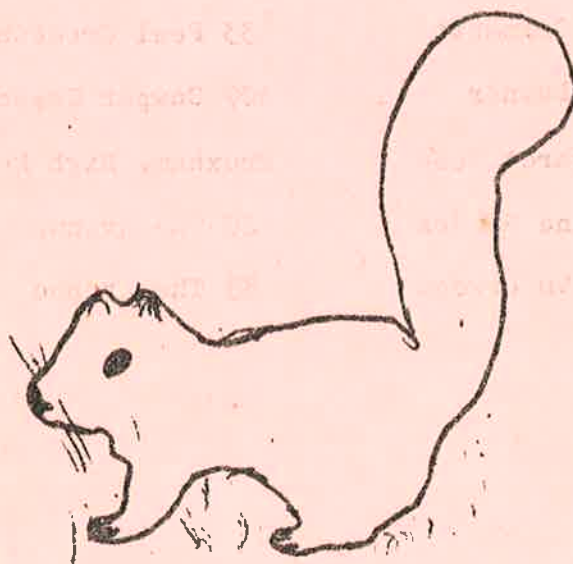


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The Front Cover

The picture on the cover of this Newsletter is particularly apt at this time of year. Squirrels seem to belong to the Autumn with their nut gathering activities, so I am happy to say a special thankyou to Andrew Chastell of Cumberland Close who was eight years old when he drew this picture for us.

Andrew is keen on wild life, and when out running with his father he loves to spot birds' nests and then follow the progress of the birds - without of course disturbing them.

Thankyou Andrew!

Quicksand

It may not be generally known, by new residents at least, that there is an area of highly dangerous quicksand not far from here. If you go along the Bridle Path that leads off Sacombe Road just beyond The Orchard you will pass it on your left. This area is also accessible from the wood behind The Orchard. There is a warning notice, but it is not very prominently displayed.

I mention the quicksand because children have been seen playing near it recently. They were sent home by the person who saw them, but it is possible that they or others may go there when there is no one around to warn them.

There was a tragic accident there a few years ago, so please let me repeat the warning, it is VERY DANGEROUS.

Fire

Boys will be boys. Unfortunately some boys are - shall we say - less responsible than others and if two or three such boys get together they can behave in a very stupid way. Some boys have been amusing themselves in the wood with boxes of matches!

I don't think the Fire Brigade were very amused when they were called out. Neither would the nearby residents find much to laugh at if any fire these boys lit had got out of control. In the recent dry Summer we have enjoyed, this could easily have happened.

We may not be so lucky if this ever happened again.

News flash

Yet another warning. This Newsletter is full of them. This time it is about a certain gentleman with 'exhibitionist tendencies' who has been seen in Sacombe Road. He had parked his car on the wide strip of concrete just off the road. Unfortunately his registration number was not taken, but it would be a good idea if it could be remembered if there is another sighting!

A man like this can be regarded as just a silly nuisance, funny even or maybe pathetic but he can also be frightening, particularly to children.

Causes for concern

I have been asked to bring certain matters to your attention, these are:-

1. Cars can still be seen parked on, or half on, the pavements and grass verges, our local 'bobby' is keeping an eye on the situation.
2. Garden rubbish is being dumped in the wood, all rubbish even garden waste should be taken to the Council Dump.
3. We have received complaints about the excessive speed of cars and motor bikes on the Estate, I have been asked to remind you that the speed limit is 30 m.p.h.
4. Overhanging branches and shrubs are still causing a nuisance in some areas, and in the wet and windy weather to come this can only get worse. I have to tell you that there is a Highways Inspector who is quite likely to call to request that some cutting back should be done. I understand, that failing this, the Council steps in and does the job itself, but then sends in the bill!

The Hospital

The local press has been full of reports over recent months about the building of a new hospital to replace our old one. A thousand people signed the petition in favour of it, in Hertford lately.

If you missed that, never mind, there is still a petition in The Avenue Stores which you can sign. If we fail to get the new hospital then the sick and injured will have to travel many miles further for treatment.

Individual letters can help to show the weight of support behind this demand. If you would like to write, then address your letters to the North West Thames Area Health Authority and then put them through the letter box of any member of this committee, or drop them into Councillor Martin's house 41, The Avenue.

We will then forward them.

Time is short the deadline is mid October so don't delay write today!

The Pit

You will be delighted to hear that the possibility of an agreement on the future of the Pit is looking very hopeful. More details will be given as soon as possible, in the meantime it would seem to be only fair to ask everyone not to trespass on Mr. Benson's land behind The Avenue, although it is all too easy to gain access from the path.

The proposed scheme includes some landscaping and planting of trees, so we look forward with pleasure to a happy end to this long running dispute.

Membership list

You will find at the end of this Newsletter a complete list of all our members.

We would be grateful if you would check that it is correct and notify any

Committee member if you find an error.

This Newsletter is being distributed to everyone so that this list can be corrected. All future issues will be delivered to members only.

For the benefit of anyone who has moved in since April and may not have heard of us, may I say that the subscription is a mere 50p a year and any Committee member will take your money!

Bengeo Youth Club. A.G.M.

The Youth Club meets every Wednesday at the Parish Hall, Duncombe Road
7.00 - 9.00p.m. Ages 11 upwards.

The A.G.M. of the Association will be held at 113 Cowper Crescent on Friday
19th October 1984 at 8.00p.m.

Visitors welcome.

Local Organisations, Clubs and Classes - new addition

Hertford Music Club

Sec. Mrs J. Millman
2 Lodge Close
Bengeo
Hertford. 54663

Meetings are held in the Friends Meeting House to hear recitals given by young professional musicians.

2nd Nov. 7.45 soprano and piano

9th Dec. 3.00 Christmas music

Visitors £1 adults, 50p children per meeting.

Success stories

Congratulations to Ruth Allen of The Wick for coming third in the under 18 section of the recent Women's Own Fun Run to raise money for the Save a Child Bone Marrow Appeal.

Very well done!

Here in Bengeo we have quite a few enterprising and talented young people. Another is Karen Bradford of Desborough Close who has returned after a six week expedition to Iceland organised by the British Schools Exploring Society. She conducted many scientific experiments in Iceland on behalf of her sponsors here.

At sub zero temperatures that took some doing!

It is a pleasure to end on a positive note after all the warnings in this edition of the Newsletter.

A happy Autumn to you all.

An invitation

Have you an interest in your community?

Would you like to be more actively involved in it?

If so our Committee would welcome your active participation.

You may have something particular to offer, such as a special interest in some aspect of our environment, or a useful skill, or just a willingness to attend a few meetings a year and do what you can to keep our area a good place to live in.

Give us the benefit of your stimulation.

Come and join us!

MOLEWOOD RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

List of paid-up members 1984-85

<u>THE AVENUE</u>	13, 15, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 75, 77, 81, 85, 89, 97, 99, 101, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 135, 139 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 36, 40, 42, 44, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 134, 136, 140, 142, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154
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<u>CUMBERLAND CLOSE</u>	1, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17
<u>DESBOROUGH CLOSE</u>	3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
<u>THE DRIVE</u>	15
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<u>MOLEWOOD</u>	The Heights, Woodside Villa, Woodlands, 202 North Road, Mole End, Wroxham, 194 North Road, 198 High Molewood, Silver Birches, The Firs, Mole Cottage.
<u>THE ORCHARD</u>	1, 2, Bengo Wick.
<u>PEEL CRESCENT</u>	3, 5, 11, 13, 15, 17, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 57, 59 2, 4, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30
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Yellow Pages

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Extension ladder	£1.00 per week)	
Aluminium with easy reach		
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Jump leads	")	
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