

## BOVEY TRACEY TOWN COUNCIL

IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR  
THE HONORARY TITLE OF

## REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LORD OF THE MANOR OF BOVEY TRACEY

**THIS IS** awarded annually at the Town Council's Annual Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2010 to a Bovey or Heathfield resident, who in the opinion of the Town Council, for whatever reason, has made a significant voluntary contribution to the Parish of Bovey Tracey over the past 10 years and should be publicly recognised for those actions.

If you know of someone who should be considered for this award, please contact the Town Council Office for a nomination form and the criteria for nomination or download a copy from [www.boveytracey.gov.uk](http://www.boveytracey.gov.uk). Completed nomination forms should be returned by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010 to

**Bovey Tracey Town Council**

**Town Hall - Bovey Tracey**

For any further information required, please contact:

Terry Westwood – Town Clerk  
(01626 834217 - mornings only)

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 2010

**YOU ARE** invited to attend the Annual Town Meeting in the Town Hall, Bovey Tracey on **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010**, starting at 7.30pm.

Please come along to see and hear about what has been happening in the Parish over the past 12 months. This will include an update on the activities of the Town Council and reports from local organisations and primary schools.

Part of the evening will also feature a short presentation on the activities planned for the Charter Celebrations taking place throughout 2010.

### Police Surgery Dates

Police surgeries are an opportunity for members of the community to talk to the police, face to face, about policing matters.

**Bovey Tracey – The Library – 2.00-3.00**

25<sup>th</sup> February - 16<sup>th</sup> March – 22<sup>nd</sup> April

**Community Centre – Heathfield – 1.00 – 3.00**

5<sup>th</sup> March & 21<sup>st</sup> April

**Police Office – Town Hall – 6.30 – 8.30**

9<sup>th</sup> April & 20<sup>th</sup> May

## FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2010

20<sup>th</sup> February to 7<sup>th</sup> March 2010



this year.

**THERE** are a number of events taking place in our Parish to celebrate Fairtrade Fortnight

Bovey Tracey Town Hall will again provide the venue for a celebration of Fairtrade Fortnight on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. The Bovey Tracey Fairtrade Town Steering Group is hosting the event and Nicholas Agyei-Gyan, a cocoa producer from Ghana will be with us to talk about what Fairtrade means to him, his family and locality. During the evening we will also celebrate Bovey Tracey being recently reaccredited with Fairtrade Town status and encourage those who have not got involved with Fairtrade to consider doing so and meet some of those who are already supporting it. **You are invited to come along to the Town Hall to hear Nicholas's talk and sample some Fairtrade products.**

This year's Fairtrade theme is the 'Big Swap'. The idea is to encourage local residents to join the 'Big Swap', where they'll swap their usual 'stuff' for Fairtrade stuff; their usual lemons, t-shirts, or roses for Fairtrade lemons, t-shirts or roses. For further details: contact Liz Westwood on 01626 836107.

Dear Resident

Here we are, already well into 2010, and I hope you all enjoyed the festive season. I trust that all the young people of our Parish enjoyed the seasonal snow and being off school. Spring is now on the way and, hopefully, will bring some warmer weather to look forward to!

Since the last Quality Update in December, the past few months have been busy. I had the pleasure of turning on the Christmas lights and the Christmas Evening Market was also wonderful event too. We are very fortunate to have a thriving Producer's Market every fortnight in Bovey selling a wide range of fresh products. Whereas it is important to support Fairtrade, it is equally important to support our local producers and businesses to maintain Bovey as a thriving town.

Talking of Fairtrade, I hope you will support the Fairtrade Event in the Town Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February and I am looking forward to meeting Nicholas Agyei-Gyan from Ghana.

I will sign off to saying how thrilled we are in Heathfield to be getting a brand new play area. I would like to personally thank all those people responsible for making this happen at last.

Councillor Michelle Davey – Town Mayor

## BROW HILL PLAY AREA



**AS YOU** maybe aware, your Town Council has been working hard behind the scenes for a number of years, to secure funding to provide an updated play area at Brow Hill. A number of community consultations have been held with all sections of Heathfield, particularly with the young people, to determine the type of new equipment to be included in this exciting project.

It may feel that there have just been a lot of promises, but no action over the past two years. It has also been noted by the Town Council, the comments of some residents that the Town Council does not do anything for the Heathfield area.

However, the Town Council is now able to announce that following a detailed tendering process carried out by Teignbridge District Council (TDC), a design has been selected and work to install the new equipment and enhance Brow Hill play area is due to start this March and the new play area, weather permitting, is due to be open in early May.

The design includes many of the types of equipment requested by the young people, which can be accommodated safely on this restricted site. Importantly, in addition to new swings, a seating area, new equipment for the Under 8's, the play area will contain a MUGA for the safe playing of ball games. The site will be secured in order to keep the area 'dog free', a complaint that occurs with the current play area.

The total cost for the project is in the region of £100,000. TDC has provided £33,000. The remaining £67,000 has been secured from various sources by your Town Council, including a direct contribution of £50,000. A great number of people, in addition to the Town Council, have been involved in delivering this exciting project. The Town Council would like to say 'thank you' to all those individuals and organisations that have made this project possible, which will hopefully provide years of fun and exercise for the young people of Heathfield.

Bovey Tracey Town Council would like to thank the many businesses and organisations in Bovey Tracey for financially supporting the 2009 Christmas Lights in Bovey Tracey.

Thanks also go to Mark Baker for again providing a wonderful Christmas Tree for Union Square.

