



Buckhurst Hill Parish Council Magazine

News and views from around Buckhurst Hill

Autumn 2011



BUCKHURST HILL PARISH COUNCIL HISTORY

Buckhurst Hill Parish Council is not a very old council. It was only created fifteen years ago along with Chigwell Parish Council and Loughton Town Council.

Originally the centre of population was around the Roebuck Heights area and along the High Road. In 1856 the railway came to Buckhurst Hill and Victorian builders encouraged people to move into the area. The population has grown steadily since then until it now numbers well over 10,000 including 2,500 under the age of 20.

The aim of forming the Parish Council was to encourage voters to become more involved in local democracy. The Council organises litter picks, networking coffee mornings and Christmas activities for the benefit of the community. It scrutinises local

planning applications and passes its views on to the District Council.

Sometimes the Council has facilitated the formation of new groups such as the Buckhurst Hill Historical Society and the BH4UTH forum and club which meets in the 'Deck' at The Bridge, Princes Road. It also held public meetings to encourage the formation of the Roding Valley Residents committee which campaigned to save the village green.

Residents in Buckhurst Hill are fortunate that Epping Forest land, managed by the Corporation of London, represents 25% of the total area. Another 25% consists of land belonging to Epping Forest District Council which can be used for Playgrounds, Ball Courts, Cricket, Football

and Rugby. There are also public amenity spaces called Stacey Gardens on the High Road and Linders Field off Roebuck Lane which were given to the people of Buckhurst Hill by the Stacey and Linders families. There are several green areas, one of which has been registered by Essex County Council as a village green.

The Parish Council manages the playgrounds and the Roding Valley Hall and Woollard Centre. It runs the Information Centre in Queens Road. The Council also employs three caretakers.

The Councillors are elected to make informed decisions on behalf of the local community. Council meetings are open to residents to attend.

Coffee Morning 30th June 2011

Jo Gilkes, a 'Sure Start' family support worker, was the guest speaker at Buckhurst Hill Parish Council Coffee Morning.

She explained how the new centre in Victoria Road Buckhurst Hill, staffed by one part time and three full time family support workers, was a venue where the staff could help parents with children under school age. They teach parenting, speech and language skills and provide activities such as 'stay and play' and 'messy play'. By introducing children to sports at an early age, showing them how to hit a ball, they help to improving their muscle tone and bonding with others. Trips to the forest, park or library are also organised by the family support workers.

As fathers find it difficult to attend the centre during the week they can meet there with their children once a month on a Saturday morning.

The families who meet at the centre find that they join a network of friends who support each other.

So the family support workers provide a front line universal service at the centre or in the family home and can help with sleep and behavioural problems, post natal depression, mental and long term health problems and with advice to such carers as child minders.

Councillors were invited to attend an Open Day at the Little Buddies Children Centre on Saturday 16th July and were impressed by the modern facilities offered to nearly 800 children under 5 who live in the area.

Representatives of other organisations attending the coffee morning spoke about their organisations namely:

- Buckhurst Hill Historical Society
- Buckhurst Hill Horticultural Society
- Buckhurst Hill Leisure Gardens Society (allotments)
- Chabad Jewish Community Centre
- Churches Together – who provide or facilitate services such as a debt advisory service, a bereavement service, scouts, cubs, beavers and pre and post abortion advice.
- Essex Police
- The National Trust – Woodford Green Centre
- Roding Players Orchestra
- St James' United Reformed Church – which had again won an ecological award
- Women's Institute

Litter in Buckhurst Hill

On Saturday 6th August Cllr Eleonor Spencer, Chairman of the Parish Council's Community Forum Committee, organised one of her regular litter picks. We were very pleased that this attracted **8** volunteers who collected **23** bags of litter in **2** hours mainly from the open spaces in Buckhurst Hill!

It's a shame that Buckhurst Hill with its areas of natural beauty, open spaces and forest land, is spoiled by a minority of inconsiderate and irresponsible people. But it doesn't go away so...

...come and join us for the next litter pick – Saturday 1 October 10am – 12 noon.

