

Community news

Jazz Festival 13 July. DeLuxe Sports and Events will host the first Sunningdale Jazz Festival at the Recreation Ground. Artists performing from BBC1's 'The Voice'. Supporting Ascot Day Centre, the event will bring the village fantastic music, delicious local food, lots of children's entertainment. More on our website.

Carnival Sunday 14 September

www.sunningdaleareacarnival.co.uk



RBWM car Park – the long-awaited changes to the Parking arrangements in RBWM car park will now take effect at the end of July. Short stay users (40 spaces) will be required to enter their vehicle registration into a pay and display machine to obtain a free ticket for a short stay (max 3 hours). Businesses in Sunningdale will be able to apply for business permits for use in the 77 spaces. The changes are designed to increase the available short term parking while maintaining enough long term parking for businesses.



Our phone box in Chobham Road is now a community book exchange. Pop in to take or deliver a book for a good turnover. Tina in Bird is keeping an eye on it.

Sports Coaching at the Rec – Sports Coach, Mitchell Rogers, will be organising games and sports every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon during the summer holiday starting 29 July at 2 – 3pm for 8 years and under; 3-4pm for 9 year old and above. Do bring your youngsters down to have a try at various sports and fun activities instructed by our young coach.

Dates of Parish Council meetings: 5 August, 2 September, 7 October, 4 Nov, 2 Dec.
Planning Meetings: 19 August, 16 September, 21 October, 18 November, 16 December
Parish Council office hours: Mon – Thurs 09.00 – 14.30. Fridays: 11.00 – 14.30
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Sunningdale Parish Council

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Sustainable Sunningdale

When the Parish Council installed its bio-mass log boiler and a solar panel on the roof of the Pavilion, along with a few other initiatives, we called ourselves Sustainable Sunningdale. This year we are returning with renewed vigour. In recent months the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reports reveals the very high degree of certainty that now exists about climate change and the seriousness of its impacts on every one of us on this planet. We have seen the disastrous disintegration of the Western Antarctic ice-sheets and the ever-more extreme weather events across the world including floods in our area. Millions are losing their homes, food security is threatened in many areas, and our bees and wildlife endangered.

2014 is the year when we have to get serious about climate change and our part in reducing the carbon emissions which are a primary cause of climate change.

The Government's new Community Energy Strategy sets out the role that communities can play in helping to meet the UK's energy and climate change challenges, including supporting a sustainable and secure energy system; reducing UK greenhouse gas emissions; and lowering consumer bills. It encourages communities to encourage the uptake of renewable heat technologies, whether by installing them in community buildings, which we have done, or by raising awareness of their benefits among households in the area. **The Parish Council is actively responding to this.**

Bloom baskets

Thanks to the businesses for paying for 52 flower baskets to make our village look colourful. The Parish Council pays for the 45 baskets on the lamp posts and the planters along the A30.



Support renewable energy.

Sunningdale Parish Council uses Ecotricity as its energy supplier because we believe in their vision, have experienced excellent customer service and good pricing. www.ecotricity.co.uk Ecotricity is a company dedicated to changing the way energy is made in England and to build up its customer base which helps create additional renewable energy into the national grid. People: Power is at the heart of what they do – putting energy in the hands of ordinary people and not in the big 6 energy companies. 100% of the energy it supplies is from renewables.

Renewable Energy Open Day Sunday 28 September – opportunity to learn from others who have installed renewable energy systems, whether solar, log, pellet and other schemes to help you implement and pay for renewable energy. Full details of the homes open to view on the Parish Council website. At the Parish Office you can meet Leah Robson, **Sustainable Solar Solutions**, a cooperative in Staines. This coincides with the ASCENT Grassroots Community Environment Festival **For further details on the ASCENT Festival visit www.ascentascot.org**

ASCENT Grassroots Community Environment Festival

Opening Lectures:

Saturday 27 September at 10.30 AM

At All Saints Church Hall, London Road, Ascot

Speaker: Dr Ed Hawkins, National Centre for Atmospheric Science

Climate Change: Sorting the Facts from the Hype

Hear the latest on Climate Change from a Contributing Author to the recent IPCC 5th Assessment Report with a focus on understanding current changes in the climate and projections for the future.

Followed by:

Peter Burt, Volunteer speaker for Berkshire GreenPeace.

"Save the Arctic: why it's under threat and how we can protect it"

Thursday October 2. 8.00pm - Sunningdale Parish Office, SL5 0QS

Biodiversity in practice: How to make a wild-life garden

RBWM out of hours service to report any tree felling in our area, phone after 7pm on 01753 853517 or during the day 01628 683800

Cut your food waste. The food on your table has a carbon cost but we waste a significant proportion of that.

- In the Borough we throw away 2900 sausages, nearly 16000 slices of bread, 7250 tomatoes, 4350 bananas EVERY DAY!
- The cost of food waste on average is £1.70 per kg – this is based on purchase price only, but the true cost is nearer £3.00 per kg when you include our labour costs, energy and any packaging involved.
- The disposal of food waste into land fill equates to 9.1kg of CO2e per kilo of waste which is equivalent to driving an average car 61km.
- RBWM operates a food waste collection programme designed to drive down the food waste which accounts for 1/3rd of all refuse.
- The black caddies can be used for all leftover food and cooking scraps, collected at the same time as your black refuse container.

“Chasing Ice”

If you have any doubts about the speed at which climate change is happening then watch *Chasing Ice*. This award winning documentary is the story of one man's mission to change the tide of history by gathering undeniable evidence of our changing planet. James Balog, acclaimed environmental photographer, has gone to extraordinary lengths to photograph and film the retreating glaciers showing the alarming speed of glacier melt. Amazing footage captures the largest calving event ever recorded in Greenland when an area the size of Manhattan broke off in just 75 minutes. The footage is awesome. Glaciers are the canary in the cage warning of the terrifying speed of warming that has global repercussions. James Balog pressed on to tell the story through the images of the glaciers and beauty of the ice. Borrow a copy of “Chasing Ice” from the Parish Council. Duration: 75 minutes.

Recycle using the blue bins. The more recyclable material we put into our blue collection bins the more we keep out of costly land fill and the more it saves on energy. In RBWM 25 jobs were created last year through recycling glass

- * Recycling 1 plastic bottle saves enough energy to power a light bulb for 6 hours.
- * Recycling one can saves enough energy to power a TV for 3 hours.
- * You can make a football shirt from 8 recycled plastic bottles.

Green Redeem www.greenredeem.co.uk. We can all earn points for the amount we recycle. All households can register to receive points for recycling. You can use your points as vouchers for Marks and Spencer, money off a raft of other options or give them to a good community cause.