



**WELCOME TO OUR BROMLEY HEATH  
NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH  
NEWSLETTER                      SUMMER 2006  
EDITION**

Your Contact Person is .....

At Number.....

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**PRO WATCH – TOP TIPS FOR THE SUMMER**

- Don't let the opportunist in through your open windows and doors while its warm and you are upstairs or at the bottom of the garden
- We noticed lot's of vans with interesting contents when we did our evening 'patrolling' as part of our Pro Watch initiative. Please lock the contents or the van away!
- Unscrew those car aerials and take them in – there's a lot being stolen
- Those bogus callers are still targeting the vulnerable: Keep them out!
- Protect your garden ornaments and hanging baskets from the overnight boot sale patrol!
- Excellent! Lights on in darkness, by the majority, to keep the thief away. Noted during the Pro Watch initiative.



**Badminton Road**  
PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

**Monday to Friday**

**Sessions Available: 9.30am – 12pm,  
12pm – 2.30pm & 9.30am – 2.30pm**

**2 ½ – 4 Year Olds**

**Friendly, dedicated and experienced staff and  
Ofsted approved**

**Tel: Term Time 0117 9562347 or**

**Non Term Time 07837 642294 or e-mail:  
Badminton.preschool@Gmail.com**

**BHNW DISCUSSION EVENING AND  
AGM: REPORT BACK**

**There's nothing to report!**

Well there is actually. A thunderstorm arrived, but the caretaker wasn't able to and our condolences go to him and his family. And sorry to those who 'enjoyed' the power of nature with us outside! **So it's to Plan B.**



We've decided the best bet it to merge the event with our Birthday Celebration in September 06.

**It will be in the Bromley Heath Junior School on  
the 27<sup>th</sup> of September 2006 at 7.30PM.**

We look forward to seeing you then. Look out for our posters and publicity for more detail, nearer the time.

**Useful Numbers**

**Police Main Switchboard:**

**0845 456 7000**

**In Emergencies Only: 999**

**Street Care:**

**01454 868 000**

If you need assistance with stray Dogs, Litter, Lighting, Pavements, Graffiti, etc.

**BHNW: 9563325**

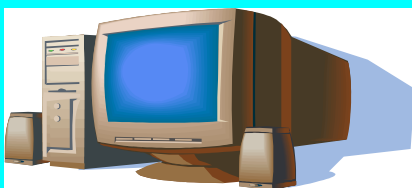
We are very grateful to the local businesses that advertise in this newsletter and hope that you will support them; however, we cannot endorse or recommend their services.

## NEW £1 MILLION CAMPAIGN TO KEEP CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE

In January, The Home Office launched a £1 million awareness campaign to make parents and children aware of the dangers posed by online paedophiles. The campaign will feature adverts specifically targeted at teenagers through the Internet and radio,

designed to make them think twice about giving out personal details to people they meet online. It will include newspaper, magazine and radio adverts, which will run over a period of time.

Over the past three years, the Government has spent £3 million on raising awareness about online safety with children, parents and carers. The new adverts will build on previous campaigns by giving more up to date advice on new and emerging dangers, such as what information to include in a blog and safer use of instant messaging services and webcams.



Parents and guardians of children will be encouraged to visit:

[www.internetsafetyzone.com](http://www.internetsafetyzone.com)

Where practical advice and information about new technology and ways of using the Internet is available. Children will continue to be referred to:

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

Home Office Minister Paul Goggins said:

"The internet can be a great tool for children, allowing them to learn and communicate in ways we wouldn't have believed possible twenty years ago. But just like the real world, the virtual world can contain dangers for children. Sadly, some people online are not who they say they are, and are out to harm or prey on children. Parents should familiarise themselves with our advice on safety online, and children need to know how to protect themselves. Together, we can make the internet a safer place for children."

The Home Office website: [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

offers five simple tips children can follow to protect themselves online:

1. People on the Internet may not be who they say they are.
2. Whatever you do, don't give out contact info, like your phone number and address.
3. Be careful what you say about your friends and their personal info. They've told you as a mate, so you shouldn't pass anything on to people they don't know.
4. If you're posting a profile, don't include any info which could help to identify you offline - again that means your personal email address, mobile phone number, home or school address and also pictures of yourself.
5. You should never meet up with someone you chatted to online even if you think the person is okay. P

will often spend months gaining your trust before asking to meet you. If you do decide to meet someone, tell an adult exactly where you are going, don't go alone. Meet somewhere busy and take your mobile phone.



## Peru Challenge 2006

Good luck to one of our Contact People, who is going to trek Peru in memory of the baby girl she lost to cot death.

ROS TAYLOR lost her baby daughter in 1985 and is now embarking on the challenge of a lifetime – a 10 day trek in Peru – in aid of the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths. She will be walking for 6 to 8 hours a day through the Andes to Machu Picchu.

It all takes place in September and Ros hopes to gain sponsorship of £3000. If you would like to help, please contact her on 9576938 or online at: <http://www.justgiving.com/rostperu>

Did you know:

Sudden Infant Death is still the biggest killer of babies over a month old, despite recent advances, outstripping meningitis, road accidents, leukaemia and other cancers put together.

**TO ADVERTISE IN THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH US BY RINGING 9563325 OR EMAILING: BHNWATCH@AOL.COM**

**PCSO Justin Gay**

has said he's happy that we publish his mobile phone number. It is on when he's on shift and if he's not dealing with an incident, he'll answer. Otherwise you can leave him a message.

