

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER



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Parish Council News Children's Playground.

It is proposed to install a ready, steady, go climbing frame in the children's play area. This will be paid for with the donation from the Summer Ball proceeds. This is in the process of being ordered, and installed by Wicksteed. The matting that is underneath the swings is to be inspected and corrected.

Litter on the Green

Would parents please stress to their children about the litter that is being left on the Green. This makes it very difficult for the volunteers who mow the grass.

Common Ragwort We have been asked to bring to the attention of gardeners, farmers etc the increase in the spread of this plant, it is a poisonous plant and should be removed and burnt.

Trafalgar Day Friday 21st October.

This will be celebrated with a fish and chip supper in the clubroom at 7.30pm. Tickets will be available at the beginning of September. More details will appear in the September Newsletter. Tickets £10 per person, all those attending will be asked to walk to The Green where a beacon will be lit.

Millennium Green

Trustees; Chairman J. Phillpot -
V. Chairman C. Sheppard - Secretary
J. Hunt.

Treasurer G. Catchlove. -
L. Miller. - N. Chadwick.
and J. Sheppard.

Recently we held our AGM, here are the highlights of our activities for the past 12 months. The recruitment of Mrs. J. Hunt who is our secretary,

In February J. Sheppard became a trustee and, more recently Mr. G. Catchlove has come on board as acting treasurer.

We have said goodbye to Mrs Sam Stevens, Mr Steve Kittoe, and Mr Nick Jennings. We appreciated all their hard work and are sorry to see them go.

Accomplishments and activities;

In July the trustees agreed on several projects and working regimes that in time would help to make the maintenance task of the M. Green less labour intensive, we have made very good progress and will continue especially on areas that still need attention. Perhaps the next 12 months more energies can be diverted from the main area and spent on the annex.

In August we had a big tidy up in the orchard and some of the long grass areas, stage and patios and seating areas. The children's playpen got a cheerful coat of red, green and blue wood stain.

A sub committee, made up of Liz, Nan, Jon, and Christine regularly work together as a group undertaking and tackling different tasks, like the continue weed control and grass trimming, re-siting wild flowers and bulb planting etc. As always more help would be appreciated. In late autumn and early spring The Aylesbury Vale volunteers came over and spent many hours working with some of the trustees in clearing willows from the mixed tree planting areas and, cut back bramble from designated areas along the north-facing hedge.

Most of the wire fencing has now been removed.

The big willow over the original seasonal pond has had some maintenance but more is needed as the top has come down.

Small clearings and walkways within the wooded areas are gradually being naturally developing. This spring saw a glorious show of snowdrops, fritillaries and a few bluebells. Also there has been a good display and increase in Ragged robin, Yellow rattle. This has brought an increase in bird numbers.

The play area had 70 bags of bark delivered and has been spread around the play equipment, this brings the play surface up to the ROSPA inspection standard.

Events held;

A group from the local Friends of the Earth society came one afternoon and had a children's pond dipping and plant identification afternoon. September Fete There was a number of stalls, games and attractions.

The October, Quiz Night, very successful and £300 was profit a good lively evening and one we plan to repeat this autumn.

April, we held a Coffee morning in the clubroom; we took £30 in donations and the sale of refreshments.

June Children's Summer Celebration Competition, two schools are took part, and each received a cheque for £100. This was a really successful event and we would like to do again thanks to the request of the Parish Council, they financed the prize money. On Sunday July 3rd we had a very enjoyable musical afternoon. Those few who did come along had a great time and many of us stayed late into the evening.

I would like to finish this report by thanking on behalf of the trustee the unswerving help received this year by so many of you in the village, I would like to have named you all but space does not allow.

If you would like a full report contact Jane 01525 270532

The Leighton Buzzard Lions Club is holding their family picnic on the Millennium Green 7th August. Arriving about 11.30 till 4.30pm. So please be aware that cars will be entering and leaving the through the big gate so take care.

All Saints Church News

It has been a great pleasure to welcome the Rev Michelle Morton and her family to our benefice. On

Tuesday July 19th in the evening St. Michael's Church in Stewkley was full of people from the three villages Stewkley, Soulbury and Drayton Parslow, as well as friends and colleagues of Michelle's from Buckingham, who must all have felt it a real privilege to be at Michelle's Induction Service. It was a formal ceremony as Michelle took her vows and knelt before the Bishop of Buckingham, the Right Reverend Alan Wilson. There were lighter moments when the Bishop amused the congregation with his comments. In his sermon the Bishop pointed out that it was a time for creation, for new beginnings and opportunities to change for all of us as well, as well as Michelle. Michelle was formally presented with a stole, a Bible. A Chalice and a Paten, symbols of the Christian faith and welcomed by all Church wardens, the Methodist and Baptist Ministers and aided in the course of the ceremony by the Rev Peter Lymbery and John Hibbard. The Archdeacon and the Rural Dean also officiated. After the ceremony there were refreshments for everyone served in the village Hall. Many thanks to all who helped make this a truly memorable occasion.

