



The Ol' Trout

The Loudwater Newsletter

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Chairman's Words

These are my fourth and last Chairman's Words. Whilst having thoroughly enjoyed being Editor of the Ol' Trout over the last five years (for two issues Tony Bradford took over), being Chairman has taught me that I would never have made it in the Diplomatic Corps!

I admire immensely my predecessor, Roy Sterry, for lasting all three years. I am most grateful to Penny Wilkinson, who has agreed to replace me as Chairman. She has kindly asked me to stay on the committee, which I will do in my capacity as Editor. Patience (or, indeed, tact) has never been one of my virtues. Honesty has. I did not want on my committee anyone whom I could not totally trust, nor anyone who did not have a specific role to play. Being on the committee for "prestige" was not, as far as I was concerned, a good enough reason to be there. So, there have been lots of changes and I believe, immodestly, that I am passing on a really good team to Penny. (Yes, smaller, but small is beautiful in some things!) "There have been too many changes," some have said. I would refer those critics to what has happened at Watford Football Club. When Adrian Boothroyd took over as Manager from Ray Lewington, and changed over half the team, doom and despondency was forecast. Well, look what's happened. Last year Watford was fighting against relegation, this year they are candidates for promotion.

Loyalty is, as far as I am concerned, paramount. I would therefore like to end by thanking my Vice Chairman, Denise Preedy for her loyalty, and also Roy Sterry, Sue Tippen, Penny Wilkinson, Tony Hale, Colin Timms, Theresa Jubber and John Hawxwell for theirs. Without them I would have completely lost my sanity, instead of losing only some of it! I would also like to wish newcomers Heather Kenison and Nick Vaughton all the very best in their new roles on the committee, as Planning Secretary and Treasurer. If I have been as clever as Adrian Boothroyd, they are going to be huge successes!

What do I think has been the most notable event during my time as Chairman? Without a doubt, it is that Outer Loudwater has gained Conservation status, thanks to the hard work put in by Roy Sterry and Dennis Sare. Hopefully, I'll be remembered for that, as well as the winds of change!



Peter Phillips

Editorial

A neighbour asked that I should spell out in the Ol' Trout what you get for your annual £10 subscription. Always obedient, I shall do as I was told, but please don't worry, this is not an advanced notice of a charge increase! I know that Loudwater residents are not as rich as has been claimed! Ready? Well, first, you get four issues of the Ol' Trout, now with six pages in full colour. Each issue must be worth at least £5, but, of course, I may be biased! Then you get

access to the Loudwater Clubs – Bridge, two Investment Clubs, Theatre, Wine, Garden and Fine Dining. (At the February Wine Club meeting we had over sixty members tasting affordable wines from Bordeaux). On top of this, The Loudwater Residents' Association arranges special events for you. This year we have already had a Race Night, and a trip to Cambridge, with a meal at Christ's College. Still to come are a Garden Party at Micklefield Hall, a Harvest Quiz Supper, and a New Year's Eve Party. And then there is our highly efficient Planning Group, now headed by Heather Kenison. Any complaints about your neighbours (or, more likely, newcomers and developers), trying to alter Loudwater in any way that you find offensive can be put to her, and she will take up your problem with Three Rivers District Council. Heather and her group are also responsible for trying to maintain our roads in a driveable condition – a most difficult task, not helped by the lack of support from Hertfordshire Highways. Yes, all this for just £10! On second thoughts, perhaps we should charge more!

Only kidding! Ed

Garden Opera at Micklefield Hall



Anna and Jamie Rankin

This year, The Garden Opera Company will be performing Mozart's exquisite opera, *Così fan tutte*. In English, and accompanied by a chamber ensemble, the production will be performed in the gardens on Thursday, 6th July. All proceeds

will go to the Iain Rennie Hospice At Home. For further information, please call me on 778898 or email: anna@micklefieldhall.com

Anna Rankin

Question & Answer

Q Why do the same names keep cropping up in every issue of the Ol' Trout?

A Because they are the residents that I am aware are doing things for Loudwater.

Please give me your news and views too!

AGM

The Loudwater Residents' Association AGM will be held at the Barn, Loudwater Farm, on Tuesday, 23rd May at 8pm. We hope that as many residents as possible will attend.

