



SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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Next month's Newsletter will cover December and the first half of January. We would be pleased to receive all items for inclusion by November 20th.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Some members of the Council had been present at the Liscombe Park Meeting to discuss the by-passes issue. Some scepticism was expressed on the benefits of private investment, but the Clerk reported that the County Council had already put in a bid to the Private Funding Initiative although the implications of this are still unclear. However, continuous pressure on all those involved in building our by-passes is obviously a necessity and local residents are urged to express their concern once more to the County Council. A follow-up meeting of all interested parties, including other villages affected by the flow of traffic between Milton Keynes and Aylesbury, will be held in Soulbury probably on December 15th in the Clubroom at 8pm.

Several planning applications from Stockgrove were discussed, as was Liscombe Park's application to extend the stabling for horses. In accordance with the Parish Council's agreed practice, the decisions of the Council will be recorded in the approved Minutes which are displayed soon after their meetings in the Clubroom, the Chapel and the Church. However, the Clerk also agreed that he would give advanced notice on the Clubroom Notice board of planning applications which he knew would be coming up for discussion, so that anyone interested could come to hear the Council's decisions.

The Parish Council have received a letter from "Village Connections" regarding a possible bus service between villages on an evening basis. This was obviously an interesting initiative and it was recommended that the instigators should be put in touch with the Rural Transport bonus payment scheme which the County Council should be operating.

A plea was issued to all villagers to help the Council keep costs of repairs to their property to a minimum. The salt bin on The Green was recently demolished obviously by a vehicle, but no information has been gathered on the circumstances or the culprit. If anyone sees something like this happening it would be very useful if the car's registration number could be noted, and the Clerk informed. The Clerk is John Spires, Tel: 01525 370094.

The next two meetings of the Council will be on Monday November 16th and Wednesday December 16th.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

Peter Lymbery

Peter Lymbery is now our Ordained Local Minister. He was ordained at Oxford on 3rd October in a most inspiring service attended by a large number of Peter's family, friends and the church congregation. The following afternoon a Service of Thanksgiving was held in the Church. Close on 200 people were present. The address was given by the Rev. Paul Drake, who has known Peter for over 30 years, was once the Vicar of Soulbury and who coincidentally was ordained 50 years previously on 4th October 1948. At the conclusion of the service, afternoon tea was served. Thanks to all the ladies who helped and especially to Margaret Rowe who made a celebration cake of sufficient size decorated with a prayer and the words "Peter O Paul 50".

A Coffee Morning will take place in the Clubroom on Saturday 7th November from 10.30am to 12 noon in support of Church General Funds. There will be a Raffle, Stalls, Bring & Buy, Cakes, etc. We are still on the lookout for new ideas. Admission will be 50p including coffee & biscuits. Contact Stan Morris who will also be pleased to receive offers of help to staff the stalls. Goods for sale can be delivered to 3 Stewkley Road on Friday 6th November or to the hall from 10am to 10.30am on the Saturday.

Christmas Bingo in support of General Funds will be held in the Clubroom on Saturday 12th December at 7.30pm. Please put the date in your diary.

Church Cleaning - help would be appreciated from 9am to 10am **each** Saturday from now until Christmas when the Phase 2 restoration should be complete.

Servers - We would like to set up a band of servers to work on a rota basis. Both young people and adults would be welcome. If you are interested, please contact Peter Lymbery on 01525 371235.

RESTORATION NEWS

Phase 2 of the Restoration work is now well underway on the South Clerestorey window and wall masonry. Decayed older stone has been cut out ready for replacement. The South Aisle pews have been removed for repair and so that the floor and joists can be renewed..

The Barn Dance on 26th September at Stewkley Village Hall raised £100 for the Restoration Fund. Thanks to John Kemp the caller, Contraflow the band, and to Jackie Ridley, Jane Luxton and Sheila Morgan for putting the event together.

Pub Games Evening

A Pub Games evening is our next fund raising event. It is scheduled to take place on Saturday 21st November at 7.30pm at Great Brickhill Village Hall. Among the games will be Quoits, Darts, Dominoes, Shove Halfpenny and Subuteo.. We are looking for 8 teams of 8 people. Tickets are £8 each inclusive of supper. Tickets can be obtained from Jim Cochrane on 01525 270271.

Carols at The Boot

Tony Saint has again kindly agreed to have a Christmas Sing-a-long. Sue Taylor, Chris Jones and their friends will be providing the music. The date will be Sunday 20th December (not the 13th as previously announced)

GRAND LAUNCH OF MILLENNIUM GREEN

On Saturday November 14th from 1.30pm onwards, we will be celebrating the opening of our Green. The Millennium oak tree will be officially planted by Sir Nicholas Bonsor from Liscombe Park. There will be dignitaries from the Countryside Commission, from Aylesbury Vale D.C. and from the brewery Bass (which has generously given us £2,000). We would like as many local people as possible to be there to help make it an enjoyable occasion. There will be a falconry display by a falconer from the English School of Falconry and Nick and Teresa Matten will give a demonstration of willow hurdle-making. Mulled wine and light refreshments will be served and there will also be a raffle for which one of the prizes is a complementary round of golf at the Three Locks Golf Club.

