

Quality Update

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Young Citizen of the Year 2015

Bovey Tracey Town Council is pleased to confirm that the Town Council is again promoting the Young Citizen of the Year Award for 2015. This is the fourth year that the Town Council has run this award to acknowledge and recognise the achievements of young people in Bovey Tracey and Heathfield that might otherwise go unrecognised. This includes youngsters that have overcome challenges in their own lives and have still been able to make a significant difference to others in their community. The 2014 winner was Amy Barnett for her valued voluntary contribution to the parish of Bovey Tracey. The award is planned to be presented at the Town Annual Meeting in the Town Hall on 25th March 2015. Details of this year's award and nomination forms are now available to collect from Bovey Tracey, Brimley & Heathfield Post Offices, Bovey Tracey Library and the Town Council office. Copies can be downloaded from www.boveytracey.gov.uk

NOMINATE NOW!

Skate Park

Mill Marsh Park

In October 2014, the skatepark at Mill Marsh Park was opened and it is hoped will be enjoyed by many a youngster in our

area. Although there is further enhancement work to be carried out later this year, the skatepark is now available, but we ask that care is taken whilst grass and matting is still settling in. It is expected that there will be an official opening in May 2015, but in the interim I would like to remind parents of children who use the park to take notice of both the Conditions of Use and Code of Conduct signs at the park, which are there to ensure the enjoyment and safe use for all.

Looking for a venue?

Ever stuck for a place for your child's birthday party or other family celebration and not quite enough room at home? Or perhaps for a group meeting/presentation. Don't want to travel too far? Did you know that the Town Hall is available for hire at very reasonable rates and with its separate kitchen and toilet facilities, makes it an ideal venue to cater for birthday parties or meetings etc. For further information, prices and availability, please call the Town Clerk's office on 834217 or email info@boveytracey.gov.uk

Major Cycle Race Comes to Bovey Tracey

At 10.30am on Sunday 29th March, riders taking part in a National Cycle Race leave Bovey Tracey in procession from the Scout HQ, heading towards Chudleigh Knighton. The race proper will start as the riders cross the heath near Dunley Cross. At

Chudleigh Bridge the riders swing into the Teign Valley till they near Dunsford. It is then left and the gruesome 3 mile long climb begins over Doccombe topping out at close on 1,000 feet at Cossick Cross. After the drop into Moretonhampstead it is into the Wray Valley to complete the circuit at Bovey Tracey. The third time the riders reach Bovey Tracey they will turn right and climb up to the finish line level with the Upper Haytor Car Park. It is anticipated that the finish will be at around 1.30 p.m. While on the road the riders will have a motor cycle escort from the Devon & Cornwall Constabulary. Major junctions will be manned by accredited marshals. The Mid-Devon Cycling Club would welcome you to come along to watch the riders in action and to give them vocal support and encouragement. More information is available from Ken Robertson - event organiser
robertson@swdc.freeseve.co.uk



Library seeking Friends

Bovey Tracey Town Council has recently been successful with its application to work with the local library to become a Community Pilot. Jackie Paxman (Library Supervisor) is setting up a 'Friends' of the Library group to support and promote the library. If you are interested in being part of the Friends Group, please email boveytracey.library@devon.gov.uk



Could you be the next Town Councillor?

In May 2015 there will be an opportunity for residents of Bovey Tracey & Heathfield to elect their Town Councillors for the next four years. If you would like to make a real difference to the town in which you live and/or work, why not consider putting yourself forward as a Town Councillor? Most people's impression of what a Councillor does is that they just attend council meetings and nothing could be further from the truth. The duties and pleasure of being a local Councillor are many and varied; however it is the ordinary day to day contact with local people in their own community that is the most important part of being a Councillor.

The diversity of parish and town councils is their strength. Each can make a unique response to the needs of their community with a sensitivity that is more difficult for principal authorities to achieve. The diversity of the Town Council often arises because Councillors have different enthusiasms and interests. The Council needs a range of skills to work as a team.

For further information, or informal discussion, please contact Mark Wells (Town Clerk) on 01626 834217.

Bovey Tracey Town Council is seeking Nominations for the Honorary Title of

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LORD OF THE MANOR OF BOVEY TRACEY for 2015

THIS IS awarded annually at the Town Council's Annual Meeting on 11th May 2015 to a Bovey or Heathfield resident, who in the opinion of the Town Council, for whatever reason, has made a significant voluntary contribution to the Parish of Bovey Tracey over the past 10 years and should be publicly recognised for those actions.

If you know of someone who should be considered for this award, please contact the Town Council Office for a nomination form and the criteria for nomination or download a form from www.boveytracey.gov.uk Completed nomination forms should be returned by 17th April 2015 to: The Town Clerk, Bovey Tracey Town Council, Town Hall, Bovey Tracey, TQ13 9EG. For any further information, please contact Mark Wells on 01626 834217.

Forthcoming Town Council Meetings

23rd February 2015 (Recreation, Parks and Property & Planning Committees) Council Chamber - Bovey Tracey

9th March 2015 (Finance, Resources & General Purposes and Planning Committees) Council Chamber - Bovey Tracey

23rd March 2015
(Council Meeting)
Town Hall - Bovey Tracey

25th March 2015
(Annual Town Meeting)
Town Hall - Bovey Tracey

13th April 2015
(Recreation, Parks and Property and Planning Committees) Council Chamber - Bovey Tracey

Starting Time 7.00pm
Public Speaking Period at the start of each meeting.

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Town Clerk:
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