Loudwater Residents' Association

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John Hawxwell
Roy Sterry
Colin Timms
Penny Wilkinson

Clive Brothers wrote to the Fine Dining Club members...

I am stepping down as Chairman of the FDC. Having been in this role for three years, I feel that this is the perfect time to hand over to someone else who can lead the Club in its next stage of development. It's been great fun seeing the FDC develop and grow, and my wife Celia and I have made lots of new friends in the process.

Little did I know, when Maurice Escow called an exploratory meeting three years ago, what was in store. At that meeting, having indicated an interest in joining such a club, I was foolish enough to scratch my nose at the precise moment Maurice was casting his eyes about for a possible Chairman - absolutely fatal move: I was chosen! Somewhat bewildered, I accepted the challenge and three years later I'm now grateful to have had the chance to try out some of this area's finest restaurants and help establish the FDC as one of Loudwater's best attended clubs. So may I say a huge "thank you" to my hardworking committee members who have ensured the smooth running of so many enjoyable events.



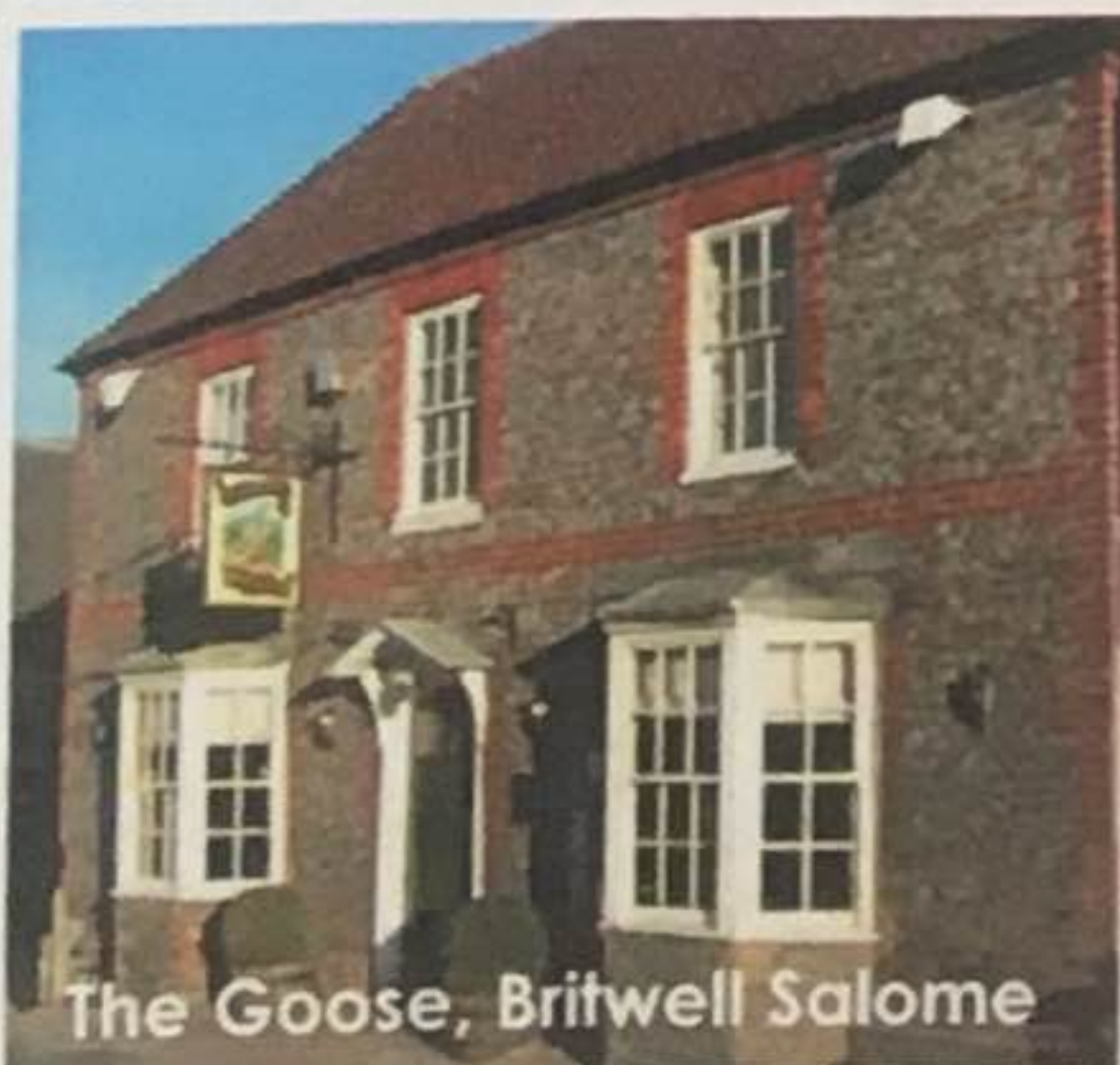
To end, I am delighted to announce that Viv Schragger-Powell will be taking over as the new FDC Chairman. I wish her every success. She will be ably supported by Mike Hill and Linda James, not forgetting husband Martin (our IT guru). The Club