MILLENNIUM GREEN RACE NIGHT

The Millennium Green Trustees would like to thank all those who helped make the Race Night on Friday October 16th such an enjoyable and successful evening. Particular thanks go to Stan and Jean Morris, Margaret and John Rowe and Chris and Chris Bryant for organising the event, doing the refreshments and setting it all up. £297 profit was made for the Millennium Green Fund. Many, many thanks.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The Coffee Morning at the Old School raised the sum of £182.52 and also generated orders for £149.52 worth of Macmillan Christmas Cards. Thanks for this result are due to Mrs Morgan for once more allowing us to hold the event at her home, to all those who contributed raffle prizes and bring and buy items, to the many helpers and to all who supported with their presence and their generous monetary giving.

CONGRATULATIONS

Belated congratulations to Marie & Andy Grant on the birth of their son Marc-Francois, a brother for Danielle.

WELCOME

We would like to welcome to the Village Max Gilks and Christine Lawrence and also Lisa & Barry Ming, all of whom have come to live on the High Road.

STEWKLEY PLAYERS

Stewkley Players present their 80th production "Hobson's Choice" - a Lancashire comedy by Harold Brighouse, in the Village Hall, Stewkley on Wednesday 18th to Saturday 21st November at 8pm. There will be a licensed bar and the doors are open at 7.30pm. Tickets on sale from 26th October - Tel: Jean & Chris Carter 01525 240236.

As we, Janet & Kevin Vinsen, are moving to New Zealand, we have a number of items for sale and to give away to anyone who wants them ie:

FOR SALE (any reasonable offers considered)

Zanussi Washing Machine with Integral Condensing dryer (2yr), Zanussi Upright Fridge Freezer (3½yr), 3 piece suite including 2-seater sofa and recliner chair (2yr), 3 double (7 layer) futons (4yr), 1 single (7 layer) futon (4yr), video recorder (4yr), Kenwood Chef Mixer & accessories (1½yr), Braun Multipractic & accessories (4yr), 2 gents Mountain bikes (require some attention), 1 ladies Mountain bike, Standard Lamp (2yr), Slow Cooker (3yr), Philips kettle (1yr). All the above are in very good condition and will be sold as seen.

AND TO GIVE AWAY (First come first served)

Juicer, MFI Computer Desk, 2 Large Open Bookcases, 1 low Open Bookcase, 1 Table (with folding leaves), 2 rffy chairs, 3 ELC Childrens Tables, 6 ELC chairs, Little Tikes Basketball Hoop, Small electric mower, Strimmer, Sodastream, Kenwood Handmixer, Metal doublewidth Fireguard.

Contact as soon as possible Janet or Kevin Vinsen at Charity Barn, The Green on 270006. Sorry we cannot deliver.

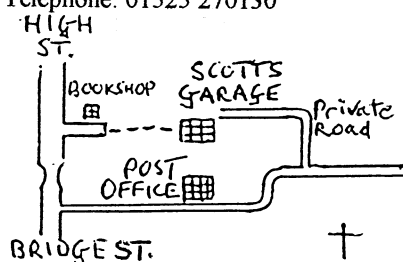
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ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

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

Ordained Local Minister: Rev. Peter Lymbery, 17 Hartwell Crescent, L.B. - Tel: 371235

Sunday 1st November	10.00am - NOTE TIME: Patronal Festival to mark All Saints Day. We shall be joined by Stewkley and Drayton Parslow churches.
Sunday 8th November	10.50am - Remembrance Sunday Service at the Memorial followed by church service 6.00pm - Holy Trinity, Drayton Parslow - Deanery Service, Speaker Prof. Russell Stannard
Sunday 15th, 22nd, 29th Nov.	11.30am - Sung Eucharist
Sunday 5th December	11.30am - Sung Eucharist

METHODIST CHURCH

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

Sunday 1st November	10.00am	- Family Service. Alison Macho
Sunday 8th November	6.00pm	- Mrs Mary Morris
Sunday 15th November	6.00pm	- Rev. Ian Banks - Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd November	6.00pm	- Rev. Philip Hill
Sunday 29th November	6.00pm	- Rev. Keith Salter

Sunday Club:	10.00am each Sunday in the Chapel
Monthly Prayer Meeting:	8.30am first Sunday in each month prior to morning service
Mother & Toddler Club:	10.00am every Tuesday

FORTHCOMING EVENTS (meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Saturday 7th November	Coffee Morning	10.30-12 noon
Tuesday 10th November	W.I. AGM	8pm
Wednesday 11th November	Social Circle	2.30pm
Saturday 14th November	Millennium Green Launch	2pm
Monday 16th November	Parish Council Meeting	
Wednesday 18th November	Women's Fellowship Trivial Pursuit Evening at No.11 The Green	
Monday 9th & 23rd November	Mobile Library 10.15-10.30am (High Road) and 2.35-2.50pm (Stewkley Road)	
Thursday 5th & 19th November	AVDC Waste Paper & Recycling Collections	
Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th Nov.	Bowls Evening	7.30pm
Saturday 21st November	Pub Games Evening - Gt. Brickhill Village Hall	7.30pm

DIARY DATES

Saturday 12th December	-	Christmas Bingo
Tuesday 15th December	-	Probable Roads Meeting date
Wednesday 16th December	-	Parish Council Meeting
Sunday 20th December	-	Christmas Sing-a-long at 'The Boot'

Items for next issue by 20th November to: Mrs Miller 270545, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483 or Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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