

'UPROAR' AT ALTRINCHAM AREA BOARD

That ends on a positive note.

- a report from G-Force Youth Club

G-Force Youth Club, The Scout Hut and Altrincham Area Board; the saga goes on!!!!

G-Force would like to issue a big thank you to all who signed the petition to get the Scout Hut back into community use. This was presented at Altrincham Area Board on December 2nd when over 25 residents and supporters went along to cheer it on.

Unfortunately we had to sit around from 7 o'clock and wait for over 2 hours before the petition 'agenda item' came up. We even thought at one time that it looked as if it would get talked out and not even formally received as the meeting was timed to finish at 9.30 prompt.

At ten past nine we were told that we would now have to watch a video on the success of 'Trafford in Bloom' and at this stage the patience of our supporters gave way and one asked, as we had been waiting all this time, could our item be brought forward. It was eventually agreed by the Chair, after being put to the whole meeting, and the Chair of G-Force got up to present our case for bringing the Scout Hut back into use. Unfortunately, he was asked during his presentation to cut it short as time was limited. The discontent created by these events was added to when we were then told that a small counter petition had been presented that night and accepted by the Board! Bare in mind that G-Force had tried to present our petition in November and had been told we couldn't because of a busy agenda and were put off until the December meeting!!!

At this stage the patience of the supporters gave way and cries of 'shame' and 'disgraceful' filled the air. Order was eventually restored and the meeting progressed to its end.

G-Force have since heard lots of claims and counter claims around the issue of the Scout Hut and the Youth Centre. In a bid to bring clarity to the situation and scotch any negative rumours that are going around, the G-Force Youth Club would like to clarify the following :-

- The bid to open the Scout Hut is currently supported by the Broomwood Community Association AS IS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE YOUTH CENTRE*
- The Bid for the Scout Hut will not undermine the development of the Youth Centre as the funding for the Scout Hut has already been sourced independent of the Council and the money for the Youth Centre development to come from the sale of two areas of land on Broomwood.*
- The choice for the people of the Broomwood IS NOT ONE OR THE OTHER but both.*
- If we all work together, the Broomwood Community will end up with two vibrant community resources instead just the poverty of one.*

Surely this is the best way forward for Broomwood

Finally, for your information the text of the two petitions read as follows

G-Force Petition:-

"We, the undersigned, request of the Council through the Altrincham Area Board, that the use of the Mainwood Road Scout hut be supported by the Council as a multi- purpose community building, run by the G-Force Youth Club, for the people of the Broomwood Estate and surrounding area"

The Counter Petition:-

"We the Broomwood residents are supportive of the proposed development of the Youth and Community Centre at Mainwood Road, which will offer all residents and Young People on the estate great facilities for activities. We therefore feel that proposals for the Scout Hut are unnecessary and duplication. The land could be put to the better use of the community".

On a positive note, after receiving the petition, the executive committee of TMBC have agreed to consider the whole issue afresh

The Broomwoodvoice will keep you updated with any further developments.

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Courses are now being run at *Altrincham Youth Centre. On Tuesdays 5-6pm from January 2004.*



BCA Public Meetings
At
Broomwood School
Starting at 6.30pm
On
Monday 23th Feb
Monday 29th March
Monday 26th April

Do You have anything you would like to share with our community? You can do this through your BROOMWOODVOICE.COM. This newsletter goes to up to 2000 homes on Broomwood and we are open to your suggestions!!! Get in touch at info@broomwoodvoice.com or at the address on back page. We look forward to hearing from You!!!

Aerobics is back
at Broomwood Primary School

7pm to 8pm Thursday nights
from 8th January
Cost £2.50

Get fit for the New Year and loose those extra Christmas pounds.



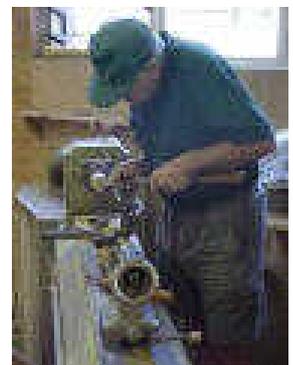
Trafford & Timperley Woodcraft Club

We meet at Green Lane School in the wood work room at 7pm on the first Monday of every month. Most meetings we have a demonstrator showing us different techniques and finishes on working with wood.

New members are welcome

Our next meeting is Monday 2nd Feb 2004

Why not come and join us You may like it!



www.broomwoodvoice.com

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HOME Highlights new issues and events (**Transport delays – Photographs – Health Matters Announcements ETC.**)

NEWSLETTER provides files of BCA Newsletters Etc.

ARCHIVE Contains Agenda and Minutes of BCA public Meetings

CALENDAR Events on Broomwood can be accessed here.

CONSTITUTION Is a web version of the document that regulates the Broomwood Community Association.

REPORTS On health and other issues can be accessed from this section. (**In Depth Reports**)

LINKS From your site to other pages can be found here mainly informative in nature they cover Real Time Currency, Train, Public Transport & Weather pages, links to Broomwood Business and Services, Health, Hospitals, Local Authority, Motoring and Experimental Links. This section is of use to many residents and others in the South Manchester area.

