

CLIFTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



SPRING 2013

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Fish and Chip Supper	-	Saturday 4th May 2013
CVRA AGM	-	Thursday 16th May 2013
Summer Garden Party	-	Sunday 28th July 2013



Clifton Village Residents Association Committee

Chairman – Kevin McCormick
Treasurer – Helen Huffer
Secretary – Graeme Barker
Tel: 0115 9844 866

Committee Members:

**Glenys Blacknell, Terry Kay, Simon Massarella,
Pat Rice, John Spencer and John Woodall**

The yearly Subscription for CVRA membership for 2013-14 is to be held at £1 per adult. Subscriptions will be due for collection in spring, and CVRA members will be round in March to allow you to join for the period 1st April 2013 till 31st March 2014.

[Clifton Village Website](http://www.clifton-village.org.uk)
www.clifton-village.org.uk

The Clifton Village Residents Website contains links to items including the Neighbourhood Watch, AGM Minutes and committee minutes, links to local newspapers, bus timetables as well as a Picture Gallery and other photos of events and more! The site is regularly updated – so do pay us a visit!

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The CVRA would like to encourage contributions from the Village for this publication. We welcome any letters or features that could be included in the next issue, be they informative, educational, or of particular interest to the residents of the Village. Please send any letters or suggested contributions for inclusion in the next edition to Graeme Barker, 10 Nethergate.

Welcome visitors to the village this winter



CVRA - Annual General Meeting – 16th May 2013

The AGM will be in Clifton Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm. The meeting will be starting earlier this year as the Councillor Norris will be attending to present the Council's proposals for addressing the growing problem of travellers visiting the village green. Further details on this can be found in the Chairman's address.

Minutes from last year's AGM held are available on the CVRA website: www.clifton-village.org.uk, or in hard copy by contacting the Secretary, Graeme Barker at 10 Nethergate on 01159 844 866. Copies of these Minutes and the Agenda for AGM 2013 will be available at the meeting.

You will find below a Nomination Form for any CVRA members who would like to put themselves forward for nomination for any of the positions mentioned. The committee is looking forward to your attendance.

Graeme Barker, Secretary The Clifton Village Residents Association

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Nomination Form

I wish to be nominated to join the
Clifton Village Residents Association Committee

Position:
(i.e. Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Member)

Name:

Address:

Telephone:

Proposer:

Secunder:

Please return the form to the Secretary:
Graeme Barker, 10 Nethergate, Clifton Village by Monday 13th May 2013

Chairman's Message

Welcome to the first CVRA newsletter of 2013. Last year was very eventful, particularly due to the Royal Jubilee, but there are many items to address throughout 2013 and hopefully a number of very enjoyable and well supported social events to look forward to.



In the first instance, I would like to thank all of you who turned up for the switching on of the Christmas tree illuminations and who managed to put up with my caterwauling as we sang carols throughout the village. There was some question of adequate notification for this event and I shall ensure that reminders are sent out this year, so that people don't miss it.

Village Christmas Tree team hard at work

Following on from that, we had the village, Christmas party, which was once again, a fantastic success, much due to the efforts of Glenys and Kath and her team for the catering, Francis Buck for his expertise with the mulled wine and of course, all of you who took the time to attend and enjoy a pre-Christmas social, with all your neighbours.

This year, once again, we have our spring to autumn, calendar of events, commencing with the fish and chip supper and culminating in September with the late summer picnic. All the dates are in the newsletter and I would ask you to try and make time to attend, as these functions really do embody the phrase "the more the merrier".

Matters Arising and Planning Issues

There have been a number of developments in the village. One is that it would appear we are going to have a proper car park for the village hall, which will be a splendid achievement and testament to the efforts of the village hall committee and their communications with the university. Fundraising will be an aspect here and I understand that there is a likelihood of an additional function, to be arranged by Mike Ashton, in June, to help secure additional funds for the village hall, whilst giving everybody a date to look forward to, for summer celebration.

