



"I deny it" said the March Hare.
"Alice" Easter, 1876

Best Kept Village Competition

This year the Parish Council have entered the village for this competition for the first time. The judges will come round twice, once in the first half of June and finally during the first half of July. Features which score highest marks include places of worship with graveyards or possibly ecological areas; commons or greens, and playing fields; village halls; boundary hedges; road verges and ditches; fences and streams. Other features which are marked are Inns & Pubs, bus shelters, telephone kiosks, notice boards, war memorials and in particular the overall appearance of the village together with evidence of community effort. This all suggests that an interested team from different parts of the village would be a good idea, so if anyone wishes to be involved, please contact Liz Miller 270545 as soon as possible.

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Soulbury Centenary Fete

Fete plans are going well and we have a full weekend of activities and celebrations being arranged. Keep these dates in your diary and do arrange to bring along friends or relatives to join in.

Reminder closing date for the Grand Poster Competition is 18th April. Entries to 4 Laburnum Cottages (270373)

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Allotments

There are several allotments vacant at present. Why not take one and grow your own vegetables in an idyllic setting. Contact 0525 370094.

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Soulbury W.I.

PC Lee of Thames Valley Underwater Search Unit gave us a fascinating glimpse into the work of the Unit, much of it rather unsavoury and very hard work! Please note that there will not be a meeting on Tuesday 12th April as there is an outing to Frosts Garden Centre on the evening of Thursday 14th April. If anyone has not yet put their name down, but would like to attend please ring Val Hammond (270604). The summer outing will be to Cambridge on Tuesday 5th July. The coach will leave Soulbury about 9:30 for a guided (walking) tour of Cambridge. Lunch and the afternoon at leisure, leaving Cambridge at about 4:00. Cost will be approximately £10, inclusive of the tour.

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A Warning to Cat Owners

There has been a confirmed case of feline aids in the village. The cat in question has been 'put down' but cat owners should be aware that if their cats are ill, this might be the reason. There is a simple blood test which can be carried out to check. Kittens can be inoculated against the disease.

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Quiz Night

The organisers of the quiz night which took place on Saturday 26th March would like to thank all those who attended or donated raffle prizes. £106 was raised for the charity Childline.

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The bans of marriage between Julian Peter Rose (eldest son of Chris and Joan Fenables), Laburnum Cottages to Tracy Ann Welch are to be read 10th, 17th and 24th April. The marriage takes place on 7th May 1994.

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We would like to welcome Rob and Sheila Wright and family who have come to live in Mount Pleasant.

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Fun French for children (3 to 11 years old). Le Club Francais is a national fun French club where children are taught French in small groups through games, songs, crafts and varied activities. It offers a structured Nursery and primary French course which has been developed by professionals over many years. Le Club Francais operates in your area on Friday Afternoon; for more information call 270684 after 7:30 pm.

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The following walks have been organised by Stewkley rights of way association, Easter Monday April 4th Hockliffe, Thursday April 7th Drayton Parslow, Saturday April 16th Stony Stratford, Thursday April 21st Wing. For more information contact Dave Miller 270545.

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- Bedding plants, perennials, hanging baskets, tubs, vegetable plants at reasonable prices. Ring Karen 270552 for a copy of a full list.
- Holland-On-Sea. Well equipped caravan to let on luxury site, all amenities, outdoor and indoor pool, live entertainment nightly, ten minutes walk to clean sandy beach. Some dates still available. Phone 270130, very reasonable rates.
- Painter and decorator, any internal or external work undertaken. Free advice and estimates, all work guaranteed (special effect paint finishes available) Tel Jon 270042.
- Hayley, fully qualified and insured beauty therapist, waxing, lash tinting, facials, reflexology and aromatherapy - please phone for free advice and appointment. Tel 270042.
- Need a locksmith ? Phone Steve on 0525 851936 or 0831 210455 Specialist in security.
- Registered child minder, ex nurse has cot. Vacancies for two children 0-5 years. Phone 0525 270130.

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Vicar Rev Norman Cotton, The Vicarage Stewkley, 240287
All Sundays during April Sung Eucharist 11:30 am

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METHODIST CHURCH

Minister : The Rev J Hustler. The Manse, Stewkley. Tel 240251.

April 3rd 9:15 am Rev J Hustler with sacrament
6:00 pm To be arranged

April 10th 6:00 pm Mr L Renfrew

April 17th 6:00 pm Mr D Harbey

April 24th 6:00 pm Rev J Hustler followed by discussion

Youth Group Every Sunday after 6:00 pm service except first Sunday in Month

Mothers & Toddlers Every Tuesday 10:45 am

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS (Held in Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Monday April 4/11/18/25 Youth Club 7pm - 9pm

Wednesday April 6/13/20/27 Keep Fit 10:30 am and 8 pm

Thursday April 7/14/21/28 Bowls Evening 7:30 pm

Wednesday April 13th Social Circle 2:30 pm

Wednesday April 20th Women's Fellowship 7:45 pm Games evening at Church Farm House.
Arrangements for the car rally will be made at this meeting.

Thursday April 14th WI outing to Frosts Garden Centre

Friday April 15th Quiz Night in aid of All Saints Church

The Mobile Library will call on Wednesdays April 13th and April 27th

The dustmen will come on Friday 8th April

Diary Dates

Monday May 16th Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm Annual Parish Meeting 8:00 pm

June 6th and July 11th Parish Council meetings.

Items for next issue by April 22nd please to :-

Mrs. Miller (270545) Mrs. Bunyan (270461) Mrs. Norman (270483) Mrs. Fairbairn (270674)

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