



Rooksdown PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Dear residents...

As we hopefully come out of this very wet and depressing time of year you will see more events taking place by the Rooksdown Community Association as notified in this month's Reporter that you will hopefully support. They are to be congratulated on buying a minibus and with this the support they've been able to give to the flooded residents of Buckskin along with the improvements in Rooksdown Youth Project work and over their outreach work in our community.

We now have a full complement of Parish Councillors as we move onto the next stages of the development of Rooksdown and will be setting up working groups to work on specific projects.

News on the big ticket items are as follows:

The Old Hall: Residents near the Hall will have noticed finally the perimeter has been properly secured by Taylor Wimpey to stop all of the antisocial behaviour that has been going on. The results of the planning application for the redevelopment should have been announced by 10th February but as I write this we are still chasing B&DBC for a result. Until this is accepted we cannot proceed to drawing up an agreement on the additional community space. In addition we submitted a Local Infrastructure Fund (LIF) application for funding for the equipment we would need. This is also on hold pending the planning application.

Traffic Management: We are pleased to announce that following a meeting today (3rd March) of all the stakeholders a planning application will be submitted this week for the works on The Avenue to be approved. This has to be linked in with the Lodge Junction improvements that Hampshire Highways are working on. We will provide more details at forthcoming RPC meetings.

Pavilions: A planning application has now been submitted for the removal of the pavilions and will be visible on B&DBC by the time you receive this newsletter. Residents who are for or against this are urged to register your views on-line. As soon as we get the application number we will post this on social media sites. The Parish Council previously voted to support the majority view of the residents, following the consultations, for removal. This application is expected to be called into the full Development Control Meeting at B&DBC.

Listed Barn: RPC has submitted a Community Right to Bid application on this property in Pumphouse Way. TW Homes had submitted a planning application to remove the listed status and convert to two houses. This has now been withdrawn but we wait to see the outcome of our Right to Bid application.

Western Triangle Development: The Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) are still in discussions with a potential developer for this site. Residents may have noticed surveys taking place.

For news on these projects and many others we look forward to seeing you at forthcoming Parish Council meetings. Dates can be found on notice boards and on-line and also in this edition of the Reporter.

We have had a number of volunteers who have kindly offered to help distribute the Reporter so thank you. In addition if you have any articles you want published or if you have a Parish based organisation you run and want an article published please contact Simon at the Community Centre or by email on editor@rooksdowntonline.com.

Colin Statham

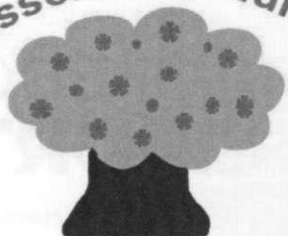
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Blossom Day Nursery



BLOSSOM DAY NURSERY WAS GRADED A 'GOOD' BY OFSTED ON THE 12TH DECEMBER 2014.

The report is available online to view at www.ofsted.co.uk Ofsted number: EY435389. Our commitment is to provide a happy, secure and enabling environment for the growth and development of your child. Our partnership is essential to the overall ethos of our setting. As well as our open door policy, we offer regular parent meetings to discuss the particular needs and the individual development of your child.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us:

Tel: 07739 329518 or Tel: 07876 751662
or email nursery@blossomdaynursery.com
or view www.blossomdaynursery.com

Rooksdawn Community Centre, Park Prewett Road,
Basingstoke, Hants, RG24 9XA

**WE ARE NOW BOOKING FUNDED SPACES
FOR SEPTEMBER 2014**



KEEP CALM AND DO YOUR HOMEWORK

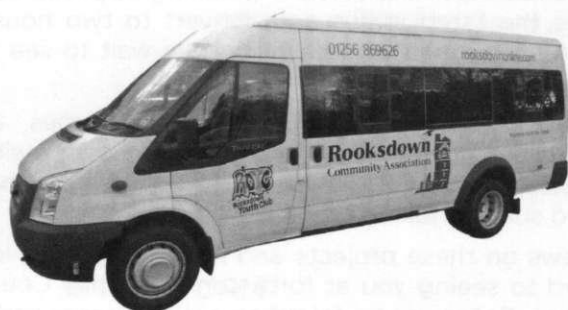
Homework Club on Thursday's

Homework Club at the community
centre for 11-17 year olds.

