

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER



Race Night 8th October



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MILLENIUM GREEN FETE

Jane Philpot, chairman of the Trustees writes:-

"The Millennium Green fête was a huge success with so many from the village and visitors coming along to take part in the afternoons activities, and the time went very quickly. To the many of you in the village who donated prizes and gave generously for the tombola, raffle and stalls, a very big thank you. All the goodies left over went to the charity shops in Leighton Buzzard. A very big thank you goes to all who manned the stalls, sold raffle tickets and hosted games, and also to the refreshment ladies who kept us all supplied with a cuppa and cakes!

Sadly, with the winds being so strong, the birds from The English School of Falconry were unable to fly. Nevertheless, many of you were able to hold the birds, which I heard was a wonderful experience. The afternoon's enjoyment was jollied along by the Thunderflies who played a few Bob Dylan songs and one or two other requests, the Thornhill Majorette Group display and the rides on Lionel the engine organised by Chris Bryant- we appreciate the Leighton Buzzard Lions Club for coming along and providing so much fun for all the children.

The two competitions were well supported, with many paintings and photographs entered. It would be nice if all entrees could win, but then it wouldn't be a competition,

so the winners are as follows:

The painting competition was won by Bryony Leary (3-6 age group), Sadie Carrington (7-11 age group) and Dominic Cuthbert (12-14 age group). Kate Miller, a London based primary school teacher, judged the many pictures and she made her decision based on colour and neatness.

The photo competition was judged by published photographer Anne Hyde who was impressed with the quality of all the photographs. Her chosen winners were Mrs Christine Sheppard for her photo of the Stones in the snow and the children's prize went to Vicki Smith who's photograph of a flowering rush looked like a firework display. Congratulations to all the winners and well done to all of you, especially the children, for taking part in both competitions.

As with any event, a lot of preparation went into the fête and the Trustees thank everyone who willingly gave their time and energies and cheerfully helped in so many ways, from putting up and taking down tents, fetching and carrying tables and chairs, collecting goodies for the stalls and in so many other ways which helped the whole event go smoothly. A special thank you to Dominic, Jamie Lee and Jasmine who were very helpful on Saturday morning running errands for us.

A big thank you to John Rowe and Steve Kittoe for making the

Millenium Green look so nice for the event and to John Linney, who is always there when needed. I hope I have not left anyone out, please be assured that all who helped were and are appreciated. The lovely big palm in a beautiful pot is still for sale. Any offers? Tel. 270532"

Other Millennium Green news:

This Wednesday 6th October and also Wednesday 20th October a conservation team will be working on the Millennium Green. We would love to have some local support to work alongside them. They will have plenty of tools so if you can spare an hour between 10.00 am and 3.30pm on either of those dates your help would be much appreciated.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Harvest Festival, celebrated on Sunday 19th September, was a very happy occasion. The church was decorated with lovely fruit, flowers and vegetables and it made a colourful setting for the baptism of little Grace Lily Dethick from Chelmscote who was welcomed into the fellowship of the Christian church by the rest of the congregation and the Rev Peter Lymbery who conducted the service. There were about 70 people in church; it was good to have so many.

Little Grace brought a smile to everyone's lips, including her parents Lisa and Christopher's, when she kept feeling her head at

the font and wondering how and why her hair was all wet!

It was a historic occasion because the newly installed heating was switched on for the first time and certainly added considerably to the warm and friendly atmosphere. It is really marvellous to have such facilities as we have now in the church- heating, kitchen and toilets. Many, many thanks to all those who have helped to bring this about.

At the end of the Harvest Festival Service, all the produce was taken to the Club Room in preparation for the Harvest Supper and auction on Monday September 20th at 7:30pm. This was also a jolly occasion- the room was full of local people and other connected with Soulbury. The supper was delicious as were the desserts. Many thanks to Mrs Margaret Rowe and her helpers for all their hard work. The sum of £550 was raised for church funds.

Quite a sizeable delegation from Stewkley, Soulbury and Drayton Parslow went to St Mary's Church in Aylesbury on Saturday September 25th to see John Hibbard and five colleagues become ordained by the Bishop of Buckingham, Rt. Rev. Alan Wilson. John has been training to become a priest over the last few years and has come to Soulbury on many occasions to preach and help out. Now that he is the Reverend John Hibbard, we hope to see him more often, though he will be based in Stewkley primarily. Until the benefice has a new vicar, which will take a good six months or more, the Revs. Peter Lymbery and John Hibbard will be in charge and share the duties. We are extremely fortunate to have Peter and John. They are non-stipendiary ministers which means they do all their work voluntarily and out of love and a sense of duty.

The P.C.C is concerned about the condition of the Robinson family grave in the churchyard. There is a railing around the grave which is loose and rusty. It is a possible hazard and it is felt that the

fencing should be removed in order to avoid an accident. If any members of the family still live in Soulbury, or if anyone knows of their whereabouts and could inform them of this situation, perhaps they would contact the churchwardens Mr Chris Bryant on 270607 or Mr Harry Ayris on 01296 688759 to discuss what they would like to do.

On Sunday November 7th there will be a St John minibus, a Community Care vehicle available to pick up anyone who is disabled and those who can't/don't want to walk to church, for the normal Sung Eucharist morning service at 11:30 am. If you would like a ride to and from church please call Peter on 371235 or Christine on 270377.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the meeting held on 27th September, Vic Wright took the chair and thanked the other councilors for electing him Chairman. Five councilors and two members of the public attended the meeting.

SID (Speed Indicator Device): Enough people have volunteered to man SID, and arrangements will be made to borrow the device (but more are welcome as we can increase the amount of time that the device in use).

