

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

A shortened Council meeting took place on Tuesday 20 May. It was noted with satisfaction that the long-running controversy over the responsibility for the over-hanging ivy along the Great Brickhill Road had finally been resolved. County Highways had completed the task very speedily once the decision was made. They had also acted very quickly to repair the broken paving stone which had caused concern in the High Road. Planning applications for developments at Hill Farm Kennels, Bragenham; Manor Farm - the farm courtyard buildings; and The Three Locks were all discussed and comments made.

It was announced that Soulbury had been selected as one of the villages to host "The Perfect Village Sunday" on 29 June. This is the day after the fete, and also the day that there is a concert already arranged for 6.00 pm in the church. It is hoped that the three events will complement each other, and bring together more visitors and friends than ever. The District Council will provide a Silver Band to play on The Green, and a Punch and Judy Show. It is also hoped that other activities might be organised around these, so as to make the afternoon an enjoyable and interesting one.

Aylesbury Vale's Touring Children's show in the summer will come to the Clubroom at 11.00 am on Tuesday 19 August.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This took place after the previous Council meeting. The Chairman was pleased to welcome a spokesman on Neighbourhood Watch, and P.C. Briginshaw, both of whom gave some useful information for the village. As this month's newsletter is a full one we would like to give a report on the annual meeting next month.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

Local Non-Stipendiary Ministers - The P.C.C. hosted a meeting of the St Albans and Oxford Ministry Course in the Clubroom on 19 May. The Vicar and Peter Lymbery, our local ordinand, welcomed twelve Local Non-Stipendiary Ordinands and their Local Ministry Development Group Members. Thanks are due to the ladies who provided the meal, to the Parish Council and Clubroom Committee for the use of the premises, and to Ian Parrott and John Pargeter for providing parking.

P.C.C. Meeting - Wednesday 18 June in the Church.

Church Fund Raising - "An Evening with Neil Gurney" at the organ of the Parish Church proved to be most enjoyable, and raised £225. The programme varied from "Trumpet Voluntary" to "I do like to be beside the

Seaside" and "The Sound of Music" with very entertaining asides relating to the music and Neil's many experiences in the world of entertainment. Thanks to Neil and the ladies who provided the refreshments.

Future Events - General Knowledge Quiz - teams of four are needed for the Quiz which, together with a Buffet Supper, will take place on 13 June in the Clubroom starting at 8.00 pm. Tickets at £4.50 each, including supper, are available from Margaret Rowe on 270355 or the Vicar on 240287.

Soulbury Church Fete - the fete will be held at the Old Vicarage, thanks to Dr David and Mrs Margaret Owen. The date is 28 June and the time 2.00 pm-5.00 pm. Proceeds will go to the General Fund. New ideas or additional stalls are welcome. In particular, we need one or two 10-15 minute arena events. If you can direct a school or other organisation with a dancing or display team our way, we would be very pleased contact the Vicar on 240287. John and Margaret Rowe will again be running a plant stall and will be pleased to receive any items which can be offered for sale - contact them on 270355.

Cleaning All Saints - help would be appreciated from 9.00 am-11.00 am on Friday 27 June.

FRIENDS OF SOULBURY CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Building Works/Bells - we have heard that the application, which we made 12 months ago for the next stage of the work, has been submitted to the Joint Grant Scheme for Churches and other Places of Worship of the Heritage Lottery Fund/English Heritage. We did not have to make a new submission, so we should hear something soon.

FUND RAISING

Art Exhibition - any local artists are invited to take part in the exhibition, which will take place at The Old School on 21-22 June from 10.00 am-6.00 pm. The allocation is four framed and six unframed pictures for inclusion in a portfolio section. Sculptor's exhibits can also be accommodated. There will be a hanging fee of £1.50 per framed work or sculpture, and 50p per folio work. A commission of 15% will be charged on all works sold. These will all be donated to the church restoration fund.

Come forward local artists - we need you. Please call Sheila Morgan on 270485 or Jane Luxton on 270493.

Summer Music - a choral concert featuring the Concorde Singers from Bedford (Conductor Mary Bainbridge) and a Bedford Schools Choir with a concert of popular classics will take place on Sunday 29 June from 6.00 pm-8.00 pm. Tickets are £4 each (concessions £2) including light refreshments and will be available from 8 June onwards from Stan Morris in 270577, Norman Cotton on 240287, or Chris and Sue on 270385.

Medieval Dinner and Song - will be held at Holmside, Hollingdon on 5 July starting at 8.00 pm. Please reserve this date for a jolly evening of Medieval food, song and fun. A three course dinner will be served along with a tipple of traditional mead; but please bring your own drink and glasses. The evening will include some lovely music and song provided by Sue Taylor and Chris Jones.

Dress as you please - casual, modern or medieval - even sack cloth will do! Tickets are £10. Please book early so that the food requirements can be organised. Tickets are available from Greba 270271, Heather 270234, Lorna 270444 and Jane 270493.

MOBILE LIBRARY

As everyone is probably aware, the mobile library is now coming from Buckingham because of local government reorganisation and has therefore changed its routes. It will now call at Soulbury on Tuesdays in the afternoon from 2.20 pm-2.50 pm stopping at the Stone. This was rearranged recently so that shoppers could be back in the village to make use of the library. Mr Handley is in charge of organising the library routes and would be pleased to hear any comments on the new arrangement. He said that, now the library has a thirty minute stop in Soulbury, it was possible to move up to The Green for part of that time. Please comment to the librarian or Mr Handley at Buckingham Library on 01280 813229.