**It is: 07795 503242**

You can ring him with your concerns, information or seek advice on relevant Police issues.

**Don't forget, in an emergency, ring 999.**

**SHOP locally at MS-2 Stores,**

**Quakers Road**

**Special Offer**

**A wide range of wines  
– 3 for £10.00.**



**Community organisations and charities are invited to use a window space for free! £83 was recently raised this way for cancer research.**

**Kam and Raj look forward to your Custom.**

**Telephone us for a Brochure: 0117 9560161**

**THE MANOR COTTAGE**

**Residential Care Home for the Elderly**

**Beckspool Road, Frenchay, Bristol, BS16 1NT**



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\* WELL DONE to Rob Hemmings and his contacts in Oakdale rd for making a donation for the torches recently distributed around the Watch area to some lucky homes. The £23 will come in very handy thank you!

\* We like the look of the Parish Council's work on the 'Plan for Life Urban Code.' Some of the items listed link well into our brief too. Look out for it in their last newsletter.

\* If you think someone has a problem with drugs then the S. Glos. Drug and Alcohol service can offer free and confidential advice and more. Ring: 0800 073 301 for more information.

\* If you live in the vicinity of the Badminton rd. Church and Youth Club and see anything going on you are not happy with, please contact the Police. There have been some problems of vandalism and anti-social behaviour recently and it needs to be stopped. Let us know if non urgent, Contact our PCSO if it would be useful for someone to 'call by' and he's on duty – his details are elsewhere in this edition, or ring 999 if you can see a crime in progress.

\* **CONGRATULATIONS TO RON COLEMAN**, PAST CHAIRMAN, NOW TRESURER AND ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE BHN WATCH. HE WAS RECOGNISED RECENTLY IN THE S. GLOS. COUNCIL'S VOLUNTEER AWARDS FOR HIS SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. WELL DONE RON AND THANKS!

## **What is a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)?**

Some of you are unclear, so here's an explanation, as we will be seeing more of them about soon.

PCSO's are Police Authority-employed staff who can perform a high visibility, patrolling role providing reassurance to the communities they serve. They complement the work of police officers by focusing predominantly on lower level crime, disorder and anti social behaviour.

They are an important weapon in the Government's drive to crack down on the types of anti-social behaviour and nuisance, which so blight communities and make people's lives a misery.



## **What powers do PCSO's have?**

PCSO's do not have the same powers as a fully-fledged police officer, yet they are a visible presence and an effective crime deterrent, especially with regard to anti-social behaviour. As well as being able to issue fixed penalty tickets for minor anti-social behaviour, PCSO's can also demand the name and address of a person acting in an anti-social manner. Other PCSO powers include being able to confiscate alcohol being consumed in a public place, confiscate tobacco from young people, remove abandoned vehicles and seize any vehicles that are being used to potentially harm other people.



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### BHNW COMMITTEE

Alan Smith has retired from his role as past Chairman. We wish him well and take the opportunity to thank him and his wife, (for allowing him out to play) for all he's done for the community, over many years and in various roles.

As there was no AGM, there are no changes or updates to report. All existing members have said they are willing and able to continue. Thanks to them! This will all be updated in September as part of Plan B!

**There are a couple of vacancies for Co-ordinators. Go on, don't be shy, get in touch and volunteer?**

Heath Upper and Lower need someone like you to look after them. It really isn't too time consuming. We are a friendly bunch, looking to be fully representative of the whole Bromley Heath Community.

Why not email or ring and find out more and help us build further on our successes?

**BHNW GOES GLOBAL! Now we are on the web too! Find us on:**  
<http://tinyurl.com/7fwna>

**Would you like to receive your Quarterly newsletter by email and urgent communications received from the police, quickly and effectively. Let us know?**

### GOOD NEWS NEWSAGENTS BAUGH GARDENS

RECENTLY REFURBISHED

NEW RANGES OF CARDS AND STATIONARY.

HELIUM BALLOONS, PRINTER CARTRIDGES, BATTERIES, HANDBAGS, ADHESIVES, REFUSE AND GARDEN SACKS

NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES DELIVERY SERVICE. PERSONAL, INDEPEDANT FRIENDLY SERVICE.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

TERESA ANDERSON, PROPRIETOR.

### BROMLEY HEATH FESTIVAL Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30 pm

Now in it's 28<sup>th</sup> year, this ever-popular festival is being held again to help raise funds for a new Scout & Guide HQ adjacent to Quakers Rd Church Centre.

The festival has a very traditional feel and has something for all ages: children's fancy dress competition, various dancing displays, children's races, a Punch & Judy show, pony & trap rides, sales stalls, craft tables and side-shows.

To book a stall for your charity or for further information, please contact Chris Green on 0117 956 2478.

We'll be there too, supported by the Police, with a display, give-aways, advice, marker kits for sale, advertising the 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday, etc.

We hope you can support the event and look forward to seeing you there? **Look out for our 'Invent a Strap Line for BHNW' competition and see what you can come up with for us? You know: 'Every little helps and all that!'**

INTERESTED IN BECOMING INVOLVED IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH? WANT FURTHER INFORMATION?  
CONTACT THE WATCH CHAIR, BILL CROCKER ON 956 3325 OR EMAIL [BHNWATCH@AOL.COM](mailto:BHNWATCH@AOL.COM)  
OR SNIP OFF THIS SLIP WITH YOUR MESSAGE AND DELIVER IT TO YOUR CONTACT POINT

Name:.....Address.....Tel No. ....

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