



The  
Yateley  
Society

rw 2/13/69 (4)  
**STOP PRESS !**

Issue 69 July 2004

---

## **YATELEY SOCIETY SUMMER** **SOCIAL**

**SATURDAY JULY 24TH at 7 pm**  
**LIME TREE COTTAGE,**  
**CHANDLERS LANE, YATELEY**  
**(Courtesy of Valerie and David Kerslake)**



**Admission £4-00**  
**(The third year at this price!)**

**!! GET TO KNOW OTHER MEMBERS !!**

You will be welcomed with a free glass of wine or soft drink (donations are encouraged for further glasses), there will be a buffet meal of which the main course will be provided, but the sweet course will be left to you, the visitors to bring! - past experience shows that an amazing array of delicacies will appear.

If you cannot provide a sweet - please do not be put off, perhaps you could donate a raffle prize instead, or just come along without!

If you are exceptionally generous and can bring both a sweet and a prize, our joy will be unbounded!

There will be friendly chat, and there is always the chance that someone will produce a devilish puzzle to keep the brain cells busy!

**All members, their families and prospective members are welcome.**

**If you would like to come, please let Jo Hill, [jo.hill@bigfoot.com](mailto:jo.hill@bigfoot.com) (01252 640909) or Mary & Tony Hocking (01252 875158) know, NOW!,**

**(advance notice is essential to ensure that there is adequate food).**



---

## TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ISSUES



**The Coach House, Macrae Road** - The planning application to split the former Bed and Breakfast premises into 4 flats, leaving the former stable block as one dwelling and erect a new block with 4 houses and 4 flats has been **REFUSED**. There may be an appeal or perhaps a new application in due course, but at least Hart, with the backing of many residents has won Round 1.

**Robin Hill House, Monteagle Lane** - The application to demolish a large detached house along with its outbuildings, to be replaced with ten 2-bedroom flats and parking has been refused by Hart District Council. Again, widespread objection by residents helped with the decision that the development would be out of character with the area and traffic issues included the fact that the site is remote from the town centre and not connected to public transport. (Where is? - Ed)

**Clarks Farm** - Hart District Council held a Public Meeting on 29 June to present their first alteration to the Local Plan 1996 - 2006 which proposes Clarks Farm as "*suitable for redevelopment for 2,500 sq m of employment floor space in a landscaped setting, subject to the removal of the existing uses.....*" Attendees were urged to write in to the council with comments by 9 July. More consultation is expected, and a Public Inquiry has been budgeted for next summer.

### **Don't forget:**

The Development Control Department has a Planning Surgery held at the Civic Offices. This is where members of the public, applicants and agents can find out general planning information and look at relevant planning documents. The service is available at the following times:

Monday: 9am - 11am

Tuesday: 2pm - 4pm

Thursday: 2pm - 4pm

Friday: 9am - 11am

## WHAT ELSE IS GOING ON?

### **St Peters Archives -**

Jean McIlwaine's extensive collection of archives, pre and post fire, are about to be lodged with the Hampshire Archive Trust. Before that happens, she would like to offer the opportunity for members to join her to have a last look through them. If you would like to attend one of her gatherings on Wednesday 28 July at 7pm or Wednesday 4th August at 7pm, please call her on 01252 872768. Jean could also do a morning or afternoon at request



### Conservation Working Party -

The session held on the last Sunday of May was devoted to a litter-pick along the north side of the A30 east of the Ely.

June's session was bracken pulling in wet heath immediately north of Wyndhams Pool. Local resident Mr Seagrave was so pleased by the efforts of the CWP that he donated some jars of his home made honey on the basis that "Whatever benefits the common, benefits my bees!"

### PLEA!

We are looking for a Treasurer for the Society. Peter Tipton is currently our Treasurer as well as Head of the Planning Sub-Committee, member of the Executive Committee, running his own business and participating in many local groups and committees for the benefit of the area, etc etc. In order to spread him a bit thicker, is it possible there is a member out there who could step forward to take on the Treasurer role. Peter isn't going anywhere so would still be around for guidance.

