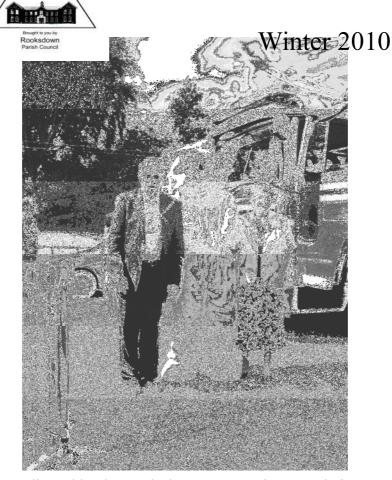
ROOKSDOWN

REPORTER

Issue 6



Delivered by the Rooksdown Community Association

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the sixth edition of the Rooksdown Reporter, I hope you enjoy it. Do you have any issues, stories or advertisements for the next issue of the Rooksdown Reporter? If so, please get in touch: editor@rooksdown.org.uk.

Note from the Editor - Jayne

Thank you to all the contributors and volunteers and Parish Council without whom wouldn't be a Rooksdown Reporter or events in Rooksdown. I would also like to thank Diana Barnes from Basingstoke Library for her help over the past few years, and Ryan Thurman for his articles from the Fire Brigade. We wish them both good luck in their future roles. Thanks also to Roger Moon who ran the football club over the summer, we hope he will be back next summer, and also to the WCF who we know will be back next summer with fun and games during the summer. The RCA would also like to thank Zizziz in town for their donations of crockery for the new village hall when it is built.

I have had a few complaints from people regarding stolen milk, plants and hanging baskets and also parking in the wrong place and also of dog mess. Rooksdown is a lovely place to live and will be even nicer when we have our Shop, Community Centre and Church Hall. If you see someone stealing something, looking suspicious, or taking plants from peoples doorsteps please report it to the Police using the 101 or 0845 045 4545 non emergency phone number. Please help us keep crime down in Rooksdown and don't leave it to someone else to call, the Police would rather have 5 phone calls about the same thing than none at all.

Please be considerate about your parking, I know its not easy as there are never enough parking spaces, but please try not to park on the paths or blocking junctions. The Parish Council have provided more bins. Dog waste can be put in these and if there is area without one let them know and they will try and get one put in.

Good news for English Wood, Balsan Close, Mill Road and Trenchmead Gardens Virgin Media is now available with faster broadband. Please call Nigel for further information 07814250466.

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ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL Charles Miller—Chairman

You may have noticed that a number of green grit bins have been installed around the parish. Following the problems caused by the snow last winter, Rooksdown Parish Council (RPC) have provided and filled these bins, which have been located in areas which caused problems last year, or are expected to be problematic this year. The salt is intended to be used on the roads and pavements to help all residents, and the bins are closed with combination locks to encourage the salt to remain where it is needed. We will be giving the combination to a number of residents in the vicinity of each bin; if you live near a bin and would be willing to help spread the salt when required, please let us know. (These will be kept filled by the Parish Council.) Two further bins are planned for Gander Drive and Julius Close, these are being provided by Hampshire County Council and will be installed shortly as part of their county-wide programme.

Following discussions between Rooksdown Parish Council and Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council (BDBC), the latter have provided a number of litter bins around the estate including, with the permission of the developers, on areas which are not yet adopted. We hope that residents will find these useful, and that they will contribute to keeping Rooksdown tidy (they can also be used for dog waste).

Rooksdown Parish Councillors have regular meetings with Taylor Wimpey, the lead developers for this site; if you would like any points raised at such meetings then please contact the Parish Clerk, or come to one of the Rooksdown Parish Council meetings which are held in Saxonwood School, in Baron Place.

We have also had a preliminary meeting with the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) concerning the development of the old golf course site and how Rooksdown Parish Council and local residents can have an input into the planning process, as we have had no input in the current building to date – the mood of the meeting was very positive and we will be having further meetings with both the Homes & Communities Agency and BDBC; we will report on developments and provide opportunities for local consultation.

