

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The clerk has received one quotation for revitalising the engraving on the war memorial of around £1500 but another has yet to be sought. There appears to be a shortage of firms prepared to do this work.

It was agreed that the 'Perfect Village Sunday' was as successful as weather allowed, and letters of thanks would be sent to the A.V.D.C. for the provision of the music from the sliver band and the Punch and Judy show. Also it was agreed to send a donation to Stewkley Scouts who loaned us the tents, and helped erect them. These turned out to be essential for the day.

Regarding the children's playground, it was noted how the litter was building up, and a new person to keep an eye on the area, is desperately needed. A source of top soil is being sought, as the original offer had fallen through, this is to be used to try to level off the football area, and it was agreed to try to keep the grass somewhat shorter during the summer as that is the time of maximum usage.

It was very disappointing to hear that the grant application for a completely new play area and bike track, has been refused. However, a much reduced scheme may be a possibility with the assistance of A.V.D.C. and local fundraising. Mrs Jackie Ridley is looking into this.

The hedge and verge along the High Road outside the children's playground is very overgrown again, and that will be cut back as soon as possible. (Thank you Jon for doing it so quickly)

The design of the tarmacadam footpath leading into the Millennium Green is a disaster for many users of wheels and also most pedestrians. Bucks County Council will be asked to make this safer and more user friendly.

Mrs Margaret White reported that she had taken a place on the newly set up Rural Tenants' Panel and she includes this letter:

The new Rural Tenants' Panel is now 'up and running'. A meeting is held once a month in Aylesbury with A.V.D.C. members at the meetings. Mrs Margaret White, 10 High Road, Soulbury is your 'Panel Member'. If you have anything to say, please let her know and it would be mentioned at the meeting, especially if you are a council tenant, but do not think for 1 minute that private owners and occupiers in the parish would not be listened to.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on July 16th.



Bee Orchid



MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

Soulbury's Village Sunday on June 17th was a great success. It was possibly a bit slow to start, but we were lucky with the weather, considering what a downpour there had been on Saturday. Although the Cricket Club was not over the moon about the rain, the Village Sunday organisers were, because we had extra pairs of hands helping with teas and tents! Thank you very much, cricketers.

The trustees would like to thank everyone who helped make the afternoon such a pleasant occasion. There are too many people to mention by name, but we are very grateful to all stall holders, providers of teas and refreshments and burgers and hot dogs etc. To all those who gave prizes for the raffle and tombola, plants, cakes, books and bric-a-brac. To parents who organised the children's games, to everyone who came and supported the event by just being there, and finally, of course, to Aylesbury Vale District Council for organising the Great Horwood Silver Band and the Punch and Judy show. It was a pleasant, friendly relaxing afternoon for everyone and we hope to have many other similar events in future years. We welcome new ideas and new people to come to our meetings. The sum of £588 was raised.

The trustees would like to thank Mr Dixon of Soulbury Ground Farm for the picnic table which he gave us, and which you will have noticed installed near the children's playground. Mr Dixon also very kindly helped with the tree plaques which have now been fixed in front of the patron's chosen trees, the walnuts and a weeping birch for little Claire Goodrum who died a very young child, 5 years old, I believe, of

kidney failure. I remember Claire so I'm especially interested to see her tree grow.

The winner of the 100 Club draw for June was Margaret Jordan of 19 Stewkley Road. Congratulations Margaret.

Prize Winners at Village Sunday:
Mr Allison – Celebration Cake
Mrs D Lowes – Bottle Sherry
Mrs D Watts – Box of Fruit
Mr J Spires – Digital Camera

All other prizewinners were:
Mrs M Gadsden
Mrs D King
Mrs G Windmill
Mrs P Watkins
Mrs P Norman
Mrs B Jennings
Mrs N Jennings
Mrs M Bunyan
Mrs M Leary
Master C Rolls



ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

Church Cleaning

Is due to take place on Saturdays 7th July and 4th August from 10am to 12 noon. Help would be appreciated even if only for part of the time.

The PCC and Committee

Of the Friends of Soulbury Church will be meeting together on 4th July to discuss ongoing business and in particular proposals for and funding of a refreshment area, toilets and heating as well as outstanding restoration work.

