



Woods – snowdrops, brambles, BBQ & bonfire afternoon – Sunday 17 March 2pm

With spring on the way it's time to get back into the woods to enjoy the resurgence of nature, keep the bramble at bay and to have a catch up with friends and neighbours in the fresh air. If you fancy some exercise come prepared with thick gardening gloves and secateurs/loppers to tackle the perpetually invasive bramble and to prepare arisings for the fire. Trowels will be needed to plant the snowdrops. General tidying is always beneficial as is removing self-set holly and laurel saplings.

Otherwise, come down for a walk and enjoy the BBQ – it's always fantastic to see new faces.

Plans are being drawn up for future Woods Days – dates for the diary are: **Saturday 20 April & Sunday 19 May**

Painting

Houses nos 2-36 and 56-62 (evens) are due to be painted this year and our contractor attended on 6 March to inspect for any necessary woodwork repairs. They will provide individual quotes for consideration. A more specific note has been sent to these 22 houses.

The Templemere gardens

As spring approaches, the gardens sub-committee has woken up, held its first meeting of the year, and agreed a schedule of work for Lance and his team for the forthcoming planting season. There are small areas of re-planting required throughout the estate, where mature shrubs have got leggy and lost their looks, plus a few areas where larger scale landscaping is required. These include the lawns and borders behind the first crescent of houses (nos 1-11) which are to be edged properly with new shrubs introduced, including skimmia, photinia and euonymus. The more formal box bed outside no 9 is to be overhauled too, with some box moved to fill holes elsewhere, leaving just a border of box which will be in-filled with lavender. (Apparently lavender was much more prevalent on the estate at first, so we thought it would be appropriate to plant more in our Golden Jubilee year.) Cornus is also to be re-introduced in appropriate borders. We are hopeful that the majority of the work will be carried out in March, paid for out of the remaining 2012-13 landscaping budget.

We have welcomed some new members to the gardens sub-committee – Margot Ireland (no 54), Chantal Busson (no 7) and Shirani Robinson (no 37) who join Arthur & Margaret Boulter (no 11), Hazel Neill (no 9), Annette Door (no 29) and Clare Baxter (no 35). The group looks after the maintenance of the woods as well as the lawns and borders, and the addition of new blood gives us an opportunity to look at our activities afresh. We have some exciting plans for utilising the woods during our Jubilee activities and for our regular woods parties – so watch this space!

Window cleaning dates

Please arrange for access and close your skylights during gutter and roof cleaning.

You should get a completion note through your door but if you are not happy with the service, please contact

Arthur Boulter (13) within 48hrs on **849991** or **a.boulter229@btinternet.com**

Window cleaning, wash down UPVC door & window frames w/c 1 April

Guttering/roof & window cleaning w/c 6 May

Window cleaning w/c 10 June

Guttering/roof & window cleaning w/c 15 July

Window cleaning w/c 19 August

Guttering/roof & window cleaning w/c 23 September

Window cleaning w/c 28 October

Guttering/roof & window cleaning w/c 2 December

Window cleaning w/c 6 January 2014

Guttering/roof & window cleaning w/c 10 February 2014

Window cleaning w/c 17 March 2014

Our window cleaners, Dreamclean, are trying a different method of cleaning the front windows of our houses using purified water through a hose. This means that the windows will be wet for a time but the spots, because they are soft water, will dry off leaving no residue. They will continue to use the cloth and detergent method to clean the back windows of all houses (since individual access is required through gardens and a hose can't easily be used there) and the high level bathroom/landing windows of the 3-bed houses where, again, hose access is difficult.

Soakaways

The roadside gullies and soakaways are due to be pumped out on Tues 12 March.

Your committee

Committee members, phone & house numbers and their responsibilities:

Clare Baxter T. 843078 **35**
Gardens

Arthur Boulter T. 849991 **13**
Roads / Painting / Trees / Windows / uPVC Cleaning / Gutter clearing

Nick Canham T. 847662 **2**

Annie Henderson-Begg T. 842969 **21**
Secretary / Newsletter

Jon Mudd T. 850277 **33**
TV / Communications / Lighting

Hazel Neill Woods T. 828781 **9**

Fionnuala O'Brien T. 840719 **32**
Marketing & Website

Alex Rayner T. 07720 083651 **6**
Moss

Roger Scott Treasurer T. 888843
M. 07789 641423

Additional help

Annette Door Events T. 830682 **29**
Arnold Yau Website **61**

The next committee meeting is on 20 March. Email any issues to be raised to **anniehbegg@btinternet.com**

Thank you

to all those who heeded the call to park with more consideration. We still have a problem with untaxed cars being abandoned for long periods. If your car is untaxed please put it in your garage or remove it from Templemere.

Welcome to

Carley and Sam Bean, recently moved into no 67.

That's handy

Email tips for reliable tradesmen to **anniehbegg@btinternet.com**

Dave Benstead, plumbing and heating
T. 01932 222024 M. 07836 679585

Michael Turner, MT Home Improvements
T. 01932 886019 M. 07761 385152

David J West, carpenter, kitchen fitter
T. 01932 845742

Ashley Flooring, parquet floor
T. 01932 252600

The Wood Floor Restoration Company,
Dieter Dickman www.woodfloor-restorers.co.uk
T. 020 8644 3937 M. 07943 813530

William Reed, painting and decorating
T. 01932 848516

Paddy Campbell, Carpentry & Maintenance
T. 01932 228379 M. 07949 999985

Paul Benstead, PS Benstead Building
Services
T. 01483 480569 M. 07866 716683

Jamie Judd, J J Roofing Ltd
T. 01483 472269 M. 07740 783295

Darren Chambers Roofing
M. 07751 569139 T. 01305 782928

Thames Upholstery T. 01932 247999

Surrey Glasshouse, mirrors, glass & uPVC window repairs
T. 01932 336086

T. 020 8941 2176 M. 07831 275946

Addlestone Carpets T. 01932 841232

R&D Electric, rewiring T. 020 8890 2714

Bill Durbridge, central heating engineer
T. 01932 230002

MB Fencing T. 01932 561032

Val Batista, locksmith
M. 07919 884918 T. 08452 600240

Malcolm, handyman, T. 07958 128248

Mark Bayley, Cardinal Pest Control
T. 07970 171937

Horticulturalers, gardeners T. 01483 488550
M. 07876 345057 www.horticulturalers.co.uk

Adam North, landscaper
T. 01932 854221 M. 07723 446915

Caroline Petty, Born Gardening
T. 01932 856677 M. 07947 077993

The Compost Centre T. 01483 472423
www.thecompostcentre.co.uk

D L Wood Drain Services
M. 07970 097408 T. 01784 251960
www.dlwooddrainservices.co.uk

Clearaway Drainage Services, sewers
Approved Thames Water contractor
(standard fee £65) T. 01923 265796
www.clearawaydrainage.co.uk

Walter Koscielniak, PC Help@Home,
computer technician T. 01932 267085
M. 07985 516896 www.pchelpathome.co.uk

Grandparents' equipment list for loans:
Brenda Boyd (no 8) T. 01932 847696
E. bmboyd@vodafoneemail.co.uk

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