

Buckingham TownMatters



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR NEW MAYOR

I am humbled, delighted and a tad anxious to have been elected Town Mayor for 2017/18. I am hugely grateful to my councillor colleagues for choosing me. Thanks also to all those who have already welcomed me into this position.

It is a role with little actual authority but it comes with a long history, a weight of responsibility, and a smidgen of ceremonial power. It is my earnest intention to use all of these 'trappings' and to do all that I can to honour and represent our Town, and all the folk who live, work, visit, play and study here.



So what will I actually do...? One of my tasks will be to chair the full Town Council meetings. I promise I will do this with a focus on seeking broad agreement and ensuring that every councillor has the opportunity to give their input: both the quiet and not so quiet ones! Like all councillors, I will continue my efforts to help make decisions on how and where best the Town Council should use its limited resources to benefit the Town.

As Mayor, I will attend as many of the Town Council organised events as humanly possible, (notwithstanding that our excellent Deputy Mayor, Cllr. Mark Cole, will be at many of them too). By opening (and sometimes closing) these events, I will be looking to thank and praise people for making these events happen and adding to the prosperity and community spirit of our Town. I am also looking forward to being invited to other local events where I can learn about and appreciate all that is happening in Buckingham and the great things being achieved here.

I expect to be asked to represent Buckingham and the Town Council in places outside the Town. I will certainly attend some of these events with the intention of promoting Buckingham and inviting people to visit and enjoy all that we have on offer.

Beyond this, as many who know me understand, I am always looking for ways to help people not only to *shape* their dreams and ambitions, but also help them *realise* these for themselves and their families. I am not sure yet how, but I hope to use my role as Town Mayor to do a little bit more of this. Please watch this space!

Hook forward to meeting lots of people.

Cllr. Jon Harvey May 2017

INTRODUCING YOUR DEPUTY MAYOR

It is a great honour to have been chosen by my fellow Buckingham Town Councillors as Deputy Mayor for 2017/18, during which time my role will be to support our new Mayor, Cllr. Jon Harvey.

Jon and I become respectively Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the council, and our civic duties will include representing Buckingham at events and functions within and occasionally beyond the parish.

Buckingham has a long and proud heritage dating back to pre-Roman times, and was for centuries the county town, being granted charters by both Mary Tudor in 1553 and by Charles II in 1684, in each case in appreciation of the support which the loyal and ancient

borough' had given to their parents. It remained the county town until 1725, when fire devastated a third of the borough, and lost both its status and the assizes to Aylesbury.



Despite that setback, Buckingham continued to flourish as a market town, and has now become big enough to warrant the appointment of an elected Deputy to assist the Mayor. That is the baton which I will be picking up from May. I look forward to serving both the Mayor and you the townspeople.

Cllr. Mark Cole

DISABLED GO

Whether it's just getting your weekly shopping in Buckingham or going out for a special occasion, the disabled, the elderly or parents and grandparents with young children in buggies can find it difficult, for example, because of poor access to shops and restaurants, the lack of special facilities or pavements with potholes or wobbly paving stones. The Access for All group meets monthly to discuss and raise awareness of access needs in the community. It aims to raise access awareness and advocate for those with access issues, working closely with Buckingham Town Council regarding access planning. New members are welcome and further information about the group is available by emailing buckinghamafa@gmail.com



co-operation funds were provided by BTC to enable DisabledGo to carry out an ongoing access survey of premises in and around Buckingham town centre until 2018. The survey findings are available at www. disabledgo.com and leaflets about Access for All and DisabledGo are available at the Tourist Information Centre, the library and other locations throughout the town. And even if accessibility does not affect you personally, the DisabledGo website is a useful tool if you are entertaining visitors who may have such problems.



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NEW CEMETERY AND ALLOTMENT LAND

Expansion of the existing cemetery was unfeasible due to the fact there is bedrock close to the surface meaning that burials cannot take place on much of the existing area.

The Town Council has agreed an action plan to source and provide a new cemetery and allotments. We are looking at a site on land to the west of the town bordering the A421. The new land could provide parking, toilets and burial space for the next 150 years, along with plenty of allotments. If successful, the aim would be to have the new cemetery and allotments in use by April 2020.



