

# SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The search is on to find this year's AVDC Volunteer of the Year. There are many people who rely on unsung heroes to help them in their everyday lives. If you would like to nominate someone who you think deserves the title for 2006 then please call 01296 585041 for more information. Closing date is Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September.

We have been asked to bring **ragwort** to the attention of gardeners etc. and the increase in the spread of this plant. It is poisonous and should be removed and burnt.

During the summer months and the school holidays please consider your neighbours when having barbeques or using radios etc. – please try and keep noise to a reasonable level

There is FREE Children's Entertainment for all children taking place in the clubroom on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 11:00am. Do come along.

## MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

(July 100 Club winning number - 8)

We had a good coffee morning and the generosity of those who came along raised about £68. This fantastic amount now means we will be able to replace our blue gazebo, thank you to all those who came along and we hope to see you again soon. Many thanks to those of you who have baked cakes, donated a raffle prize or given a donation. It is very much appreciated and helps with the Green's upkeep. I would like to encourage more of you to come and enjoy a cuppa and a piece of home made cake. A drink and a natter with your neighbours isn't a bad way to spend an hour or so on a Saturday. We are a friendly crowd!

Please can we have your unwanted plastic buckets for a project that Nan has setup to encourage stag beetles to hibernate on the Green. She will fill them with wood shavings and place them in holes in the ground so people can observe how the beetles live. You can leave your unwanted buckets by the door of 4 Andrews Close - thank you.

Some of you may have noticed that the Lions Club held their annual picnic on the Green, it looked very charming with the gazebo up and members playing boules, very rural "English". They showed their appreciation by making small donation to the funds. Thank you!

The Trustees would like to encourage more of this type of activity, especially as the Green it is looking so nice and we have this warm spell. If you would like to do something similar you are free to do so, and if you need the big gate unlocked – please give me (Jane) a call on 270532. If you intend to have a BBQ then please take care, and don't forget that there is drinking water available from the tap by the front gate.

That's about it for this month, everything is ticking over quite nicely and there are no pressing issues or tasks to be done. Thanks to Nan, Gilli and Toby who are keeping the Green looking so nice.

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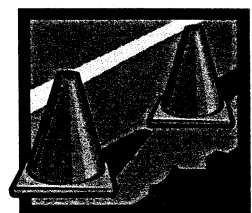
## ROAD CLOSURES

**The B4032 will be closed** (except for access) between Stewkley and Soulbury to carry our urgent carriageway repairs on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August for two days. Alternative routes will be signposted.

Due to the bridge replacement, the Soulbury road closure will now come into force at the beginning of September and initially the diversion route will be signed into and out of Linslade (providing that agreement can be reached with Beds CC). The diver-

sion will move onto the new section of the bypass as soon as possible, probably 8 weeks or so later. The closure is likely to be in force for six months at least but may stay in force until the bypass is opened, which is currently pro-

grammed for April/May 2007.



## ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

The annual church fete was a great success. Held in the gardens of The Cottage (Mr & Mrs J Pargeter) on a lovely sunny day – it was a typical traditional friendly village fete. The sum of £1500 was raised for the church funds.

Many thanks to the Rev. Michelle Morton for opening the fete and to all those who donated items, manned the stalls, lent tents and gazebos, put the tents up or took them down again. Thanks also to the refreshment ladies and to everyone who came along and supported the event in whatever way. A special note of thanks is due to Mrs Margaret Owen who was the chief organiser and spent so much time arranging everything.

At the last meeting of the PCC, the Rev. Michelle Morton expressed a wish that thanks should be given to all those who made the Confirmation Service such a truly memorable occasion. Many thanks to the Bishop of Buckingham, the Right Rev. Alan Wilson, who came to our church to conduct the service. Almost 100 people were present to welcome eight adults from the benefice of Stewkley, Soulbury and Drayton Parslow into the Christian Community. Thanks to the Revs. Michelle Morton and Peter Lymbery for their help during the ceremony, to the church wardens and the PCC. The confirmation candidates were June and Vic Wright, Gay Henrick and Graham Wilde from Soulbury and Jacqueline Minney, Lucy Deverill, Sean Westrope and Zoe Jardine from Stewkley. Many thanks to those who decorated the church with red roses, carnations and chrysanthemums, to the refreshment ladies and to all the friends and families of the candidates for their support. There was a lovely photo of the Bishop and the Rev. Peter Lymbery in the Leighton Buzzard Observer.