Every Thursday during term
time 4pm - 6pm.

Includes access to the internet, quiet
space to work and a free hot drink.

Just turn up.



New Minibus

**Rooksdawn Community Association took
delivery of a minibus in February.**

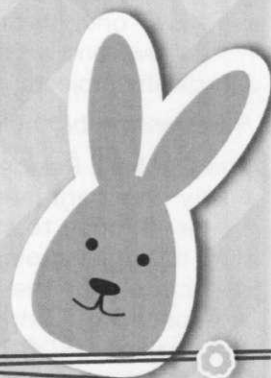
The bus will be used by community groups
to take members on trips far and wide.

Unexpectedly its initial use was to support
the flood relief effort in Bucks.

Contact the Community Centre office
to enquire about using the minibus
on **01256 869626** or email:
bookings@rooksdawnonline.com

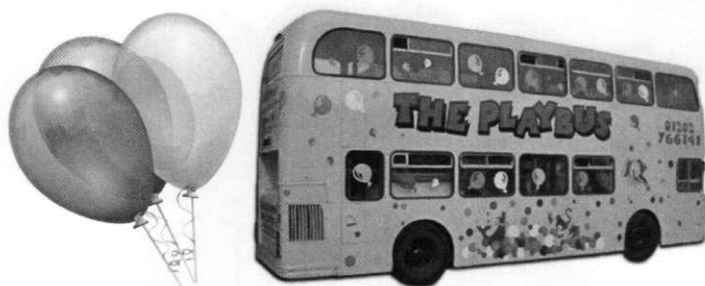
ROOKSDAWN EASTER EVENT

**BANK HOLIDAY
MONDAY 21ST APRIL
2PM - 4PM
FREE ENTRY**



**EASTER ACTIVITIES, GAMES AND REFRESHMENTS.
UNDER 5S TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT**



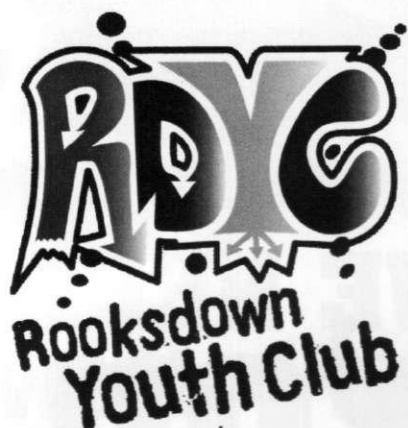


PLAY BUS

@ Community Centre Car Park

Thursday at 1pm - 1.45pm

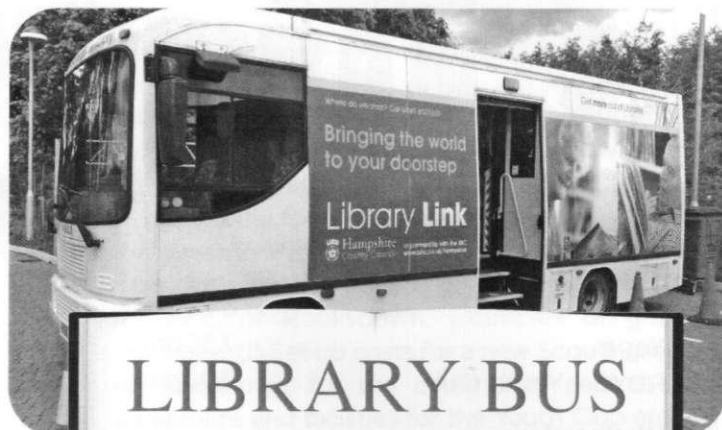
20th March, 17th April & 15th May



**RDYC IS NOW FREE
FOR THE NEXT 6 MONTHS.**

RDYC opens Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
evenings for 11-17 year olds.