Charles Miller
Chairman, Rooksdown Parish Council

ROOKSDOWN BOROUGH COUNCILLOR Cllr Karen Cherrett,

It's good to be able to report some positive progress over the summer on some long awaited issues:

Rooksdown Avenue Puddle

The work to increase drainage at Rooksdown Avenue coming off Winklebury roundabout has been undertaken recently. This should see an end to the big puddle that collects in the rain....fingers crossed!

Rooksdown Avenue Bus Stops

A stretch of footpath is being added to the bus stops either side of Rooksdown Avenue by Mill Road / Gander Drive to improve pedestrian safety. The trees have also been trimmed to improve visibility of drivers coming off the roundabout, but please take care crossing, and drivers - please slow down!

Hospital Road

At last patch repairs have been made to this road making it easier for hospital staff and visitors to access the hospital. Final re-surfacing will not take place until the entire Rooksdown development is completed – which is still some years off. Rooksdown residents and other users of this road are reminded that this is a private road owned by the Hospital Trust and the public have no right of access to use this road.

Within the coming months we expect that Taylor Wimpey and the hospital will re-instate the barrier to close off the road at the pinch point near Harness Court. This means that there will be no through traffic along this section of Park Prewett Road. Buses and service vehicles will still be able to access the route.

Estate Roads and Street Lighting

The roads around Peggs Way have now been completed but those of you living on the Southern side will have noticed that the roads are being rerouted to allow development traffic to access the building site at the southern core. This means that there will still be some disruption into next year as the houses are built. The no-through route via Highpath Way will soon be opened to accommodate traffic needing to access the higher numbers of Highpath Way, Highpath Mews and surrounding streets. As the roads are completed street lights will be installed ready to switch on.

ROOKSDOWN BOROUGH COUNCILLOR Cllr Karen Cherrett,

Peggs Way/Moths Grace/Crondall Terrace Issues

The safety of the pedestrian and car crossing point at Moths Grace and Crondall Terrace remains a concern. Whilst the temporary raised hump has had some effect residents remain concerned for pedestrian and child safety. At this stage the developers have built to the agreed design so to get changes we need help from the county council. County Councillor Stephen Reid is leading a discussion with the county council highways and road safety team asking them to re-consider the design in light of resident concerns.

In the meantime please take care in this area and on all roads in Rooksdown. Rooksdown remains a building site with lots of heavy traffic moving through. Keep speeds down and be mindful of pedestrians of all ages.

Rooksdown Shops

At last Taylor Wimpey has secured interest from the Cooperative Retail Group regarding the shop unit at Rooksdown. The size and scope of a general store is being discussed and agreed in principle and we are expecting legal agreements to be completed and building work start in the New Year. I really look forward to having a local shop for life's essentials and hope to report more progress in the spring edition.

Rooksdown Community Centre

More good news because the community centre has now been given the goahead, funding is in place and the developer appointed. We expect the site to be prepared early in the new year and building to take about nine months in total. The Parish Council and Community Association have worked hard with the council to progress these plans and we all look forward to reporting progress through next year and finding out what activities and clubs you want to hold in the new centre.

Should I clear my path when it snows and where can I get grit?

Homeowners have a duty of care over their premises including safe access to it by visitors. In deciding whether to clear snow or ice the view seems to be that to do so with good intent is fine as long as in doing so you do not make the area more dangerous e.g. using a kettle of hot water on a frozen path will just create a sheet of ice. Ultimately it comes down to using your own neighbourly judgement and common sense. See the following link for more information.http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/NI1/Newsroom/DG_191868

ROOKSDOWN BOROUGH COUNCILLOR Cllr Karen Cherrett,

New homes for Basingstoke? – your views

The South East Plan was abolished this summer which means that there is no longer a regional housing target that the borough needs to meet. So Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council wants to hear from everyone about what we think the right level of new homes for our area should be over the next 20 years.

Between Friday 29 October 2010 and Friday 14 January 2011, the council is conducting a consultation exercise and as your local ward, county and parish councillors we are hoping that residents will get involved and let us know what you think.

