



SOULBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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MILLENNIUM GREEN

There will be an awareness evening at the Soulbury Millennium Green on Wednesday, 15th July 1998 from 5pm - 9.30 pm. Come and take a guided walk around the Green, ask questions, have a drink, see the display and leave knowing more about the plans for the site. The grass will have been cut before this date so that you can wander about and enjoy yourself. If you would like more information please call Jane Phillpot on Soulbury 270532.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH FETE Stop Press. The Church Fete on Saturday, 27 June raised the magnificent sum of just over £1400. Thanks are due to John and Bunty Pargeter for the venue, to Chris Rowe from Stoke Hammond for the Punch and Judy Show, to Secklow Brass for their music, to Tony Saint from The Boot for his help and that of his staff, and to Lady Rose for judging the children's fancy dress. To all the others who helped a big thank you. Weatherwise it was all a bit of a knife edge, but our prayers for fine weather were nearly answered!

CHURCH CLEANING Help would be appreciated from 10 am to 12 noon on Saturdays 4 July and 1 August.

PETER LYMBERY is being ordained in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford on Saturday, October 3rd. There will be a welcoming service in Soulbury Church on October 4th at 3 pm. Full details will be in the September newsletter.

RESTORATION NEWS

PROGRESS REPORT The dotting of I's and crossing of T's is taking longer than anticipated but we hope to finalise things at a joint meeting of the PCC and the Friends on Monday 29th June and then publish the long awaited newsletter, giving us all a better idea of how the Restoration is progressing.

NAFFI PARTY Tickets for the 1945 NAFFI party at Holmside on 4th July have now all been sold. We look forward to an entertaining and hilarious evening.

WI PIG ROAST Please support the WI Pig Roast at Stapleford Mill on Saturday, 18th July at 7.30 pm. There will be a disco, raffle and licensed bar. Tickets at £10 each are available from Val Hammond on 270604. A proportion of the proceeds will go to the Restoration Fund.

GOLF CHALLENGE On Saturday, 1st August there is to be a Great Brickhill versus Soulbury Golf Challenge at the Three Locks Golf Club. The Day starts at 10.15 am with a Golfers Breakfast. Day tickets for non members including breakfast are priced at £20 (caddies and supporters £10). The proceeds will be divided between the Foundation for Children with Leukaemia and Soulbury Church Restoration Fund. Further details from David Kempster on 270080.

WHAT IS ALPHA?

By the end of 1998 most of us will have heard of Alpha. But what is it?

Alpha is a course designed for anyone interested in the Christian Faith. Perhaps you want to find out more about what you believe. Perhaps you're not sure about Christianity. Perhaps you have questions that you've never had the opportunity to ask. Perhaps you've got children who are asking questions that you don't know the answer to.

Alpha takes the form of regular, informal, evening sessions. There is a video presentation and an opportunity to discuss, debate etc afterwards.

The first session will be a meal in September (final dates to follow) in the Methodist Church. There is no charge for the Alpha course.

For further information or to reserve your place, please contact Bob and Margaret Harris (01525) 376492 or Matthew and Amanda Williams (01525) 377257.

SOULBURY SCHOOL CHARITY

Due to the lack of response the date for applications has been extended to July 20th. Grants are given to youngsters who are turned 14 and not yet 19 on December 31st 1997. Grants are awarded for a wide variety of things such as costs of anything to do with school and education, including visits, expeditions, D of E Scheme, sporting prowess, community service schemes etc and transport costs. Previous successful applicants can re-apply. If you are unsure whether you qualify, please contact Mr John Pargeter at the Cottage, Church Lane, Soubury, from whom also you need to collect a form for the application. If you cannot get hold of Mr Pargeter, please contact Norman Cotton on 240287. Don't hesitate to make use of this village charity, which was set up many years ago to help Soulbury children.