really is in very safe hands - so watch out local restaurants, the food pundits from Loudwater are in your neck of the woods!

Swan Song at The Goose

The Goose at Britwell Salome was the Fine Dining Club's out-of-the-way destination for our February event. And well worth the trip it was too. "The restaurant certainly deserved its Michelin star," commented Henry Browne. By the front-of-

house bar and a welcoming fire, Club members mingled as they sipped their Rose Water aperitif and enjoyed a selection of Chef Michael North's canapés. With everyone settled, Linda James and I took the opportunity to disappear into the back to add some last minute touches to the tables, and bumped into Chef Michael himself. "Here, smell these," he said, proffering two very plump warty-truffles nestling on a bed of tissue in a Tupperware box. I closed my eyes and inhaled deeply - musty yet fresh, rich and warm. I resisted the almost overwhelming temptation to give them a squeeze. "That's about four-hundred quid's-worth," Michael said.



The Goose, Britwell Salome

Transformed into a cosy wood-beamed restaurant from its original life as a country pub, The Goose offers a most imaginative, modern fare, using the freshest local ingredients. My halibut with potato puree, accompanied by young veggies and a white wine sauce, was simply delicious - the delicate

taste of the halibut being enhanced by the sauce, not smothered into oblivion by it.

But, as many of you will have heard by now, the big surprise of the evening was Chairman Clive Brothers' announcement that he's stepping down. Gasps all round.

Surely not? But well done that Chairman - we'll miss you.

Our next venue is at The Old Plow at Speen, Bucks on Saturday, 6th May. It'll be every bit as good as the Goose, I promise. If you're not a member but would like to know more, please contact me on 896198.

Viv Schragger-Powell

The Loudwater Wine Club

Our first tasting of 2006 stepped off the well worn wine trail into fortified wine territory. We welcomed back David Luck to talk about Sherry and Madeira.

These drinks received a mixed reception, and so it was with some relief that we headed back to the 'safer' realm of Bordeaux in February.

We had originally planned to sample some of the fine wines from this area. However, our speaker was unable to be with us, so our good friend, Lindsay Oram, came and presented 'Bordeaux on a Budget'. This event was a complete sell-out, which probably says a lot about the membership, upon which I shall not comment here.



Our March event was another sell-out with club member, Clifton Melvin, sharing memories from his life in Spain. Each wine was accompanied by tapas, served by señoritas attired in flamenco costumes, as well as anecdotes of life in another country.