Karen explains: "The Council is trying a new form of consultation where we invite all communities to tell us what would be right for their areas. How many homes? What type of homes? What investment is needed for roads and sewers? What facilities are required like shops and schools? When every community has responded, we will look to add the results together to see if we have a viable local plan."

Stephen Reid adds: "Too often local planning has been done 'top down'. That is what was happening when we had the Regional Assemblies telling us what to do. Now we have the ability to make decisions locally that are right for Basingstoke and we want you to be part of that process."More detailed background information and an online survey can be found at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/go/newhomes.

Rooksdown Parish Council is planning a consultation meeting for Monday 13th December, Saxon Wood School, starting at 7.30 pm. Please come along and let us hear your opinions and join us for a festive mince pie and cup of mulled wine!

Karen

The Parish Council has a website, www.rooksdown.org.uk. If you need information about the Council, Community Association, local policing and forthcoming events, or even the history of Rooksdown, then the website is a good place to start.

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCILLOR Cllr Stephen Reid

I am pleased that the work has been completed to improve drainage on the entrance to Rooksdown. This has been a problem for a long time. Hopefully the road will now be safer in wet weather.

The County Council has been making preparations for the coming winter with three times as much salt and grit in stock and salt bins located round the estates (two for Rooksdown plus those bought by the Parish Council). I have been pleased to use part of my annual grant money to help purchase snow clearing equipment for the Community Association.

As the estate develops and fills up, the utterly predictable problems of too few car parking spaces is starting to make itself felt. My plea to everyone is: if you have an allocated space, please use it rather than the road.

Development in the Borough is the big topic for the rest of this year: how many homes and parking does Rooksdown want, where should they go and what should they be? I am particularly anxious that Basingstoke's overall house building numbers should be brought down to a level that puts less strain on our roads and essential infrastructure. If the numbers stay too high, we run the risk of seeing a Major Development Area - perhaps on the Manydown land across the road from Rooksdown, or elsewhere in the Borough.

FACEBOOK AND THE BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE

ROOKSDOWN FACEBOOK

For those of you on Facebook please join the Rooksdown group - http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=144658528115 or just put Rooksdown in the search box. It is regularly updated with any events in the local area and it is the place to discuss what is going on with the ongoing development.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE—ROOKSDOWN

If you know of anything going on in the local area that you want mentioned in the Basingstoke Gazette community section please drop me a email - ailsa.cordner@qmail.com and I'll do my best to include it!!

ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL Colin Statham—Vice Chairman

Estate Roads, Sump Buster and Street Lighting

All the current planned surface dressing has now been completed leaving the sump buster at the current pinch point on Park Prewitt Road, near Peggs Way, as the final action. Notices are about to be posted informing of the closure of the road at this point and work will commence a month thereafter. If a street light has a number on it, then it has been adopted if it is out of action you should report it via the Hampshire County Council web site. The service is actually very good when correctly reported. If a light is out of action and does not have a number on it then please inform one of the housing sales teams and also a member of the PC who will address the matter with the lead builder.

Grit Bins

Hampshire County Council have allocated just 2 bins for Rooksdown despite all of the lobbying we have done. These will be maintained by HCC and be located in Gander Drive and Julius Close.

The Parish Council have therefore bought 10 bins and salt, see below:

- Mill Road, near the RPC notice board
- 2. Pumphouse Way
- 3. Nightingale Gardens
- 4. Northbrook Crescent
- Lavender Copse area,
- 6. Peggs Way,
- 7. By the new footbridge over the A339
- 8. Crondall Terrace
- 9. Gillies Drive
- 10. Park Prewett Road by the Doctors Surgery

Litter Bins

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council have confirmed that all bins have now been installed. If you feel you need a bin in your area then please contact us.

Why not come along to the next meeting and see what is going on in your area.

Colin



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SENTINEL HOUSING ASSOCIATION

Sentinel is one of many Housing Associations that own properties in the Rooksdown development. Currently Sentinel has 149 properties on the development. These are a mix of general needs and shared ownership. We are keen to work together with other agencies in the area and residents to help create a strong, successful community.