HIDDEN TOWN CHAMPIONS

Regular readers of this newsletter will know about the past series of articles on the **Hidden Treasures of Buckingham** which were eventually turned into a town map (available from the Old Gaol and online – www.buckingham-tc.gov.uk/community-matters/publications). On reflection, we decided that many of the 'treasures' of Buckingham were the *people* of the town who go out of their way to help others, directly or indirectly.

So we would like to run a series of articles in coming editions about the individuals you think deserve to be featured here as

a 'Hidden Town Champion'. If you would like to nominate someone, please write to Eloise-Mary Medland (contact details on page 15). Please include details of why you think they are a Hidden Town Champion, together with how you and they can be contacted. (Naturally, someone's story will only be published with their consent.)

Lots of people do lots of good things for others, all the time. We think it would be great to recognise some of those people. It will make them and us all smile just a little bit more. And that's good for us all.

PLANNING BREACHES

Can I build an extension to my house or put up a sign over my shop without planning permission?

Planning law is a minefield, some might think laid deliberately to catch out the unwary, and the answer to the above can be yes or no, depending on local planning practice.

If it's no and you go ahead anyway, you will be breaching local planning law and changes you make could be subject to an enforcement order. This could mean that you must apply for planning permission, or even to take down what you have put up. The same thing will happen if you build with permission but do not meet conditions attached – such as the height of a roof, or materials used – or put up a sign or change the use of a shop to a café.

Some years ago the government made the planning process less difficult and costly by giving homeowners Permitted Development Rights, provided the extension or garden building didn't exceed certain dimensions and met building regulations.

But Buckingham has a conservation area and a number of estates where those permitted development rights have been removed by an Article 4 direction to protect the character of an area. On the older parts of Page Hill, for instance, even a garden shed needs planning permission, whereas on other estates you can build a loft conversion or extension without it.

A fence here or a garage conversion there may change that character, and you can expect a visit from an AVDC Enforcement Officer if it has been done without the required permission.

Every planning application comes before the Town Council's Planning Committee for comment before it is approved or refused by the local planning authority, Aylesbury Vale District Council, and is carefully considered by your town councillors, who have both local knowledge and historical background, before responding to AVDC.

The Town Council also reports perceived breaches to AVDC Planning, whose staff will visit the site; the property owner may be asked to submit a formal application, may be advised the alteration is not permissible, or may decide to take no action on the grounds that enforcement would not be cost-effective. The latter would mean a loss to the taxpayer of the £172 planning application fee, so this has to be finely balanced.

If in doubt, check: full details can be found on the AVDC Planning Portal at www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/section/ planning-and-building-control



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PANCAKE RACE

For the last couple of years Buckingham has held its annual pancake races during half term so that children can take part. This year's races were held on 14th February, which was also Valentine's Day.



Sponsored by Buckingham Town Council the races were held on the green outside St Peter & St Paul Church and the event was opened by the Town Crier and Town Mayor, Cllr. Andy Mahi. Contestants were asked to wear a headscarf and apron and to bring their own frying pan.

Once again there was a good turnout and the winners of the different age groups were 5 yrs and under, Zara Mayes, 6-11yrs Olivia Msoffe, 12-16 yrs James Russell and the winner of the very competitive adult race which included the Town Mayor, Councillors and the Revd Pearson-Gee, was Charlie Clare.

FOOD FAIR

The 5th annual Food Fair was held on Saturday 25th February in the Community Centre. This sell out event with 27 stall holders attracted more than 1,000 visitors between 10am and 3pm.



This year the event saw a lot of new stall holders including Bucks Star Beer from Milton Keynes, Udderly Fresh Raw Milk from Winslow, who had recently been on local news BBC South, local Buckingham Honey producer Beekeeper Honey who sold out and had to replenish their stock. The very popular Baja-Cantina, who serve Mexican Street Food and can be found in Hunter Street every Tuesday evening, were also there. There was also herb and spiced tea, artisan chocolates, fresh meat, non-alcoholic ginger drink, pies, pasta and olive oil.