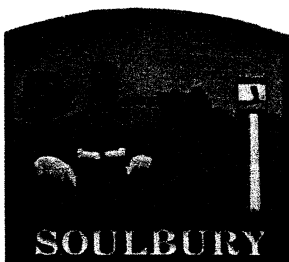
Thanks to Mr Ian Parrott for permission to use the sheep field for car parking on both days.

The Three Towers Bicycle Ride will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September in aid of the three churches of All Saints, St. Michaels and Holy Trinity. It will be a sponsored event and I believe that there will be horse riders and walkers – as well as riders. More information will follow soon, but please put the date in your diary.

Also on 10<sup>th</sup> September, but at 6:30pm in the Church, Mr Richard Marks, Professor of History and Art at the University of York will be giving a talk about the church. As well as living locally here in Soulbury, he is a specialist in medieval art and architecture and his most recent book is entitled "Image and Devotion in Late Medieval England" is largely based on parish churches in Bucks and Beds. He is a very nice, interesting, approachable and entertaining man so do come along and support this event. There will be a small charge of £5 each – but why not come along at 5:30pm for delicious refreshments and wine beforehand?

## WI NEWS

Last month's activities included a very enthusiastic and noisy beetle drive and some of our members enjoyed a literary lunch with Sarah Harrison, the romantic historical novelist. Many thanks to Cheddington WI and to the members of Bucks Federation who gave us a delicious meal on a very hot day.



## 'PLANE WATCHING

Thanks to all who have been logging passenger aircraft flying over Soulbury and Hollingdon. There have been 86 noisy aircraft logged between 2nd and 19th July, when we get to the end of July, the detailed results will be posted on [www.soulbury.org](http://www.soulbury.org) and also sent to the local councillors and PAVAN.

We have received the following from PAVAN

It would be difficult to fail to notice the increase in aircraft noise since May when the new Luton flight path came into effect. If aircraft noise is bothering you, you have a right to complain about it.

When an aircraft seems particularly low, close or noisy, note the date and time; if possible, estimate the plane's altitude. Then phone 01582-395382 (24 hrs), fax 01582-395500 or e-mail [noise@ltn.aero](mailto:noise@ltn.aero). The best method is probably e-mail.

They are obliged to investigate your complaint and report back to you. If enough people complain often enough, maybe the Airport authorities will take notice. If we do nothing, no changes will ever be made.

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**Book Club**

At the home of Mrs Rita Marks.

2:30pm

Thursday 3rd August

**Do you require a carpenter?**

Contact Mr Colin Hicks

12 Waterloo Road, Linslade

Tel : 01525 633825

**Free to Collector**

Horse Manure

Tel : 01525 270493

**Looking for a Babysitter ?**

- Emily lives in the village, contact her on 01525 270674
- Alternatively contact Alistair Brown on 01525 270648
- Abigail also lives in the village, contact her on 01525 270674



# CRICKET FIXTURES

<http://www.soulburyvcc.org.uk/>

Saturday	5th August	Home	Simpson & Walton	League
Sunday	6th August	Home	Stoke Hammond	Friendly
Saturday	12th August	Away	Tring Park 3rd XI	League
Sunday	13th August	Home	Mentmore	Friendly
Saturday	19th August	Away	Cublington	League
Sunday	20th August	Home	Great Horwood	Friendly
Saturday	26th August	Away	Aspley Guise	League
Sunday	27th August	Home	New Bradwell	Friendly



## 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	6th August	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	13th August	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	20th August	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	27th August	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	3rd September	11:30am	Holy Communion

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday	3rd August		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	
Thursday	3rd August	2:30pm	Book Club - Hillcroft	
Friday	11th August	1:00pm	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
Tuesday	15th August	11:00am	Free Childrens Entertainment - Clubroom	
Thursday	17th August		AVDC Collection for Recycling	
Friday	25th August	1:00pm	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	1st September		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	
Monday	18th September	7:30pm	Parish Council - meet at "The Café" - Stockgrove Park	

**Thank you to Soulbury Cricket Club for sponsoring this months Newsletter.**

If you would like to sponsor an issue, or submit items for publication by 20th August, please contact:

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