From September 2014 this will
extend to 8-17 year olds.



LIBRARY BUS

Is at Gillies Drive by the post
and telephone boxes.

2nd April, 30th April & 25th June

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

**RDYC is looking for volunteers
to help at youth club.**

This could be for the current 11-17 group
or the new 8-12 group. If you are interested please
email: yc@rooksdowntownline.com

GRAFFITI WORKSHOP

**For 11-18 year olds at
Rooksdown Community Centre.**

Sunday 6th April 1-4pm

Saturday 12th April 1-4pm

Sunday 20th April 1-4pm.

15 spaces available for each session.

To book please email:

yc@rooksdowntownline.com

stating name, contact number and age.

sexual
health

Solent NHS
Trust

get it on

**FREE sexual health drop in
service for under 24's.**
First Wednesday of the month
4.30pm-6.30pm at the
Community Centre.

Includes free condoms,
chlamydia screening and
pregnancy testing.

ROOKSDOWN REPORTER DEADLINES

23rd April • 4th June • 20th August

To submit an article for publication
email: editor@rooksdowntownline.com



Community Centre **WEEKLY PROGRAMME**

Monday

Bokwa Fitness	6.30pm
RDYC - Youth Club	7.00pm
Parish Council (monthly)	7.45pm

Tuesday

Pilates	6.30pm
Yoga	7.30pm
RDYC - Youth Club	7.00pm

Wednesday

Baby Clinic (monthly)	9.30am
Beavers	6.30pm
RDYC - Youth Club	7.00pm
Freedom-2-Dance (beginners)	7.45pm
Freedom-2-Dance (advanced)	8.45pm

Thursday

Over 55's Coffee Morning	10am - midday
Homework Club	4.00pm
Karate Class (juniors)	6.30pm
Weight Watchers	7.00pm
Martial Arts (seniors)	7.30pm

Friday

Baby & Toddler	10am - midday
Cubs	6.30pm
Scouts	6.30pm
Zumba	8.00pm

Saturday

Bokwa Fitness	9.00am
Freedom-2-Dance	all day

Sunday

Basingstoke Eagles Church	10.00am
Freedom-2-Dance	all day
Messy Church (monthly)	4.00pm

Check the Community Centre diary at
www.rooksdowonline.com
 for the dates of monthly activities or call
01256 869626



WE NEED YOU TO VOTE FOR US

RDYC will have a stand as part of the "Have Your Say" grant scheme run by the Borough Council.

We need your vote to be successful in obtaining funding to start up youth club for 8 - 11 year olds from September.

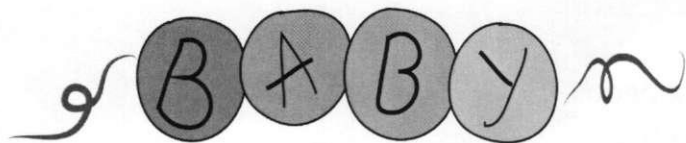
Please support your local youth club by voting for RDYC "8 of Clubs" project at the Civic Offices on Wednesday 26th March. 3pm - 7pm.



