

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER



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Parish Council News

Children's Playground

The children of the village will be pleased to hear that work is due to commence on 23rd March; when the swings will be refurbished with safety grass beneath and a new slide.

Bus Shelter

The bus shelter is in need of refurbishment the Parish council had received correspondence from a member of the parish, stating that the bus shelter is being misused. Anyone seeing any anti social behavior should report details to any member of the parish council.

Cheese and Wine Evening this will take place on Friday 11th March from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. You are invited to come and meet your parish councilors, have a say about your issues, tell us what is important to you, help plan the future of the parish, and let us know what you would like them to do to improve Soulbury Parish.

All Saints Church News

The P.C.C. met in the church on Feb 2nd at 7.30pm. The meetings opened with prayer for Candlemas and amongst the topics discussed, were the new

churchyard gates, the quinquennial report, and the vacancy advertisement for a new vicar and future services. The Friends of Soulbury Church had been asked if they would be prepared to pay for some new iron gates on special offer for £400. Estimates from builders to fix the gates to the brickwork would be sought.

The quinquennial inspection of the church to assess the condition of the building has been carried out and the report will be sent to the Churchwarden Mr. Chris Bryant within the month.

An advertisement for a new vicar has been placed in the Church Times, questions to ask the prospective applicants were being compiled and interviews would take place in April.

The next meeting will be the AGM on Monday April 11th in the church at 7.30pm

An Ash Wednesday service was held in the church to mark the beginning of Lent and a few people attended, about 6 of us.

Mothering Sunday is on March 6th and we would be delighted to welcome as many families as possible parents, grandparents and of course all children.

There will be little bunches of flowers for the children to present to their mothers, so do come along if you can.

Friends Of Soulbury Church

Hollington hosted another very successful tenth Safari Supper. It is now an annual event and was held on January 22nd and attended by 46 people. Many thanks to Heather Parrott and Greba Cochrane for all their hard work organizing it and to all the hosts and hostesses for the delicious food served throughout the evening. The marvelous sum of £485 has been presented to the Friends Of Soulbury Church for which they are very grateful.

Book Club

A preliminary meeting of the newly formed book club was held on Friday afternoon Feb 4th at the home of Rita Marks of Stewkley Road. About 8 people

have joined which is a good number to start with. Rita provided us with a list of books to choose from, sets of which will be provided by Aylesbury Library on loan. We plan to meet once a month in different houses and read a book a month. The first book is "Tulip Fever" by Deborah Moggach and we meet to talk about this book on Friday March 11th at 2.30 in Rita's home. If you are interested in joining, please phone Rita on 270687. We are a very friendly group.

Millennium Green News

Millennium Green

The Trustees will be holding a coffee morning on Saturday March 19th 10.45–12.30am. Come along and talk to the trustees and find out what they have been doing over the winter months or meet with your friends for a chat coffee and cakes.

I am pleased to write that we have 66 100 Club members for 2005, this is great because it means we have raised enough funds to secure the Insurance payments of the on the Millennium Green; Public Liability, Trustees Indemnity and the annual ROSPA report which we have to have for the children's playground. It would have been nice to reach a 100 members, but the Trustees thank all who have joined. January winning number was 66 and Feb was 37. The winning cash prize is £33.00. If you would still like to join feel free to do so at our coffee morning. All latecomers are welcome! But it is still £12.

The Tuesday work team is continuing with the chores and some of you will have noticed

that the fruit trees have been pruned and mulched. Jon and Dave who are pruning and removing the unsafe branches are making the willow tree over the pond safe. In the wooded areas there are snowdrops peeping through and many other spring plants and bulbs are also making an appearance, take a stroll on the Millennium Green and have a look. Last month a request was made for a new treasurer, to date there has been no response, if you would like to help please ring me on 270532. Next month I will be able to report on our plans for the annex and fund raising event, which will be held during the summer.

W.I. News

Local expert Sheridan Williams came to Soulbury W.I and gave a talk on Astronomy. The wonders of modern technology within this fascinating topic kept our members captivated and we saw detailed photographs of the sun, various planets, annular and total eclipse. Light pollution was discussed and some of our members ventured outside and saw the most spectacular object of Saturn through a very large telescope. Thanks also to the ladies who

provided refreshments and to Doreen for the raffle prize.

Newsletter Sponsorship

We would like to thank those people and companies who have kindly offered to sponsor the Newsletter for the next few months.

Thank you Hollingdon

Doreen and Jim Brown would like to say thank you to all their lovely friends and neighbours in Hollingdon for all their concern, kind wishes and offers of help whilst Jim was very ill with a ruptured appendix. A special thank you to Tilly, Peter and Janet. Jim has recovered well and is almost back to normal (if he ever was in the first place)

Make A Difference

Get out your gardening gloves and make a difference in your community.

Calling all green-fingered friends! We need volunteers in your area to help take care of older people's gardens. You don't need to be an expert, just enthusiasm.

Any expenses you incur while helping out with the Gardening Project (including travel) will be covered by Vale Volunteers. You will also be covered under our insurance policy.

If you feel you could help out in any way, please ring 01296 337456.

Alternatively, you can write to Vale Volunteers, Rycote Place, 30-38 Cambridge Street, Aylesbury. HP20 IRS, or e-mail: gardening@valevolunteers.org.uk

Sheep Worrying

This time of year is here once again to remind dog owners to please keep their dogs on leads whilst walking through the fields where there maybe sheep and lambs. Also would people be kind enough to please close the gates behind them as quite a few are being left open.

Race Night

Soulbury Cricket Club is to hold a Race Night on Friday 1st April in the Clubroom. Tickets are £6 each, including a delicious hot supper. Come and join the fun! First race 8pm. More information from Mrs. Chris Bryant 270607.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS & DIARY DATES

All in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated

Friday	March. 11 th	1.00pm	Mobile Library- Stewkley Rd Bus Stop
Tuesday	March. 8 th	8pm	WI at Stoke Hammond
Wednesday	March. 16 th		WI. Group meeting
Wednesday	March. 9 th	2.30pm	Social Circle
Monday	March. 21 st	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	March. 16 th	7.45pm	Women's Fellowship
Thursday	March. 3 rd 17 th		AVDC waste paper and recycling collection
Thursday	March. 17 th		AVDC Glass Collection
Friday	March 11 th	6.30-9.30pm	Parish Council Cheese and wine evening
Saturday	March 19 th	10.45-12.30am	M.Green Coffee Morning
Friday	April. 1 st	Not Thursday	AVDC waste paper and recycling collection
Friday	April. 1 st		Cricket Club Race Night

ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

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

Sunday	March. 6 th	11.30am	Mothering Sunday Service
Sunday	March. 13 th	11.30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	March. 20 th	11.30am	Palm Sunday Procession and Communion
Thursday	March. 24 th	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday
Friday	March. 25 th	11.00am	Good Friday Service Stations of the Cross
Sunday	March. 27 th	11.30am	Easter Sunday
Sunday	April. 3 rd	11.30am	Sung Eucharist

This month's Newsletter has been sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bryant

Many Thanks

If you would like to sponsor one month's Newsletter or submit items for the next issue by 21st March 2005, please contact:

Mrs. Miller 270545, Mrs. Bunyan 270461, Mrs. Norman 270483, Emily Fairbairn 270674, or email articles to jane@soulbury.org