



SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Club Room on the 20th May and was well attended.

After welcoming all those present, Chairman Alf Peacock introduced Mr John Daish the Neighbourhood Watch Convenor from Thames Valley Police. He gave a most interesting and informative talk on the scheme, the purpose of which was to reduce the opportunity for crime and to build a new community spirit. He described a typical burglar and stressed that they target unoccupied properties. They stole everything that could be sold - jewellery, cameras, videos, TV's etc. He stressed the importance of securing outside buildings because mowers, strimmers and mountain bikes were very popular with burglars.

He referred to the recent spate of car crimes in the village. He urged full participation in Neighbourhood Watch. It was voluntary but did bring about a close link with the police. Anyone noticing anything suspicious or unusual should inform the Police on 01296 396000

The next speaker was Pc Graham Briginshaw based at Wing and responsible for Soulbury. He endorsed the comments of John Daish and added a further warning that people should not work in their back gardens and leave their house open. He also announced that some arrests had been made in relation to the recent car thefts from the village.

Pc Briginshaw then referred to the problem of speeding through the village. Traffic calming measures were under consideration in all local villages, but there was no money available. He announced that Soulbury would soon have "Police Slow" notices at the approaches to the village. He also endorsed Mr Peacock's suggestion that anyone noticing a lorry larger than 17 tonne going through the village, should take its telephone number, ring the transport manager and report the breach of the weight limit.

Our District Councillor Maureen Payne gave a short report. Wheeley bins were to be introduced during the coming year with baskets for specific recycling. Parish Councillor Luther Brazier spoke on the Millennium Green Scheme which the Council has decided to take up. This would involve the Parish Council in purchasing an area near the centre of the village (hopefully with the aid of a 50% grant from the Countryside Commission) and making it into a community area with paths, seats, trees and a pond where people can relax, children play and everyone enjoy nature. The project was in its early stages but some possible sites were under consideration. Further details to be published as the scheme progresses.

The Chairman thanked all Councillors and the Clerk for their efforts during the year. This was supported by Mrs Pooley who proposed a vote of thanks to the Parish Council. Miss Booth

and the beautiful setting of the River Avon and the Stratford Canal. The cost is £6 for the coach only, or an inclusive price of £14.50 with boat trip and afternoon tea. Please note that places for the boat trip are limited and **must** be booked in advance. For further information call Margaret Rowe on 270355.

STOKE HAMMOND PLAYGOUNP

We have received the following notice:

"Due to the number of children departing after the summer term, we are pleased to be able to offer places to toddlers aged 2 to school age. We are based in Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond and are open 9:15am to 11:45am Mon/ Tues/ Thurs/ Fri. If you are interested in a place for your child/ children, please call Elaine Ward on 01525 270502."

VALE VOLUNTEERS

Vale Volunteers is being launched during the Summer of 1997 in order to give the people of Aylesbury Vale their own Volunteer agency.

Its main function will be to put people who feel they would like to volunteer in touch with one of the many local charitable organisations which need help of one kind or another.

There are so many different types of help which are needed - and you do not need to have a great deal of free time - some organisations are only asking for a commitment of an hour or so every month. The range of help required is amazingly wide and the aim is to be able to place everyone who volunteers in a job which they will find enjoyable and personally rewarding.

If you feel you may like to get involved in volunteering or if you are involved with a charitable organisation which you feel could benefit from volunteer help in any capacity, then please contact Vale Volunteers which is managed by Bucks Council for Voluntary Services based in Chiltern House, Aylesbury, and is for the benefit of the entire community of the Aylesbury Vale district. Please call (without obligation) 01296 337456 or write to **Vale Volunteers, Chiltern House, Oxford Road, Aylesbury HP19 3EQ** for more details.

HELP AT HAND FOR PARENTS COPING WITH MINOR ILLNESS IN THE UNDER 5S

A new free guide has been published by Bucks Health Authority and local family doctors, called "My child is unwell, what can I do?" This gives parents guidance on what they can do themselves and when they need to seek medical advice. Parents and carers can get a copy of the guide by calling the Health Information Service on freephone 0800 665544. They can also pick up a copy from GP surgeries, community pharmacies (high street chemists) and local libraries.

CRICKET FIXTURES

Sat July 5 th	Simpson & Walton (Home)	Sat July 19 th	Whitchurch (Home)
Sun July 6 th	Bletchley Printers (Home)	Sun July 20 th	Brooklands (Away)
Sat July 12 th	Apsley Guise (Away)	Sat July 26 th	Drayton Parslow (Home)
		Sun July 27 th	New Bradwell (Home)

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SOULBURY DRAINAGE

Sewer blockages, high pressure jetting, all drain problems, small groundworks. Telephone Alan on 01525 270726 or mobile 0374 130872

proposed a vote of thanks to Luther Brazier for his continued support in printing the Newsletter free of charge, so reliably and regularly. (The Editors would also like to join her in this).

