

We would like to pass on some thanks from some older residents of Soulbury who very much appreciated the kindnesses shown by their neighbours in sweeping away the snow and getting their shopping during the recent bad weather. Also Mrs. Kirk - the retiring Clubroom caretaker would like to thank all those people who helped her by returning the keys to her house after using the Clubroom. The Parish Council and the Environment Group would also like to thank those people who gave their time to help clear away the litter from around Soulbury - their efforts certainly made a great improvement.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the recent Parish Council meeting residents were reminded that District and Parish Council elections would be taking place on Thursday 2nd May. The Clerk has nomination forms, but there is only a little time left to complete them as they must reach the District Council Offices by 5th April. (Telephone number for the Clerk is Leighton Buzzard 371126.)

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CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND DOG BAN

A byelaw has been officially endorsed by the Secretary of State at the Home Office to ensure that "No person in charge of a dog (other than a registered blind person) shall permit the dog to enter or remain in the playground." Any person offending against this byelaw may be removed from the ground by any member of the Parish Council or any Constable, and shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 2 on the standard scale.

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WING BY-PASS

Following much unrest and discontent with the County Council's proposals to adopt the Northern route around Wing which was announced a fortnight ago, an exhibition has been arranged on 5th & 6th April at Wing Hall showing the possible choices of road scheme. The County Engineer has promised that local people can make their views known to him and that he will "take the views on board." Comments from all interested parties will be considered. However no decision will be taken until the autumn. This by-pass will have an important effect upon traffic through Soulbury, and residents are recommended to attend the exhibition and make their comments on the suggested schemes.

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THE POLICING OF SOULBURY

A review has taken place within the Thames Valley Police area and as from 1st April Soulbury will come under the control of Bletchley, with Inspector John Moore in charge. Our village constable who is interested in communicating with us on local issues, for example the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme, will be W.P.C. Barbara Walch. She is one of four constables who will be manning the larger area. They are P.C. Newton, W.P.C. Turnbill and P.C. Ellis. The new telephone number to ring straight through to Bletchley is 0908-686402, or to get to Milton Keynes Control is 0908-686000.

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INDOOR BOWLS

The experimental evening of carpet bowls held in the clubroom recently was considered to be a great success, and another date has been arranged when the equipment will be available. On that evening it is hoped that those who enjoy the game and would like to make a more definite and regular commitment to playing will be able to get together and make plans for the future. The date is Tuesday 16th April at 7.00 p.m.

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ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported that there is again one allotment available.

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CLUBROOM DEVELOPMENTS

The building has now been completely re-roofed and new front guttering has been installed. Grants are still being sought for further improvements, the next one being the sanding of the floor and a fresh coat of paint for the inside. The

"Race Night" raised £342 and the next event planned to raise funds will be at Liscombe Park in June when the proceeds will be split between the Church and the Clubroom.

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HELEN HOUSE

The recent Spring Sale and Bingo Evening organised by the Women's Fellowship raised a splendid total of £461. A special thank you is offered to all those who helped in any way, either on the day, or by attending, or by donating gifts or items for sale.

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JUMBLE SALE

We are holding a Jumble Sale in the Clubroom on Saturday 6th April to raise money for the Special Needs Department at Aylesbury College. There are approximately 25 young adult students attending the course. Due to Government and Local Council cuts in education grants, some of the every day necessities to run the department are lacking. Please help support these youngsters either by bringing your jumble and bric a brac or coming to this event. Please bring your jumble along to the Clubroom on Thursday 4th April from 7.30 - 8.00 p.m. or ring Soulbury 270684 after 8.00 p.m. for collection. Thanking you in advance. The sale will begin at 10.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m. Coffee and biscuits will be served by the students.

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JOHN KELLNER

It is with regret that we learned of the death of Mr. John Kellner, who has farmed at Upper Hollingdon since shortly after the war. A popular local figure, at various times as Parish Councillor, J.P., Freemason, and a member of farming organisations, Mr. Kellner contributed much to the life of the community where he will be greatly missed. We offer our sincere condolences to Mrs. Kellner and the family.

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GARDEN MACHINERY SERVICE

Repairs and sales. Most leading makes supplied. Free collection and delivery. Re-conditioned mowers usually available. RGC Machinery - agricultural and horticultural engineers. Telephone 0296-681286 Aston Abbotts (office), 0296 681007 Wing (workshop), 0836 244880 (mobile).

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HOME DELIVERY SERVICE

Pampers and Nappies, all sizes. Please ring Val Underwood - Soulbury 270398.

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FOR SALE

Pair real leather football boots (size 9) price £8. Telephone Soulbury 270552.

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METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: The Rev. M. Appleby, The Manse, Stewkley.  
Tele: Leighton Buzzard 240251

Sunday 7th April 10.30 a.m. Mrs. J. Gregory Family Service

Sunday 14th April 6.00 p.m. Mrs. J. Gregory

Sunday 21st April 6.00 p.m. Rev. M. Appleby

Sunday 28th April 6.00 p.m. Mr. Prentice

Sunday Club - 10.30 a.m. Every Sunday except first Sunday in month.

Young Peoples Fellowship - Every Sunday after 6.00 p.m. service except first Sunday in month. Mother & Toddler Group - 10.30 a.m. every Tuesday.

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Minister: The Rev. P. Dallaway, The Vicarage, Stewkley.  
Tele: Leighton Buzzard 240287

Please refer to Church Newsletter.

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Items for the May edition of the Newsletter should be submitted by Monday 22nd April to any of the following :-

Mrs. L. Miller - Soulbury 270545 : Mrs. M. Bunyan - Soulbury 270461

Mrs. P. Norman - Soulbury 270483 : Mrs. R. Maher - Soulbury 270316

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS (All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Wednesday	3rd	April	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
Friday/Saturday	5th/6th	April		By-pass exhibition at Wing Hall
Saturday	6th	April	10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.	Jumble Sale
Tuesday	9th	April	8.00 p.m.	Women's Institute
Wednesday	10th	April	11.00 a.m.	Social Circle outing to Frosts Garden Centre
Wednesday	10th	April	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
Tuesday	16th	April	7.00 p.m.	Indoor Bowls Evening
Wednesday	17th	April	7.45 p.m.	Women's Fellowship. Talk by Mr. Ivan Mears at the home of Mrs. Hilary Pooley, Church Farm House, Church Lane.
Monday	22nd	April	7.00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
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Wednesday	24th	April	8.00 p.m.	Keep Fit
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DIARY DATES

Sunday	19th	May	11.00 a.m.	- The Befrienders Woodland Walk.
				Sponsorship forms available from Mrs. Pat Salzedo
				Leighton Buzzard 371126.

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