Meet at the Information Centre and return afterwards for coffee and biscuits with Councillors.

Useful numbers

COUNCIL, SUPPORT & ADVICE SERVICES

Buckhurst Hill Parish Council	020 8498 9933
Epping Forest District Council	01992 564000
Buckhurst Hill Library	020 8504 0810
Education/Welfare	01245 436741
Registrar of Births, Deaths & Marriages	01992 572789
Social Services	0845 6037630
Essex County Council	0845 7430430
London Borough of Redbridge	020 8554 5000
London Borough of Waltham Forest	020 8496 3000
Citizens Advice Bureau	0844 2571909
Department of Social Security	020 8532 4200
Samaritans	08457 909090
Child Line	0800 1111
NSPCC	0808 8005000
Age Concern	0800 009966
Rape Crisis Centre	0845 1232324
Epping Forest Careers Centre	01279 696300
Epping Forest Volunteers Bureau	01992 564424
Epping Information Centre	01992 564288
Epping Forest Countrycare	01992 788203
NHS Direct	0845 4647
The Willows Centre (Counselling room at St Stephen's Church, Alfred Rd) Support for unplanned pregnancies, free pregnancy testing, confidential care and advice, free counselling	
For advice and appointments	0800 1214898
www.willowscentre.org Affiliated to CARE Confidential – National Helpline	0800 0282228
www.careconfidential.com Red Cross	020 8508 2162
FloodLine	0845 9881188
Essex County Fire & Rescue	01376 576000
LOUGHTON STROKE CLUB Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month (except August) at 2.00pm	020 8508 1100
MOTOR NEURONE Meetings held at the Parish Information Centre VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED National helpline – for people with MND and their carers	08457 616262
ALZHEIMERS SOCIETY	01992 717676
HOSPITALS St Margarets	01992 561666
Princess Alexandra	01279 444455
Whipps Cross	020 8539 5522
King George	020 8983 8000
Newham General	020 7476 4000

Holly House (private)	020 8505 3311
Roding Spire (private)	020 8551 1100
GPS Kings Medical Centre	020 8504 0122
Taylor & Partner	020 8504 1552
River Surgery	020 8504 7364
CLINICS Buckhurst Hill Clinic	020 8504 0405
Marie Stopes Fairfield Clinic	0845 300 8090
DENTISTS Gill, Patel & Anand	020 8504 9393
Queens Road Dental Practice	020 8505 8008
Valley Dental Practice	020 8504 5787
White House Dental Practice	020 8504 9393
NURSING HOMES Forest Place	020 8505 2063
Queens Court	020 8559 0620
COMMUNITY GROUPS Chabad Lubavitch – Jewish Community Centre	020 8926 2376
Details: Rabbi Brandman www.chabadonthehill.co.uk Iford Hindu Centre	020 8553 5471 or 020 8478 6049
SCHOOLS Buckhurst Hill County Primary	020 8505 7300
St John's C of E School (Primary)	020 8504 2934
Braeside School (Private)	020 8504 1133
The Daiglen School (Private)	020 85047108
Loyola Preparatory School (Private)	020 8504 7372
Chigwell School (Public)	020 8501 5700
Bancroft School (Public)	020 8505 4821
West Hatch High School	020 8504 8216
Roding Valley High School	020 8508 1173
NURSERY SCHOOLS Buckhurst Hill Baptist Pre-School	020 8505 9299
Asquith Nursery	020 8501 1085
Queens Pre-Nursery	020 8505 0005
ADULT EDUCATION Buckhurst Hill Community Association	020 8504 6668
Epping Forest College Loughton	020 8502 0186
ESSEX POLICE Neighbourhood Policing Springfield (HQ)	07968 354021 01245 491491
Non-emergency	101
Loughton Police	020 8502 3881
Harlow Police	01279 641212
YOUTH ORGANISATIONS Air Training Corps	020 8505 6165
TRAVEL INFORMATION Stansted Airport	0870 0000 303