## Town Councillors' Contact Numbers:

Town Mayor – Michelle Davey	836607
Deputy Mayor - Avril Kerswell	832923
<b>Bovey Councillors:</b>	
Tony Allen	836239
Dorreen Black	834297
Robert Bray	835591
David Elphick	832125
Taff Evans	830347
Alan Griesiell	833348
George Gribble**	832764
Michael Harper	836227
Fernley Holmes*	833171
Avril Kerswell	832923
Anna Klinkenberg*	834328
Tina Richardson	835363
<b>Heathfield Councillors:</b>	
Kelly Westbury	830494
Michelle Davey	836607
*District Councillor ** County Councillor	
Town Clerk - Terry Westwood	834217

### Bovey Tracey Town Council Meetings

Starting time 7.00pm

Public Speaking Period at the start of each meeting

**22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2010**

**10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2010**

**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

Meetings are held in the Council Chamber  
Town Hall - Bovey Tracey

## 2010 PRECEPT

**AFTER CAREFUL** consideration, Bovey Tracey Town Council has set its precept for the next twelve months starting on 1<sup>st</sup> April. The precept is the amount of money required by the Town Council to undertake its various services on behalf of residents.

These include the management of Mill Marsh Park, the Town Hall, the Cemetery, the Recreation Ground, Allotments, play areas and other open spaces in the Parish along with contributions to the summer floral displays, Christmas lights and grants to local organisations. Last years precept was £148,855. The Town Council is able to announce it has been able to keep this year's precept at £148,855, there fore no direct increase. This relates to an annual total charge of approximately £50.39 per year for a Band D property.

The decision to retain the precept at the same level relates to the need to again raise an additional income for specific projects in Bovey Tracey and Heathfield planned for the next 12 months. Due to the continuing lack of support from Devon Youth Services in supporting the work with young people throughout the Parish, as a positive move £15,000 has again been allocated towards supporting the work of Bovey Tracey Youth Action with young people in Heathfield and Bovey.



## Forthcoming Charter Events

### Explore Woodland Industrial Industry at Yarner National Nature Reserve Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February



Explore woodland industrial industry as part of the Charter Celebrations courtesy of Natural England at East Dartmoor National Nature Reserve at Yarner Wood. This is a free event with transport from Bovey Tracey provided. Booking is essential. For further details, contact Albert Knott on 01626 832330.

### Beating of the Parish Bounds - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May



One of Bovey Tracey's most ancient - and most curious traditions - involves parading around the parish boundary and bumping boys on their heads at special marker points along the route. The last Beating of the Parish Bounds took place in May 2002. The custom of 'Beating the Bounds' was once found in almost every English parish. In an age when few could read, and before accurate maps were available, the annual ceremony was the most effective way to maintain awareness of the limits of the parish and pass on this knowledge to succeeding generations. Come and join us in Charter Year as we again undertake 'Beating the Bounds' of the parish over the first weekend in May. We will probably not use young boys to bump the boundary stones on this occasion. For an application form to join this ancient event please contact the Town Hall Office on 01626 834217 (mornings only).

### Devon Baroque - 19<sup>th</sup> June 2010

Devon Baroque has established a strong reputation as the principal orchestra in the South West. As part of this year's Charter Celebrations Devon Baroque will be performing at the Church of Peter, Paul & Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30 p.m. This concert features the works of Baroque Masters Telemann and Vivaldi.



Tickets will be obtainable from The Bovey Tracey Information Centre 01626 832047 - from the end of March. For further information contact 01626 834217 (mornings only) or visit: [www.devonbaroque.co.uk](http://www.devonbaroque.co.uk)

### Grand Charter Ball - The Dolphin Hotel - Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2010

The Bovey Tracey Charter Committee is pleased to announce that tickets are now available for the Grand Charter Ball to be held at The Dolphin Hotel. The evening will include a Champagne Reception, a sumptuous three course meal followed by live music and dancing to Ace Music. Tickets cost £25.00 each and can be reserved by contacting Cllr Avril Kerswell on 01626 832923 or the Town Hall Office on 01626 834217 (mornings only).



### Charter Half Marathon & Fun Run - Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Details and application forms for this prestigious event, last run in 2002, are now available by contacting the Town Hall Office – 01626 834217 (mornings only) or by visiting by [www.boveytracey.gov.uk/town-charters.php](http://www.boveytracey.gov.uk/town-charters.php) to download an application form.

### Events Planned for Charter Week 3<sup>rd</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> July 2010

<b>Wednesday</b>	*Bovey Tracey Primary School presents 'Joseph & His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat' in the Charter Marquee – Mill Marsh Park.
<b>Thursday</b>	*The Bovey Tracey Players present an evening of entertainment in the Charter Marquee, Mill Marsh Park.
<b>Friday Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>	Four Church Charter Flower Festival at St John's Church, Holy Sprit Catholic Church, Bovey Methodist Church & SS Peter, Paul & Thomas. Times to be advised
<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>	'Bovey Heritage Exhibition' – Methodist Church Hall. Times to be advised
<b>Saturday</b>	Grand Charter Procession for all residents of the Parish & Charter Fair - Mill Marsh Park. Events include a Victorian Flower Show, Charter Mosaic, Morris Dancing & Civil War Re-enactment plus much much more!! From 10.30am to 5.00pm
<b>Sunday</b>	Charter Civic Church Service – Charter Marquee – Mill Marsh Park @ 11.00am Charter Picnic with A.J's Big Band – Mill Marsh Park from 5.30pm

\* These are free events. However, admission will be by ticket. Free tickets will be available from 1<sup>st</sup> June, outlets to be advised. For further information contact 01626 834217



Don't forget to visit [www.boveytracey.gov.uk](http://www.boveytracey.gov.uk) for latest news on the Charter Celebrations and other events in and around the Parish

