



# The Ol' Trout

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## Editorial

Welcome to the September edition of the Ol' Trout. As autumn approaches we now look forward to the rich tapestry of colours provided by the numerous trees in Loudwater. It has been a good summer except for August, confirmed as I edit the Ol' Trout on a very wet Bank Holiday!!

Schools are back and Christmas decorations are appearing!!

Still lots to look forward to before Christmas.

Please do contact me if you would like to add any articles in the Ol' Trout. The next issue will be at the beginning of December.

**Robert Kenison**

## Chairman's Words

By the time residents receive this edition of the Ol' Trout, children will have returned to school after the summer break and days will be becoming noticeably shorter. It is a good time to reflect on the lazy days of summer when we have been able to enjoy Loudwater at its best.

At the end of June the LRA organised a successful Garden Party, details and photos of which can be found overleaf. Our next event will be a Barn Dance on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November. This will be accompanied by a live band and caller. For this event we are using two halls at Loudwater Farm. In the Sanctuary Hall there will be plenty of space for the band and dancers to "do se do" and when they have used some energy, a fish and chip supper will be served in an adjacent hall. A booking form is attached to the enclosed flyer if you wish to make a reservation.

My, Samantha Benson has decided that for family reasons she is unable to commit to the LRA committee at present. However, Malcolm Hicks has decided to join us and after an initial period of observing the workings of the LRA committee he will take over a specific role.

I was disappointed recently to receive a letter from the committee of the Theatre Club announcing that as no volunteers for a new Chairman had been forthcoming, the club will cease immediately. This has been a very popular and successful club and no doubt its activities will be missed by members. If you feel able to fulfil this role, please contact me.

You may remember previous articles about fibre broadband. While some Loudwater residents are lucky enough to be able to be connected, many are not. Following my discussions last year, with the team responsible for the roll out of fast broadband at County Hall, I have recently checked on progress and been advised that the remaining homes should be able to receive this facility in the Autumn. They are to contact me in September and I will circulate any information to residents for whom we have an e-mail address.

**Heather Kenison**

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## Loudwater Lane and Sarratt Lane

The new signage and Herts Police signs do appear to have had some beneficial effect in helping to reduce the speed of traffic. However, I am disappointed to see there are still some drivers (residents and especially the younger element included) who continue to treat the lanes like an F1 race track. This is not only extremely dangerous to other users of the lanes, especially walkers and cyclists, but totally irresponsible.

Let us see what happens now that summer is over and the volume of traffic increases as it may be necessary to organise some more police radar checks. In this respect I would be grateful if residents would please let me know of any incidents they consider require reporting.

**Bob Jolliffe**

## Chorleywood Community Plan

Nearly 12 months ago Chorleywood Parish Council announced they were setting up a partnership with local interest groups with the aim of creating a Community Plan. The purpose being to give residents within the Parish of Chorleywood (this includes Loudwater) the opportunity to become more involved with what goes on around them and have their say on both what they would like to see developed and what should be protected. Stage one of the project has been the creation of a Questionnaire which the Steering group plans to be made available to all households in Chorleywood Parish following the launch this October. Once the responses have been received and analysed it is intended to draft an action plan and again publish progress on Chorleywood Parish Council's website and through the local press. Feedback on the draft plan from the community and other consultees will be sort and only then can the final plan be put forward for adoption.

The Questionnaire will be launched during late October. It is hoped that residents will complete the online version but paper copies will be made available. The Steering Group need as many residents as possible, from all parts of Chorleywood Parish and all age groups, to complete the various sections in the Questionnaire to ensure the action plan is meaningful. Chorleywood Parish Council will probably not have the necessary power to implement all of the ideas put forward, but they should know who does and will be in a position to lobby the people who can.

Please take part in this exercise. The Steering Group can only move towards an action plan if they are told what the residents want. Please join us at the launch and meet the members of local interest groups and Parish Councillors who have brought us to this point in the plan.

**Jackie Worrall (Chorleywood Parish Councillor)**  
LRA has been actively involved in this. Editor

## Wine Club

### Chile - cool climate wines

It was back to the Barn at Loudwater Farm – the spiritual home of the wine club – for our latest tasting. Gary broke the bad news to us at the start – we had nine wines to taste.