We have started to work on this by inviting other Housing Associations and Community Safety Teams to meet and discuss issues. We know that we have a long way to go as the project is in its infancy but agency interest is encouraging. Our aim in due course is to involve you, the residents. We will be developing a number of ways that you can be involved depending on what suits you, but it could be attending meetings or through surveys, focus groups and other ways that you can express your views.

This is a work in progress and we welcome your thoughts and ideas. Please contact me, Julie Williams on 0800 195 5515 or email: julie.williams@sentinelha.org.uk

ROOKSDOWN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER -Lucy Mackmin

It has been a busy few months in Rooksdown and I'm pleased I've had the opportunity to meet and work with so many of you. In particular I've been working with the Community Association organising their Christmas event on Saturday 18 December. Father Christmas will be ready and waiting in Northbrook Cresent to meet the children from 3pm to 5pm.

The Rooksdown Action Group (RAG) has been set up and is being led by Sentinel Housing. The aim of the group is to bring together organisations who are working in the area together to share information and to help make Rooksdown a great place to live. We're hoping to hold a community road show in the spring to give residents an opportunity to find out all sorts of information, including how to get involved in your community and dealing with antisocial behaviour.

I'm pleased to say that working with local residents, Sarah Ratcliff, Community Safety Patrol Officer, and I have implemented a neighbourhood agreement in Moths Grace and Crondall Terrace following some neighbour disputes. This is a voluntary agreement which sets out how people should live and work together in their community. Other partners such as the Police, Housing Associations and the Community Safety Team at BDBC have also been involved.

If there is anything you would like to see in Rooksdown or if you would like to join the Community Association please feel free to contact me.

Email Lucy.mackmin@basingstoke.gov.uk Telephone: 07775413251





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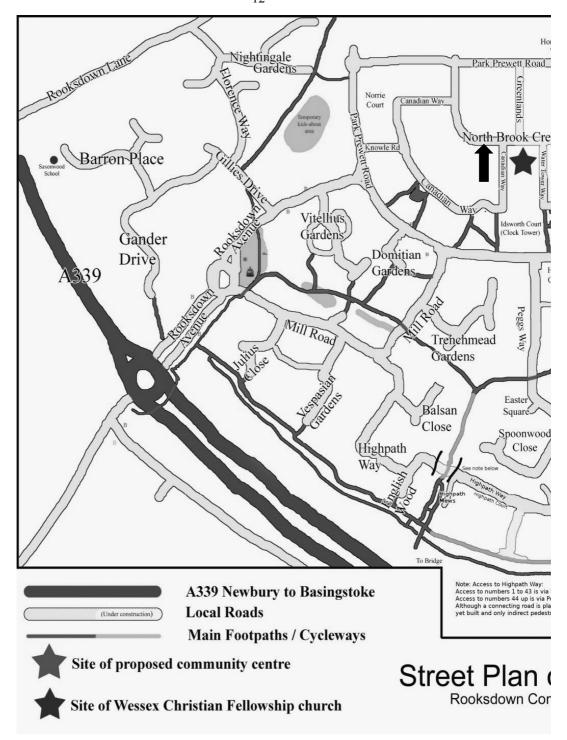
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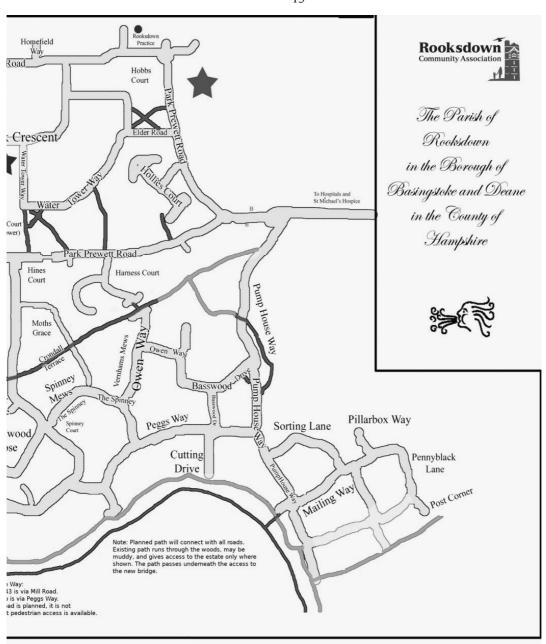
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COMMUNITY SAFETY PATROL OFFICER Sarah Ratcliff

