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EDITORIAL

Richard Jannaway

Pages and print size

We have increased the print size in this issue to 9pt despite having to make hard choices and cut some articles substantially to fit them all in. In order to solve this problem we intend to increase the number of pages from the current 10 to 12. The Groups and Societies listing will increase in size and so we will have about 1.5 pages extra for articles and pictures.

Great Opportunity for Advertisers

To achieve this expansion we need to sell at least 10 extra advertisement spaces. This is a great opportunity for new advertisers and for existing advertisers to take a bigger space as we normally have a waiting list. Advertising in The EMS is a very good deal at £115 a year per standard advert. The newsletter is put through every door in Emsworth (in excess of 5,000 houses) once a quarter and we achieve at least 95% coverage. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, get in touch with Robert (see top of page). If you know of a business that would benefit from an EMS Advert please pass this on to them.

Obituary

Lesley and Colin Marley

Mrs Eunice Sanderson passed away in August aged 90. Mrs Sanderson came from an old Emsworth fishing family.

Mrs Sanderson spent a lifetime in the Guide movement enrolling in 1930, becoming a Lieutenant in 1943 and Captain of the 1st Emsworth Guides in 1945 until she retired in 1983. She held many other posts in the Guide movement, including Havant District Commissioner in 1959. At the same time, she was a stalwart committee member of the Bible Society and the Emsworth Congregational Church.

Known by all the guides of Emsworth as 'Captain' and by her friends as 'Sandy', no one could doubt her dedication to the Guiding cause, and her Christian principles.

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As we go to press, the appeal against the rejection of the application to build 34 sheltered apartments in New Brighton Road has just completed its first day. Both Havant Borough Council (HBC) and the Appellant, Churchill Retirement Living, have barristers and technical experts to present their cases. In addition, four other people, all Emsworth residents, ERA chairman Chris Curry, Tony Lowes, Captain Kimm and Ian Earle are registered to speak against the appeal.

HBC are concentrating on two aspects of the plans: the closeness of the building to Westbourne Avenue, and the overall density and bulk of the building. Issues such as inadequate parking spaces and access into Emsworth for residents with disabled buggies will be presented by other objectors.

The results will be published in a few months and will be posted on the ERA website and notice board.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Global Warming

Regarding the heartfelt and emotional epistle by Jennifer Rye in the last issue, the problem of Global Warming has been with us for the last hundred years and will continue for another hundred years regardless of what we in England or even the rest of the world can do to change it.

A lot of the damage is done by plunderers of the South American and Java forests, thereby causing no rainfall in the right places, plus jungle clearing to grow palm trees for oil, and many other global land changes around the world, all for greed. One should not forget the atom bomb of World War II which caused considerable eruptions in the atmosphere. Many senior scientists say that carbon emissions are negligible, there being no threat to mankind for thousands of years.

Mr Gore, a fallen politician who now has a great little earner telling misguided people his views in the hope of influencing millions to follow his observation of the problem thereby forging income. Very much like Mr Cameron and Mr Brown who are using the situation to generate revenue at the ordinary taxpayers expense without our permission. If the Green party are unable to get members elected into Parliament, I wonder if Messrs Cameron or Brown would be re-elected if they fought their ticket on the Green and Carbon Footprints? I doubt it.

I am reminded of Hans Christian Anderson's fairy tale, The King's New Clothes. Can so many people in this country be so foolhardy to accept such dogma? What can England do alone, against all of Asia, China, North and South America and most of Europe?

Thank you Jennifer Rye for your opinion, I and many others, do not agree.

Mr R. Rogers, Emsworth

Like Jennifer Rye, I went to see "An Inconvenient Truth" and agree with her that this is very much a film for our time. Events around the world seem to reinforce its message almost daily. There will be those who claim it's all down to sun spots and that the world has warmed up before and we're still around so who's bothered. Much the same thing was said during the early days of the smoking and cancer debate with covert funding from tobacco firms.

Whatever the causes, and excess CO2 is the chief suspect, we have to act now and that means ALL of us. Some seek comfort in saying it has happened before. But not while there are six billion people living on the planet. That's why we all owe to our children and our grandchildren a commitment to changing our ways.

