

Filton Ladies Group



Filton Ladies Group began 7 years ago to give local ladies the chance to meet others in the community and to make friends. There is never any need to feel lonely if you live in the Filton area and over the years Great lasting friendships have been made. Outings and theatre trips are organised. Holidays are also on the agenda. In June we are going to Llandudno and in April to Torquay on a theme of "We'll meet again". We meet every Thursday at St. Andrews Church Hall from 2pm to 4pm and just enjoy each others company, of course there is always a cup of tea. If you need help with Transport 4TT is always very helpful. Once a month we have a speaker, when ladies and gentlemen visitors are both welcome. On these occasions a £1 charge is made. For more information contact Margaret on 0117 983 4892, new members are always welcome. Full programme for 2003/4 can be seen on the Town Council Web site

www.filton-town-council.co.uk



TEDDY BEARS PICNIC
Sunday 29th August
Northville Millennium Green
1 o'clock pm
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We are a small friendly site situated between Mortimer Road and Emma-Chris Way in Filton. There are nineteen plots of about 16m x 10m each, some are divided into half plots. For further information or to find out about current availability, please contact the Secretary of Mortimer Road Allotment Association, Zoe Coggon, on 0117 330 5090 or e-mail zoe@coggon88.freeserve.co.uk



Newleaze House,
Rocroft Road, Filton
Coffee Morning
every Wednesday
from 10.30am



all donations go to

Babe's Big Appeal



Advertise on the Town Council Web Site

Filton Town Council Web site is in the process of being upgraded to contain more information about the council and its decisions plus photographs of various buildings and places of interest in the town.

The site is already well established receiving between 20,000 and 25,000 hits per month, but we do want to make it even better with advertising of local businesses.

Advertising charges will depend on the size of the business and of the advertisement, including having a photograph or logo.

For more information contact us via the web site.

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Fun Hangar opened

The newest attraction at the Elm Park Sports and Leisure Centre, the Filton Fun Hangar opened on schedule on the 10th April.

The Fun Hangar is a soft play facility for young children and has replaced one of the 2 squash courts in the centre

Named the "Fun Hangar" because it has an aeroplane theme, the new facility is already being well used and will increase as more people discover it near to the Dolphin Swimming Pool in Elm Park..

The Fun Hangar is open 7 days a week and party bookings are available.



The charges are £2.10 per hour for the first child and £1.60 for additional family children with reductions to £1.85 and £1.40 with a Filton residents card.

For more information call the Leisure Centre on 01454 866686 or call in at the Dolphin Swimming Pool reception.



Filton Festival

Elm Park, Filton

Sunday 11th July

Featuring:

The Wurzels

Robbing Williams

James Rodgers Fun Fair

Annual Firework Display

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Problems with 'Gopeds' (Motorised scooters)

Councillors have been receiving complaints from around Filton about the use of gopeds, so we asked our local beat manager what the Police can and are doing about them. This was his reply:

"The scooters have become a significant problem across the country, with shops selling them to parents without explaining clearly relevant legislation connected to them. Police are receiving countless calls from



members of the public who are concerned by their anti social use and for the safety of the youngsters using them.

Anti social behaviour is now the top District priority within South Glos and we will react to reports of

this nature accordingly. New legislation is in place which supports us in dealing with such behaviour and we need the assistance of the community in highlight the offending individuals.

Legislation is relatively straightforward pertaining to the use of gopeds. The use of them on a road or other public place is illegal. They qualify as Motor Vehicles in the Road Traffic Act 1988 and as such are subject to very stringent regulations as to their construction and use. They cannot comply with these requirements and therefore may not be used legally other than on private property with the landowners permission.

Police will continue to make every effort to reduce this ongoing problem and can do this by either using the legislation to prosecute offenders, or when they feel appropriate using their discretion in warning the riders of the facts so as not to persist in contravening the law or face the consequences".

PC Steve Ives, Filton Beat Manager

Filton Festival Police Initiative

This years Filton Festival is nearly upon us and lets hope the event continues to enjoy the success that it has in the past.

