residents to the Estate and to the Association.

Entrance to the Estate

After a somewhat shaky start, the grass on the island was box cut by the Council at fortnightly intervals, mainly due to the persistence of our Chairperson, Sue O'Sullivan. The island is now looking good and beginning to reward the efforts of the Landscape gardeners.

The Longdown Lodge Estate sign has been repaired and painted for us, free of charge, by Stewart Johnston, the Little Sandhurst painting contractor. Very many thanks to Stewart, who can be contacted on 01344 780751.

The Association's 42nd Annual General Meeting

The meeting was held on the 17th June and attended by the officers and 11 members.

The minutes of the 41st AGM were approved. The Financial Report showed an excess of income over expenditure of £31.77. It was agreed that the annual subscription should remain at £1.

As next year marks the 50th anniversary of the start of building on the Estate, it was agreed that the occasion should be suitably marked. The Committee is considering various proposals made by members. It may be of interest to members that the Estate was the first to be developed in Sandhurst after the Second World War and the asking prices in 1955 by Lewood Ltd, the developers, were bungalows, 2 beds, £2,300; both types of house, 3 beds, £2,787.

There was some concern that driving schools were using the estate roads for carrying out manoeuvres that could be a hazard for other motorists. Crowthorne police have been informed but in the meantime Beware! Always expect the unexpected.

Officers of the Committee 2004/05

Life President: Mel Calvert

Chairperson: Sue O'Sullivan; Vice Chairperson: Pam Marshall

Hon. Secretary: Peter Roberts; Hon. Treasurer: Bert Hickman; Social Secretary: Wendy Markby

Road Wardens

Greenways:	Rosemary Cole	Primrose Way:	Alan Kinsella
Broom Acres:	Ray Williams, Mel Calvert	Orchard Gate:	Carole Langheim
Beech Ride:	Colin Last, Pam Marshall		
Spring Woods / Kings Keep / Little Moor:		Steve Thomas	

Neighbourhood Watch

If you experience any break-ins, thefts or vandalism please inform Mel Calvert, our Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, on 774375 as soon as possible so that other residents can be warned.

Social events

A QUIZ EVENING has been arranged, for Residents and friends, at UPLANDS SCHOOL, Albion Road on FRIDAY 25th FEBRUARY 2005 from 7.30pm to 10.30pm.

The last Quiz Evening was a very noisy, enjoyable and vigorously competitive occasion! Come and exercise those little grey cells – compete to become the legendary “LEARNED LIGHTS OF LONGDOWN LODGE”!!

Join in the fun with teams of up to 8 people. EXCELLENT PRIZES! Tickets at £3 each include 2 glasses of wine/non alcoholic drinks. We provide the Questions and liquid refreshment – you provide the brain power and adequate sustenance (please bring your own food).

Ring Wendy Markby on 774837 for your tickets.

In conclusion

Many thanks to the people who collect subscriptions and deliver the Newsletters.

Yours sincerely

Peter Roberts

BOOKING FORM for QUIZ EVENING at Uplands School, Albion Road.
25th February 2005 7.30 to 10.30pm. Tickets at £3 each

NAME..... No. of tickets required..... Amount encl. £.....

Address and phone number.....

Please return to Wendy Markby, 22 Beech Ride. (Tel 774837) by 15th February 2005