



## SOULBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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### Parish Council News

At the recent meeting Mrs. Jackie Ridley was warmly welcomed onto the Parish Council. The Chairman had received several letters concerning roads and traffic, and the safety of pedestrians. The Council's view was to deal with some of the issues where possible itself but to pass the comments and worries of the public onto the Highways Department of the County Council to keep them constantly aware of Soulbury's need for a by-pass.

Liscombe Park had written to say that the lorries carrying soil for the reinstatement of the tank field had ceased, as there is an enforcement order on that activity, they felt that they had been the scape-goat for all the blame of the heavy lorries going through Soulbury when only a small proportion were actually visiting Liscombe. Mr Darvill reiterated a welcome to all parties or anyone concerned over his activities to go up to Liscombe Park to see for themselves what is happening. He also hoped that more members of the Council and Soulbury Villagers would join in the by pass action group.

It is hoped that the County Council Officers will be holding a traffic and roads meeting soon concerning the local villages, and that Soulbury will be able to be represented in large numbers there. The date will be announced.

There was a written request from a local resident to remind those who like to burn rubbish, and who particularly use long slow-burning bonfires, that the smell can travel a long way in the slow moving air, of course on warm summer days and evenings house windows and doors are left open so the smoke can be very offensive. If burning waste please consider your neighbours and try to do it when the wind is in the right direction.

Bucks County Council announced a "new" bus service to operate on Saturdays commencing 25<sup>th</sup> July. It will be run by Red Rose Travel on the number 53 route (not 59). Supported by the Rural Bus Service Grant.

Leighton Buzzard High Street	1050	1405
Stoke Hammond Dolphin	1100	1415
Soulbury Bus Shelter	1105	1420
Stewkley Dove Turn	1113	1428
Wing Soulbury Turning	1120	
Linslade Church Road	1125	
Leighton Buzzard High Street	1128	

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September – no meeting in August.

### **All Saints Church News**

**Cleaning** – Help would be appreciated with cleaning on Saturdays 7<sup>th</sup> August and 4<sup>th</sup> September at 10am to noon.

**Harvest** Advance notice that the Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September and the traditional Harvest Super on 20<sup>th</sup> September.

**Restoration News** – We are nearly there with Phase 2. Jim Cochrane and a number of volunteers turned out on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July to lay the drains and fill in the drainage ditches around the church. Thanks to TJC for the loan of the equipment, which helped to speed up things and also to Ian Parrott for operating and providing equipment. Special thanks to Jim for masterminding the work. A few gullies and it will be finished.

Our M.P. John Bercow was passing through the village on the Saturday afternoon and encouraged the volunteers by calling into the churchyard to see the work in progress. He showed considerable interest and also listened to what we had to say about local traffic and farming matters.

The Friends of Soulbury Church now have sufficient funds in hand to finance the drainage and to pay off the money retained against the contractor's bill, but still need to raise some £6000 for the restoration of the bells. Any offers of additional financial help or fund raising activities would be appreciated.

To this end, Tony Saint and his staff together with the musical talent of Chris Jones, Sue Taylor and team will be putting on a BBQ and Musical Evening at the Boot on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Tickets available from the Boot at £7.50 per head.

### **Soulbury Millennium Green**

We hope to see the Millennium Sculpture installed in the next two weeks. Work is progressing on the Carlow stone (not Kilkenny) design and is at this moment being polished.

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August we would like a work party to help on the amphitheatre. We are a bit desperate for volunteers so if you could possibly come and help, and view the sculpture at the same time, we would be delighted to see you from 10 – 12.30 and 2 – 4.20pm.

The date for the September Autumn Fair has had to be changed from Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September. We do hope this is not too inconvenient. If anyone would like to help with ideas or running a stall, please contact Jane on 270532 or Christine on 270377.

Catherine Fairbairn of Charity Farm 270674 is collecting jars for a stall at the Autumn Fair. Empty jars can be filled with anything from wine to pickled onions to sweets to tea bags or pasta, so please contact Catherine if you can give her a jar. (full!)

A dog poo-bin is being installed on the Millennium Green near the entrance. It will be emptied regularly by A.V.D.C. It is for use by all dog owners in the village but we do request that when walking your dog on the M.G. you always use the bin and that no excrement is ever left on the grass. Purpose made bags will be available soon for individual owners and where you can get them will be published in the next newsletter.

**NOTICE**  
**SOULBURY ENDOWED SCHOOL CHARITY**  
**GRANTS FOR EDUCATION**

Notice is hereby given that the Trustees of the above Charity will consider applications for grants to assist in education at the next meeting to be held in the near future.

Persons wishing to make an application must be resident within the Parish of Soulbury and must have been between the ages of 14 and 18 years on the 31<sup>st</sup> December 1998.

Applications must be made in writing to the Clerk by 31<sup>st</sup> August 1999.

Signed: A.J. PARGETER

Clerk to the Trustees.

The Cottage

Church Lane

Soulbury

Beds

LU7 OBU

Tel. 270232

Note – The terms of the Charity can be interpreted widely so long as the age requirements are met. So long as there is some educational grounds for applying, your application will certainly be looked at. Anyone at secondary school or thinking of going to college soon who might need help with tuition fees, clothing, transport, books, purchase of equipment, tools etc. is advised to apply. The money is there. Apply for it.