Cedar Lodge, 16 The Green: An application to demolish the present garage and erect a replacement was discussed. The Clerk was requested to write to AVDC requesting that the application be approved only with the condition that the garage building cannot be sold separately from the house on the site.

The Children's Playground: It has been established that the swings can be refurbished. Quotes are awaited for the ground under the swings to be leveled and a protective synthetic material to be installed. Unfortunately the slide has to be demolished for safety reasons.

Clubroom. The kitchen window was vandalized and has now been repaired. Everyone is requested to report any future suspicious behavior to the police or any of the parish councilors.

Burglaries: The police have reported an increase in the amount of burglary from out-buildings, such as sheds and garages, please lock up your out buildings.

Stockgrove Country Park: Anyone interested in the future of Stockgrove Country Park is invited to a public meeting on 11th October, at 8.00 pm, in the park's visitor centre off Brickhill Road, Heath and Reach.

For more information telephone Esther or Veronica on 01525 237760

The next Parish Council meeting will be Monday October 18th at 7:30pm

SAFARI SUPPER

A Safari Supper will be held on Saturday 27th November. We need volunteers to provide a starter or main course in their own home for 6-8 people.

We all meet for desserts at the Pargeter's Barn opposite The Boot. Cost is £12 per head in aid of the Friends of Soulbury Church.

Please contact Sheila on 270175 or Paul on 270292 for details or to volunteer for a course.

WI NEWS

During the summer the WI had a most enjoyable outing to Warwick Castle, and the trip to the Tower of London was a great success.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Despite the good weather and low attendance the coffee morning raised £164. The WI would like to thank everyone who participated and for the generous donations sent. Special thanks to helpers who gave unstintingly of their time.

QUIZ NIGHT

There will be a quiz in the Clubroom on Saturday 13th

November in aid of the Millennium Green. Tickets are £7 which include a 2 course hot supper. Teams of 4 are encouraged to arrive at 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm. Bring your own drink and glasses, also there will be a raffle. Please call 270532 or 270377 to book your table.

FOUND

A pair of ladies glasses in a maroon case was recently found on a seat in Millennium Green. Please contact Pam Norman 270483.

NEWSLETTER WEBSITE

Readers may like to know that the Soulbury Newsletter on-line received 1127 hits in August.

DOG WALKING

If your dog needs walking give Jade and Becky a call on 07958283522. Weekdays: 4.30-6.30pm
Weekends: Anytime that suits you
Reasonable prices.

RACE NIGHT

Leighton Buzzard Lions Club are holding a charity Race Night on Friday October 8th in the Clubroom. Tickets are £5 each which includes a hot supper. All profits will go to local Lions charities. Tickets and information available from Chris Bryant (01525 270607) or email race@lblions.com

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LIFE COACHING

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Contact Alistair Brown
01525 270648

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Kitchens, bathrooms, floors, doors, shelves, tiling, fitted wardrobes, plumbing, maintenance, small building work- anything considered- just ask. Free estimates. Call Chris Dowell 01525 270701

LADYBIRD PARENT, BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We are a very friendly group of parents and carers with children ranging from birth to 4 years. Come and join in the fun at wing Village Hall. www.ladybirdtoddlers.org.uk or call Suzy on 01525 270701

FORTHCOMING EVENTS & DIARY DATES

All in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated



Wednesday	October 6 th and 20 th	10.00am-3.30pm	Work party on the Millennium Green
Friday	October 8 th		Race Night for L.B Lions
Tuesday	October 12 th	8.00pm	Women's Institute Speaker: Mr Griffin of Slapton Buffalo Farm
Wednesday	October 13 th	2.30pm	Social Circle
Monday	October 18 th	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday	October 20 th	7.45pm	Women's Fellowship
Friday	October 8 th and 22 nd	1.00pm-1.15pm	Mobile Library- Stewkley Rd Bus Stop
Thursday	October 14 th and 28 th		A.V.D.C recycling collection
Wednesday	November 10 th		Cricket Club AGM
Saturday	November 13 th	7.00pm	Quiz night for Soulbury Millennium Green
Saturday	November 27 th		Safari supper for Friends of Soulbury Church

ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES

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



Sunday	October 3 rd	10:15am	THIS SERVICE IS AT STEWKLEY
Sunday	October 10 th	11:30 am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	October 17 th	11:30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	October 24 th	11:30am	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	October 31 st	11:30am	Sung Eucharist
Monday	November 14 th	10.50am	Remembrance Day Service
Tuesday	December 14 th	4.00pm	Christingle Service

NEW TIMETABLE FOR SOULBURY BUSES (from September 2004)



Monday to Friday (Route 52)

Soulbury	09.56	13.01	14.51	Bletchley	-	-	13.45
to Leighton Buzzard (direct)	10.10	13.10	15.00	To Leighton Buzzard (via Gt. Brickhill, S. Hammond)	09.30	12.35	14.25
to Bletchley (via S. Hammond, Gt Brickhill)	10.45	13.40	-	To Soulbury (via Wing, Stewkley)	09.56	13.01	14.51

Thursday only (route 155)

Friday only (route 154)

Soulbury	10.12	Milton Keynes	13.00	Soulbury	09.32	Aylesbury	12.15	
Bletchley	10.43	Bletchley	13.19	Aylesbury	10.20	Soulbury	13.03	
Milton Keynes	10.59	Soulbury	13.50	Saturday only (Route 52)				
				Soulbury	11.56	14.51	Leighton Buzzard	14.25
				Leighton Buzzard	12.10	15.02	Soulbury	14.51

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If you would like to sponsor one month's Newsletter or submit items for the next issue by 21st October 2004, please contact:

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