The Buckingham Action Group which includes representatives from Buckingham Town Council and Project Street Life teamed up again for the Great Buckingham Youth Bake Off. Project Street Life leads on the Bake Off and the Food Fair provided the venue for the judging. This year the youth had to decorate their cakes at the event and they were then judged by Mayor, Cllr. Andy Mahi, Victoria Forward of Victoria Sponge and Jill Hynes from the WI.

The WI had a very successful time with the refreshments.

They were selling homemade cakes and cups of tea and coffee. Every year they have a project that they raise money for and this year they have chosen to raise money to buy a star for the town's Christmas tree.

GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

Despite the dreadful weather at the beginning of March local groups still managed to get out and take part in the Great British Spring Clean.

The Buckingham and Stowe Running Club filled 27 sacks with rubbish on the morning of Saturday 3th March around the Welsh Lane area.



Photograph © Buckingham & Stowe Running Club



Photograph © Jason Skyrme

Students from the **Royal Latin School** visited areas

around the school and towards the town centre. Year Seven students were accompanied by volunteers from the Sixth Form. Although the town is relatively clean students still managed to fill ten bin bags.

3rd Buckingham Scouts took part in the Great British Spring

Clean on Saturday 4th March. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Parents and Leaders met at the Embleton Way Scout and Community Centre and litter picked along Embleton Way, the field and surrounding areas. When they were clearing the footpath that links Lenborough Road to the ring road they found 4 office chairs. These were picked up by the Green Spaces Team.



Photograph © Chris Scaddor



Photograph © Railway Walk Group

The Railway Walk Group had a very successful litter pick along the Railway Walk on Saturday morning collecting 9 sacks of rubbish and a few larger items including a large polythene sheet.

Town Councillors, staff and hardy members of the public dodged the heavy showers on the Sunday and litter picked the town centre and the areas where they live.

Thanks to everyone that took part.



COMMONWEALTH DAY

'Joining together as members of one worldwide Commonwealth community.' At 10am local time on Monday 13th March, Buckingham joined more than 950 gatherings around the world. The Mayor, Cllr. Andy Mahi, read out the Commonwealth Affirmation and raised the Commonwealth Flag, on the flag pole outside Buckingham's Community centre.

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BUCKINGHAM FRINGE WEEK 15th – 23rd July

Saturday 15th July

There will be **Sports Taster Sessions**

Buckingham Community Centre, 6:45pm for 7pm start. Join quizmaster, Mayor, Cllr. Jon Harvey, for a Family Quiz Night. It is £10 for a team of 6 or £2 for an individual, to be made up into a team of 6 on the night. There will be a children's round for the under 12's and prizes awarded to the winning team. A ploughman's supper will be provided and you can bring your own drinks.

Sunday 16th July

Organised by Buckingham Town Council the **Dog Show** will take place on **Sunday 16th July** in the paddock in **Bourton Park**. **Registration is from 10am** and the event runs from **11am – 2pm**. There will be 9 classes and prizes for the winners of each class.

There will also be information stands from organisations such as the RSPCA and tips on how to keep your dog healthy and safe.



of Buckingham. One member of a previous 8-12 group has since played for junior teams at Shenley and MK, and has now gone on to play in the Under 12 Regionals. Others from

are to be confirmed.

Monday 17th July

Organised by the **Buckingham Action**

Group, the first of the free Basketball

sessions will start on Monday 17th July and

run for 6 weeks. The one hour long stay and

play sessions are taught by qualified coaches

who bring all the equipment with them.

Young people aged 8-12 years can attend

session at Chandos Park and young people

aged 13 years and up at Bourton Park. Times

Over the last three years these sessions have

proved very popular with the young people

play in the Under 12 Regionals. Others from the older age group have gone on to join their own college or university teams.

Tuesday 18th July

Enjoy a **cream tea** at **Villiers Hotel** whilst listening to fine music, from **1pm – 4pm**.



Youth Project to be hosted by The Buckingham School; a night of drama starting at 7pm.

Wednesday 19th July

From **8pm** the **Oxford Fiddle Group** will be performing at the **Radcliffe Centre**. This ever popular group will be performing songs mainly from England and Scotland but also from Ireland and the USA. This is a performance not to be missed. Tickets £5 and will be available, nearer the time, from Buckingham Tourist Information Centre, Old Gaol, Market Hill, Buckingham MK18 1JX.