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council meeting on the 16th June was shorter than usual because of the absence of many Councillors on holiday or due to sickness.

The "Perfect Sunday" on 29th June was now fully arranged and it was hoped that the village would support the event.

The Council received a report from Cllr Liz Miller who had inspected Hollingdon Depot Site in connection with the application to renew the existing Planning Permission. The Council resolved to keep a careful watch on the site with particular regard to compliance with landscaping obligations. The Council had been notified of proposed road works (re-surfacing) at Fountain Bends commencing 12th July.

Stewkley Parish Council had asked for support in pressing Bucks County Council for the immediate repair of Castle Hill Bridge in Wing. The present weight limit was diverting traffic to the detriment of neighbouring villages. Soulbury was among those to suffer and agreed to give support.

The next Parish Council meeting is on the 21st July.

Chairman Alf Peacock attended the Aylesbury Vale Safety Consultative Group meeting at Buckingham on 17th June to press for a 7.5 tonne limit through the village. He was successful in obtaining a promise from the committee to give the matter further urgent consideration. Well Done Alf!

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

Church Fund Raising General Knowledge Quiz - There was insufficient support for this event which has now been postponed to the autumn.

Cleaning All Saints Help would be appreciated from 9am to 11am on Friday 25th July.

Other Events Holy Trinity Drayton Parslow have a Rose Flower Festival from 11am to 6pm on 5th & 6th July and there will be an Open Gardens event in Drayton on 20th July.

FRIENDS OF SOULBURY CHURCH RESTORATION NEWS

Building Works/ Bells No further news yet.

FUND RASING

Medieval Dinner and Song - All the tickets for this event on 5th July have now been sold.

Summer Music - There will be a further Concert in the Church from 6pm to 8pm on Sunday 20th July. This will consist of music by the Sheriden Wind Quartet and a Horn Quartet with a programme of light classics. Look out for leaflets and notices with further details. Tickets will be £4 each (concessions £2) and will be available from Chris Jones at Kirkview 270385

Cricket Club Fun Day - This is planned for Saturday 2nd August at the cricket field from 2:30pm to 11pm. The proceeds will go to the Restoration Fund. All ideas for events, attractions and help on the day will be most welcome. Please contact Brian Mead on 270444. Watch out for notices with further details.

There will be a Barn Dance on 27th September - further details will be given in due course.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

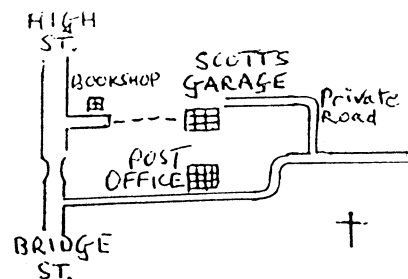
The Woman's Fellowship Barbecue will be held on 18th July at the home of Mrs Hilary Pooley. Would those members hoping to attend please telephone Mrs Pooley to arrange what food they should bring.

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Tuesday 8th July: Our annual daytime outing this year is to Stratford-upon-Avon. Stratford is a very interesting place to visit with much to see and do. As well as the historic attractions of Shakespeare's birthplace, Anne Hathaway's cottage etc, there is a comprehensive shopping centre

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WANTED

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

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

July	6th	11:00am	Open Air Service with the Salvation Army Band on the Green (NB Time)
	13 th	11:30am	Sung Eucharist in Church and Sunday Club in Chapel
	20 th		
	27 th		Sung Eucharist in Church. No Sunday Club

METHODIST CHURCH

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

July	6 th	11:00am	Open Air Service with the Salvation Army Band on the Green
	13 th	6:00pm	Chapel Anniversary Rev M Ryan
	20 th	6:00pm	Mr P North
	27 th	6:00pm	Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with Rev Ian Banks

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

(In the clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Thurs	3 rd , 17 th , 31 st	July		A.V.D.C Waste Paper Collection
Thurs	3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th , 31 st	July	7:30pm	Bowls Evening
Sat	5 th	July		Medieval Dinner and Song, Holmside Hollingdon
Tues	8 th , 22 nd	July	2:20pm	Mobile library at The Stone
Tues	8 th	July		WI Day time outing to Stratford-on-Avon
Wed	9 th	July	2:30pm	Social Circle
Wed	9 th , 23 rd	July		Woodland Waste Paper Collection
Wed	16 th	July		Womens Fellowship Barbecue at the home of Mrs Hilary Pooley
Sun	20 th	July	6pm	Summer Music Concert in Church
Mon	21 st	July	8:00pm	Parish Council Meeting

DIARY DATES

Sat	2 nd	Aug	2:30pm	Fun day at the cricket field
Tues	19 th	Aug		Childrens Entertainment
Sat	27 th	Sept		Barn Dance

Items for next issue by 20th July to: Mrs Miller 270545, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483 or Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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