The position of Treasurer is a nice way of getting more involved in the Society. If you are interested please let me know. [jo.hill@bigfoot.com](mailto:jo.hill@bigfoot.com) or 01252 640909.

### Welcome -

The Society would like to welcome Angie Greene who replaces Clare Bloomer as our new Yateley Common Ranger and wish her good luck in her new job.

### ① Useful weblinks

#### Sandhurst / Crowthorne interest -

A campaign to promote heritage and the environment in Sandhurst and Crowthorne has been launched by Bracknell Forest Council. Four new information leaflets are available covering parks and countryside, outdoor activities, wildlife and heritage. Topics include parks, nature reserves, cycling, fishing, the Anglo-Saxons and Bracknell New Town. These and other leaflets are available in Bracknell Forest libraries, council reception areas and community centres.

You can request copies by visiting  
[www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk](http://www.bracknell-forest.gov.uk)

or if you don't have access to a computer, calling  
**01344 354115**

### ① Useful weblinks

#### What does the Yateley Common Management Committee do?

The Committee is currently chaired by County Councillor Adrian Collett and has members from Hampshire County Council and Yateley Town Council.

It meets in February June and October to discuss issues affecting Yateley Common. Other officers and interested parties also often attend to present reports, ask questions, or just observe.

Meetings take place in the Rose Rent Room at the Tythings (by Yateley Town Council offices) and members of the public are welcome to attend.

Information about recent meetings and dates for the next meeting can be found at  
[www.hants.gov.uk/decisions/decisions-index/index-mtg-346.html](http://www.hants.gov.uk/decisions/decisions-index/index-mtg-346.html)



## OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE HELD AT YATELEY INDUSTRIES



### Directions:

- on the corner of the B3272 Reading Road and Mill Lane, Yateley

Meetings are generally on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month,

(Entrance to Car Park and Reception from Mill Lane - to the left of the picture.)

**Thursday 15 July 2004**

**Guided Tour of Minley Manor**

**Meet at the Manor at 2.00pm**

Yateley Society member Major Hilary Nash (retired) will be giving us a guided tour.

Because the Manor is occupied, the tour will be from 2pm - 4pm and numbers are restricted to 12. There will be a charge of £2 per head. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to attend - Jo Hill (01252) 640909 [jo.hill@bigfoot.com](mailto:jo.hill@bigfoot.com).

**Thursday 12 August** - Major Hilary Nash (retired) has kindly offered to "take up the slack" and has offered this date for the waiting list. I have one or two places left. If you would like to go, please contact me.

**Saturday 24 July 2004 7pm**

**Summer Social**

Lime Tree Cottage, Chandlers Lane, Yateley

(courtesy of David and Valerie Kerslake)

See front page for details



**August - No meeting**

**Thursday 16 September 2004**

**Local History**

Richard Johnston will give us an illustrated tour and talk about the interesting historical properties in the Darby Green area

**Thursday 21 October 2004**

**The Animals of Yateley Common**

We had a superb guided walk in June and Yateley Ranger Andy Davison will follow on from that event with a talk this evening.

### **CONSERVATION WORKING PARTY:**

The Conservation Working Party is a well-respected and friendly band of volunteers who meet on the last Sunday of every month at Wyndhams Pool, Cricket Hill at 10.00 am. They work alongside the Country Park Rangers to help with general maintenance and special projects on Yateley Common. If you would like more information, please call Mike Mann on (01252) 877741 or Tony Hocking on (01252) 875158.

\*\*\*\*\*

The Executive Committee (as elected at the AGM each February) meets every 6 weeks and this newsletter is published as a result of the reports produced for those meetings. The items mentioned here are not exhaustive, just indicative of latest projects and developments.

If you have any specific questions, input or desire to pursue any of these issues, please contact me or any other member of the Executive Committee. This is also an appeal if you would like meeting reminders to be sent to you by email, please drop me an email with your address (updated if you've change it!) and I'll add you to my list.

**Jo Hill, tel: (01252) 640909, email [jo.hill@bigfoot.com](mailto:jo.hill@bigfoot.com)**

Yateley Society website: [www.hants.ora.uk/yatelev/](http://www.hants.ora.uk/yatelev/)