Saturday 22nd July

An afternoon of **kite flying from 1pm**; there will be prizes for the best homemade kite. **Free event**, open to all ages. Location to be confirmed.



Comedy Night with Joel Drommet at The Old Town Hall, 8pm. Buckingham Town Council is pleased to welcome back Joel Drommet. The last year has been huge for Joel after his highly memorable performance on I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here. Joel gained thousands of new fans due to his unique brand of humour and his lovable personality while on the show – so many he went onto finish second on the show.

Tickets are on sale now and available from Villiers Hotel and The Tourist Information Centre.



For more information on the Fringe Week, look out for the Fringe Brochure coming through your door at the end of June.



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BUCKINGHAM IN BLOOM



Do you take pride in your hanging baskets or know someone who does? If so why not enter them in this year's **Buckingham in Bloom**. This year the judges will be looking for the best kept and most colourful hanging baskets. There are two categories; residents and community groups. Entry forms are available from Buckingham Library and on our website. The baskets will be judged in July and must be viewable from the public domain. Winners will receive garden vouchers and a certificate.

PLAY AROUND THE PARISHES



Funded by Buckingham Town Council, the ever popular **Play Around The Parishes** will be back in Chandos Park during the summer holidays. There will be fun and games for children aged 0-12 years. These events are **free to all** and will take place on **Thursday 10th August** and **Monday 14th August** from **10am – 3pm**. If wet, the sessions will take place at George Grenville Academy, MK18 1AP.

BANDJAM

Organised by

Bandjam and
sponsored by
Buckingham
Town Council
this free event
will be held on
Sunday 27th
August in the
bull ring in
Buckingham
town centre.
The event
features local





musicians and bands and attracts a large audience. Music starts at **1pm** and goes on until **10pm**.

RIVER RINSE

This year's annual **River Rinses** will be taking place on **Sunday 10th September** and **Sunday 1st October**. The first rinse will start at Bridge Street Skate Park and go on to Chandos Park; the second one will start from the university and work along towards Fishers Field. The Stowe Sub Aqua Group pull the finds out of the river and a group of volunteers on the river bank sort everything out and load it up into the quad and trailer. Typical finds are tyres, bicycles, road signs, bottles and cans.

If you would like to volunteer to help clean the river you can contact Buckingham Town Council on 01280 816 426 or just turn up on



FAIRTRADE IN BUCKINGHAM: CELEBRATING 10 YEARS AS A FAIRTRADE TOWN



Buckingham achieved Fairtrade Town status in September 2007, so we are celebrating our 10th Anniversary this year! So how did we become a Fairtrade Town, and what does it mean? The process began on October 2004, when Buckingham Town Council passed a resolution to serve Fairtrade tea, coffee and biscuits at all meetings. In May 2005, a steering group was set up. We looked at what was required in order to achieve Fairtrade Town status, and set about making contact with various shops, businesses and community groups in order to fulfil the 5 goals. It took 2 years and much hard work, encouraging schools, churches and shops to participate, as well as attracting media coverage. It was a great achievement when we heard we had been successful; we held our first anniversary event on 15th September 2007 at the Old Gaol.

Fairtrade Fortnight this year included hosting a visit from Patrick Kaberia, a tea producer, from Kenya. Patrick spoke at both The Buckingham School and Buckingham Primary School, and gave a moving account of how climate change is affecting his community, and how being supported by Fairtrade has helped them to reduce soil erosion and roll back the impact of climate change on their local rivers. They have also been able to build new classrooms and a maternity clinic with the Fairtrade premiums.

We had Buckingham's first Flash-Mob on 4th March: Lenborough singers and saxophonists from the Winslow Concert Band played and sang the Banana Boat Song, whilst others dressed in banana suits, acted out the song, and gave out free samples of Divine milk chocolate. Great fun was had by all!



Remember that Fairtrade means a fair and stable price for the producer; the Fairtrade premium, to invest in community projects, such as a water pump, school room or health clinic; and safe working conditions.

What can we all do?