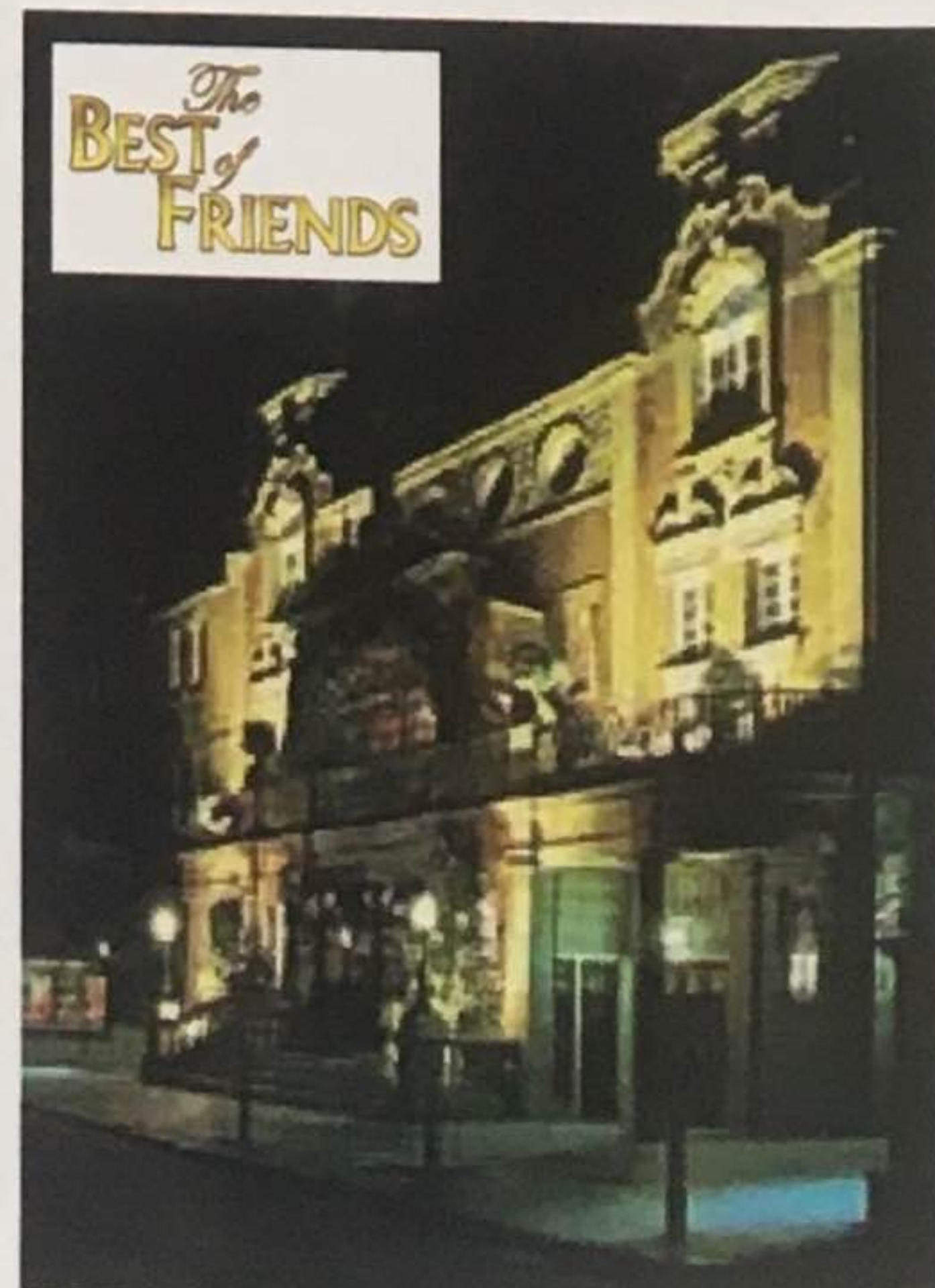
As always, for more information about Wine Club events, both past and present, go to www.loudwaterwineclub.org.uk.

Buzz Coster

Theatre Club

The 2006 season got off to a cracking start with a matinee trip to the Garrick Theatre to see Edward Fox and Diana Quick in the last night performance of GBS's comedy "You Never Can Tell". On the 13th of May we go to Richmond, where Patricia Routledge stars in "The Best Of Friends" It has had glowing reviews, and is due to open in the West End.

Next fixture, on the 17th of July, is "Hobson's Choice" - with dinner - at the delightful Watermill in Newbury. We are also booking the Last Night of the Kenwood Proms for 27th August - with the Premium position deckchairs! We close this year's programme at The National Theatre in October, (date still to be decided), where we can dine in comfort, and not have to brave the elements.