Gatwick Airport	0870 0002 468
Heathrow Airport	0870 0000 123
Luton Airport	01582 405100
London Regional Transport	0843 222 1234
National Railways Enquiry Line	0845 3033100
City Link (bus & coach)	0141 332 9644
Kentish Bus & Coach (Arriva)	01474 321 300
Metrobus	01293 449191
National Express	0871 7818 178
ANIMAL WELFARE Palmerston Veterinary Group	020 8505 1435
RSPCA (Veterinary Advice Line)	0300 1234 999
Chestnut Cat Sanctuary	01992 560510
PUBLIC UTILITIES British Gas	0845 609 1122
Emergency Line	0800 111999
Thames Water	08459200800
Leak Line	0800 714614
London Electricity	0800 0969000
Emergency Line	0800 028 0247
SPORTS FACILITIES Bancroft Rugby Football Club	020 8504 0429
Buckhurst Hill Cricket Club & Lacrosse	020 8504 5652
Buckhurst Hill Bowling & Lawn Tennis	020 8504 0780
David Lloyd Centre	020 8559 8466
Epping Sports Centre	01992 564564
Essex School of Swimming	020 8505 9436
Loughton Sports Centre	020 8508 4662
Roding Valley Cricket Club	020 8506 1001
Roding Valley Tennis Centre	020 8505 4008
MINI CAB SERVICES Mason Car Services (Woodford Green)	020 8504 1685
Mayflower	020 8502 1111
Buckhurst Hill Cars	020 8505 1111
Woodford Radio Cars (Chingford)	020 8559 1111
CHURCHES St John's/St Stephen's	020 8506 2150
Buckhurst Hill Baptist	020 8559 0222
St James United Reform	020 8524 3727

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Coffee Morning 31st March 2011

Retired Judge Tony Bradbury spoke about many aspects of the law at a coffee morning held in the Buckhurst Hill parish offices on the 31st March 2011.

He explained that only certain judges dealt with murder and manslaughter cases and that 90% of cases are decided by magistrates.

Judge Bradbury qualified as a solicitor in 1966 and was later appointed a judge trying other criminal and family cases at courts such as Snaresbrook Crown Court and Bow Court.

As a judge in criminal cases he sometimes disagreed with the jury verdict but could not say so. If he thought the guilty person innocent he could only give the minimum sentence for that crime. Recently jurors can be informed about a defendant's previous convictions if the character of any of the prosecution witnesses is attacked. If sentences are reduced by the Home Office, this can annoy the public, if for example someone in prison on remand for 6 months is given a sentence of 2 years and is then released after 6 months.

As a young solicitor working in the inner city he had many clients who came from a nearby large hostel known as the Spike which

accommodated around 600 people. Nowadays such people are cared for in the community. He found that they would often commit petty crime in order to secure accommodation for themselves in prison especially at Christmas time. Some of these clients then returned to his office after hours to steal equipment. After a while no insurance company would give him cover at a reasonable premium!

Judge Bradbury came to live in Buckhurst Hill in the 1980s and was a judge at Ilford County Court (which is about to be closed by the government). There he dealt with around 3000 divorce cases a year.

Over the years legal terms have changed and family cases refer to residency and contact. It has recently been announced that grandparents are to be given the right to stay in contact with their grandchildren.

Since the baby P case local authorities are seeking care orders more often to remove children from their parents and give them to foster carers before they are offered for adoption. Children are a most important asset for the country and need to bond early with their carers so the resulting delays in the overworked family court system is damaging to the interests of children. It takes time to train highly qualified judges and social workers.

How to develop confidence for kids and anti-bullying workshop

"I first walked into a martial arts training hall (Dojo), after reading an advert in the local paper, 25 years ago; little did I know this would change my life." says Steve Payne (Sensei Steve as he is called by his students).

Following a project management career in the financial sector, Steve moved from being a part-time to a full-time Martial Arts instructor, pursuing his passion for the Martial Arts.

He successfully runs after-school Karate clubs in conjunction with local primary schools catering for all – including children with special needs, Parents and Teachers only groups.

