

# SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Our representative on the AVDC, Councillor Neil Blake attended the recent parish council meeting and urged everyone to make sure they filled in the electoral registration forms or telephoned the details requested. If there is anything you are concerned about his telephone number is 01525 261288 or email [ncbdomino@btinternet.com](mailto:ncbdomino@btinternet.com), or you may wish to ring Brenda Jennings who is our county representative on Buckinghamshire County Council 01525 270610

Last year a Christmas Tree was placed on the beacon in the village green. If anyone would like to sponsor a Christmas Tree this year, please contact Mr Vic Wright on 01525 270537.

## WI NEWS

Caroline from Frosts Garden Centre visited us in September and amused the members with her unusual and artistic demonstration using not only flowers but vegetables for some eye catching displays. Her use of butternut squashes, Savoy cabbage and various autumnal hedgerow berries and leaves, to say the least was unusual, but gave our members lots of ideas.

Next month's meeting is on Tuesday 10 October at 8 pm when Mr Cornwall will be giving a talk entitled "Why not Bulgaria?" During this meeting nominations will be received for the new committee for the coming year.

## WINE TASTING EVENING

On Saturday 7th October at 7:30pm the WI are holding a Wine Tasting evening with experts Mr Martin Thomas and Mr Ian Housley. The evening will also include a Buffet Supper and Raffle. Tickets are £10 each and are available by calling 270355 or 270604. A donation from this event will be given to Macmillan Cancer Relief. This is in place of a coffee morning, so if anyone would like to donate a raffle prize or give a donation - it will be very much appreciated. (soft drinks also available)

## SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AIRMEN AND FAMILIES ASSOCIATION (SSAFA)

This is a national charity which runs a nationwide support line for all service personnel and their families and includes the ex-service community.

The confidential support line is free, it is open from 10.30am to 10.30pm 365 days a year. The number is 0800 731 4880.

New recruits are needed for help with both case work and the support line. Of any readers are interested in helping with this work, please contact Victor Heron or Craig Treeby on 01844 218349.

## FAMILY FINDING..

We have received the following plea from Janine Puckering.

"My great-grandmother was born and bred in Soulbury and her maiden name was Turney, and her mother's maiden name was Pantling. My family are researching our family tree and I am looking for any information that people may have on the Turneys and Pantlings"

If you do have any information please let one of the newsletter team know (or email) and we can pass on the information or put you in touch.

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## HARVEST SUPPER

The Harvest Supper will take place in the Clubroom, on Monday 16th October at 7:30 pm. The cost is £8 per ticket, which includes a hot meal and will be followed by the Auction of Produce. Please bring own drinks and glasses. Tickets can be obtained from Chris Bryant on 270607 **BEFORE 10th October please**

## DR. TOM BOLTON

The village will have been shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden accidental death of Dr. Tom Bolton.

The Boltons moved from Cublington to their cottage in Chapel Hill just over two years ago. Tom had been a partner in general practice in Leighton Buzzard for over 30 years and since his retirement had been doing surgeries for a practice in Wing.

I am sure that we would all join in sending our condolences to Janette and the family at this sad time.

## MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

Please come along to our coffee morning on the 7<sup>th</sup> October from 10am onwards, we have many books, CDs and videos for sale this time plus there are also home made cakes, jams and chutneys. I was sorry that no one wanted to join us to raise funds for their group or charity, however the offer still stands just give Jane a buzz on 270532.

We are happy to report that six stag beetle nest buckets have been planted in various locations and will be monitored for success, if you come across a stag beetle lava in your own garden then please take care of it as this wonderful beetle takes six years to reach adulthood. There is a fantastic website that can give you more information, <http://maria.fremlin.de/stagbeetles/index.html>.

On Saturday a small group with Liz spent time working on the front entrance hedge, we thank Paul Blissett for his contribution of labour along with his chainsaw skills. The newly planted hazel grove was cleared of bindweed and the stag beetle buckets placed. Gilli very kindly planted ten clumps of daffodils near the entrance so that will look cheerful in the spring. Many thanks go to Gilli for planting and to Judy who donated the bulbs. Thank you to those who came and helped.

Please look out for Race Night details in next months newsletter. The evening will include a hot supper, a lot of shouting and merriment and there may be some horses for sale! You can book a place now for the evening by calling Jane on 270532 or Chris on 270607. Tickets are £6 per person.

If there is anyone who would clear and remove hedge cuttings laying on the front entrance verge with a tractor and trailer then please contact Jane or Liz on 270545 for information as to where it can be moved. The 100 Club Winner for September and October will be drawn at our next meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

That's all for this month. Many thanks and hope to see some of you at our coffee morning.