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Planning Applications

Decisions on previously reported applications

05/0357	Rookery Wood House, Loudwater Lane. Retros: Increase in height of existing piers and erection of railings and gates. (Refused. Appeal to DoE. Appeal dismissed)
05/1458	Moonya, Bridle Lane: Two storey rear extension. (Granted)
05/1450	Tanglewood, Sarratt Lane: Single storey front & rear extension. (Granted)
05/1514	Greenbanks, Trout Rise: Two storey rear extension. (Granted)
05/1496	Windyridge, Loudwater Lane: Two storey side extension and garage. (Refused)
05/1529	Ferndale, Bridle Lane: Single storey rear extension. (Granted)
05/1658	Chessboard, Troutstream Way. Erection of entrance gates and piers (Granted)
05/1653	April Cottage, Bridle Lane. First floor and two storey side extension. (Withdrawn)

Awaiting Decisions

04/1774	Micklefield Hall, Sarratt Road: Demolition of farm buildings & erection of oak framed function room. (Committee. LRA objected)
01/0683	Micklefield Hall, Sarratt Road: Various alterations to farm buildings. (Committee)
05/0857	Rasehill Close: Dem. 4 houses and erect 21 flats & assoc. parking. Outline applic. for siting & means of access only. (Refused, LRA objected, Appeal to DoE)
05/0768	Trout Rise Farm, Troutstream Way: Partial conversion of barn into habitable accommodation for use with existing livery yard. (Refused, LRA objected, Appeal to DoE)

New applications since January Ol' Trout until 8 March 2006

05/1775	Chenies, Bridle Lane. Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, single storey front extension. (Granted). LRA objected
05/1720	Will O' Wisp, Chess Hill. Erection of pergola. (Delegated. LRA objected)
06/0077	Oak End, Wagon Way. Amendment to 02/00521. Single storey rear & side extension. (Delegated)
06/0068	Rookery Wood House, Loudwater Lane. Reduction of railings to 1.3m to part of frontage with Loudwater Lane (Delegated)
06/0087	Tanglewood, Sarratt Lane. Amendment to 05/1450, single storey front, side and rear extension. (Delegated)
06/0108	April Cottage, Bridle Lane. Amendment to 00/00602, 2 storey side, single storey rear and side extensions. (Delegated. LRA objected)
06/0150	Aisling, Troutstream Way. Demolition and erection of new house and garage. (Delegated)

Loudwater Outer Conservation Area (LOCA)

Three Rivers District Council (TRDC) has recently approved the creation of LOCA which means that all of Loudwater is now protected by Conservation Area status.

In order to define the character of the new Conservation Area, TRDC Officers will be submitting a Conservation Area Appraisal to the Council. The Loudwater Residents' Association will be helping to compile this document in order to speed up the process of recording the essential character of the area that we are trying to preserve.

All properties within a Conservation Area require planning permission before they can be demolished. Previously, only the rebuilding required a planning application. There are also restrictions on work that could previously have been carried out under the "permitted development" rights.



All work on trees requires six weeks notice to TRDC to prevent inappropriate work being carried out.

Conservation area status affords some protection against inappropriate developments. Provided that a development does not affect the character of the property or area in general, it will be permitted, subject to planning permission being granted in the usual manner.

All other planning regulations will remain unchanged until Three Rivers District Council undertakes a survey of all properties to establish which should be protected by further restrictions under an Article 4 Direction.

If you have any comments about the creation of the Loudwater Outer Conservation Area, please let me know.

Roy Sterry

Thanks Roy for all the hard work you and Dennis Sare have put into this. Ed.

Loudwater Lane Pumping Station



Back in 2002/3, when the Hill Top development was underway at the top of Loudwater Lane, large lorries loaded with site debris, were unable to turn directly uphill. They therefore came downhill to the "lay-by" opposite Glen Chess, and turned before proceeding uphill. Within a few months, gates to the Pumping Station had all been wrecked, and early in 2004, when it appeared that Thames Water, who owned the site, were not taking any action, I wrote

to their headquarters and lodged a complaint. Their somewhat defensive reply dated 2.4.04 said they were fully aware of their duty to the environment, and that their engineers were awaiting delivery of the non-standard gates which would be fitted when received. Nothing, of course, happened, and during the next eighteen months it became a dumping ground for rubbish and fly-tipping, with added debris accumulating from the run-off from the hill, in the absence of any drains. We then had the further problem of travellers and their horses, who used the fields and the Pumping Station compound, which resulted in unsightly bulldozed banks of earth on the fencing. My calls to Thames Water in October 05 were met with indifference, and at one stage they could not even identify the location of the Pumping Station! Finally, after a strong letter from me in January 06, and in their reply dated February 06, they agreed that Planning consent was not required, and that new gates would be fitted within three to four weeks! I still await a reply from Three Rivers District Council and Hertfordshire Highways with regard to cleaning the "lay-by" area, and undertaking urgent outstanding repairs to the severely damaged road surface from Glen Chess to Loudwater Farm.

