

Summer 2012 Bulletin

Bigger and Better!

Our latest newsletter and updated leaflet have now been delivered to our extended area. We hope you find it useful and look forward to welcoming you as new members and meeting some of you at our next activities.

Lower Field

As we write, summer has finally arrived!

It is encouraging to see so many people enjoying the lower field again, for football, games and meeting friends. The council had problems mowing the grass due to the very wet conditions – but--- Mick, Paul and Matilda (the wonderful sit on mower) came to the rescue and football practice and dog walking were able to continue without getting too wet.

Guided Walk

The inaugural guided walk, led by Peter Burley, took place on 24th June and was a great success. More than 30 people of all ages turned up and the weather was surprisingly good. Peter led us from the Heath Bakery, past the King William, along Beech Bottom and from there up the cycle path on Harpenden Road and back through the Ariston site. Even members who have lived here for most of their lives, learned fascinating details of the history of the area.

If you missed this walk, don't panic! There will be another one coming soon. This is scheduled for Sunday 9th September at 2.30pm, which will start from the same place (opposite Heath Bakery).

Annual General Meeting

The Friends' AGM will take place on Saturday 15th September at 10am at Heath House (Heath Farm Lane). All are welcome and we won't keep you very long. As always, we are very keen to have new members on the committee for fresh ideas.

Our Next Action Day

We do not have a firm date for this yet but it will be in the Autumn. Our focus will be on the Old Water Tank (see your new map). The ivy is taking over the structure and we hope to be able to clear it and get rid of the rubbish that has been dumped inside. Watch out for our posters nearer the time; we welcome all hands.

Path Improvement

The path leading from the Water Tank to the Ancient Briton is extremely muddy this year, having not dried out at all since the winter. We are hoping to have some remedial work carried out shortly so that it is more pleasant to walk along.

And finally, here are some photos taken on the guided walk.