Sensei Steve believes the martial arts are "more than just punches & kicks" so teaches leadership & social skills within his classes. To meet a need raised by a concerned parent, he has put together a workshop for Kids to help them develop their confidence and self-esteem alongside strategies on how to avoid bullies.

"I'm passionate about providing a workshop addressing this very real problem. We run this workshop over a 6 week period at the Woollard Centre on Loughton Way, and kids can only attend if parents contact me directly; it works best if the groups aren't too big."

The workshop addresses:

- How to make new friends
- How to get along with others
- How to talk to people in the right way
- How to talk to teachers and adults in the right way
- How to de-escalate situations
- Dealing with confrontational situations (verbally and physically)
- Creating an anti-bullying plan



Steve also runs a scaled down version of his workshop for schools most suited to kids in years 5 & 6.

"A parent contacted me to ask for my help regarding her daughter. She was so pleased with how things changed for her daughter, she decided to send me an email which I think best explains what we are trying to achieve:

...In just the four lessons my daughter has enjoyed with Sensei Steve so far, I have watched her blossom from a timid, withdrawn child who is frightened of PE lessons or physical contact with other children, to someone who is always smiling, full of energy and very eager to attend her next lesson each week..."

For more information, schools and parents can contact Steve on: 07900 162515

Epping Forest News

The annual City of London Ladies' Day was held at the Warren Loughton on Friday 15th July 2011 where the Superintendent of Epping Forest, Paul Thomson, invited the Lady Mayoress and Sheriffs' Ladies and guests to either join the Conservation Manager and new Grazier to talk about the new 'invisible fencing' and other initiatives on a short walk, to take part in a putting competition on Chingford Golf Course or to accompany Project Manager Catherine Cavanagh on a tour of the Chingford Hub where Butlers Retreat is being refurbished and a new visitor centre is being built. Both sites

are located next to the Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge, built in 1543.

Butlers Retreat was built in 1859 as a barn and is now being repaired and fitted out as a modern restaurant on two floors.

The Coach House, originally part of the Royal Forest Hotel, was built in phases from 1879. It is now being re-designed by separating the two parts of the brick-built building with a modern glass roof. Visitors will be able to shop and climb up to a viewing gallery which will enable them to see over a large area of Epping Forest from a height comparable to the one enjoyed by spectators in the past who watched the huntsmen in the forest from galleries in the Queen Elizabeth Hunting Lodge.

Be a **STAR** for the night!

On Saturday 24th September St Clare Hospice would love you, your friends and your colleagues to be stars for the night! Walk 5 miles around Loughton and Buckhurst Hill in memory of a loved one you've lost, walk for someone you know who has been helped by St Clare Hospice or just walk for fun and fitness. Whatever your motivation, we want you to be part of our Starlight Walk in Loughton!

Last year nearly 200 people took part in this walk and raised £13,500 for St Clare Hospice who provide specialist care for people living with a terminal or life limiting illness in West Essex. 22 year old Aleisha Charlton took part in last year's Starlight Walk with her cousin Kat and said "I wanted to help raise money for St Clare who took care of my Mum, Connie, when she was very ill. She sadly lost her battle with cancer in February 2010. I wanted to give something back to help the Hospice continue to help other families like ours. It was a lovely walk, a great atmosphere and I would recommend it to anyone. I would love to take part again!"

The 5 mile walk starts at 8pm from the Trap's Hill car park and will also finish there. Entry costs £15 and you will receive a t-shirt and goody bag on the night. To sign up, call 01279 773750 or register online at www.stclarehospice.org.uk.

BE A STAR FOR ST CLARE HOSPICE!

Walk 5 miles round Loughton and Buckhurst Hill on Saturday 24 September

ESSEX POLICE AUTHORITY

Important Announcement

On July 1st, Essex Police became one of the first forces to switch to the new police non-emergency 101 telephone number.

You can use this number if you need to contact Essex Police about any non-emergency crime issue, to contact your local Neighbourhood Policing Team, to seek crime prevention or personal safety advice, contact your nearest police station or to speak to us about any other non-emergency issue.