Derek Woolcock

Derek - You are one of the unsung heroes of Loudwater. Ed.

Stella Gamer of Chess Hill writes...

Yippeel You are the editor again. I missed your rather acerbic wit and irony.

I have just come back from KwikFit (or whatever they are called). I have paid £148 for a new tyre. The original which was purchased last November had been irreparably damaged by driving in potholes in Loudwater Lane. Oh, and the tyre had a nail in it too. Loudwater Lane and property developers in Loudwater are the bane of our lives. I totally agree with everything you have said about the new developments.

I also agree with Derek Woolcock about the flooding in Loudwater Lane. I damaged the front spoiler and flooded the front fog lamps driving through the last flood (November). I was forced to drive through the huge puddle as I had to collect my child, and there is no way to get to Rickmansworth from our house other than through Loudwater Lane. We non-estate Loudwater residents have no choice but to drive on that road. Apart from being liable to flood at any moment, Loudwater Lane is full of large potholes - mainly caused by contractor's vans and utility companies digging up the road to supply more utility capacity for larger and more houses, and then not putting the road back together properly. I would happily withhold the proportion of my rates that relates to road repairs, if you think this would help.

What do other residents think? Please let me know. Ed.

Don Moore of Chess Hill writes....

Stella and I just wanted to let you know how much we are in agreement with your opinions, expressed in the latest edition of the Ol' Trout.

Every day we are forced to take avoiding action because some builder's lorry is on route to yet another building site (as often as not, driven on the wrong side of road).

I have always thought if people want to live in some concreted new housing development they should go off and buy some tasteless new monstrosity elsewhere, and not continue to destroy the area we have made our home.

If there is any thing Stella and I can do to assist the LRA please just drop us a line and we will do our utmost to assist. We are on your side!

Thanks Don and Stella. Ed.

Carl and Lesley Francis, of Monticello, Loudwater Lane write...

While the problems of over-building and infill development in beautiful Loudwater have long been highlighted and debated, a lesser discussed issue is extended development schedules.

I welcome the recent change in the planning regulations in Hertfordshire which, as of 23 August 2005, reduces the validity of a planning permit from five years to three. Although I still believe that too many "loop-holes" exist to extend these, it is a move in the right direction.

This is a subject near and dear to our hearts. Loudwater residents may recall a protracted dispute over a proposed infill development next door to us in early 2001. With planning (regrettably) approved in the middle of that year, today - as we predicted almost five years ago - we live next to a five year old construction site.

The recent change in permit periods really doesn't affect professional developers, who have no interest in extended timeframes in any event...after all, time is money. However, amateur developers, such as the one next to us, really should "get on with it". It is bad enough that they scar the area with their infill building projects, but to additionally force their neighbours to put up with the results of their poor planning and lackadaisical schedule is inconsiderate in the extreme.

I understand your frustration and have passed on your letter to the LRA Planning Sub-Committee. Ed.

Derek Crane of Petit Auberge, Loudwater Lane writes...

I am contacting you for some assistance.

I have been a resident in Loudwater for the past 18 months and am becoming concerned about the condition of the road surface and hedgerows. Obviously the amount of heavy vehicles trafficking Loudwater Lane is the cause of most of the problems. It would be useful to know whose responsibility it is for the hedgerows, and whether there are plans to carry out improvements/resurfacing by Three Rivers. I feel without attention soon, there could be some serious accidents to cars and pedestrians. I wondered if the LRA have already voiced their concern to the 'powers concerned', or should we contact them directly.

Thank you for contacting me, Derek. I have passed your letter on to Heather Kenison and Roy Sterry, who are setting up an immediate meeting with Hertfordshire Highways. (In fact, they had already been in contact with them before you wrote). Obviously, they'll keep you informed. Ed.

LRA Diary of Events 2006

April

Wednesdays 5th Bridge, 12th Investment, 19th Bridge

Saturday 8th April – LRA Visit to Cambridge

Friday 21st April – Investment Clubs Dinner at the Bedford Arms

Thursday 27th – LRA AGM

Friday 28th – Wine Club – Sparkling Wines with Wink Lorch.