Church Fete

The committee will be meeting on 28th June to put together the arrangement for this year's fete which is to be held on Sunday 1st September.

WOMENS INSTITUTE

The July meeting of the Women's Institute will be held on 17th July at 8pm in the clubroom, and will

take the form of a 'Pimms and Pavlova Evening'.

There are seats still available for the trip to Lincoln on Tuesday July 10th. The coach leaves at 8am and the cost is £10.

A further outing to London on Sunday August 12th will consist of a guided walk. The coach leaves at 4pm, the cost being £15. This includes the coach and guide. A pub meal is available but this is to be paid for individually.

If you are interested in any of the above please contact Mrs M Rowe (270355).

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

This month we have 2 girls and 2 boys to wish happy birthday to.

Elodie Diamond will be 4 years old on 6th July.

Emily Stevens will be 2 years old on 16th July

Ben Hulston was 10 years old on 29th June.

Elizabeth Hulston will be 7 years old on 28th July.

Congratulations and a very happy birthday to you all.

(Please let the editorial team know your children's birthdays under 12 yrs or anyone celebrating anniversaries.

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome David and Vicki Smith who have come to live in Andrews Close.

MRS LLOYD-HART

Sadly, we have to record that Mrs Marcia Lloyd-Hart, who had become increasingly frail over the last few months, died peacefully at home on Wednesday 13th June. We extend our sympathy to Jane, Richard and the family at this time.

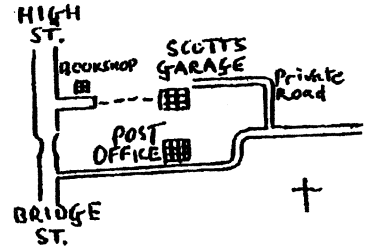
Marcia, the youngest of eight children, was born in Liverpool and after university move to the Royal Bucks Hospital as an Almoner. Here she met her husband John and together they moved to Soulbury in 1963. Marcia was a great lover of life, especially music, sports cars, cricket, garden design, flower arranging and donkeys! She gave much time to the Church and her presence will be missed by very many in Soulbury.

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CRICKET FIXTURES JULY 2000

Note: Due to the Foot and Mouth Crisis, Soulbury Cricket Ground is inaccessible for all home matches for at least the first part of the season. Arrangements have been made with Stoke Hammond, who has kindly offered use of their ground when vacant.

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| Sunday | July 1 st | Away | Wing |
| Sunday | July 8 th | Away | Wescott |
| Saturday | July 14 th | Away | Great Brickhill 2 nd XI |
| Sunday | July 15 th | Away | Linslade |
| Saturday | July 21 st | Away | Old Bradwell 2 nd XI |
| Sunday | July 22 nd | Away | Drayton Parslow |
| Saturday | July 28 th | Away | Little Horwood |
| Sunday | July 29 th | Away | New Bradwill |



FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR JULY 2001

(In the clubroom unless otherwise stated)

| | | | |
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| Monday | July 9 th and 23 rd | | Mobile Library |
| Tuesday | July 10 th | | Women's Institute – Outing to Lincoln |
| Wednesday | July 11 th | | Social Circle |
| Wednesday | July 18 th | 7.45pm | Women's fellowship |
| Thursday | July 12 th and 26 th | | A.V.D.C. Waste Paper & Recycling collection |
| Monday | July 16 th | 8pm | Parish Council Meeting at 8.00pm |
| Tuesday | July 17 th | 8pm | Pimm's and Pavlova Evening |



DIARY DATES

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| Tuesday | August 14 th | | Children's entertainment |
| Sunday | August 12 th | 4pm | Guided tour of London – With The W.I. |
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ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

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

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

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| All Sunday in July and 5th August | 11.30am | Sung Communion |
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METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Rev. Cowburn, The Manse, Stewkley. – Tel – 240251

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| Sunday | July 1 st | | No Service |
| Sunday | July 8 th | 6pm | Mr Owens |
| Sunday | July 15 th | | No Service |
| Sunday | July 22 nd | 6pm | Rev. A Cowburn – Sacrament of the Lords Supper |
| Sunday | July 29 th | | No Service |
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Items for next issue by 20th July 2001 to: Mrs Miller 270545, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483,
Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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