

We do hope that there were not too many people inconvenienced by the incorrect number, given in our last issue, for Stewkley Vicarage. We do apologise to Mr. Dallaway.

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#### Children's Playground:

After countless years of effort by many people we at last have a properly fenced and well equipped playground.

It is therefore regrettable that the effectiveness of the Slide, which was a most expensive item of equipment, is being impaired by being used by some youngsters on bicycles, thus spoiling the enjoyment of the younger children for whom it was intended. May we please ask the offending cyclists to observe the "No Cycling" notice and that parents who become aware that this is taking place insist that their children observe the regulation.

We would also like to point out that the regulation about dogs being kept on a lead is being flouted. We would further suggest that an area specifically designated for the use of children is not a suitable place for the exercising of dogs, in view of the health hazard to the children.

May we suggest that the Parish Council should consider banning all dogs from the playground, or if this is outside their powers, that they should apply to the County Council to impose a ban. After all, living as we do in the heart of the countryside, there is no shortage of open spaces that are suitable for exercising dogs.

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#### Christian Book Day:

Don't miss Soulbury's Christian Book Day, to be held in the Clubroom on Saturday, 2nd November from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. You will find lots of ideas for Christmas presents including a large selection of both adult and children's books, stationery and tapes; there will also be Christmas cards on sale.

Refreshments will be free. Do come and bring your friends and neighbours and your children.

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#### Helen House:

Following the successful sale held in September we have received the following letter:

"Thank you very much indeed for your letter, and for the magnificent gift of £420 for Helen House. It is so good of you all to wish to support our work here in this generous way, and I am enormously grateful. Everyone must have worked hard to make the event such a success, and I hope you will pass on to them all my heartfelt thanks. Yours sincerely, Mother Frances Dominica."

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Mr. & Mrs. John Clark wish to thank all those who gave so generously to the collection made on behalf of the National Children's Homes. The total paid into the bank to the account of this charity was £62.53.

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We are sorry to learn that Miss Leighton and Mr. Tom Smith have both been in hospital. We understand that they are both now home again and hope that they are making a good recovery.

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STOP PRESS We understand that an official of the Returning Officer's department has checked that the Clubroom will be available for a Parish Council by-election on 5th December. Please watch notice boards for further details as to Nominations, closing dates, etc., which will be posted as soon as received.

Soulbury us the poorer this month for the passing of two of its well known residents. Mr. Frederick Tearle who had lived all his life in the village will be remembered by many for his participation in village activities. He was a regular member of the chapel, an umpire and supporter of the Cricket Club and before his retirement was a familiar figure as he cycled to and from work at Newton Longville. We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Tearle and to Mr. Tearle's sister, Mrs. Harris and her family, who so shortly after suffered the sudden loss of Mr. Albert Harris.

Mr. Harris took a great and kindly interest in the village concerns, and will be long remembered for his stalwart support of the fight against the airport and the abattoir which threatened some years ago. He went to endless trouble and cheerfully applied his extensive knowledge of electricity and electronics to help friends and neighbours with their problems as well as many much further afield than Soulbury. They will both be greatly missed.

BABYSITTER available: A sensible and reliable 17 year old girl is willing to undertake babysitting. Telephone Soulbury 284.

Methodist Church

Minister: The Rev. Alan Creber.  
The Manse, Stewkley, Tel: 251.

Sunday . November 3rd 10.30 am  
 Sunday November 10th 6.00 pm  
 Sunday November 17th 6.00 pm  
 Sunday . November 24th 6.00 pm

Family Service - Mrs. J. Gregory.  
 Mrs. F. Fisher.  
 Mr. K. Gregory.  
 Mrs. A. Martin.

Sunday School: Every Sunday at 10.30 am.  
Fellowship Meeting: Mondays at 2.00 pm.

All Saints Church

Vicar: The Rev. P. Dallaway.  
The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel: 287.

Sunday November 3rd 11.00 am (please note change of time)  
 Sunday November 10th 11.30 am  
 Sunday November 17th 11.30 am  
 Sunday November 24th 11.30 am

All Saints Patronal Festival.  
 Sung Eucharist & Sermon.  
 Sung Eucharist & Holy Baptism.  
 Sung Eucharist & Sermon.

Forthcoming Events

Saturday November 2nd 10.00 am - 4.00 pm  
 Tuesday November 12th 8.00 pm  
 Wednesday November 13th 2.30 pm  
 Wednesday November 20th 8.00 pm  
 Thursday November 21st 8.00 pm

Christian Book Day.  
Women's Institute.  
 Annual General Meeting.  
Social Circle.  
Women's Fellowship. at the home of  
 Miss D. Booth, 7 Chapel Hill.  
 Talk by Mrs. B. Creber.  
P.C.C. Meeting.

Diary Date

Saturday December 7th 8.00 pm

Women's Fellowship Christmas Bingo.

All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated.

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