May

Wednesdays 3rd Bridge Club, 10th Investment Club, 17th and 31st Bridge Club.

Saturday 6th – Fine Dining Club – at The Old Plow at Speen, Buckinghamshire

Saturday 13th May – Theatre Club to Richmond – Best of Friends

Sunday 21st – Wine Club Summer Luncheon

Thursday 25th May – LRA Golf Day

June

Wednesdays 7th Bridge Club, 14th Investment Club, 21st Bridge Club, 28th Garden Club

Friday 23rd – Wine Club – Call My Bluff - with Vivienne Franks

Sunday 25th – LRA Garden Party at Micklefield Hall

Bridge Club

At a lively AGM, Dennis Sare stepped down after five years on the committee, and we welcomed Sheila Fawcner-Corbett in his place. A few members did not renew their membership for 2006, but membership still stands at 32. We very much hope members will attend more regularly, if not on two evenings a month, at least on one. We are re-arranging our start-time to 7.30pm, so that we can finish by about 10.15pm. New members are of course always welcome, particularly from Loudwater. The standard will suit all those who want to play Social Bridge. We propose holding a summer drinks party with Bridge afterwards, instead of having a dinner this year. This event will hopefully take place on the first or third Wednesday in July. The Committee and members paid tribute to Fenella Lough who had been Club Secretary for seven years but sadly died in December.



June Baish

Garden Club

"All about vegetables" and "Learning from one's mistakes" were the subjects covered in the February and March meetings of the Garden Club. We always try to visit special places such as Kew, Wisley, and this spring Leonardslee, near Horsham. This is one of England's most spectacular gardens, famous for rhododendrons, azaleas and wonderful natural woodland setting. We hope to see the spring gardens at their very best, by delaying the visit to 10th May. Back on schedule, on 24th May

we shall be welcoming the well-known journalist and author Sue Fisher, who will be talking about creating Spectacular Containers. Among Sue's most recent titles are 'Gardening for Dummies', 'Garden Colour', 'Fast Plants' and 'Essential Plants'. With hosepipe bans already being talked about for the summer, gardening in containers may be the best way of ensuring plenty of colour in the coming months. Another garden visit, this time more locally is being arranged as our June event.



Sue Stent

Bridle Lane

I thought that you would be interested to know a bit more about life in Bridle Lane. Bridle Lane and Wagon Way comprise 59 houses. All house owners are shareholders in Bridle Lane (Estates) Ltd, which is the company responsible for the maintenance of the lane and its grass verges. The Board of Directors currently comprises 6 people, including Theresa Jubber, who is our representative on the LRA Committee.

A key task of the Board is to review all proposed building extensions and development to ensure that they are in keeping with the existing character of the lane. As in other parts of Loudwater, this is an area of great concern at present. We are determined to do all we can to preserve the lane's unique character, which make it such an enjoyable place to live. The Board sometimes has a thankless task, particularly where there are areas of controversy. The installation of two speed humps a few years ago was not universally popular, and the white fence at the entrance to the lane is not to everyone's taste.

On a lighter note, we hold an annual garden party in July, and we have a golf day to which all residents are invited. Hopefully these events will be well supported this year. Many of the lane's residents are members of the various LRA clubs. Gary Coster's knowledge of wine is always well received at Bridle Lane functions! Bridle Lane is a great place to live. Let's make sure we keep it that way!

Julia Hall, Chairman, Bridle Lane (Estates) Ltd

Marathon

Last year I had great fun running the Marathon; it was an experience that I could not have imagined. Despite the hard training, the Marathon was exciting, but slightly painful. Immediately afterwards I decided I would run again in 2006, hence on 23rd April I will be running to raise funds for Disability Sports Events. Disability Sport Events helps and encourages individuals and groups with disabilities to participate in sports. I believe sport is for all, and everyone should have the opportunity to participate, even the over 50s!



This year I have two goals; first, to raise more money than last year and secondly, to complete the Marathon faster. I would like to raise £3000, and complete the course in under 3hours 30mins (2005 time: 3hours 48mins). The training started in December, mainly in the streets of Milan, where I work during the week, and also around the beautiful countryside of Loudwater at weekends. I now train six days week. On three days I train twice a day, running on average 50 miles a week. I would like to seek your support for my fund-raising – all contributions welcome. See www.justgiving.com/robertkenison, or contact kenison_r@hotmail.com Thank you.