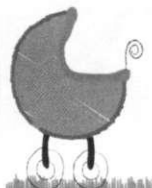
Car Wash at the Community Centre

1PM - 4PM • £5 PER CAR

**SUNDAY 27TH APRIL
SUNDAY 18TH MAY
SUNDAY 24TH JUNE**



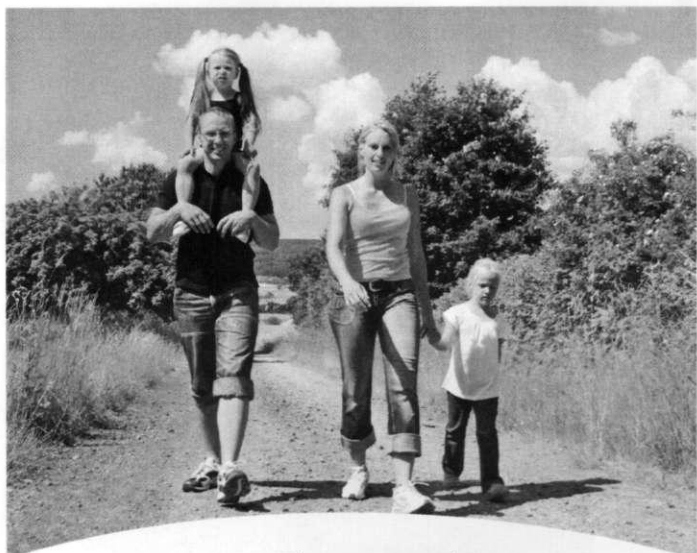
CLINIC DATES AT ROOKSDOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE



Wednesday at 9.30am - 11am
on: 19th March,
16th April & 21st May



walk 4 life



NEW ROOKSDOWN WALKING GROUP

The first event for this group will be a walk
around the Spinney starting from
Rooksdow Community Centre.

5th April & 3rd May starting at 10am.



GRANTS

Rooksdow Parish Council (RPC) is able to offer grants (in the form of money, provision or paying for items, services or facilities) to organisations or individuals for the benefit of some, or all of the residents of Rooksdow. Examples of grants made are: (i) Set up costs for a new Scouts group, (ii) equipment for the community centre, (iii) equipment and facilities for the Youth Club etc.

There are two dates in the year when RPC will award grants.

RPC will receive applications between 1st and 30th April 2014 with awards being decided at the May RPC meeting and also October 1st - 31st being awarded in the November RPC meeting. There is a limit on the total grants which may be made each year. RPC has allocated the sum of £4,000 in the 2013/2014 financial year.

For a grant application form and further details, please contact the Parish Clerk on 01256 356701 / 07791 548838. RPC reserves the right to request additional supporting information if needed in support of the grant application eg copies of quotes for equipment.

Parish Council MEETING DATES

7.45pm at the Community Centre

- Monday 24th March
- Monday 28th April
- Monday 2nd June

Come and get regular updates on what is happening and express your views.



DAVID WILSON HOMES

EXHIBITION ON PLANNING PROPOSALS FOR THE NORTHERN AREA

Thursday 20th March

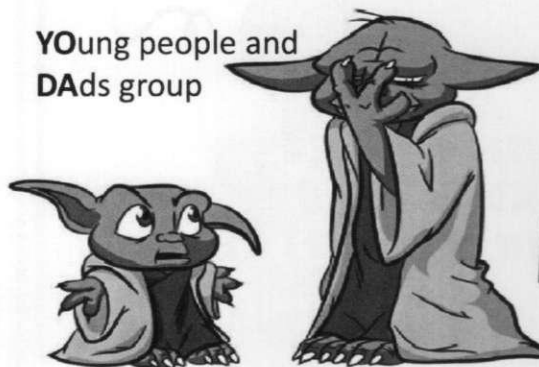
1pm - 7pm

At Rooksdown
Community Centre

Now outline planning has been approved the next stage of the planning process will be available to see and make comments on.

The exhibition will go into the specifics of the development in advance of a detailed planning application.

YOUNG people and
DADs group



CALLING ALL DADS

RDYC has set up a new project called YODA.

This is for YOUNG people and DADs to go on trips and interesting activities together.

The trips for 2014 include a London Irish match day experience, the RAF Odiham family day, the Jurassic coast and a trip to the beach.

For more information about the group please contact
yc@rooksdowntownline.com



ROOKSDOWN FOOTBALL TEAM

**The taster coaching sessions confirmed enough
interest for a Rooksdown Football Club.**

In order to start this volunteers are needed for positions on the trustee board, coaching and transport.