The tasting was tutored by Tim Syrad, a wine educator who loves to share brilliant wines – and the opportunity to understand and appreciate them – with his audience. Tim lives for wine, and for its ability to excite passion, good fellowship and simple sheer pleasure in those who enjoy it.



Tim gave us a map which highlighted the long narrow ribbon that is Chile: over 4,000 km (2,500 miles) of coastline yet only 177km (110 miles) east to west. This means that a broad selection of the Earth's climates can be found in this country with its ocean coast, ice fjords, deserts and mountains.

Chile has generally been known as a reliable, competent, low cost, high volume producer. Its golden age was the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century – it was protected from the pests which blighted most of the old wine world – when it could supply almost limitless quantities of wine from European vines grown in the consistent climate of the central valleys between the coastal mountains and the Andes – *Entre Cordilleras*. Economic development in the 1980s and 1990s encouraged new innovative vineyard owners and winemakers who were prepared to take on the more diverse and less hospitable climates outside these central valleys.

We were to taste wines from the cool climate zones – the coastal zones and northern and southerly valleys. Here the environment is more challenging for winemakers – more rainfall or the need of irrigation, fog, damp (and mildew); different microclimates from valley to valley. Tim invited us to challenge our senses and perceptions as we worked our way through the wines.

So, first the whites. We tasted a couple of Sauvignon Blancs, a Gewurztraminer and a Riesling, all from the San Antonio valley only 4 km from the Pacific Ocean followed by a subtle Chardonnay from the Casablanca valley – the first cool climate to gain prominence.

Then the reds. A Malbec which Tim described as a 'buffet lunch Malbec' from Bio Bio Valley (further south), and two very different Pinot Noirs – a San Antonio and a Casablanca.

Finally, a late harvest Moscatel from the Limari valley further north which most thought not sweet enough for a dessert wine but a lovely sweetie aperitif.

The diversity of the wines was matched by the range of opinions on them. We jotted down and shouted out first impressions on colour, nose and palate - which Tim brought together expertly, with conclusions on what food or occasions they would best suit. Guessing the retail price is always fun – again we had disparate

views on this. Our website gives more detail of the wines, what we scored them and where to buy them:

<http://www.loudwaterwineclub.org.uk>

Do join us - we normally meet in the evening on the fourth Friday of each month – we welcome beginners and experts alike. Events take a range of forms from tutored tastings (we've focused on Australia and as well as Chile this year and will taste sweet wines in October) to social events with wine (summer lunch, Christmas dinner, Burns Night).

Membership costs £7.50 per person per year (1 July to 30 June). There is an additional charge for each event to fund the cost of the tutor and wine tasted. We ask people to book in advance so that we can purchase the appropriate number of bottles of each wine. If you've got any questions, please call our chairman Tony Hale on 01923 774374 – he'll be happy to help.

**Pat Eckersall**

### LRA Website

We hope you've had a look at the new LRA website at: [www.lraonline.org.uk](http://www.lraonline.org.uk).

We welcome contributions to the site, particularly photographs taken over the years.

It is our intention to develop the site as a useful resource for residents and also prospective residents so, if you've got any ideas, please let us know. Up-to-date information from the clubs is particularly encouraged so that residents can find out more about some of the activities that are happening in the area.

Photographs and other contributions can be sent to [webmaster@lraonline.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@lraonline.org.uk).