Please be assured that the emergency 999 number remains unchanged and should continue to be used if you have an emergency.

Maureen Browning – Public Engagement, The Essex Police Authority
Direct dial telephone: 01245 291608 Email: Maureen.browning@essex.pnn.police.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD

POLICING

**Buckhurst Hill
Neighbourhood Action Panel**

**Are you concerned about
the area you live in?**

A group of local residents/businesses meet every month with the police to discuss and action key issues that affect our community.

We are looking for people like **YOU** to join this group.

Issues that we have addressed so far include:

- Anti-social behaviour • Alcohol-related crime
- Increased police presence

For more information please contact a member of the Buckhurst Hill Neighbourhood policing team on **101** or **07968 354021**.

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SALT BINS

Thank you to those residents who responded to our request in the last edition.

The Parish Council continues to pursue options with Essex County Council. In the meantime it is asking for residents' assistance. Would anyone be prepared to have a salt bin on their own property for general use? The Council could arrange for the bins to be filled: or do residents have any other ideas?

Anyone interested in placing a Salt Bin on their own property or with other suggestions should contact the Parish Office



T: **020 8498 9933**

or E: **office@buckhursthillpc.gov.uk**

TAOIST TAI CHI Cultivating Mind and Body

The International Taoist Tai Chi society was founded by Master Moy Lin-Shin over 40 years ago and the society in Great Britain was subsequently founded in 1991 and registered as a charity. In keeping with Master Moy's vision of compassion and service to others all instructors are nationally accredited volunteers and most of the administrative work is done by volunteers.

The instructors organise beginners' and continuing classes which are very popular in the locality and which are open to all. After learning some basic exercises beginners are shown the first few movements. It takes about 3 to 4 months to learn a set.

A Taoist Tai Chi set consists of a sequence of 108 movements specifically designed for improving health of the body, mind and spirit in the holistic sense. Tai Chi gradually re-teaches the body how to move properly and improves balance, thus making day-to-day functions much easier, especially in the elderly.

The International Taoist Tai Chi society is a global volunteer organisation with more than 500 locations in 28 countries. Members can attend classes at all international locations.

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www.taoist.org.uk

BUCKHURST HILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The spring and summer shows have been and gone – what a strange season it has been weather wise so far this year. Many plants were at their peak two or three weeks earlier than usual so we have had a different selection of exhibits at our shows, making a diverse attraction.

Our next show will be the *AUTUMN SHOW* held at:

**THE CENTENARY HALL, ST JOHN'S CHURCH,
HIGH ROAD, BUCKHURST HILL, SAT 10th SEPTEMBER, TIME 2-5pm**

**TEA & HOME MADE CAKES
GOOD PARKING FACILITIES
PLANTS FOR SALE**

This is always a popular show and as in previous years we expect to have a wonderful display of floral, fruit and vegetable exhibits, attractive floral arrangements and of course a cookery section.

As well as plants and horticultural sundries for sale there will be competitively priced bulbs available too.

We start our *WINTER PROGRAMME* with two talks which will be held at:

**ST JAMES UNITED REFORM CHURCH,
PALMERSTON ROAD, BUCKHURST HILL. TIME – 7.30 PM**

DATES AS FOLLOWS

Monday 3rd October

Illustrated talk on Tatton Park Show
Speaker – Harry Brickwood

Monday 7th November

Subject "Pottage to Peacocks"
Speaker – Maureen Poole
(A volunteer at Rentwell's Re-creations
of Tudor Domestic Life)

**ALL ARE WELCOME –
£1.00 ENTRY INCLUDING REFRESHMENTS**

If you require any information regarding
The Horticultural Society, please contact:
020 8504 8436 or 020 8504 3238

PARKING REVIEW – an update

There is still no new timetable for the Parking Review for Buckhurst Hill to take place. As we go to Press, no more is known than was stated in the agenda for Epping Forest District Council's meeting of 26 July as follows:

"Following the last council in June, the Leader of Council has written to the County Cabinet Member with responsibility for highways, giving her the assurances required on the outcomes of the Epping parking review and seeking early signature of the Order and then implementation. The timescales for the Buckhurst Hill and Loughton reviews remain uncertain at this time whilst we establish with County how and by whom these are to be undertaken."

