

# SOULBURY NEWSLETTER



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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

A Parish Council Meeting was held on 17th May. As Councillor Vic Wright was unable to attend, the Councillors agreed to hold the elections of Chairman and Vice Chairman at the June meeting.

**Planning Decision:** Leylands, High Road, Soulbury – permission has been granted to raise the roof, for the extension of the existing dwelling, for the demolition of the existing garage and erection of a replacement garage. The permission was granted subject to conditions including:

- Cannot start building until a landscaping and tree planting scheme for the site has been approved
- Any tree or shrub which is part of the landscaping which dies within a period of five years must be replaced
- The garage must not be used for any purpose other than ancillary to the residential use of Leylands
- The scheme for parking and manoeuvring has to be laid out prior to the initial occupation of the development, and thereafter shall not be used for any other purpose.

**County Councillor Brenda Jennings** reported that:

- The Planning Application for the Proposed Driving Range on land opposite the Three Locks Golf Club will be considered at a meeting of the Development Committee of the Buckinghamshire County Council,

to be held at the Civic Centre, Aylesbury, on 15th June starting at 10.30. The meeting is open to the public.

•The County Museum at Aylesbury always has interesting exhibits.

**Children's Playground:** It was reported that little or no use is being made of this facility. To enable Councillors to judge what is required in the playground, anyone interested is urged to complete the tear-off questionnaire (found on the back page of this newsletter) and send it to Maurice Cross, 5 Leighton Road, Soulbury, LU7 0BP

**Grass Cutting: Help is Needed!** Anyone who is willing to help with cutting the grass please contact Maurice Cross, telephone number 01525 270503.

The Councillors were disappointed that no Parishioners joined them for The Annual Assembly of the Parish.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 21st June, starting at 7.30 pm.

## MILLENNIUM GREEN

The Trust is still looking for a new secretary. This is a voluntary position and would entail writing minutes and agendas for the seven or eight meetings a year which are held in the Club Room. There would be a few letters to write and a few telephone calls to make but it is not a particularly time-consuming job, and expenses

would be reimbursed of course. If you would like more information or are interested in helping the Trust in this way, please phone Christine on 270377.

The Annual General Meeting of the Millennium Green Trust will take place on Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup> in the Club Room at 7pm, followed at 7:30pm by an ordinary meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

On Wednesday June 30<sup>th</sup> at 1pm we are planning to hold a Schools Competition on the amphitheatre on the Green. There will be country dancing, singing and other acts performed by local school children from Linslade, Leighton Buzzard and Great Brickhill. The best group performance will win a prize of £200 for their school. The prize money has very kindly been donated by The Parish Council.

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The Coffee Morning held in the church on Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> was a very pleasant occasion. It was pouring with rain but, in spite of the weather, a good number of people came along for a social get together. Many thanks to all those who supported the occasion by coming, by helping on the day or by donating cakes, biscuits, jams, pickles and other items.

Particular thanks to Margaret Bunyan for the lovely flower arrangement on the font and to the three musicians, Sue Taylor, Sally Hat and Aimee Rigby, who

formed a delightful trio of flautists and played a selection of folk tunes and other well known pieces. The acoustics in the church make the sound of the flutes particularly delightful. These three gifted musicians all live in the village which is quite amazing- to have so much talent in one small village.

On Sunday May 23rd two baptisms took place in the church. In the morning the Mosley family, their friends, together with the regular congregation, welcomed little Freya Olivia Mosley into the church. Her mother Anne-Marie Mosley and father Stuart, who carried Freya, looked on as Freya was held over the font, and the sign of the cross was made on her head by the Rev. Peter Lymbery. She didn't cry but didn't seem that all keen on the procedure.

In the afternoon little Daisy Frances Giltrow was christened by the Rev. Peter Lymbery. Her parents David and Samantha Giltrow were married in all Saints Church a year or so ago. It was a special occasion for all the family and their friends.

The Church Fete takes place on Saturday June 26th at the home of Mr and Mrs John Pargeter, The Cottage, opposite The Boot. If anyone has any ideas for stalls or games they would be prepared to organize or if anyone could help by manning a stall or donating items- such as cakes, homemade produce, books, toys, raffle prizes or bric-a-brac, please contact Mrs Christine Bryant on 270607 and she will be delighted with any help you can offer.

#### **BELL RINGING**

The Central Bucks Branch of bell ringers will be holding their annual striking competition at Soulbury Church on Saturday 12th June at 5.30pm.

The competition should easily finish by 8.00pm.

The idea is that different church bell ringing teams are in competition with each other to see how accurate

their striking is.

(We won't be entering a Soulbury team, partly because we are not very good and also partly because a lot of us are away that weekend.) See if you can hear which team rings the most evenly with the bells not clanging together. Soulbury bells are difficult to ring well because of the long draught and also because they are so heavy, so we believe some teams may struggle!

#### **SOULBURY GARDENS OPEN WEEKEND**

Nine Soulbury gardens will be open on Saturday July 3rd and Sunday July 4th from 2pm-6pm. There will be teas at The Old Vicarage and parking will be available. The cost will be £3 and will admit you to all the gardens (£2:50 for OAPS and 50p for children). The proceeds will go to The Friends of Soulbury Church. It is a lovely way to spend an afternoon admiring other people's gardens so please come and visit them.

#### **WOMENS INSTITUTE NEWS**

Mr Grace, the speaker for last month's meeting gave a humorous talk on a gamekeeper's year.