LETTER FROM VIETNAM FROM STEVEN SWAN

Remember me? The lad, who some months ago was trying to raise £3000 to fund his place on a voluntary conservation expedition to the rain forests of northern Vietnam? Well now I'm sitting in some primary Montane rain forest in the very north of Vietnam and this is my field report for the Soulbury Village Newsletter and all those from Soulbury who generously supported my fund raising attempts. I must confess this brief report is a little late for the expedition I was raising all that money, for the expedition is now over. Yet as I have just mentioned I'm still in the forest. This is because I'm now on my second expedition with Frontier, only this time as a member of staff! As Assistant Research Co-ordinator, I am principally responsible for the biological science programme conducted during the expedition. I also help run the expedition in general and look after the new lot of volunteers, just as I was looked after on the last expedition which was, by the way, a great success. We caught many rare and endangered butterfly, moth, frog, toad and bat. We saw tremendous birds and were fortunate enough to witness what was probably the greatest migration of raptors (birds of prey) ever recorded in Vietnam! Literally thousands of falcons, harriers, buzzards and eagles flew straight over our camp! A camp which has its fair share of floods, fires and winds strong enough to 'lift' our long-house sleeping quarters off the hill side and down on to our expedition leader's head! So far this expedition is going well also.

VALE VOLUNTEERS

In the Aylesbury Vale area there are now over 170 groups looking for help from people of all ages and from all walks of life. For instance Bucks County Library Service needs help for its Housebound Library Service. A regular library user might feel able to collect books for someone who is unable to get out of the house.

Dog Lovers who are at home most of the time might like to become a puppy socialiser for the Hearing Dogs for Deaf People Scheme. Food costs and vet bills are paid by the organisation for about six months while the puppy gets used to family life.

Even busy people can often find a half hour to drop into see someone who is lonely or housebound.

Or those with a bit more time might drive, or work in a school, hospital or home, doing office or reception duties or helping where the need is greatest.

Vale Volunteers has the aim of supporting local charities and voluntary groups by finding volunteers for them. Whatever your interests, there will be an Aylesbury Vale based organisation which would appreciate help. If you would like to know more about volunteering then contact, without any obligation, 01296 337456 or write to Vale Volunteers, Chiltern House, Oxford Road, Aylesbury HP19 3 EQ.

WI

Tuesday, 14 July - Coffee and Chat Evening for the WI and Friends. 8 pm Clubroom.

Tuesday, 21 July - Our Annual Ramble. Starting and finishing at the Three Locks. Please ring Chris 270607 if you would like to take part.

No WI meeting in August.

Tuesday, 8 September - 8 pm in the Clubroom. SPY in the SKY - Thames Valley Helicopter Division.

For details of these or any WI events please ring Margaret on 270355 or Andrea on 270474.

HELP WITH CHILDREN

Rebecca Kynaston-Weaver is 19 and has completed the first year of the NNEB Course. She is wanting work with children at any time during the summer. Ring her mother on 270671 after 7 pm.

BABY SITTER AVAILABLE

Reliable 14 year old would be pleased to hear from any Soulbury residents who would like a baby sitter. Phone 270576.

CRICKET FIXTURES

Sat July 4	Little Horwood (Home)
Sun July 5	Bletchley Printers (Home)
Sat July 11	Mentmore (Away)
Sun July 12	Wicken (Away)
Sat July 18	Studham (Home)
Sun July 19	Brooklands (Away)
Sat July 25	Drayton Parslow (Home)
Sun July 26	New Bradwell (Home)

MR THOMAS FAULKNER

We regret to announce the death in Florence Nightingale House of Mr Thomas Faulkner on the 13 June at the age of 69. Many will remember Tom, who farmed at what is now known as Hollingdon Grange for some years, and will extend their sympathy to Pat and to Katherine and Timothy.

SUNFLOWER COFFEE MORNING

The Sunflower Coffee Morning at Lovett House raised £210 for Florence Nightingale House Hospice. Liz Miller would like to thank the few very generous folk who supported the event, also Pam Norman, Daphne Booth and Margaret Bunyan who organised everything.

FOR SALE IN AID OF FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE HOUSE

Sharp Electric Typewriter, Model QL-110 UM approximately 2 years old, with two spare carbon ribbons. To view please phone 270322.