Of Concern Deals with matters of a topical nature including provision of access and basic facilities in the area.

PARTNERS Our growing list of supporters and those organizations providing funding for Broomwood.

FEEDBACK From you is very welcome indeed, if you have an article or photograph, a topic of interest, complaint or comment, please share it with us. Use the Feedback form for short messages or use email: info@broomwoodvoice.com to send attachments, Photos Etc.

BACKGROUND

Set up in late 2002 a BCA working party, initially grant aided in the sum of up to £1,000 by South Trafford NHS Health Trust, the team enlisted the creative talents of Daniel Sterling to design the embryo site, in early February 2003 the design took shape. By April 2003 the site was officially launched. During the early part of 2003 members of BCA took a TOUCAN course in Basic and Intermediate Web Design HTML and have since managed the site on a regular basis.

During the period since inception your site has developed to a stage where it needs greater resources in terms of increased web space, to cater for growing High Definition photographic and archived content. Your team envisage usage of about 100 MB of web space by this time next year. In the future there is a distinct possibility that those using mobile phones, could, if there were an identified need obtain direct access to the site.

Your team have over the year developed web pages for Trafford Crossroads, Friends of Brooks Drive and others on a non profit basis.

E-mail us at info@broomwoodvoice.com

or by writing to Broomwood Voice, c/o K. Gleave, 169 Redbrook Rd, Timperley

Memorial to Local Hero

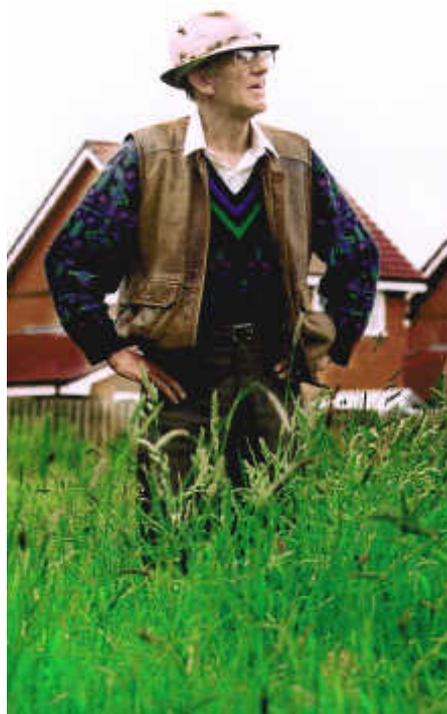
A day to remember our local Action Hero - Reg Temple

Just about 2 years after his untimely death, the People and local Officials all gathered to commemorate and remember Timperley's Greatest Action Hero, Reg Temple.

The occasion being the dedication of a placque in his memory on his beloved Brookes Drive. A place that was once a muddy litter strewn eyesore which scarred the Broomwood Estate and now, mainly because of Reg, has been transformed into a wonderful walkway enjoyed by us all!

When Reg started his crusade to save and renovate Brookes Drive he described himself as an 'ordinary bloke' who normally liked to keep his head down but now he felt he just had to make a stand. And what a stand it was. But it wasn't easy by any means and it would have broken the spirit of any normal man, but not Reg. Nothing stood in Reg's way and no immovable object could resist the sheer force of his will power.

His legacy; well he leaves those that knew him far richer, because of the sort of guy he was and the example he set. And For those that didn't know him, but live on the Broomwood and surrounding areas, he leaves a beautiful pleasant thoroughfare of peace, in a noisy world of cars and lorries. Thank you Reg.



Reg Temple
1934 - 2001

Youth Centre update

Developing community Facilities at the Youth Centre

After two consultation events in November at which the whole community were invited, the responses have been collated and can be seen on the B.C.A's web site. www.broomwoodvoice.com

Approximately 100 people attended and, of the two options shown, the second was seen as the best but with a variety of modifications. These are being looked at by the Trafford Architects who are working with them to produce a definitive option.

Of the activities suggested for the building the following were the top 10:-Community Café, Internet/computer use, music club, football, table tennis, keep fit, badminton, job shop, parent/toddler group and Citizens advise.

10 people were interested in being involved in a working group to take these proposals forward.

BCA support this development and are working in partnership to bring this about.

To help pay for this proposed work the Council are looking at selling two areas of land; one of which is the car park on Redbrook Road adjacent to Brookes Drive they have currently applied for outline planning permission for this area. BCA trust that the profile and outlook of Brookes Drive that runs adjacent to this land will be preserved and protected as a matter of priority. During this process and will be watching closely on your behalf to ensure that this is the case.

Did you know?...

...that you can use the gym at the Youth Centre on Saturday mornings from 24th January 10 'til 12 noon.

...that there is a drama Club for 7 - 12 year olds being held at the Youth Centre on Saturday mornings from 24th January 10 'til 12 noon.

...that Broomwood Fruit and Veg market is held every Friday afternoon at the youth centre.

...that the Next Prize Bingo at Broomwood School is on February 10th at 7.30pm