Hello, I am your Community Safety Patrol Officer (CSPO) for the Rooksdown area. I have been in post since February of this year when the new scheme combining the former Community Warden and Accredited Community Safety Officer ACSO schemes merged, to become a new shared service between Hampshire County Council and Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

I work closely with the Community, Police and Housing Associations, to identify and tackle local issues, reducing crime, deterring anti-social behavior and, dealing with 'environmental' crimes, to make residents feel safer and happier about their neighborhood.

I work closely with the Police, with daily combined briefing meetings and shared information through innovative use of technology. I make effective use of enforcement powers to tackle offences such as graffiti, littering or dog fouling or confiscating alcohol from underage drinkers.

I hope to see as many of you as possible whilst on patrol around Rooksdown, but if you don't manage to see me, but would like to talk to me about any issues you may have, please contact me on: 01256 845 700 or by email; safetypatrolservice@basingstoke.gov.uk





PARK HALL Pastor Bob Smith

The snail is still moving slowly towards Wessex Christian fellowship purchasing Park Hall to convert it into a church and community facilitity. We continue to work alongside the Rooksdown Community Association and look forward to working together to deliver a total package of a wide range of activities. The legal contract to purchase is in its final stages with Taylor Wimpy and we are working at a strategic level to obtain release of the Wessex site (this is where the WCF church is at present). If all goes well, and the snail doesn't stop, we should see construction work start on the building in the spring of next year with the building being used by December 2011 or early in 2012.

Bol

ROOKSDOWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Debbie Adlam

Firstly, I would like to welcome all new residents of Rooksdown and hope that we will soon meet at an event. We would also invite you to make contact with the team if you have any questions or concerns.

We recently received some very exciting news. The Council informed us that at long last the Community Hall is at a stage where they can start to build. Final adjustments to the plans resulted in the shuttering been removed to bring the build in on budget. The rest will remain to the same specifications as the original plans. June Balcombe (Community Development and Learning Manager for Basingstoke and Dean Borough Council) informed me that, weather permitting; they hope to start the foundations in January 2011. The building should be complete by October 2011.

The Association meets officially once a month but we also socialise together in between. If you are interested in joining us and making a difference to Rooksdown please contact us or come along to one of our meetings.

We look forward to seeing you in December when Father Christmas is calling in to see Rooksdown children.

Debbie

RCA Chairman (contact details on page 21)

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ROOKSDOWN BEAT PC 2521 Ian Hoile

Beat Surgeries—It has been decided to combine the Rooksdown and Winklebury Beat Surgeries. These Surgeries will be held at 2pm at the Somerfield Supermarket, Winklebury Way, lasting for one hour. At each Surgery there will be various members of the Safer Neighbourhood Teams that cover both areas.

- Tuesday 23 November
- Sunday 2 January 2011
- Tuesday 15 February 2011
- Saturday 26 March 2011
- Tuesday 10 May 2011
- Saturday 18 June 2011
- Tuesday 2 August 2011

Over the past few months there has been an increase in Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) within Rooksdown. There have been a couple of meetings with residents at which the Police or partner agencies have been present. A common theme is that residents are suffering in silence and not reporting these issues soon enough. I would therefore urge residents to report these incidents of ASB to the Police as they are occurring. Please give as much detail as possible when contacting us. The exact location of the incident is vital if a Police unit is to be deployed. It is also assists in analysing which particular streets or areas are experiencing problems. The nature of the incident, i.e. loud music, children causing a nuisance, damage being caused etc. Descriptions of the group i.e. numbers involved, their gender, descriptions of those responsible, description of their clothing, any names that you know or hear being called. If it is music from an address which address is it coming from. If it is in a block, which floor or window is it coming from.