On Sunday July 24th a more informal welcome took place here in All Saints. There were about 30 people, a good number, who attended the normal

morning service to hear Lady Bonsor wish The Rev Peter Lymbery a happy birthday and thank him on everyone's behalf, for keeping the congregation on the straight and narrow during the inter regime. At the end of the service a few refreshments, wine and nibbles, were served when Michelle had arrived from Stewkley. She introduced herself to everyone chatting freely about her family, she has four children and is fully aware of what a challenge she has taken on (which she welcomes). She seems very kind and understanding. Michelle's telephone number is 240287.

Learning For Life

A new training scheme is to be launched on Wednesday September 14th at 8pm in the Winslow Centre. This is open to everyone in the Deaneries of Buckingham, Claydon, and Mursley (ours). The speaker on this occasion will be the Rev Steve Croft and Bishop Alan will be joining the meeting to informally launch the scheme. The first course will start in November, four Wednesdays evenings about "doing things in Church". In the spring it is proposed to provide training for those who may wish to be part of a pastoral team. More information to follow.

"The Shrine of our Lady of Walsingham" is 75 years old next year 2006 and has announced a big development plan which will entail the restoration of an accommodation building and provide a Visitor Centre. The Shrine has launched an appeal for 2million pounds to fund this development. It is estimated that more than 345,000 people the number who usually visit Walsingham, will come next year to celebrate the anniversary. If you are interested in more information about this event or feel you would like to help please call the Rev Peter Lymbery on 01525-371235

Peter is Cell Superior of the Cell of Our Lady and St. Joseph in Linslade.

Mr Alf Peacock

The former president of Tring Branch of the British Legion in Herts Mr Alf Peacock received a certificate of appreciation for over 45 yrs to the Legion and the Local Community. The current branch leader Sir Michael Simmons presented the certificate. Mr Peacock 89 has been associated with the Legion for over 70yrs.

Help Required

An elderly resident of the village requires a reliable young man to tidy her garden during the holidays. Help is also required for housework twice a week, hours and times can be arranged to suit. Please contact a member of the editorial team in first instance. 270483 or 270461

W.I. News

As we do not have a meeting in August our meeting will be on Tuesday 13th September at 8pm and is entitled 'A girls best Friend' (Diamonds) and our speaker is Mr Clarke (Hester Clarke, Aylesbury). All new members welcome.

Welcome

We would like to welcome to the village Jo Fetonby and her daughters Hannah and Emily. We hope that they enjoy their time in the village.

Don't Forget

The children's entertainment in the clubroom on Tuesday Aug 16th at 11am.

HULA animal Rescue

Summer Fete Sunday 14th August, 12am-4.30pm at South Midlands Animal Sanctuary, Glebe Farm, Salford Rd; Aspley Guise. Admission £2 children £1. Free car parking. Bring your dogs and enjoy

a fun afternoon for a good cause. All proceeds will go to support this local rescue centre for animals. Poster on Millennium Green Gate. Enquiries 01908 584000. www.hularescue.org

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Sunshine Nursery

Wing for children 2-5yrs with indoor play area and outdoor secure garden. Ofsted inspected nursery with friendly qualified staff. Spaces now available. Grants for children aged 3yrs and upwards. £6.50 per session under 3yrs old. No need for your child to be potty trained. For days and times please contact Sam Mock 07931 66177739. Sessions held at the Scout Hut, The Lands, Wing.

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CRICKET FIXTURE DATES

Saturday	August 6 th	Winslow Town	Away
Sunday	August 7 th	Bletchley Printers	Home
Saturday	August 13 th	Stewkley	Home
Sunday	August 14 th	Mentmore	Home
Saturday	August 20 th	Cranfield University	Away
Sunday	August 21 st	New Bradwell	Away
Saturday	August 27 th	Willen	Home
Sunday	August 28 th	Stoke Hammond	Home

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & DIARY DATES. All in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated

Friday	August 12 th 26 th	1.00pm	Mobile Library- Stewkley Rd Bus Stop
Tuesday	August 16 th	11am	Children's Entertainment
Wednesday	August 10 th	2.30pm	Social Circle
Thursday	August 4 th		AVDC Glass Collection
Thursday	August 4 th 18 th		AVDC waste paper and recycling collection
Monday	September 19 th	8.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	August 17 th	7.45pm	Women's Fellowship

ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

Priest In Charge Michelle Morton The Vicarage Stewkley. Tel 240287

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

Sunday	August 7 th	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Thursday	August 11 th	7.30am	Joint meeting of PCC & Friends of Soulbury Church
Saturday	August 13 th	3pm	Wedding of Vic Wright and June Cleveland everyone is welcome.
Sunday	August 14 th	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	August 14 th	10.15am	St Michaels Stewkley Special Service VJ. Service. Everyone welcome.
Sunday	August 21 st	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	August 28 th	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	September 4 th	11.30am	Baptism & Sung Eucharist

Richard and Sheila Onslow Sponsored This Month's Newsletter.

Many Thanks

If you would like to sponsor one month's Newsletter or submit items for the next issue by
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