If every nation had the same lifestyle as the US, we would need almost five planet Earths. Living beyond our means can't be wished away while our seas rise and homes and crops are washed away leaving millions with no hope. Pointing at China's pollution is not a reason for doing nothing. Globalisation has made them the new workshop of the world. They create the

CO2 for the products and goods we buy, so we should all think about saving energy, about food miles, about shopping locally, about reducing packaging and about re-using and recycling - at the very least.

Patricia Williamson, Emsworth

Cycling round the Mill Pond

It has always amazed me that there have not been more accidents between pedestrians and cyclists on the footpath around the Town Mill Pond.

I have had a few near misses myself over the years. To be fair, the "No cycling" signs either end of the path are not very obvious so there is an excuse for some cyclists, but there are many 'locals' who cycle around the Mill Pond as though they have a divine right! They ought to know better.

Would it be an idea to have no cycling signs at intervals actually marked on the path? It would not stop everyone, but it might shame some into not cycling.

J.E. Gibbons, Markway Close

Voting in Elections

It is regrettable when a resident decides not to vote at General or Borough elections. Men and particularly women fought hard to ensure we all had a vote as of right. However, whilst I believe this to be a responsibility, I respect Mr Dickinson's decision not to vote (Ems Letters July 07.) Those elected have a duty to represent all residents in their Ward whatever their political allegiance, in my time as a councillor I have always followed this faithfully.

We are fortunate to live in a unique and special place and one of the features that makes this so is the number of voluntary organisations and people who work for the benefit of all residents. Mr Dickinson appears to be concerned about what candidates will do for him, but I believe he should ask what he might be able contribute to the wider community.

May I suggest that he attends the Emsworth Residents Association and Community Board meetings where he will see a very special group of people at work. By getting involved, he will also have the opportunity to influence community decisions. And will also see the work that Ward councillors do to represent the best interests of Emsworth at Havant Borough Council and in my experience this is usually done without political bias.

A lot of things are said at Election time, but the proof of the pudding is in the eating, good councillors work with and in their communities as part of a team. Their roots are in the community they serve.

Interestingly, all the candidates from the main Parties who have offered themselves for election here in the last five years or so continue to work for the various groups, churches and organisations in spite of being unelected. This is the ethos of a successful community.

Brendan Gibb-Gray, Emsworth

West Sussex Border Path Stile

I write to express my concern over the dangerous nature of the stile at the Westbourne end of the Sussex Border Path. I was horrified and alarmed to see barbed wire alongside the stile and fencing, which can only be described as vicious and puts all who use the stile in danger. Added to this the stile has been smeared with excrement from cows in the adjacent field. I believe the issues I have raised pose a health and safety problem and perhaps environmental health should be notified.

Mary Gibson, Emsworth



We welcomed and pictured a new stile on this path in the last issue. Unfortunately shortly after we went to press it was vandalised and 'repaired' with the dangerous structure described by Mrs Gibson and pictured above. Editor

Small Print in The EMS

Whilst I have made it my policy to support the aims of The EMS newsletter, and the band of faithful people who are responsible for its production and distribution, the latest issue has I'm afraid made it virtually unreadable to my wife and I suspect to many others with reading problems, due to the smallness of the print. And whilst it might seem a trifle heart warming to think of us both sitting down and my wife listening whilst I read out things to her, she would prefer to have the print large enough to read herself ! ! ! !

Yours frustratedly

Bryan Lane, Emsworth

I am aware of the problem and have attempted in this issue to enlarge the print somewhat. It is always a matter of balancing print size with the need to fit the content in. We are considering adding an extra page, (see Editorial left) which should help relieve the problem. Editor

EMS Copy Date

The deadline for the January issue of The EMS is 27th November.

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Emsworth Residents' Association

QGM - Monday 29 October 2007

Emsworth Community Centre, Mountford Rooms, 7.30 pm

Speaker: John Butler, former Chief Executive of Portsmouth Housing Association

will give a presentation on

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