Vehicle Crime — Please ensure that your vehicle is left secure. Recently vehicles have been found with doors, windows and boots open and some people have left their car keys either in or on unattended vehicles. Ensure that no valuables are left on display in the vehicle. Sat Nav's are a sought after commodity by the Criminal Fraternity. If you have a Sat Nav system in your car then please remove it when the vehicle is unattended for prolonged periods. If it has a Cradle then also remove this as well, as this advertises that you have a Sat Nav. Thieves will not hesitate in smashing the window to

ROOKSDOWN BEAT PC 2521 Ian Hoile Tel: 0845 0454545

check the glove box or any cubby holes. If the Cradle cannot be removed then attach a note stating that the Sat Nav is not left in the vehicle when unattended. Even an old coat on a backseat could attract attention. To a thief it could contain cash, mobile phone, wallet or keys. Petty Cash for car parking left on view is an incentive for an opportunist to try their luck. The monetary loss of small change may not seem worth worrying about but the cost of repair to a window and the inconvenience factor certainly are. Prevention is the best way of dealing with crime.

Van Hoile

Rooksdown Beat Policeman

CHILLI'N' CHEESE SPIRALS

Ingredients:

200g / 4 oz cream cheese
200g / 4 oz cheddar cheese
2 red chillies
3 spring onions
Half red pepper
8 pitted olives (optional)
3 Large floured dinner plate size Tortilla wraps

Using a food chopper finely chop the onions, red pepper, chillies and olives, combine in a large bowl. Grate the cheddar cheese and add to batter bowl with the cream cheese – mix all ingredients well.

Divide the mixture between 3 tortillas and place on top, spread evenly all over surface and roll each one up like a sausage. Wrap each in cling-film. Refrigerate for one hour. Slice into 1cm slices and serve.

Nicky Young

Independent Director with The Pampered Chef Rooksdown – 01256 429560

HAMPSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE Station Officer Ryan Thurman

Xmas & New Year Fairy Lights And Candles

Fairy lights make your home look festive and bright, but it is important to remember to use them safely.

Fairy lights and Christmas tree lights don't get used very often, so you should ensure they're in good working order before using them:

- Check that the fuse in the plug is the right size.
- Replace any blown bulbs

Don't let the bulbs touch anything that can burn easily, such as paper or fabrics (be especially careful with other Christmas tree decorations).

Always unplug fairy lights when you leave the house or go to bed.

Candles can be dangerous, if you do use them in your home, always put them out when you leave the room, and keep them away from flammable materials such as greeting cards and decorations.

Never place candles on a Christmas tree.

Candles and nightlights are often used in celebrations for Christmas, they should never be put in or by a Christmas tree, plants, flowers or other foliage. You should also be careful that ribbons and other decorations aren't near any candle flames.

Don't Drink & Drive; have a soft drink and stay alive!

You can't calculate your alcohol limit.

It takes less than you might think to become a drink driver.

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At Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service we hope that you do not have to invite us round during your festivities and hope you have a safe, enjoyable, fire and incident free celebration.

ROOKSDOWN LITTLE ONES Sue Lussenden

The Honeycomb children's centre now has its Autumn term timetable out with lots of different sessions for you and your under 5's to enjoy together, such as messy makers, stay, play and learn, support sessions as well as pre-bookable music and dance sessions. Pop in to the Honeycomb Centre to pick up your copy.

Here's a recipe on how to make your own play dough at home which is safe, non toxic and saves the pennies!

Ingredients

- 1 cup of plain flour
- 1 cup of water
- 1 tablespoon cooking oil
- 2 teaspoons cream of tartar
- half a cup of salt
- food colouring / glitter (optional)

Method 1 - Saucepan

Place all the ingredients in a saucepan at a low heat. Stir continuously until the mixture thickens to a firm dough texture.

