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'Home Front'

The Home Front Recall section of the Big Lottery has granted Bridlington Town Council £15,276 towards staging the events and trips associated with the end of hostilities of WWII. Part of the grant is to fund six primary school trips to Eden Camp for 400 pupils plus teachers and ex-service personnel. The balance and funding will go towards the Ex-Service Weekend (10th -12th June), the V.E. Dance at the Spa (7.30 2nd July), the Forces Family Day at Sewerby Hall and Gardens (3rd July) and the Veterans Day Parade Service of Remembrance and tea dance at Leisure World (2pm 10th July). Concessionary tickets for the 17 piece Frank Cleaveland Big Band V.E. Dance are available at £5.00, others £7.50 from the Spa Box office includes free transport to and from the dance. Tickets for the 'Little Big Band' tea dance at Leisure World are available from the Town Council (see back page for contact).

Victory Parade 10th July

Plans are advanced for this event. It is proposed that the event will begin at 2.00pm from Station Approach road past the War Memorial, where the Mayor will take salute, to Leisure World via Chapel Street and Promenade. It is intended to hold a service of Remembrance and thanksgiving on the seaward side of Leisure World followed by a free tea dance in Leisure World with the Little Big Band. The latter will be from 3.30 to 6.30pm.

We were over-booked at the Spa for a rock concert, consequently the numbers for the dance will be somewhat restricted. The parade will be led by the 'Children o' The Mist' pipe band. Ex-service persons who are not members of local ex-service organisations are invited to join the "veterans". Wet weather routine will be at Leisure World.

Parking on grass verges

We understand that the ERYC will have the problem resolved by Christmas 2005.

Quality Council

No progress on this front.

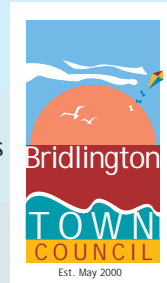
Junior Open Fishing Competition

For the Mayor's Annual Trafalgar Cup was held on the 21st and 22nd May. The overall winner was John Tate of Flamborough with 259 cm total length. Categories were ages under 13 and 13 to 16. Two small cups were awarded for each day, the youngest winner was Arron Blower aged 7 from Walkeringham. We are indebted to Angela Skelton and her team from the Bridlington Shore Anglers club for supervision and to North Bay Angling and Turnstone Baits for donating two rods as prizes. Total cost for this worthwhile event was £270.

Bridlington In Bloom

Well, Summer is on it's way and that means it is nearly time for the Bridlington In Bloom Annual Garden Awards. The event is taking on a new format this year with entrants aiming for Gold, Silver or Bronze Awards. The format will be the system used by the National Britain in Bloom and also national events such as the Chelsea Flower Show and entry forms and details on how to enter will be published in the Bridlington Free Press and the Bridlington Gazette and Herald. However, anyone wishing further information can contact the Chairman of the Bridlington in Bloom Committee, Barry Mitchell on 01262 677739.

Yorkshire in Bloom judges will be visiting Bridlington on the 13th July as a follow up from their Spring visit. Bridlington is an entrant in the new coastal category of Yorkshire in Bloom and is up against stiff competition from Scarborough, Filey, Hornsea, Whitby and Withernsea who are all in the same category. All Bridlington residents and local businesses are being urged to do their bit and ensure that Bridlington blooms this summer by tidying front gardens and business frontages and putting up hanging baskets where possible.



Inconsiderate Hedge Owners To Be Cut Down To Size Under New Legislation

Homeowners will no longer need to suffer the misery caused by high hedges, under new Government legislation which comes into effect on Wednesday 1 June. The new powers mean neighbours who cannot resolve their disputes over high hedges can now ask local authorities to intervene. Local authorities, who have previously been powerless to act in such disputes, can step in to decide if the height of the hedge is unreasonable and spell out exactly what action must be taken.

Under the Anti-social Behaviour Act 2003, local authorities have the power to intervene in disputes once a complaint has been made. The authority will decide whether the hedge is stopping someone's reasonable enjoyment of their home or garden, striking a balance between the complainant's and hedge owner's interests.

Where it is needed, the local authority will be able to serve a remedial notice to the hedge owner to identify what they must do to sort the problem out. If they fail to comply with the notice, they could be fined up to £1000. The complainant must show they have tried to resolve the matter with the hedge owner.

Complaints will only be considered where the hedge is evergreen, over two metres high and blocking out light, access or reasonable enjoyment of neighbours' property. If this is the case, local authorities will take a range of factors into account to reach a balanced decision on whether the hedge is a problem.

A fee to cover the costs will be charged by the council to the complainant at their discretion.

Lions Message in a Bottle

The Lions are promoting a scheme to help you and the emergency services. Should the emergency services be called to your home and you are unable to communicate with them a Message in a Bottle in your fridge will answer a number of questions. The message will include your name and medical condition, Doctor, any allergies, next of kin and other information. Free labels and a bottle can be obtained from The Lions Bookshop, Palace Car Park Arcade or The Old Town Chemist, 6A High Street together with an explanatory leaflet. Local contact is Lion Geoff Veitch on 676203 between 1 and 5 pm. Mon. to Fri. Could save your life.

Festival 2005 Committee

At the last meeting it was suggested that this committee become a permanent feature of the Town Councils it has proved to be very useful. This suggestion received unanimous support which should be acted upon

New Bridlington Events Guide

The Town Council, in partnership with the Bridlington Regeneration Partnership and Yorkshire Forward has produced the first comprehensive guide to events, commemorations, celebrations, theatre, festivals and entertainments. 20,000 copies of the full colour glossy mini-brochure was designed and produced within Bridlington and aims to provide a complete at-a-glance guide to what's on in and around the town. Copies are available from Tourist Information, Libraries, The Community Resource Centre on Victoria Road and many other outlets around town. Look out for it and pick up your FREE copy today (pictured right)



New Bridlington CD celebrates 50s & 60s

A brand new CD has been produced by Pete Quin (see advert above) which celebrates tracks that reflect the resort in the 50s and 60s. All tracks are sung around Britain and no doubt will help to put the town on the folk map! Available now at the Tourist Information Centre

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