**Millennium Newsletter**

We would like to produce a commemorative issue of the newsletter to celebrate the millennium. We will be using extracts from the village newsletters through the years to remind everyone of how village life has changed and developed. We would be very pleased to hear from any villager (or past villager) who has memories of the village from years gone by, especially of aspects of village life now long forgotten. You do not have to write these down, as one of us would be happy to come and chat and make notes. We would also like to borrow any photographs of villagers, the village or village celebrations from any year, so that we could take a copy and then return them. If anyone has any further ideas or would like to make any contributions please contact any of the editors.

**Traffic Calming**

Villagers in Wing and Stoke Hammond have formed the Mid-Bucks Villages Traffic Action Group. The aim of the group is to enhance safety and quality of life by calming traffic, whilst continuing to press for construction of bypasses where appropriate.

They are planning a march on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September if the majority of the village is in agreement. This would provide a good opportunity for Soulbury to join the group, and bring these issues to the attention of the public.

There will be a meeting to discuss this on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August in the Boot at 8pm. Please come and share your views, for or against the march or traffic calming in general or contact Kate on 270006.

## Welcome

We would like to welcome to the village Victor Wright and June Cleveland who have come to live in Chapel Hill.

## Children's Activity Fun Morning

This will be held in the Parish Hall, Great Brickhill on August 12<sup>th</sup> 10 am – 2 p.m. Activities include Face Painting, Ducklings, Messy Play, Sponge Throwing, Sandpit, Climbing Frame Pony Rides and a Bouncy Castle too. Plus a BBQ.

Entrance is £2 per child or £5 per family. Parents must stay with their children. This activity is ideally suited for ages 1 –10. Do not miss this event, organised by Little Ashes pre-school.

## Cricket Fixtures.

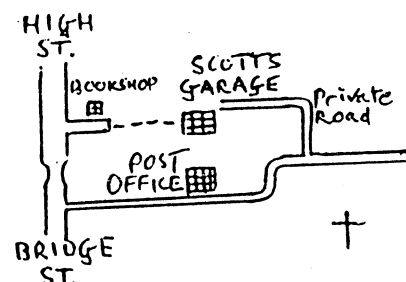
Sun Aug 1st	Gt. Brickhill	Home	Sun Aug 8th	Cublington	Away
Sat Aug 14th	Stoke Hammond	Away	Sun Aug 15th	Stewkley	Away
Sat Aug 21st	Tring Park	Away	Sun Aug 22nd	New Bradwell	Home
Sat Aug 28th	Studham	Home			
Mon Aug 30th	LEAGUE CUP FINAL AT EGGINGTON				

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## All Saints Church

Vicar: Rev Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel 240287

Curate: Rev Peter Lymbery, 17 Hartwell Crescent, Leighton Buzzard. Tel 371235

Sunday 1,15,29 August 11.30 Sung Eucharist

Sunday 8 August 11.30 Sung Eucharist Preacher Captain Matt Kruczek who is employed in the Deanery as a mission enabler to help churches communicate better.

Sunday 22 August 08.00 Holy Communion – Prayer Book – no other service at Soulbury.

Sunday 05 September 08.00 Holy Communion – Prayer Book – Rev Bob Wilmott. No other service at Soulbury.

On Wednesday August 25<sup>th</sup> at 12.00 there is to be a Prayers and Bears Service for parents and young children at St. Michaels Stewkley followed by a picnic in the Vicarage garden. All welcome from Soulbury.

## Methodist Church

Minister Rev Ian Banks, The Manse, Stewkley. Tel 240251

Sunday	August 01 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Mrs J Gregory
Sunday	August 8 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	to be arranged
Sunday	August 15 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Mr L Rewfrew
Sunday	August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6pm	Mrs A Guy
Sunday	August 29 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Dr R Owers

Mother and Toddler 10.00am to 12 noon every Tuesday during the holidays.  
Childrens picnic after the entertainment in the chapel on 17<sup>th</sup> August.

**Forth Coming Events** In the clubroom unless otherwise stated.

Sat/Sun	1 <sup>st</sup> & 8th August	10.00 – 12.30	2.00 – 4.30pm
		Millennium Green work party	
Monday	9 <sup>th</sup> 23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Mobile Library	
Wed	11 August	2.30pm	Social Circle
Thursday	5,12,19,26	7.30pm	Bowls Evening
Thursday	12 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup>	ADVC waster paper and recycling	
Tuesday	17 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00am	Childrens Entertainment
Wednesday	18 <sup>th</sup> August	7.00pm Fish & Chip Supper at Church Farm House	
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup> August	7.30pm	BBQ and Musical Evening at the Boot

**Diary dates**

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> September Autumn Fair on the Millennium Green 2.00pm

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September Harvest Festival

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September Harvest Supper

Outside Village – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> August Childrens Activity Great Brickhill.

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August Prayers and Bears Service St Michaels Stewkley.

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Items for next issue by August 21st to Mrs Miller 270545, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483 or Mrs Fairbairn 270674. Published and edited by Soulbury Women's Fellowship.

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