Village Green

On a more serious note, a lot of effort is being put in on behalf of the village, through the CVRA, particularly in the persona of Simon Massarella, to move forward with plans to restrict access to the village green and prevent the regular incursions of travellers.

Following on from a previously reported meeting, with the council, attended by Simon, myself and Mick Huffer; I am delighted that we now have some general proposals and estimates, prepared by Councillor Alex Norris and which we hope to review, with you, immediately following the AGM. At the time of going to press, there is some doubt whether it will be Alex Norris himself who will be able to make representation on behalf of the council, but, hopefully, if he isn't able to attend personally, he will brief a member of his team, so that we can discuss the options.

Village Parking

Village parking has moved on into Phase 2 and at the time of writing, despite many entreaties and extensive letters from myself and communications from other members of the committee, once again including Simon, it would appear that people with drives, are not going to receive parking permits. This is a concern for a number of people and seems very unfair to me. I have repeatedly stated that I feel that having asked the council to help us, they may be creating almost as many problems, as they are taking away. That said, in the short time that the Phase 2 process has been in place, I am not aware of any inconvenience to residents. Hopefully Phase 2 will alleviate a lot of problems, without creating others, but I for one will continue to fight for parking permits for all, to enable us to park at all times, outside our houses.

Notts Wildlife and Clifton Grove

By the time you get this newsletter, we will probably already have had our meeting with Notts Wildlife, scheduled for Monday 25th March. I arranged the meeting to create an open forum, for Notts Wildlife to alleviate the concerns expressed to me, by a great number of people. I have attended several meetings, in respect of the conservation work intended to be put in place on the grove and the towpath and whilst sharing early concerns, have come to consider that the vast majority of activity will be beneficial and hope that the aforementioned meeting will give reassurance to people. One of the great fears was that a lot trees were going to be removed. This is not the case. There will be some fairly strong coppicing, but having had the reasoning explained to me and having taken advice from our own arborists, (Groveside Tree Specialists) within the village, I believe it to be not excessive and probably beneficial in the long term.

News Round Up

Before I finish, I would like to remind each and every one of you that we are always looking for local newsworthy items that apply to the village, or to individuals within it. So if you have something to contribute, please pass it on to Graeme Barker, for consideration for inclusion. As I believe we have a fairly full issue, I shall take up no more space, but look forward to seeing you all at the various meetings and the fish and chip supper.

Chairman - Kevin McCormick

Village Notes

Clifton Village Parking – Latest Update

Phase 2 parking Restrictions came into force on 6th March and the Council are implementing some 250 signs between Clifton Village, the Grove and Rivergreen – no easy project!

There have been many queries with the CVRA and directly with Traffic Management, each and every query appears to have been dealt with in a very

positive manner. We did query Phase1 Parking Permits, there being a lack of provision for Phase 2.

The reasons given, for the properties in the Gervase Gardens area being issued with Residents Parking Permits are:

- *The majority of these properties do not have direct access to off-street parking (unlike all properties in the Phase 2 area, some of which have driveways for numerous vehicles);*
- *Some properties in the Phase 1 area do not have any off-street parking provision*
- *Although some properties have an integral garage, they are small in size and do not have a lead-in driveway, unlike the properties in the Phase 2 area;*
- *There are some privately owned off-street parking areas, but these are not considered to be suitable for all residents especially those that are elderly / infirm and may need to park in close proximity to their properties.*
- *The general level and type of off-street parking provision in the Phase 2 area differs considerably from the Phase 1 area.*

The council position is that they have spent a considerable amount of time and expense spent consulting with residents regarding the Phase 2 scheme, including the unusual (additional) steps of reducing the hours of operation from 4-hours to 2-hours per weekday and also giving residents the opportunity to make a “Yes” or “No” decision on whether the scheme should be implemented.

Our responses, to their questionnaire, indicated that the scheme should proceed and accordingly NCC (Nottingham City Council – Traffic Management) has ordered the works, which have now being implemented.

NCC and Village Residents now need to see what happens when the scheme starts and then monitor accordingly, remembering that this is also “experimental” and could change if the need arises.

