



## All Change



AT THE Annual Meeting of Bovey Tracey Town Council in May, our new Town Mayor and Deputy Town Mayor were elected. Our

new Town Mayor, who takes over the role from Cllr Anna Klinkenberg, is Cllr Martyn Evans. Martyn joined Bovey Tracey Town Council in September 2009, was re-elected in May 2011. Martyn works full time as the manager at a local driving test centre.

In his spare time, Martyn enjoys fly fishing; he is a member of the Dartmoor Rescue Team at Ashburton and supports Exeter Chiefs. Martyn is also a voluntary Community First Responder with the South West Ambulance Trust. Anyone interested in becoming a CFR should contact Martyn direct on 01626 830347



Our new Deputy Town Mayor is Cllr Eoghan Kelly, who represents Heathfield. Eoghan joined the Town Council following the election in May 2011. Eoghan works fulltime for Devon County Council and in his spare time he enjoys pub quizzes and also supports the Exeter Chiefs

## New Heritage Trail



THE NEW mosaic Heritage Trail was recently launched at Bovey Tracey Primary School. The Town Council commissioned Michelle Greenwood-Brown to work with the pupils to design nine mosaics whose features include the Dolphin Hotel, Front House, the Trough in Union Square and Ashwell Spring.

The mosaics are now in place and a free copy of the new Heritage Trail can be collected from the Information Centre or the Heritage Trust. Photographs of some of the mosaics are shown in this edition of Quality Update. See if you can spot them in Bovey Tracey

## Bovey Tracey Primary School Report



SUMMER TERM activities are starting to 'hot up' for the children of Bovey Tracey Primary School.

In May, we were delighted to welcome members of the Town Council for the formal unveiling of the Heritage Trail mosaics that Class 7 pupils helped to design and make. The presentation to the school of copies of two of the mosaics was a wonderful surprise. These will be proudly displayed on either side of the main entrance.

The youngest children in the Reception Year are enjoying a series of day visits to Forest School at Heatree. Pond dipping, building fires, making dens for 'Safety Fox', toasting marshmallows and becoming 'Nature Detectives' are just some of the outdoor learning opportunities for the children to engage in. Meanwhile, children from all classes are making full use of the exciting new 'outdoor classroom' on the school field. Thanks to the hard work of a group of volunteers led by governor, Tim Fraying, the field now boasts a shaded outdoor seating area, accessed by a disabled friendly path.

Swimming sessions at Bovey Pool have started and will run throughout the term for Years 1 to 6, along with a host of other sporting events. Our warmest congratulations already go to the Year 3/4 and the Year 5/6 cross country teams, who won their respective titles at the School Sports Partnership competition which involved 250 children from 14 local schools. The Y5/6 cycling team also gave an inspired team performance to take the bronze medal at the prestigious Devon Games, held at Haldon Forest Park, and are now ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in the whole of Devon.

Children in Classes 4, 5 and 6 spent a very busy day at Brixham to kick start their 'Smuggling' topic, whilst Classes 7, 8F and 8W benefitted enormously from guided walks along the river and railway line through the expert eyes of Fred Hutt, from the Dartmoor National Park. Classes 2 and 3 are looking forward to spending a day at Buckland Abbey and we hope that the weather will allow all children and their parents to enjoy Sport's Days towards the end of the term.

Prior to preparing to move on to their secondary education, our Year 6 pupils have a forthcoming residential weekend visit to look forward to at Skern Lodge, in North Devon, where a hectic programme of activities is planned, including rafting, caving and an assault course.

The PTA continue to work very hard on the school's behalf and we hope that members of the community will come along to support their final event of the year – a sports festival at the Recreation Ground on 14<sup>th</sup> July.

## Town Council News Update

BOVEY TRACEY Town Council's (BTTC) Recreation, Parks & Property Committee met on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, at which a number of important decisions and updates on projects were taken. The first matter related to the possible future use of the Community Land adjacent to the Le Molay Littry Way. The Town Council, at the meeting, decided to allocate the site for the development of a new school with some community facilities. This decision was taken after taking into account the recent summary report of the public consultation undertaken last autumn, where parishioners' preferences for the use of this land were to develop it for a new school with associated community facilities. The report can be publicly viewed at [www.boveytracey.gov.uk/news.php](http://www.boveytracey.gov.uk/news.php).

The second matter related to the Old Thatched Inn (OTI). As reported on the website on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2013, BTTC had been negotiating with Teignbridge District Council (TDC) about removing the Repairs Notice on the OTI. TDC informed the Town Council on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2013 that TDC has now agreed to remove the Repairs Notice. Because of this, BTTC has now reapplied to English Heritage (EH) for de-listing the OTI. It is important to remind everyone that the site cannot be cleared or redeveloped until the position about the listed status of the site is resolved, and until planning permission is granted. As previously mentioned, BTTC appreciates many residents are frustrated that there seems to be no action to redevelop the site, but these things can take a very long time to resolve and this is no exception. The Town Council is working hard to get the best result for the town and the lifting of the Repairs Notice is another step along the way.

The final important matter, which was discussed at length at the meeting, related to the proposed skate park in Mill Marsh Park. At the meeting the Town Council confirmed the budget for the design and installation of the skate park is to be set at £75,000. The majority of this funding will be from Section 106 monies, which are provided by developers of new homes in the Parish, and which can be used to provide new, or improve existing recreational and play facilities in the Parish. Now the budget has been approved and with on-going involvement of the young people the design of the skate park and work on deciding its location in Mill Marsh Park will continue throughout the summer. The Town Council is also considering options to provide a similar facility for Heathfield. The Town Council will continue to provide regular updates on all these projects as they progress.