Dates for your diary



2011 BUCKHURST HILL PARISH COUNCIL

(Meetings held at the Parish Information Centre, 62-64 Queens Road)

Dates for your diary

■ Thursday 15th September 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

■ Thursday 29th September 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

■ Saturday 1st October 2011

10am – 12 noon Councillors' Surgery

10am – 12 noon Litter Pick

■ Thursday 13th October 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

8.00pm Finance & Establishment Committee

■ Thursday 27th October 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

8.00pm Full Council

■ Saturday 5th November 2011

10am – 12 noon Councillors' Surgery

■ Thursday 10th November 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

8.00pm Community Forum

■ Thursday 24th November 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

8.00pm Recreation & Amenities Committee

■ Saturday 3rd December 2011

10am – 12 noon Councillors' Surgery

■ Thursday 8th December 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

8.00pm Full Council

■ Thursday 22nd December 2011

7.00pm Planning & Environment Committee

Details correct at the time of going to print. Further information from the Information Centre – 020 8498 9933 or our website – www.essexinfo.net/buckhurst-hill-parish-council

BUCKHURST HILL ANTIQUES CLUB

Buckhurst Hill Community Association, Bedford House, Westbury Road.

Fridays 7.45pm for 8.00pm. Visitors welcome.

Membership £40 for Autumn Term.

£75 for Autumn and Spring terms if paid in advance

Visitors £5 per evening – tickets on the door.

For more information telephone 020 8504 6668

BUCKHURST HILL BOWLING AND LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Great for exercise and fun. The outdoor bowls season extends until early October and the tennis courts are in use all year round.

Coaching for all ages is available.

For further details contact Peter (tennis) on 020 8529 1296,

Margaret (ladies' bowls) on 020 8504 4249,

Henry (men's bowls) on 020 8504 7518.

www.bhbtlc.freeserve.co.uk

BUCKHURST HILL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Bedford House, Westbury Road, Buckhurst Hill.

Places still available in classes for Autumn Term commencing 19th September 2011:

Aerobics, Art, Birdwatching, Bridge, Calligraphy, China Painting, Keep Fit, Landscape Painting, Life Drawing, Mosaics, Needlecraft, Natural History Walks, Piano, Portrait Painting, Pottery, Printmaking, Sculpture in Clay, Wildlife in your Garden, and Yoga.

Brochures with full details for our 2011-12 programme and how to enrol are now available from the Parish Office, local libraries or BHCA itself on 020 8504 6668, email office@b-h-c-a.org or visit www.b-h-c-a.org

Registered Charity No 301268.

BUCKHURST HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

For Information please contact:

020 8504 1799/020 8504 2844/020 8532 0593.

BUCKHURST HILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

■ SATURDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2011

Autumn Show

The Centenary Hall, St John's Church, High Road

Winter Programme:

Time 7.30 pm

St James' United Reformed Church, Palmerston Road

■ MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2011

Illustrated Talk on Tatton Park Show

■ MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2011

Pottage to Peacocks

All visitors welcome.

For information telephone 020 8504 8436 or 020 8504 3238

BUCKHURST HILL RESIDENTS SOCIETY

■ Tuesday 27th September 2011 – 11am Macmillan Coffee Morning

St James' United Reformed Church, Palmerston Road
Coffee & cake £3 in aid of Essex Macmillan Cancer Support

■ Tuesday 6th December 2011 – 7.30pm Christmas meeting

St James' United Reformed Church, Palmerston Road

New members always welcome

Further information from:

6 The Meadway, Buckhurst Hill, Essex IG9 5PG

Website: www.buckhursthillresidents.co.uk

Email: info@buckhursthillresidents.co.uk

EPPING FOREST & DISTRICT STAMP CLUB

Meetings take place on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Roding Valley High School, Alderton Hill, Loughton.
For more details contact Keith Smith on 020 8505 5620.