SOULBURY VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB

S.V.C.C. wish to thank all those who have contributed towards getting the 1997 season off to a good start. We are indebted to those persons who have been generous by providing a cooker, fridge, the loan of a field roller and have helped in many other ways. All this is essential to the smooth running of the club. The Cricket Club will be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join in, in any way. Players at all levels are welcome, as are spectators at any home match whose support is always valued. A Fun Day is planned for Saturday 2 August at the cricket field from 2.30 pm until 11.00 pm. This is to be in aid of the church Restoration Fund. All ideas for events, attractions of help on the day will be most welcome. Please contact Brian Mead for more details on 270444.

We have been asked to mention that whilst home matches are in progress, dog walkers should be particularly careful to keep their animals under control.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Tuesday 10 June: Instead of a normal meeting, we have been invited on an educational visit to Manor Hospital at Biddenham, where we will be given a talk and video on women's health issues, followed by a tour of the facilities and buffet. A Health Screening Nurse will be available for private consultations. This is a **FREE** evening, but a contribution to petrol costs for the drivers would be appreciated. For further information, telephone Margaret Rowe on 270355.

Tuesday 8 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 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, again call Margaret Rowe on 270355.

NATIONAL HOSPICE SUNFLOWER WEEK, 19-27 JUNE

Liz Miller will have a tray of Sunflowers for sale at £1 each, from the week beginning 8 June until the end of the month. Rather than inflicting herself on your doorstep, she felt purchasers might like to come to her, or telephone her, and she will come out. There will also be some available in the Clubroom during that time. The proceeds will go to the Florence Nightingale House Hospice at Stoke Mandeville.

PARKINSON'S DISEASE SOCIETY

Mr Alf Peacock would like to thank all those who helped to supply his stall for May Day in Leighton Buzzard. His profits amounted to just over £140, which he was pleased to pass on to the Society.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, LEIGHTON BUZZARD

Everyone is invited to the Mission being held from Saturday 14 June to Sunday 22 June. If anyone would like further information or transport to Church, please contact James or Catherine Fairbairn on 270764.

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

As a result of Council restructuring, the number to call for general enquiries or access to specialist support is now 01296 395000 at County Hall, Aylesbury, HP20 1YU. In emergency, outside office hours, contact 01494 817750. If you are worried that someone you know is being mistreated, phone free on 0800 137915.

CRICKET FIXTURES 1997

Sun 1 June Leighton Rovers (Home)
Sat 7 June Aspley Guise (Home)
Sun 8 June Stoke Hammond (Away)
Sat 14 June Whitchurch (Away)

Sat 21 June Open University (Home) Sun 22 June Leighton Rovers (Away) Sat 28 June Eaton Bray (Away) Sun 29 June Mentmore (Home)

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SOULBURY DRAINAGE

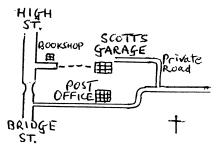
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ALL SAINTS CHURCH Vicar: Rev Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel: 240287.

10.00 am

Family Communion in the Church with Rev Brian Sagar, Vicar of Wing

No separate Sunday Club

8 June

15 June 11.30 am

Sung Eucharist in the Church and Sunday Club in the Chapel

22 June 29 June

6 July

11.00 am

Open Air Service with the Salvation Army Band on the Green

(NB: Time).

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

11.30 am

United Service, Parish Church

8 June 6.00 pm

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with Rev Ian Banks

15 June 6.00 pm 22 June

Mr T Wales Mr K Edlington

6.00 pm 29 June $6.00 \, \mathrm{pm}$

Mrs M Morris

Sunday Club

Every Sunday except the first Sunday in the month at 11.30 am

Mother and Toddler

Every Tuesday from 10.30 am-12.00 noon.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thurs 5 & 19 June

Thurs 5, 12, 19 & 26 June

Tues 10 June

Tues 10 & 24 June

Wed 11 June

Wed 11 & 25 June

Fri 13 June

Mon 16 June

Wed 18 June

Sat & Sun 21 & 22 June

Sat 28 June Sun 29 June A.V.D.C. Waste Paper Collection

Bowls Evening at 7.30 pm

W.I. visit to Manor Hospital, Biddenham Mobile Library at the Stone at 2.20 pm

Social Circle at 2.30 pm

Woodland Waste Paper Collection

Quiz Night at 8.00 pm

Parish Council Meeting at 8.00 pm

Women's Fellowship Picnic at 7.00 pm P.C.C. Meeting in Church at 8.00 pm

Art Exhibition

Church Fete at The Old Vicarage at 2.00 pm

Perfect Village Sunday on The Green at 2.00 pm

Concert in Church at 6.00 pm

DIARY DATES

Sat 5 July

Sun 6 July

Sat 2 August Tues 19 August Medieval Night at 8.00 pm

Open Air Service on the Green

Fun Day at the Cricket Field at 2.30 pm

Children's Entertainment.

SOULBURY CHURCH RESTORATION MEDIEVAL DINNER

JULY 5TH at 8.00 pm

AT HOLMSIDE IN HOLLINGDON (Turn at the sign to Hollingdon Grange)

Three course meal with music and song

Please bring your own drinks/glasses

TICKETS £10.00

Tickets from Greeba Cochrane 270271

Heather Parrott 270234

Lorna Steven

270444

Jane Luxton

270493



Mission

of reflection and renewal at the Church of the Sacred Heart Beaudesert, Leighton Buzzard Sat 14th - Sun 22nd June

Saturdays: Mass 6pm. Sundays: Mass 9 & 10.30am.

Weekdays: Mass 6 & 9.30am.

Evening Service: Weekdays & Sun June 15 - 6pm. Further events see leaflet available from Church.

For transport ring LB 384495