Simon Massarella (e-mail: massarella@btinternet.co.uk) of 5 Leabrook Close

Village Christmas Events 2013



**Lighting of the Tree and
Christmas Carols**



**Christmas
Party**





Fish / Pie and Chips Disco



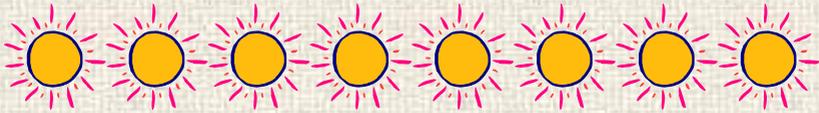
will be held at

Clifton Village Hall
7.30pm, on Saturday 4th May

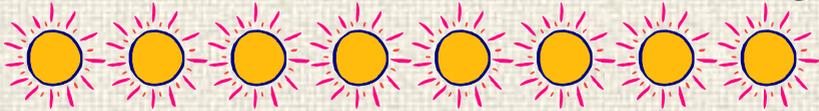
Tickets £5

**Ticket Price includes choice of Fish or Pie and Chips, and
a complimentary glass of wine or beer**

**Add this important event to your diary. Tickets sellers will
call on all households in the village closer to the time.**



Summer Garden Party



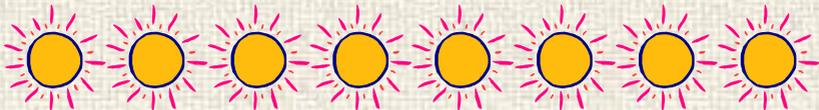
Sunday 28th July – 12.30pm

**Holly House on Village Road
(Village Hall if bad weather)**

Adults £5

Children £3

**Ticket Sellers will be calling on all households
Please bring your own garden chairs**



CORONATION JUBILEE GARDEN PARTY

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE 2013

3PM AT GLEBE COTTAGE, 48 VILLAGE RD

The Trustees of the Clifton Village Hall & School House cordially invite you to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen at a Garden Party on 2nd June at Glebe Cottage, 48 Village Rd.

**COME & ENJOY A TRADITIONAL AFTERNOON
TEA WITH 'LIVE' MUSIC**

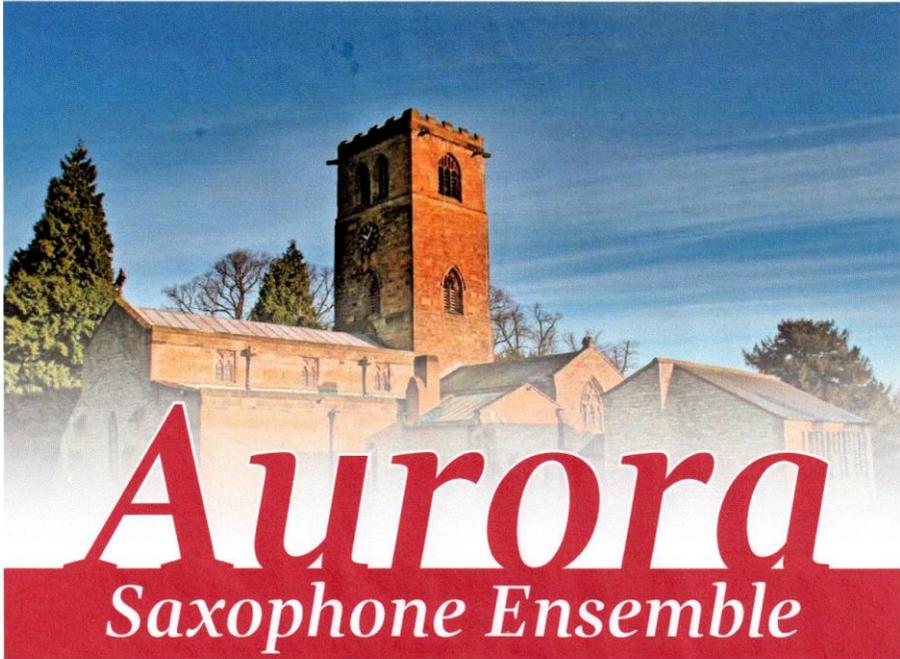
**TICKETS ARE £10 PER PERSON (UNDER 16'S HALF
PRICE)**