Last years event was sadly marred by some anti social behaviour and a violent attack. The Beat Manager for the area, PC Steve Ives has organised a police initiative in order to provide a greater police presence and to reassure the public that they and their families can attend Elm Park and enjoy the Festival in safety. The initiative will be run from Filton Police Station and will be in addition to the normal service that they provide.

The police will be conducting the initiative for the entire Festival and will be providing officers to patrol on foot in and around the Festival area at all times. Officers will also be available to hand out crime prevention advice available to the public. In the event of any disorder there will be an anti violence police unit available in the Filton area at peak times.

**Filton Festival Sunday 11th July
Look out for the Festival Programme
coming through your door shortly
Filton2000@supanet.com**

Town Council AGM

Filton Town council held it's Annual General Meeting on the 25th May in the pavilion at Elm Park Sports and Leisure Centre.

Cllr Roger Hutchinson was re-elected as Chair of the Council with Cllr Terry Pomroy being elected to the position of vice chair.

Cllr Pomroy replaced outgoing vice chair Cllr Paddy Lillis who had decided to step down from the position due to pressure of work.

Cllr Hutchinson thanked Cllr Lillis for his hard work and support over the 8 years that he had served as vice chair, he said that Cllr Lillis had played an important part in the council, particularly in putting his wide experience as a senior trade union official to good effect as Chair of the Staffing Committee.

Cllr Diane Hutchinson has been elected as Chair of the Finance Committee and also chairs the Planning Committee and Cllr Peter Blandamour becomes Vice Chair of the Finance Committee

"Land behind the Bulldog"

A piece of land which was bequeathed to the Town council many years ago for play space has become a serious problem because of frequent fly tipping and the dumping and torching of vehicles.



The area usually referred to as the land behind the Bulldog, is a triangle behind Fifth Avenue, Filton Avenue and Northville Road and is constantly requiring expenditure on clearing away rubbish.

Working together with the Filton Community Safety Group efforts are now being made to find a solution to the problem and over the next few weeks residents in the streets surrounding the land will be visited and asked to answer a questionnaire about the future of it.

This will include whether gates would be helpful, whether it should be tidied up and returned to use as a play area, maybe it could become a quiet seating area or perhaps the Town council should seek to sell it for development. Please help us by taking part in the survey when someone calls.

Safer South Gloucestershire

The Community Safety and Drug Action Team partnership was established in 1998 as a requirement of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998, which placed a legal responsibility on the local authority and the police to develop a strategy for combating crime and disorder in their area.

Helping to deliver the strategy on the ground are ten local Community Safety Groups one of which is based in Filton.

The South Gloucestershire Community Safety Strategy has six themes: Offering Public Reassur-

Filton Sports and Leisure Centre

Football Coaching Sessions

Tots Footy Skills Course

**Monday 19th to Friday 23rd July
9am - 9.45am Ages 3/4 £15 for the week**

Junior Footy Skills Course

**Monday 19th to Friday 23rd July
10 am - 1pm Ages 5-8 £30 - 15 hours**

Tots Footy Skills Sessions

**Fridays 30th July and 6th, 13th and 20th
August
9 am - 9.45 am Ages 3/4 £2.50 per session.**

Junior Footy Skills Course

**Fridays 30th July and 6th, 13th and 20th
August
10 am - 1 pm Ages 5-8 £7.50 per session.**

For more information call 01454 866686

Free Activities for Children



**From the local play link
organisation, supported by
South Gloucestershire Council,
Filton Town Council and Filton
People**

**2-4 pm every Friday afternoon on the playing
field opposite the swimming pool
30th July, 4th, 13th, 20th, 27th August**

Activities will include bouncy castle, trampoline, circus skills, tattoos, face painting, magic show, dance, self defence, football, rounders, water fights, arts and crafts and parachute games

ance; Drug Action; Tackling Property Crime; Tackling Anti Social Behaviour; Supporting Vulnerable People and Creating Safer Roads.

This year the partnership must carry out it's third Audit of Crime, Disorder and Alcohol. From the information gained a new three-year strategy will be developed in consultation with the community.

The consultation process will start in October and will be widely advertised, so keep a look out in the local press or council publications so that you can contribute your views.

To get more information about the partnership call 01454 868760