

We in Soulbury are surrounded by lovely country which is at its best at this time of the year. For those who have some means of transport a short drive, 30 miles, almost completely on minor roads or lanes can be most enjoyable. The Women's Fellowship had their annual car rally recently and followed this route: From Wing we turned towards Ascott House, taking a little lane signposted to Ledburn - lanes which must have looked the same years and years ago. We then went via Mentmore to Cheddington, past the apple orchards and so on to Ivinghoe; here we turned towards the Downs and at the foot of the Beacon turned into a road which gives views of the Downs and the lion at Whipsnade. The road, overhung with beech trees, leads to Ringshall and to Ashridge Common with its places for picnics and to the Bridgewater Memorial on the right. We passed this and then took a turning to the right down a winding, narrow and steep hill to lovely Aldbury with its village pond, stocks and beautiful Elizabethan houses. We went through the village and on, past glimpses through the trees of Pitstone Windmill, past the only industrial landmark in the area - the cement works - to New Mill then turning right to Long Marston where there is another "Boot" Inn. From here the road goes through quiet fields to Wingrave with its lovely mellow stone church, beautiful warm, red brick houses and pretty village pond and ducks. Home again through Wing and Soulbury, thus completing a ride through remarkably unspoilt countryside.

There must be many other pleasant drives in the area and the Newsletter would like to publish other suggestions for routes to follow. If you have a favourite drive, why not share it with others, both in the Newsletter and by inviting others more elderly and housebound to join you if you have any spare seats in your car.

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From the minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting. Allotments: Five plots are vacant at the moment; it was agreed that applications from outside the Parish would now be considered. Definitive Map: An open meeting will be held in the Clubroom on Wednesday, 5th July at 8.00 p.m. Any suggestions for changes, remarks or objections must be reported by the Parish Council before the end of July and it is hoped that members of the public will avail themselves of this opportunity for discussion. A copy of the map is currently on view in the Post Office. The Green: Quotations are being obtained for the regular cutting of grass on the Green and also on the temporary play area at Mount Pleasant.

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Methodist Church. We would like to thank everyone who supported our effort for the building fund on the 17th June. The sum raised was £154 and our thanks go to all those who helped to make this such an enjoyable and profitable occasion.

We will be celebrating the 140th Anniversary of the opening of Soulbury Methodist Chapel on the 23rd July and we would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join with us on this special day. The preacher for the Morning Service will be Mr. L. Tofield, and Mrs. E. Green will preach during the Evening Service. The choir from Trinity Church Leighton Buzzard will be singing special items and there will be a Gift Tree for anyone who would like to make an Anniversary Gift towards the building fund. Why not come and help make this an Anniversary Day to remember?

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The Annual Church Fete is being held this year at The Old Vicarage by kind permission of Dr. and Mrs. Owen, on Saturday, July 8th and will be open from 2.30 p.m. There will be the usual stalls - Fancy Goods, Produce, cakes, Books, White Elephant, Tombola. Teas and Ice Cream will be served and a number of competitions and raffles - all the fun of the fair! If wet, it will take place in the Clubroom.

A Recital will be given at her home, Blacklands, near Stewkley by SALLY MELLOR, piano with JANET WRIGHT, cello. Admission, £1.50, in aid of Soulbury Roof Appeal, will be by prior application only through the Vicar, or Mrs. Gallimore, Fern Cottage, Stewkley, Tel: 302.

The Coffee Morning at Winscot Farm resulted in a sum of £87 for the Roof Appeal. The P.C.C. extend warm thanks to Mrs. Walker and to all those who contributed to this total.

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The W.I. Garden Party will again be held at "Leylands" by kind invitation of Dr. and Mrs. Sutton, on Saturday, July 29th at 2.30 p.m. There will be stalls including Handicrafts, sideshows, Tombola, pony rides, raffles, teas. Contributions for any of the stalls or for Tombola or raffle prizes will be gratefully accepted and should be given to Mrs. Rowe, Mrs. Hammond or any W.I. member.

The Barbecue was a great success and was attended by 46 members and friends. Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Fitzsimons for their hospitality - we only wish the weather had been as warm.

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Overstone School Swimming Pool Cover Fund. Owing to difficulties in disposal it has been found necessary to discontinue the collection of newspapers around the village. The organisers would like to thank all those who put out their newspapers so regularly.

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The 2nd Annual Dolls House Collectors Fair will be held on Saturday, 29th July, starting at 11.00 a.m. in the Clubroom. Admission 10p - all are welcome.

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We welcome to the village Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dunton and their sons who have come to live in Chapel Hill.

We send good wishes to Mrs. A. Tearle and Mr. Pat Twyman who are in hospital and hope that they will both soon be home.

We also send our best wishes for a continuing recovery to Mrs. Scholefield who is now convalescing in Hampshire.

Wanted: Good homes for two kittens, one all black, one black and white; 7 weeks old, house-trained. Phone: 217.

Wanted: Schoolboys will buy postage stamps of any country to add to their collection. Please phone 394.

#### Methodist Chapel

Minister: Rev. Norman Burrows,  
The Manse, Stewkley. Tel: 251.

Sunday 2nd July	2.30 p.m.	The Rev. M. Clark
Sunday 9th July	6.00 p.m.	Mrs. Hawkes
Sunday 16th July	10.30 a.m.	Mrs. Dimmock
Sunday 23rd July	10.30 a.m.	} Anniversary services - see overleaf.
	6.00 p.m.	
Sunday 30th July	6.00 p.m.	Mrs. Fowler.

Sunday School Each Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Bible Study Mondays at 2.30 p.m.

10th July 27 The Green  
17th July 25 The Green

3rd July & 31st July 'Little Oak'

24th July 11 The Green.

Broad Oak Farm

#### All Saints Church

Vicar: Rev. Paul Drake,  
The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel: 287.

Sung Eucharist and sermon every Sunday at 11.30 a.m.

Friday 21st July 11.00 a.m. Sutherlands School End of term service.

#### Forthcoming Events.

Wednesday 5th July	8.00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting - open to the electorate.
Saturday 8th July	2.30 p.m.	Church Fete - Details overleaf
Monday 10th July	7.30 p.m.	Clubroom Committee Annual General Meeting.
Tuesday 11th July	8.00 p.m.	W.I. Talk on home freezing. Comp: a flower made of fruit
Wednesday 12th July	2.30 p.m.	Social Circle - Members entertain. or vegetable
	8.00 p.m.	Recital at Blacklands.
Wednesday 19th July	7.15 p.m.	Women's Fellowship; Guided tour of Pitstone windmill.
		A meal afterwards at the Royal Oak, Aston Abbotts for those who wish. Cars leave from the Stone.
Saturday 29th July	11.00 a.m. onwards;	Dolls House Collectors Fair.
	2.30 p.m.	W.I. Garden Party - Details overleaf.
		All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated.

#### Diary Date

August 9th Social Circle outing to Bedford.

Stop Press! Mowing of the churchyard every fine evening starting on 3rd July at 6.30. - Please come along and help.