Method 2 - Microwave

Place all the ingredients in a plastic container and cook for one and a half minutes in a microwave. Stir the mixture and microwave again for one minute.

Store the dough in an airtight container such as a plastic bag or box, and keep it in the fridge. Like this the dough should keep for up to 2 weeks. Add food colouring or glitter (after cooking!) to make it prettier!

ROOKSDOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH IS NOW ON FACEBOOK

Helen Ricketts is the Rooksdown Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator Email address: rooksdownneighbouhoodwatch@hotmail.co.uk http://www.facebook.com/home.php?sk=group 158946730807799



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ROOKSDOWN MEETINGS FOR 2010

ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2010

Saxon Wood School at 7.30pm 22 November 24 January 2011 28 February 2011 28 March 2011 25 April 2011

ROOKSDOWN COMMUNIDA ASSOCIATION MEETINGS 2010

Saxon Wood School at 7.30pm 23 November 19 January 2011 16 February 2011 22 March 2011 19 April 2011

LIGHT UP A LIFE—SUNDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2010

This special evening, held in the grounds of **St. Michael's Hospice**, brings together people from across North Hampshire for a moving and uplifting service featuring the Basingstoke Silver Band, with carols. If you would like to sponsor a light in honour of someone dear to you please contact Pat Darty on 01256 848 848 or 01256 848 848 or email events@stmichaelshospice.org.uk

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAYRES

Costello Technology College Saturday 4 Dec 10.30am to 1.30pm

Castle Hill Junior School Thursday 25 Nov 3pm to 5pm

Sherfield School Saturday 20 Nov 1pm to 5pm

Saxon Wood School Friday 3 Dec 2pm to 5pm If you are interested in running a stall or have a raffle prize that you would like to donate for any of these schools please contact the relevant school.

Rooksdown Parish Council is planning a consultation meeting Monday 13th December, Saxon Wood School, starting at 7.30 pm. Please come along and let us hear your opinions and join us for a festive mince pie and cup of mulled wine!

ROOKSDOWN EVENTS 2010 / 2011

Please contact Jayne Jayne.grey@live.co.uk Tel: 07891530444



ROOKSDOWN SANTA'S GROTTO

If you would like to help us build our Grotto or if you have any Christmas decorations that we could borrow for the day, we would be very grateful. (WE ARE LOOKING FOR A LARGE CHRISTMAS INFLATABLE TO STAND OUTSIDE THE GROTTO, FOR THE AFTERNOON IF ANYONE CAN HELP)

ROOKSDOWN CHILDRENS PARTY

with help from the WCF

Saturday 12 February 2011 3pm-5pm Saxon Wood School



ROOKSDOWN WOODLAND WALK RED INDIAN STYLE Saturday 7 May 2011 1.30pm to 4pm

We will have a real Tipi and will be making dream catchers, Indian headdresses, Totem poles and animal tracking the Rooksdown Way.

ROOKSDOWN SUMMER FAYRE Saturday 25 June 2011 2pm to 4pm

Hopefully bigger and better than last year, and on the large field where the helicopter lands

2011 PLAYSCHEMES

If anyone can help with these or any of the events above please give me a call or drop me an email on the address above. Thank you. Jayre



Santa is coming to Rooksdown



Saturday 18th December, 3pm - 5pm

His Grotto will be in the Taylor Wimpy show home garage at

42 Northbrook Crescent, Rooksdown

Near the new red telephone box (see map page 12/13)

Taylor Wimpy have been very good this year and are going to let Santa and the **Rooksdown Community Association** use their

one of their garages as a Grotto so that he can meet as many of you girls and boys from Rooksdown as he can. He has lots of presents to give children of all ages. Please come along and join us. He has also promised that next year he will be back to make an appearance in the new Rooksdown Village Hall. Lets hope that it gets built in plenty of time.





This is a FREE event and their will be mince pies for the parents, presents for the children and if we can find a way of heating it mulled wine as well. Thank you to Sentinel who are have given us a donation to help pay for the Christmas presents.