*All proceeds towards the Village Hall Car Park fund.
Further details will be circulated in a leaflet later in the Village.*

*For any queries or further information, please contact Mike or
Clare Ashton on 0115 921 3937 or mikeandclarea@btinternet.com.*

Mike Ashton, Chairman, Clifton Village Hall & School House Trust

Welcome! – the village would like to welcome its newest residents Cathy and Adrian Hands to village life. We hope you enjoy your time here and have the opportunity to join in some of the forthcoming village events.



Aurora

Saxophone Ensemble

Saturday 6th April 2013
at 7.30pm

St Mary's Church
Clifton Village,
Nottingham NG11 8NH



Tickets £10
Under 16 half price
Includes Refreshments

Available from:
Clare Ashton 0115 921 3937
or 07775 902385
Lynne Smith 0115 921 6604
Sally White 07786 707972

Proceeds in aid of 

(Oncoplastic Reconstructive Breast Surgery Unit) & St Mary's Church

Clifton Village Art Group

Dates for Summer 2013

Tues. Apr 9th
Tues. May 7th
Tues. Jun 11th
Tues. July 9th

Tues. Apr 23rd
Tues. May 21st
Tues. Jun 25th
Tues. July 23rd



We meet in the village hall at 2pm until 4pm approx.
Cost £5 to include materials and refreshments.

Not tried us yet?

Feel free to come along on any of the above dates.

Email: patriciabrice@hotmail.com for further details

Or call 01159140759

Clifton Village Garden Group

Summer activities with the garden group

Come and join us on any of
the following dates.

Everyone is welcome.



Mon. Apr 29th Euphorbias - by Don Whitton

He is an expert grower from Sheffield.

May 29th

Evening visit to Wollaton Hall's secret garden.

June 29th

The village garden trail. 3pm onwards

If you would like to include your garden on this trail
please contact Pat or Clare

July 17th

Evening visit to Mike Davey's garden, Ruddington

Garden Group Activities Continued

July 26th Evening visit to Cornerstones in Radcliffe
Sept 7th All day coach trip to Trentham Gardens.

If you would like to be included on any of the above or for further details please contact:
Clare Ashton or Pat Rice

Not tried us yet? Come along on any of the above dates. You won't be disappointed! Email: patriciaalice@hotmail.com for further details or

call 01159 140759

Dog Walking Appeal Clifton The Cinnamon Trust Needs You

The Cinnamon Trust is a national charity formed to support the elderly and terminally ill and their much loved, much needed pets. Volunteers help to keep owners and pets together either by walking a dog for a housebound owner, fostering pets when the owners need hospital care and even cleaning out a bird cage.

Unfortunately we have a shortage of dog walking volunteers in Clifton who are able to offer some help to a lovely 7 year old Staffy. The Cinnamon Trust is desperate for volunteers in this area even if you can only offer an hour a week it will improve the dog's quality of life so much and give the owner peace of mind.

**If anyone can help please call Sally on 01736 758707
Or email volunteer@cinnamon.org.uk. Please check out the web site for more details www.cinnamon.org.uk**

Registered Charity No 1134680. The Cinnamon Trust is a limited company registered in England & Wales. Company Number 07004861

Events at St Mary's Church, Clifton Village

PROGRAMME FOR 2013

CONCERT

Saturday 6th April Aurora – Saxophone Ensemble
(See details in this newsletter)

CLIFTON MUSIC FESTIVAL

Thursday 11th July To be announced

Friday 12th July Billy Bailey's Jazz Band

Saturday 13th July Helix Ensemble - Classical Concert directed by Chris Houlding (trombonist/conductor) & including Beethoven's 'Prometheus Overture', Albrechtsberger's 'Concerto for Alto Trombone' Gounod's 'Petite Symphonie for Wind' & Mozart's 'Symphony No 31 'Paris''

Sunday 14th July Choral Festival Service with St Mary's Singers & String Quartet at 10.45am

OPEN CHURCHES WEEKEND

Saturday 20th July Visit your local church – See the bells ringing via a video; learn about its history; enjoy a cream tea; children's corner, lots of stalls & much more!