If you are interested in helping please email
yc@rooksdowntownline.com



The Meadows Camberley **SHOPPING TRIP**

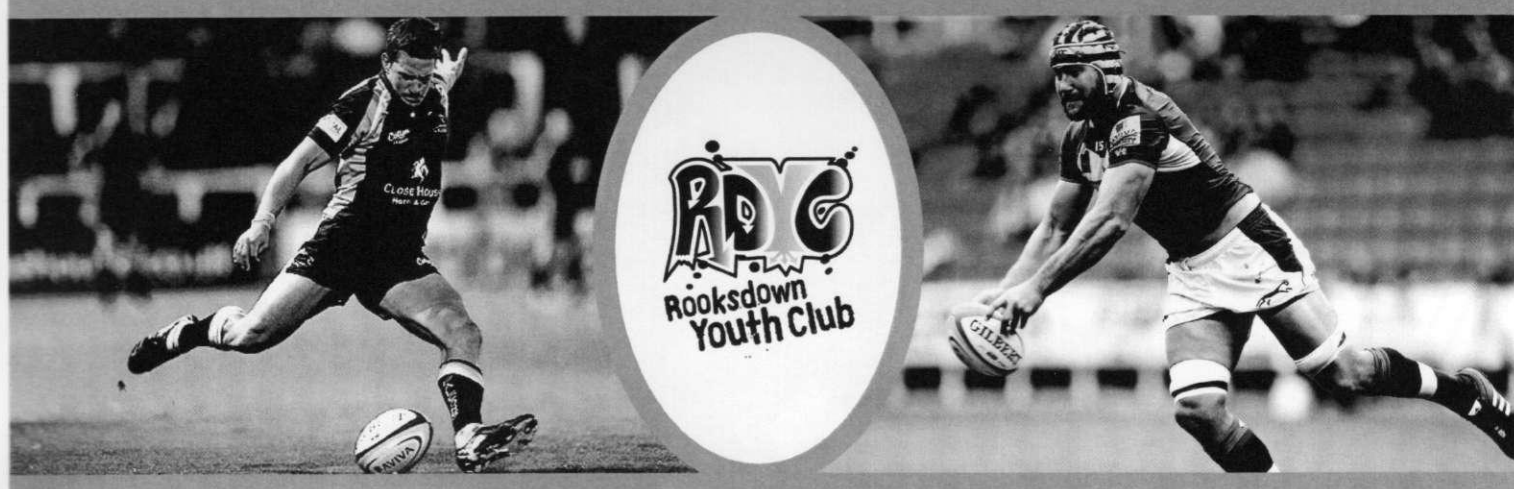
New monthly shopping trip to The Meadows Camberley on the last Wednesday of the month.

Come and shop at Tesco Extra, Marks & Spencer and Next Home & Garden.

26th March, 30th April & 28th May

Minibus will be leaving Rooksdown Community Centre **at 10.00 am.**





London Irish



NEWCASTLE
FALCONS

SUNDAY 13th APRIL 2014

London Irish

VS

**NEWCASTLE
FALCONS**

AT MADEJSKI STADIUM

£20 FOR DAD & CHILD

(AGED 8-15)

Includes:

**Pitch side seat, pitch side parade
& professional photograph**

Meeting:

Rooksdown Community Centre 12.30pm

Booking:

**Please email: yc@rooksdownonline.com
stating names & a contact number.**

Rooksdown Community Association Reg Charity No: 1142688



David Wilson Homes continue to progress with their plans for the development of the northern part of Park Prewett (the old golf course site).

Together with DWH we are running a competition to suggest a name for the development.

The name for the new development should be based on historical and/or local relevance.

The young person submitting the successful name will receive

£20 IN CO-OP VOUCHERS

and have their picture taken for the newspapers and DWH website.

The Community Centre will then receive £200 of vouchers to support the work of the Rooksdown Youth Club (RDYC).

All entries should be submitted to the Community Centre office by
5pm on Friday 4th April 2014.

Entrants must be under 18 and have permission from a parent/guardian and be willing to have a photo taken for publicity purposes.

Just as a precaution, DWH reserve the right to alter the chosen development name if they deem necessary.

ENTRY FORM

Suggested Name for the Development:

Your Name: Age:

Address:

.....

Telephone Number:

Parent/Guardians Signature:

**DAVID
WILSON
HOMES**