## Police and Crime Commissioner to Visit Bovey Tracey

TONY HOGG, the new P&CC for Devon & Cornwall, is willing to take up an invitation to come to Bovey Tracey later in the year or early next year for a public event to discuss policing and criminal justice system issues in our area. Residents are invited to contact Cllr Tony Allen about any matters they would like to be included in a session with Commissioner Hogg and their preferred format for the event (i.e. "Question Time" with other panellists, presentation and discussion on neighbourhood policing or on addressing rural crime, working with other bodies to promote public wellbeing). Your suggestions would be welcomed. Contact Cllr Allen please by letter to the Town Hall or by email to [cowdens.nhw@btinternet.com](mailto:cowdens.nhw@btinternet.com).

## Four crimes related to dogs out of control and injuring either persons or livestock.

The amount of incidents involving dogs out of control is concerning. However offenders have been identified in three of the incidents. The penalties for allowing a dog to be out of control include fines, compensation payments, possible imprisonment as well as ending up with a police record or criminal conviction.



**Bovey Tracey Guided Walks**  
 Throughout July and August  
 Every Wednesday at 10.30 a.m.  
 Starting 3rd July 2013

Meet at 10.30 a.m. outside the Information Centre, Station Road.  
 Finish at approximately 1.00 p.m. later at the Heritage Centre, St John's Lane. Refreshments available.

- An easy walk, suitable for families, mostly on tarmac, mainly level ground, but uphill to the Ashwell Spring.
- Activity sheets for children.
- Dogs on leads welcome.
- Play and display parking next to the Information Centre.

No need to book, just turn up at 10.30 a.m.  
 Free of charge, donations welcome.

## Bovey Tracey Information Centre

If you love living in Bovey Tracey, then we want to hear from you!

MOST OF THE volunteers at the Information Centre live in Bovey and give their time and energy to support our lovely town, by staffing the Information Centre every day of the week. We all enjoy meeting and talking to people and appreciate the opportunity to welcome visitors to the area, as well as providing an essential information service to local residents. We don't all know everything about the area, but help and support is available from our friendly team of helpers.

If you think you could help, why not give Linda, our volunteer co-ordinator a ring (01626 833348) and make arrangements to come along and sit in with one of our volunteers for a session? You would soon see what goes on and find out whether you would enjoy it as much as we do. We don't lack energy and enthusiasm, but we do need more volunteers, particularly at weekends. It can be hard to find cover if illness or family or work commitment prevents one of us attending and occasionally we have to close the Information Centre because no-one is able to be there. If you can offer just two hours a week, or even every two weeks, please ring Keith on 01626 830397 and find out more about joining the team.

## Bovey Community Care

SOME OF you may have seen posters around town advertising Bovey Community Care, and asked yourself what it is all about. It is a brand-new charity, set up to serve the areas of Bovey Tracey and environs. The intention is to provide a caring service for those who need companionship, or help with simple everyday tasks such as shopping. It came about as Bovey Tracey had been identified as an area where there was an unmet need for such support. The Riverside Surgery Befrienders had done what it could in the past, but the demands just to provide surgery and hospital transport have now reached the point at which it no longer has the spare capacity to do more.

Setting up such an entity has required a significant amount of work because of the need to put in place policies to safeguard both users and volunteers. We have secured a grant from the Big Lottery Fund as well as financial support from other local organisations. A major step forward has been the appointment of a coordinator, to liaise with the various agencies that may refer clients. Anybody wishing to know more, or who is thinking about becoming a volunteer, should contact Ros Pugsley on 07794 599206 or email her at [boveycommunitycare@gmail.com](mailto:boveycommunitycare@gmail.com)

## Take pride in where you live.....

Here is how you can help to take pride in where you live.

### Hedges and Overgrowth

With summer upon us, we would kindly ask residents to consider whether any boundary hedge they may have next to a footpath is trimmed so as not to impede pedestrians. Overgrown hedges can be reported to Devon County Council (DCC) by calling 0845 155 1004.

### Potholes & Pavements

Due to the excessive rain, more potholes are developing in our roads and whilst we report the ones known to use, it is not possible to know about them all. This is where you can help by calling DCC to report a pothole on 0845 155 1004 or at:

[www.gov.uk/report-pothole/devon](http://www.gov.uk/report-pothole/devon)

Additionally, if you should identify any dangerous matters relating to pavements please call 0845 155 1004 or visit:

[www.gov.uk/report-problem-pavement/devon](http://www.gov.uk/report-problem-pavement/devon)

### Dog Fouling

We have recently been receiving numerous calls reporting dog fouling incidents, particularly in East Street, Abbey Road, Mary Street and various open spaces in Heathfield. We are asking you as a concerned resident of our parish, that if you witness any incidents of this nature, please note the time and place, the description of the dog and its owner and whether you know the identity of the person concerned. Then, please report it by contacting Teignbridge District Council's Environmental Hotline on 0800 328 6402.

Town Councillors Contact Numbers	
Town Mayor - Cllr Martyn Evans	830347
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Doreen Black	834297
Robert Bray	835591
George Gribble ***	832764
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Tina Richardson	835363
Mark Tregoning	835193
Heathfield Councillors:	
David Elphick	832125
Eoghan Kelly	830369
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Town Clerk - Terry Westwood	834217



**Bovey Tracey Town Council Meetings**  
 Starting time 7.00pm  
 Public Speaking Period at the start of each meeting  
 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013  
 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2013  
 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013  
 Town Hall - Bovey Tracey



Don't forget to visit [www.boveytracey.gov.uk](http://www.boveytracey.gov.uk) for latest news on events in and around the Parish