Robert Kenison

FENELLA LOUGH

22nd Oct 1943 –
15th Dec 2005

Wife, Mother, business partner & Peter's best friend for 36 years

Fenny spent most of her early years moving around Europe with her parents, as her Father was in the Foreign Office. She went to St. Helen's School, where she made so many lifelong friends. Living in Chorleywood she also found a love and knowledge for horses. She later went to live in France.



She returned home speaking fluent French and after a secretarial course at St. Godricks, she joined Hawker Siddley as secretary to the PR Director and later worked for the Finance Director and the Chairman.

She met Peter at a friend's wedding in 1968 and they were married at Christ Church, Chorleywood in September 1971. They began married life at Willow Cottage in Loudwater Lane and had 2 children, Anthony now 32 and Nicola 27. Despite her terrible illness, Fenny was determined to be at Anthony's wedding at the end of October 2005.

Her many skills of administration were in constant demand and freely given to local groups, but most important to the businesses she shared with Peter.

Fenny's life revolved around her family and that love and caring spread to her many friends. The detail of her everyday life included her love of animals and wild birds, her horticultural skills (green fingers) and Bridge, which she shared with her very close friend, Liz Crook. They both worked hard to raise funds for the Sobell Hospice and it was appropriate that she wanted to be there at the end of her life.

The motto at the London Hospital where Liz Crook trained is "Any man's death diminishes me" Many people in Loudwater and beyond will be feeling sorely diminished.

Based on a tribute to Fenny by Liz Crook

Welcome to...

Mr and Mrs Bryan, Coachman's House, Troutstream Way
Mr and Mrs Parsons and their three children, 10 Harewood
Mr and Mrs Loopie-Lalani, Beltwood Manor, Kingfisher Lure
Mr and Mrs Patel, Mayfield, Loudwater Heights
Mr Golson and Ms Fulljanes, Chess Cottage, Loudwater Lane
Mr and Mrs Degabriele, Elm Cottage, Chess Lane
Mr and Mrs Clarke, End House, Chess Lane
Mr and Mrs Turnbull, Aisling, Troutstream Way
Mr and Mrs Machado, 5 Ladywood Close
Mr and Mrs Bendall, The Tilehouse, Trout Rise

Sorry

In the last issue of the Ol' Trout I welcomed Heather Kenison as the new LRA Planning Secretary. It was pointed out that I had omitted to thank Roy Sterry for having done the job – very successfully – from April until December. Roy – I thank you. Having been Chairman for three years and then following up that marathon by agreeing to be Planning Secretary for eight months makes you a true hero, certainly in my eyes and those of the committee.

Michael the Postman ...



...wishes to thank all the residents on the Troutstream Estate, Loudwater Heights and Lower Plantation for their generosity over the Festive period. He was unable to thank everyone personally, but, in a letter to June Curtis, stated that he felt "humbled" by people's kindness.

Front Page Picture

"Odd you should choose to have a picture of yourself on the front page in the last issue, smiling, with a glass of wine in front of you, at the same time as announcing the various resignations from the LRA Committee". Several people have said that to me – or words to that effect. Well, as many of you know, I fancy myself as a bit of an oenologist (not nearly as good as Gary Coster, I admit), which meant that, here, I had yet another excuse to enjoy some wine, either in celebration or, indeed, to drown all my sorrows!

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Submissions of no more than 250 words welcome.

Club Scene

Chess Investment Club
Meets 5pm, 2nd
Wednesday of month
Chairman
Anthony Moss (774907)

Troutstream Investment
Club
Meets 8pm, 2nd
Wednesday of month
Chairman
Godfrey Crook (776567)

Theatre Club
Chairman
Peter Laule (778114)
Organiser
Penny Wilkinson (896380)

Wine Club
Meets 8pm, 4th Friday
of month
Chairman
Tony Hale (774374)

Bridge Club
Meets 7.30-10.30 pm, 1st
and
3rd Wednesdays of
month
Chairman
June Baish (775808)

Garden Club
Chairman
Sue Stent (712623)

Fine Dining Club
Chairman
Viv Schragger-Powell
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