**Buzz Coster**

### LRA Summer BBQ

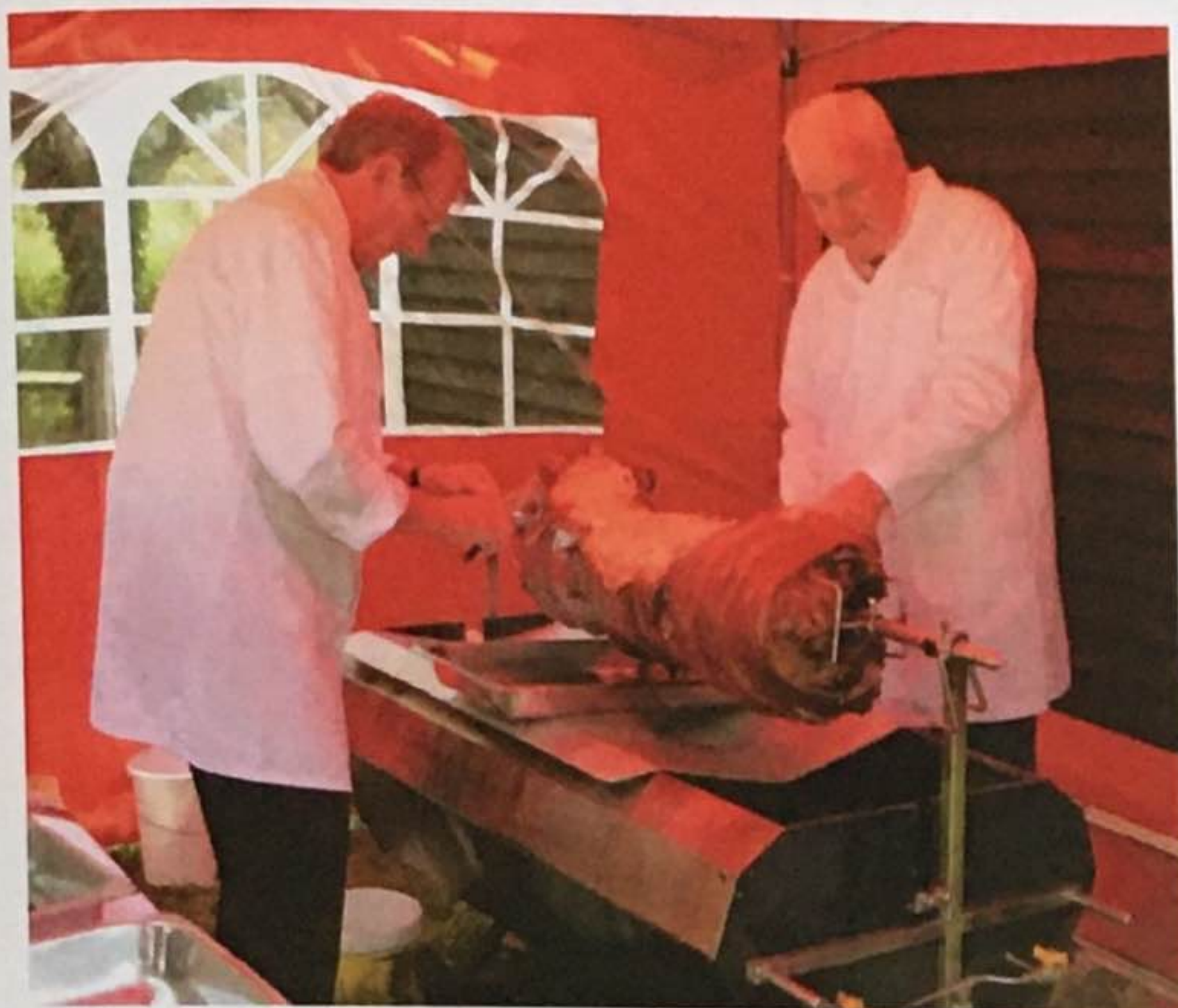
What a difference two years makes! Our event in June 2012 to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee was held in the Barn as rain poured down outside. In June 2014, the only people in the Barn were those trying to escape the relentless sun and those collecting food items for their lunch.

The day began early, probably before most Loudwater residents were awake. At 7.30am, Higgins Butchers arrived to set up the hog roasting which was left to cook outside the Barn all morning unobserved by any passers-by.



Face Painting

At 1pm, residents began to arrive and were greeted with a refreshing, welcoming Pimms. While the hog finished cooking, there were large garden games to occupy guests and children began to select their designs for face painting, which went on for most of the afternoon.



The hog was duly carved and enjoyed with a range of salads and other accompaniments, which were all most flavoursome. For those still had an appetite, a five tier chocolate fountain awaited them in the Barn.



ervers were collected, dips chosen and then held under the constant stream of liquid chocolate. The dips, such as fruit, marshmallows and bite size portions of cake, were constantly replenished. This proved a very popular alternative to traditional desserts.



Chocolate fountain

As usual at Loudwater events, residents used this as an opportunity to socialise with neighbours and make new acquaintances. The Garden Party was attended by well over 100 residents of all ages and it was great to see so many new faces. There was general agreement that that this had been a most convivial way to spend a Sunday afternoon.

**Heather Kenison**

### Golf Society

**Your opportunity to make suggestions and come up with ideas for the 2015 Event !!!**

After a very successful event this year we are looking ahead and planning our meeting for 2015. The provisional date being considered will be Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May so please pencil that date in your diaries.