GOLDEN YEARS CLUB (formerly FUNFARE 50+ CLUB)

St James' United Reformed Church, Palmerston Road, Buckhurst Hill.

Tuesdays 1 – 3.30pm

2011 Term dates: Autumn

6 September – 13 December (to be confirmed).

Members – £20 per term payable in advance.

Visitors – £2 per session.

For more information telephone Janice Curd 020 8505 2384

RODING PLAYERS ORCHESTRA

This enthusiastic group of musicians meets weekly on Monday evenings 7.15 – 9.30pm at Roding Valley High School, Loughton, Essex. New members welcome, especially strings and brass.

Next concert:

■ **SATURDAY 10th DECEMBER 2011** with Staples Road Junior School Choir
St. Mary's Church, Loughton High Road

For more details contact the Musical Director on 020 8505 4329.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

7.45pm on the first Tuesday of each month at St James' URC, Palmerston Road.

■ **Tuesday 6th September 2011** Colin Godley from Stepney will talk about his Grandfather (Sidney Godley), buried at St John's Loughton

■ **Tuesday 4th October 2011** The Annual Tony Bradbury Lecture

■ **Sunday 30th October – Sunday 13th November** Poppy Collection

■ **Tuesday 1st November 2011** Wreath Laying at St James' URC and AGM

■ **Friday 11th November 2011**

Morning: St John's School Remembrance Service and at 11am, ceremony at Lych Gate

■ **Saturday 12th November 2011** Queen's Road Collection

■ **Sunday 13th November 2011**

Morning: Remembrance Service at St John's and Wreath Laying at Lych Gate

Afternoon: Wreath Laying at St Stephen's, Buckhurst Way

■ **Monday 14th November 2011** (Noon) Wreath Laying at Pelly House.

For more details contact the Chairman, Stephen Goddard on 020 8505 2570.

ST JAMES' UNITED REFORMED CHURCH ECOLOGICAL COMMITTEE

St James' URC, Palmerston Road.

Free entry. Tea and coffee served at the end of the meeting.

For more details contact Steven Neville on 020 8504 5325.

ST JOHN'S CHURCH

High Road, Buckhurst Hill.

Sunday services –

9.00am: Quiet service

10.30am: Family service

Everyone welcome!

SENIOR MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Second Tuesday in every month at St John's Church, High Road 12.00 noon – 14.30 2-course hot meal. Speaker.

New members welcome (retired or near retirement age).

For more details contact the Secretary, Roy Allen on 020 8504 1631.

THE NATIONAL TRUST – WOODFORD GREEN CENTRE

Meet at the Sir James Hawkey Hall, Broomhill Road, Woodford Green. Admission free to Centre members, visitors £3.

Refreshments available. Cards and book stalls.

■ **TUESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2011**

8.00pm – Neptune Project

■ **THURSDAY 20th OCTOBER 2011**

2.30pm – A Lady and her Spitfire

■ **MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2011**

8.00pm – Coastal Wildlife and the NT in East Anglia

■ **WEDNESDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2011**

2.30pm – Fenton House

For more details contact John Lovell on 020 8505 3640

Further information is available at www.nationaltrust.org.uk

WEST ESSEX RAMBLERS

As a member of the Ramblers' Association, our Group offers a wide range of facilities. We are a friendly group. Come along on some of our walks to see if you would like to join.

For a sample programme please contact: Pat and John Juchau, Publicity and Recruitment Officers on 020 8502 1628 or Keith Wenden, Membership Secretary on 020 8529 6265.

www.westessexramblers.org.uk

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

7.30pm – 10.00pm on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at St James' URC, Palmerston Road.

For more information telephone Pat Price (Secretary) 020 8505 2790.

■ **FRIDAY 30th SEPTEMBER 2011**

Buckhurst Hill Women's Institute Quiz Night
St James URC

7pm for 7.30pm start. Teams of up to 8 £5 per head

Nibbles provided but please bring own drinks (not spirits)

All welcome – please contact Pat Price 020 8505 2790

WOODFORD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

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