

At our editorial meeting this month one of the members remarked that she had that day found some violets in flower; this led to reminiscences of the wild spring flowers which were to be found about the village in former years. There used to be violets on the Green, primroses along the Stewkley Road and The Avenue (Wing Road), cowslips at Winscot and down The Bridle (Dean Farm Lane). Towards Hollingdon and Rislip Farm also children knew where to find these lovely harbingers of spring. It is a pity that modern methods which make English farmers some of the most efficient in the world, as well as road widening and weed control, have had the unfortunate affect of reducing so greatly the wild flowers of the district. But how much greater the pleasure nowadays when we come suddenly on a clump which has managed to survive, and how important that we remember that it is illegal to uproot these plants. We are glad that schoolchildren today are taught to conserve the wildlife around us.

Parish Council Meeting.

This will take place on Tuesday, April 15th at 7.30 pm. The guest speaker will be Mr. J.L. Guest, Chief Executive of Aylesbury Vale District Council.

Audit of Account for the Parish Council.

Audit of Accounts, year ended 31st March 1980. Local government electors may exercise their right to question the auditor about or make objections to the accounts on 6th May 1980, at 10.00 am at 6, Leighton Road, Linslade, Beds. The accounts and all relevant documents will be available for inspection at any time during the month of April, by appointment with the Parish Clerk.
Tel: Soulbury 296.

Allotments.

One allotment plot will become vacant on 1st April. Will anyone who wishes to rent this plot please apply to the Parish Clerk.

The New Chapel Hall.

This month sees the official opening of the new Chapel Hall (see item below for details). We are sure that everyone in the village will join in congratulations to the Chapel members on this praiseworthy culmination to their efforts over the recent past. We are sure with their drive and enthusiasm they will soon have the necessary money to clear all outstanding amounts which have been lent to them.

Women's Institute.

The meeting this month will take the form of a Whist Drive to which the general public are invited; Admission 50p. The proceeds will be the first monies to be raised during the year towards Christmas presents for the elderly in the village.

Soulbury Methodist Chapel.

There is one change in the programme of events announced last month. The Saturday service will be at 6.30 pm as stated, but please note that the first service on Sunday will be at 2.30 pm and not as previously advertised. This will be followed by another service at 6.00 pm.

Welcome to the village to Mr. & Mrs. Adey who have come to live in the High Road.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Betty Scholefield is now home, and we trust is continuing to make progress after her long indisposition.

We have to report with regret the death of Mrs. Gladys Deakin, who will be remembered by many from the days when she lived near the Red Lion, before she and Mr. Deakin moved to Liscombe. Although we saw her less frequently once she was so far from the village, her cheerful voice on the telephone became familiar to an even wider circle and she will be sadly missed. We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. Deakin.

Many people will have learned with regret of the death in Worthing of Mr. Percy Broad, who lived in Soulbury for many years as Landlord of The Boot, and returned here for a few years, finally retiring to the South Coast at the end of 1976. Mr. Broad never lost his interest in Soulbury and its people, and when living here took a lively part in the village activities. We send our sincere condolences to Mrs. Broad and the family.

Methodist Chapel.

Minister: Rev. N. Burrows.

The Manse, Stewkley, Tel: Stewkley 251.

Sunday	6th April	2.30 pm	Mr. K. Lewis.
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Sunday	13th April	10.30 am	Mr. Walton.
Sunday	20th April	6.00 pm	Barnet Team.
Sunday	27th April	10.30 am	Rev. N. Burrows.

Sunday School. Every Sunday at 2.30 pm.

Fellowship. Every Monday 2.30 pm in the new Chapel Hall.

All Saints Church.

Vicar: The Rev. Paul Drake.

The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel: 287.

Sung Eucharist and Sermon every Sunday at 11.30 am.

Forthcoming Events.

Saturday	5th April	6.30 pm	Celebration Service at Methodist Chapel.
Tuesday	8th April	8.00 pm	W.I. Whist Drive.
Wednesday	9th April	2.30 pm	Social Circle: Games & Quiz afternoon.
Tuesday	15th April	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting.
Wednesday	16th April	8.00 pm	Women's Fellowship: Self Entertainment Evening at 11, The Green.

All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise indicated.

Advance Date.

Tuesday	27th May	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting.
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Late Items

There will be a Spring Sale in the Clubroom on Saturday, 26th April at 2.30 p.m. in aid of the Church Roof Appeal. Refreshments will be served and items for the stalls will be gratefully accepted by members of the P.O.C. (Ponies, White Elephant, Jumble, etc.)

The Churchwardens and Church Treasurer wish to thank those who gave so generously to their appeal.