- **Choose Fairtrade** when you shop in the supermarket: look for the logo!
- Please keep supporting our Fairtrade Town events:

16th September 2017 – Anniversary event, The Old Gaol, 10am – 12 noon

17th September 2017 – Service of Celebration, Parish Church, 2.30pm

On behalf of the Fairtrade Town Steering Group, we would like to thank the people of Buckingham for supporting Fairtrade during these ten years.

WHAT YOUR LOCAL COUNCIL ACHIEVED IN 2016/17



Town Centre & Events Committee

The Town Centre & Events Committee oversees arrangement of the Council's annual events, town promotion, the Markets, Charter Fair and Visitor Information Centre. We also arrange the town centre planters and



hanging baskets, and enter the Small Town section of the Best Kept Village competition (last year we received another well-earned Certificate of Merit).

During last year, we again brought a wide range of events to residents and visitors alike (see listing on the back cover of *Buckingham Town Matters*). Some of these are arranged in conjunction with others, and we are always looking for new events that may be attractive to townsfolk and visitors alike.

We continue to make improvements to the overall layout for the Christmas Lights Switch-on which this year will be moved to a Sunday.

Finally, we continue to promote our town through appropriate media (including social media) and websites.

The cost of events are closely audited to ensure that they deliver good value for money, and contracts with third parties are also regularly reviewed.

All events are overseen by a Lead Councillor. Many Councillors assist at most events, but the behind-the-scenes work is left in the capable hands of the Town Council's Events Co-ordinator.

Planning Committee

There were slightly more applications in 2016 than 2015 (156 from 147). However there were more large developments and for the first time for several years, some substantial commercial applications.

- The University has applied for a new building in the University Precinct and a large residential building over the Station Road car park.
- Applications for the site at Lace Hill are currently seeking approval for a Premier Inn, Costa Coffee and Beefeater restaurant. It is hoped that a new doctor's surgery and treatment centre, planned for this site, will also materialise.
- Currently we await the results of an appeal for Moreton Road phase 3, a development in an area not designated for housing development in the Buckingham Neighbourhood Development Plan (BNDP).
- A development of 9 flats and a large detached house, situated on Chandos Road has been approved despite BTC's opposition.

BTC's opposition to several of the developments hinge on transport issues, in particular those developments that feed traffic into the Old Gaol junction are opposed.

Town Centre development this year sees the continued replacement of retail premises by food/drinking establishments. We are pleased to see the premises used but would prefer to have a more mixed development.

We now have a list of the status of outstanding S106 agreements. We hope to be consulted more in the future about how this money is allocated and spent, rather than it being left wholly to AVDC and BCC.

Environment Committee

The Committee has responsibility for the town's environment and green spaces, property and health.

The footpaths in the cemetery have been improved this year, and the new public toilets and shop mobility unit in Cornwall's Meadow car park should be completed in the next couple of months, together with the outdoor table tennis table in Bourton Park. Church Hill green has been protected from car parking with the planting of a traditional Yew hedge along the north side.

We work closely with local conservation groups to maintain and improve our valuable wildlife sites in the Town including the Railway Walk and parks.



The Lace Hill Community Centre is up and running well and we continue to

improve sports facilities and increase the number of hirers.

Our grass cutting contract continues to save money and the enterprise project for grass

cutting the verges around the town is a great success and into its 3rd year with many young people having the opportunity of being employed to cut the grass.

We have recruited another 8 tree wardens and now have 14 to cover the Town and will be agreeing areas for the wardens to cover. We aim to get tree preservation orders

on valuable trees. We also set up a Town Action Commission on trees, hedgerows and green spaces.

Resources Committee

The Resources Committee oversees budgets, expenditure, communications and personnel matters.

At the June meeting, based on the Town Action Commission, it was recommended to ask AVDC for new parent/child parking spaces in Cornwalls Meadow Car Park.

The Personnel Sub Committee met in July to review the grading structures of Town Council staff. At the August meeting, the progress on DisabledGo was reviewed. In September, it was recommended that the Council website does not accept any commercial advertising.

Most of the November meeting was in private session discussing staff regrading. It was agreed that Shop Mobility should carry out a survey to help think about the future. The January meeting was taken up with reviewing grant applications and next year's budget.