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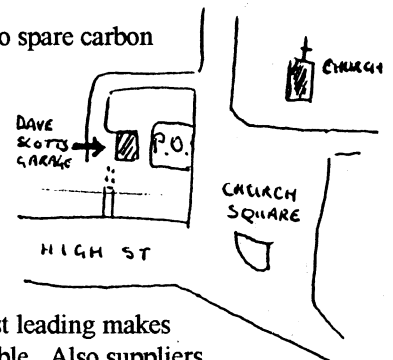
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SOULBURY SKIPS AND RECYCLING

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH Vicar: Rev. Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel. 240287
 Sun July 5 11 am Church and Chapel - Village Open Air Service with
 Salvation Army Band
 7 pm St Michaels Stewkley. Reflective Service with music and
 readings.
 Sun July 12/19/26 11.30 am Sung Communion

METHODIST CHURCH Minister: Rev Ian Banks. The Manse, Stewkley. Tel 240251.
 Sun July 5 11 am Village Open Air Service on the Green
 Sun July 12 6 pm Mrs F Fisher
 Sun July 19 6 pm Mr Tony Wales
 Sun July 26 6 pm Mr Steve Annis
 Mother and Toddlers 10.30 am Every Tuesday
 Sunday Club 10 am in the Chapel except first Sunday in month

FORTHCOMING EVENTS (meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)
 Tue July 7 WI Outing (Royal Show)
 Wed July 8 2.30 pm Social Circle
 Tue July 14 8 pm WI Coffee and Chat Evening
 Wed July 15 5 pm-9.30 pm Millennium Green
 Thurs July 2,9,16,23,30 7.30 pm Bowls Evening
 Wed July 15 7 pm W.F. No 7 Chapel Hill (home of Miss D Booth)
 Sat July 18 7.30 pm Pig Roast
 Wed July 8 & 22 Woodland Waste Paper Collection
 Thurs July 2,16 & 30 A.V.D.C Recycling Baskets
 Tue July 21 WI Annual Ramble. Please ring Chris 270607 for details
 Wed July 29 8 pm Parish Council Meeting
 Mon July 6 & 20 10.15 - 10.30 am Mobile Library (High Road)
 2.35 - 2.50 pm Mobile Library (Stewkley Road)

DIARY DATES
 Sat Aug 1 Golf Competition
 Tue Aug 18 Childrens Entertainment 11 am Clubroom
 Tue Sep 8 WI SPY in the SKY - Thames Valley Helicopter Division 8 pm
 Sat Sep 26 Barn Dance at Stewkley Village Hall

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

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**Soulbury
Millennium Green
Trust**

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Dear friend,

Attached is a brief questionnaire about the Soulbury Millennium Green.

We would be grateful if you could spare 5 minutes of your time to complete it.

Please return it to any of the addresses below, whichever is the most convenient to you.

If you would like to know more, why not come along and have a drink with us on our 'Awareness Evening' at the Millennium Green on :-

Wednesday 15th July 5.00pm to 9.30pm

Julie Day, Battams Farm, 37 The Green

Maureen Payne, 23 The Green

Jane Phillpot, 4 Andrews Close

Liz Miller, 1 Chapel Hill

Christine Shepherd, 7 The Mead

Soulbury Millennium Green Questionnaire. June 1998

NamePhone #.....

Address.....

- *Would you like to know more about the Soulbury Millennium Green.....*
- *Would you like to make an appointment for someone to visit to explain more.....*
- *Would you like to make a 'one-off' donation (now/ later) £...../ when.....*
- *Would you like to make an Annual donation in (month) £..... /*
- *Would you like to make a deed of covenant..... Document to be supplied.*
- *Would you be willing to lend a hand on Soulbury Millennium Green projects this year/ future years.....*
- *Would you offer any 'in kind' donations i.e.:- Professional services..... Loan of equipment.....*
- *Would you like to sponsor something from the shopping list of items that we shall need for the project. (Please phone Julie on 270036 if you would like a copy)*
- *Would you like to be kept informed, and maybe help at a later date.....*