The St George's Supper held on 1 May was a lively evening with humorous and serious readings provided. Thanks to Alan and Lorna for the musical entertainment, to everyone who helped to organise the event and to the WI who, once again, provided the super food.

This month's meeting was based on the WI Resolutions with subjects as diverse as the Increasing Trafficking of Human Beings, GM Crops and the funding of the Air Ambulance Service. This gave members food for thought as did the refreshments provided by the committee, based on a Greek theme!

#### **MRS GERTIE AUSTIN**

Mrs Gertie Austin who used to live in The Mead has now moved to Caton House, Espom Grove, Chepstow Drive, Bletchley MK3 5NR. If anyone would like to write to her or visit her, she would much appreciate it.

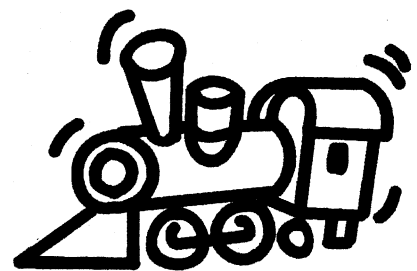
#### **MRS ISABEL MCKLENNAN**

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs Isabel McKlennan, Rena Stewart's sister. Isabel has been a regular visitor to Soulbury enjoying many events and social activities over the years; her Scottish wit and "canniness" often enlivening these occasions. We send our condolences to Rena and her family.

#### **BUCKS RAILWAY CENTRE**

A Vale Volunteers charity "bonanza" at the Centre in Quanton on Sunday 20th June, will showcase many local charities and also open the Centre to visitors where steam train rides, miniature railway (small charge), museum, restaurant and picnic areas will be on offer. Special attractions include clowns, dancers, juggling fire eaters and more.

For ticket prices, times or more information contact 01296 337456, or the Centre 01296 655720. 50p of the ticket price goes to charity.



#### **BABYSITTER AVAILABLE**

Lives in village. Contact Emily  
01525 270674

### STOKE HAMMOND PRE SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

The Playgroup @ The Community Centre, Bragenham Side, Stoke Hammond

Due to a mass exodus of our children to school this coming September we have a number of spaces to be filled.

•Small, friendly local playgroup which meets Monday to Thursday from 09.30 to 12.00.

•OFSTED registered

•Qualified Staff

•Well stocked with age appropriate equipment and toys – both indoor and outdoor

•Activities comply with the government curriculum for pre-school children

•Education grants for 3 year olds upwards

We also operate a Parent and Toddler Group (Sunbeams) which meets at the same venue on Friday mornings from 10.30 – 12.00

Further details for both Playgroup and Sunbeams ☎: Sue Nicholas on 01525 270896

### CRICKET FIXTURES

- Sat June 5<sup>th</sup> Open Univeristy (Home)
- Sun June 6<sup>th</sup> Wescott (Away)
- Sat June 12<sup>th</sup> Stoke Hammond (Away)
- Sun June 13<sup>th</sup> Drayton Parslow (Away)
- Sat June 19<sup>th</sup> Cublington (Away)
- Sun June 20<sup>th</sup> Stewkley (Home)
- Sat June 26<sup>th</sup> Studham (Home)
- Sun June 27<sup>th</sup> Milton Bryan (Home)

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### LOWES LANDSCAPE

Does your garden need a summer makeover?

All types of garden maintenance undertaken.

For a free estimate, contact "Graeme the Gardener" on 01525 270752 (home) or 07734 930472 (mobile)

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<b>FORTHCOMING EVENTS &amp; DIARY DATES</b>			
All in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated			
Monday	June 7 <sup>th</sup> and 21 <sup>st</sup> ✓	2.00 – 2.15pm 2.20 – 2.35pm	Mobile Library Bungalows Lay by High Road Stewkley Rd Bus Stop
Tuesday	June 8 <sup>th</sup> ✓	7.30pm	Women's Institute visit to Waitrose
Wednesday	June 9 <sup>th</sup> ✓	2:30pm	Social Circle
Thursday	June 10 <sup>th</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup> ✓		A.V.D.C Recycling and Waste Paper Collection
Wednesday	June 16 <sup>th</sup> ✓	7:45pm	Women's Fellowship
Monday	June 21 <sup>st</sup> ✓	8pm	Parish Council Meeting
Thursday	June 24 <sup>th</sup> ✓	7pm	Annual General Meeting Millennium Green
Saturday	June 26 <sup>th</sup> ✓	2pm	Church Fete
Saturday and Sunday	July 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> ✓	2.00-6.00pm	Open Gardens Weekend



**ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES**  
 Vicar: Rev. Norman Cotton, The Vicarage, Stewkley Tel 240287  
 Curate: Rev. Peter Lymbery, 17 Hartwell Crescent, Leighton Buzzard Tel 371235



Sunday	June 6 <sup>th</sup> ✓	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	June 13 <sup>th</sup> ✓	11:30 am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	June 20 <sup>th</sup> ✓	11:30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	June 27 <sup>th</sup> ✓	11.30am	Sung Eucharist

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 If you would like to sponsor one month's Newsletter or submit items for the next issue by 20<sup>th</sup> June 2004, please contact:  
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[emily.fairbairn@btopenworld.com](mailto:emily.fairbairn@btopenworld.com)

**CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND – QUESTIONNAIRE**

What equipment would you like to see in the Children's Playground? List below:  
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Any other suggestions you have concerning the Playground list below:  
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Please send this completed questionnaire to Maurice Cross, 5 Leighton Road, Soulbury, LU7 0BP