The February meeting decided to support

s106 monies being used for new practice nets at the Cricket Club. A trial method for prioritising actions from committees was established.

Overall the themes of the last year have been accessibility, transparency, public involvement and good husbandry of the Council's resources and new services and buildings.



NATURAL BUCKINGHAM

It's 10am and the first Saturday of the month, and here we are a group of volunteers dressed to work outdoors, ready to take on a conservation task for the next few hours.

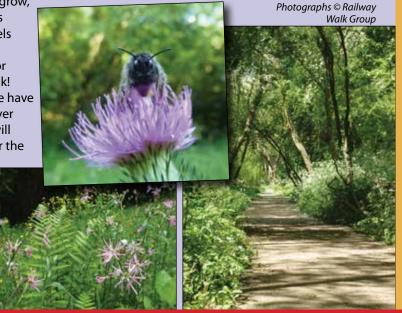
We head off on foot and depending on the time of year, we could be pruning fruit trees in the orchard; trimming hawthorns which are hanging over the footpath; building a bug hotel; cutting and clearing the glades to

encourage wildflowers to grow, or deciding on which trees to place identification labels for passers-by and oh yes, there is always time for that all important tea break! Whatever the job when we have finished for the day however big or small the task, we will have made a difference for the wildlife in the area.

So where are we...
Buckingham Railway
Walk, a unique green
space used by many
who enjoy walking,
jogging and cycling,
which with regular
care and attention, is

also a great home for nature in all shapes and forms.

For further details on how to join The Buckingham Railway Walk Conservation Group for a few hours each month please contact Jenny Manning railwaywalk@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.facebook.com/Railwaywalk or www.buckinghamrailwaywalk.btck.co.uk/



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OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Buckingham Cemetery	01280 816 801
Buckingham Shopmobility	07738 314 027
Lace Hill Sports and Community Centre	01280 812 872
Buckinghamshire County Council	01296 395 000
Transport for Buckinghamshire	01296 382 416
Aylesbury Vale District Council	01296 58 58 58
Citizens Advice Buckingham Winslow & District	0344 245 1289
Buckingham Tourist Information Centre	01280 823 020
Buckingham Community Hall	01280 823 584

Thames Valley Police	101
NHS Urgent Care	111
National Power Cut Helpline	105
National Gas Helpline	0800 111 999
Floodline	0345 988 1188
Samaritans	08457 90 90 90
ChildLine	0800 11 11

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Buckingham Town Matters is produced by Buckingham Town Council in order to provide you with a taste of what keeps Councillors and staff busy. But this is also an invitation for you to tell us what you think of what we do and what you think we should be doing. We are all working together to make Buckingham an even better place, so please let us know:

- what you think we should carry on doing
- · what you think we should stop doing, or do less of
- · what you think we should start doing, or do a lot more of

Just a reminder... all Town Council meetings are open to the public. You are invited to come along and give us your views.

You can email us at or just drop us a line at the address opposite. We look forward to hearing from you:



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2017 EVENTS DIARY



JUNE	Fri 30th – Sun 2nd July	Buckingham Literary Festival
JULY	Sat 1st – Sat 8th	Buckingham Summer Festival
	Sat 15th – Sun 23rd	Buckingham Fringe Week
	Sun 16th (10am)	Dog Show
	Mon 17th, 24th & 31st	Free Basketball Sessions
AUGUST	Mon 7th, 14th & 21st	Free Basketball Sessions
	Thurs 10th (10am)	Play around the Parishes
	Mon 14th (10am)	Play around the Parishes
	Sun 27th (1pm)	BandJam
SEPTEMBER	Sat 16th – Sun 17th	Fairtrade Town 10th Anniversary
	Sun 10th (10:15am)	River Rinse
OCTOBER	Sun 1st (10:15am)	River Rinse
	Sat 14th (1pm)	Charter Fair
	Sat 21st (1pm)	Charter Fair
NOVEMBER	Sat 4th (6pm)	Bonfire & Fireworks
	Sun 12th (10:30am)	Remembrance Parade
	Sun 26th (6pm)	Christmas Lights & Carols
DECEMBER	Sat 9th (10:45am)	Christmas Parade
	Sat 9th (11:30am)	Community Fair