Over the years we have played at most of the local clubs and I am sure we will continue to do so. The golf courses we use are all very pleasant with some more taxing than others. One item that does vary is the quality of the catering...and often that is down to cost...

I plan to book the event in October so I would be interested in comments that residents have about any aspects of the event and I will try to take them into account.

So please get back to me. I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your support.

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**Percy McCloskey**

**Loudwater (Troutstream) Estate Ltd**

### NEW ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

A new secretary has been appointed for Loudwater (Troutstream) Estate Ltd (LTEL). Her name is Lucy Allen and she can be contacted on [admin@loudwater-tel.info](mailto:admin@loudwater-tel.info) and by telephone on 01923-777582 or 07719085719. The new website address is [www.loudwater-estate.co.uk](http://www.loudwater-estate.co.uk) where residents can file online planning applications, read about the history and rules of the Estate and keep themselves informed of the latest news related to LTEL. This is a new website and still under development so comments and observations to the above mentioned e-mail address are welcomed.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There appears to be some confusion amongst some residents of Loudwater (Troutstream) Estate regarding their requirement to submit planning applications to LTEL. It is strongly advised that any owner considering building works to their property contacts LTEL at an early stage as an official planning application may be required. This would involve submission of plans and a fee of £250 is chargeable. LTEL permission should be sought prior to seeking permission from the Local Planning Authority. Please consult the LTEL website for further guidance or the Estate leaflet which will be distributed to all properties in due course.

**John Toy (chairman)**

## Charity Golf Day

As featured in the June edition of the Ol' Trout Bob and Sarah Jolliffe ran the 23<sup>rd</sup> MS Golf Day at Moor Park Golf Club On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> August. There were ninety six players and one hundred and ten supporters enjoyed an excellent dinner in the evening. The day was a great success held in fine weather and raised £14,500 for the Harrow Multiple Sclerosis Therapy Centre. The Therapy Centre is a completely self-funded, self-supporting charity and relies on a variety of fundraising initiatives to provide much needed income. Based in Harrow it is the only specialist MS Therapy Centre serving the population of North West London.



Sarah Jolliffe (centre) and helpers

Special thanks are due to Barclays Bank, who match funded certain activities on the day including an auction up to a maximum of £3,500, and to Loudwater residents Henry and Marion Browne, Roland and June Baish, Percy McClouskey and Roger and Jean Woodroffe who were amongst the Sponsors.

### Bob Jolliffe

### Michael Sobell Hospice

#### Jail & Bail in aid of Michael Sobell Hospice

**Friday 3 October at 10.30am**

Get arrested and locked up in a cell at Ruislip Police Station until you raise £1,000 for Michael Sobell Hospice. If you fancy taking on this challenge and being an inmate for a while please contact Trish Mule on 01923 844726 or see our website for more details [www.michaelsobellhospice.co.uk](http://www.michaelsobellhospice.co.uk).

#### Brain Box Quiz Night

**Wednesday 8 October at 7.30pm**



**Michael Sobell Hospice, Mount Vernon Hospital, Northwood, HA6 2RN**

Our popular quiz night is back so all you wise owls come and show us how bright you are. Tickets sell out fast, so book early.

Tickets cost £15 and include a fish & chip supper and a licensed bar (veggie option available). FREE parking. Barclays Bank will match funds to make your donation go further. Tickets can be booked online at [www.michaelsobellhospice.co.uk](http://www.michaelsobellhospice.co.uk) or call 01923 844730.

### Sue Tippen

Month	Day & Date	Event
September	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bridge Club
	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	LRA Committee Meeting - Kingswood, Loudwater Ridge
	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Troutstream Investment Club
	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Club - trip to Merriments Garden and Scotney Castle
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bridge Club
	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wine Club
October	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bridge Club
	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	LRA Committee Meeting Sarratt House, Bridle Lane
	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Troutstream Investment Club
	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Bridge Club
	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Garden Club Trip to Sheffield Park
	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Wine Club
November	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bridge Club
	Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Barn Dance Loudwater Farm
	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Troutstream Investment Club
	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Bridge Club
	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	LRA Committee Meeting Cobblers, Rooks Hill
	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Gardeners' Question Time, Garden Club
	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wine Club
December	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bridge Club
	Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Troutstream Investment Club
	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bridge Club

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