CEILIDH (Barn Dance)

Friday 4th October Beggars Belief – Returning again by popular demand (Supper provided but please bring your own drinks)

CONCERT

Sat. 30th November Nottingham Chamber Orchestra

All evenings start at 7.30pm

All tickets for Concerts, Music Festival & Ceilidh £10 per person (under 16 half price) includes refreshments except where stated.

For tickets or further details, please contact
Clare Ashton on 0115 921 3937 or 07775 902385
or email mikeandclarea@btinternet.com

St Marys Church - Services during Holy Week & Easter

Maundy Thursday	28th March	7pm	Seder Meal
Good Friday	29th March	2pm 7pm	Quiet Hour before the Cross Burial of Jesus
Easter Eve Saturday	30th March	8pm	Half Hour Easter Vigil
Easter Day	31st March	6am 10.45am	Dawn Service <i>(followed by breakfast)</i> Holy Communion Easter Service

If you would like to come to either the Seder meal &/or the Dawn Service, would you please let me know for catering purposes – thank you.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For any queries, please contact Clare Ashton on 0115 921 3937 or 07775 902385 or email mikeandclarea@btinternet.com

Clifton Village Hall & School House Trust AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Trust will take place on Monday, 13th May 2013 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. There will be updates on Hall usage, the School House and the accounts for 2012 as well as an update on the proposed Car Park Extension. Plans for the proposed Car Park, produced by the Trusts' Honorary Architect, Graeme Barker, will be available for you to look at. Refreshments will be provided.

We look forward to your attendance
Mike Ashton - Chairman

To book the Village Hall please contact Barry Stevens on 07982 820120

We are your Local Beat Team

Green Lane



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07792 437 322
Darren.White@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk



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Call us: 101
Visit us online www.nottinghamshire.police.uk



Neighbourhood Watch



Summary of offences in Clifton Village

1st October 2012 and March 12th 2013

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	Total
Burglary Dwelling			1	1			2
Common Assault					1		1
Theft from Vehicle							
Theft Other				1			1
Vehicle Interference							
Total							4



Dear residents,



Hopefully you should now know that Clifton Police have moved to a new location on Farnborough Road, next door to Holy Trinity Church.

If you wish to speak to a member of your Safer Neighbourhood Team or report an incident you can now contact us on 101 ext 801 4560.

Our front counter opening hours remain the same as before:

Monday - Friday 10am - 6pm (Front counter closed between 2-2:40pm for lunch)
Saturday and Sunday Closed

Please see the website for further contact details for your local beat team
http://www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/local/nottingham_city/the_meadows_and_clifton/clifton_and_meadows/

Handyman Matt

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Painting and decorating
Plumbing, tiling
Laminate floors
Fascia and guttering
Garden work and fencing etc.



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References available

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07980113746 - 0115 9845437



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at home*

by Sandy

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*Award winning experienced stylist with the
creative personal touch*

Clifton Village Diary

Fish and Chip Supper	-	Saturday 4th May 2013 Village Hall - 7.30pm
CVRA AGM	-	Thursday 16th May 2013 Village Hall - 7.30pm
Coronation Jubilee Garden Party Glebe Cottage 48 Village Rd		Sunday 2nd June 2013 - 3pm
Summer Garden Party	-	Sunday 28th July 2013 Holly House Village Rd- 12.30pm

A quick reminder to all, that the advertising section on page 19 is open to all Clifton Village members, or their friends or professional contacts.

In return for a donation of £25 we will carry your advertisement in all our issues for one whole year. If you offer a local service, or know anyone who does, who may wish to promote it in our area, please ask them to contact Graeme Barker, the CVRA Secretary.