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

The talk given by Professor Richard Marks was attended by over 40 people. It was truly inspiring to listen to Richard explaining how the church would have looked before Henry VIII came on the scene and the Reformation took hold. How profound the effect would have been on the ordinary folk of Soulbury as they watched their favourite saints or images of the Virgin Mary ripped out of their niches and smashed. It was also interesting to have the remnants of medieval stained glass around the edges of the present windows pointed out and to imagine how the church has changed through the centuries. Many thanks go to Richard and Mrs Brenda Howell for organising the talk, and also to the refreshment ladies for the wine and nibbles.

The pet service on 17th September was a great success. You may have seen the photos in the Leighton Buzzard Observer. There were about sixty people attending and lots of pets; cats, dogs, rabbits, guinea pigs, mice, geckoes, a big tortoise (almost a foot in diameter) water snails from the garden pond and the largest pets were the six horses. The children were invited to come up to the nave in twos with their pets for blessing. Dr and Mrs Owen provided excellent coffee and biscuits after the service and Mr Chris Bryant and the Leighton Buzzard Lions Club organised the P.A. system which enabled the horses to listen to the hymns and their riders to join in the service outside in the sunshine in the churchyard. Many thanks to everyone who came and helped make it a great fun, social occasion and especially to Mrs Michelle Wilde for organising the horses. Thanks also to Mr Chris Jones for coming to the rescue and playing the church organ.

Thanks go to Mr Ian Parrott for permission to park on his field for both of the above events.

On Saturday 23rd September the marriage blessing of Caroline Ann Coleman, nee Haines, daughter of Mr and Mrs Don Haines of Stewkley Road and Robert William Coleman of the United States of America took place at 11.30am in the church. It was a memorable occasion for everyone who attended and I am sure everyone will join in wishing the newly married couple every happiness in the future.

We shall celebrate Harvest Festival with a new service, a Songs of Praise in the evening at 6pm on Sunday 15th October. Please bring your gifts of fruit and vegetables to the church on Saturday 14th October in the morning, or on the evening of Friday 15th October. Everyone is invited to this new service to come along and enjoy a good sing song of thanksgiving.

The next day Monday 16th October we shall have our traditional Harvest Supper in the Club Room and auction of the produce from the Harvest Festival. The food is always excellent and its a jolly, friendly evening. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets are £8 per person and are available from Mrs Christine Bryant on 270607 (BEFORE 10<sup>th</sup> October please).

Advance notice of the very special service on Sunday 5th November at 10.30am (NOTE TIME). The Right Reverend Bishop of Buckingham Alan Wilson is coming to celebrate our Patronal Festival, All Saints when we shall be joined by congregations from Stewkley and Drayton Parslow. Do come along if you can.

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- Emily lives in the village, contact her on 01525 270674
- Alternatively contact Alistair Brown on 01525 270648
- Abigail also lives in the village, contact her on 01525 270674

## WANTED

Jam jars and pickle jars (with lids please) for home production! Collection can be arranged. Many thanks, Liz Miller 270545.

## BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet on 11<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm at 'Hillcroft', Stewkley Road. The book to be discussed is "Lady's Maid".

## SUMMER BALL 2007

The date for the next ball has been set for Saturday 23rd June 2007. Tickets are £55 per head with tables of up to 10 or 12 available. Fund raising will again be split between SPARKS and a local charity. Contact Sam Mardlin on 270292 for more details and to reserve tickets.



## ALL SAINTS CHURCH SERVICES


Priest in Charge : Michelle Morton : The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel. 240287

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



Sunday	✓1st October	11:30am	Holy Communion	
Sunday	✓8th October	9:00am	Holy Communion	(note time)
Saturday	✓14th October	2:30pm	Holy Baptism	
Sunday	✓15th October	6:00pm	Songs of Praise, Harvest Festival	(note time)
Monday	✓16th October	7:30pm	Harvest Supper in the Club Room	
Sunday	✓22nd October	11:30am	Holy Communion	
Sunday	✓29th October	11:30am	Holy Communion	
Sunday	✓5th November	10:30am	Patronal Service of All Saints with Bishop Alan Wilson	(note time)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday	✓6th October	1:00pm	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
Saturday	✓7th October	10:00am	Millennium Green Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale	(Clubroom)
Saturday	✓7th October	7:30pm	WI Wine Tasting Evening	(Clubroom)
Tuesday	✓10th October	8:00pm	WI Talk (Why not Bulgaria?) by John Cornwall	(Clubroom)
Wednesday	✓11th October	2:30pm	Book Club (Lady's Maid)	("Hillcroft")
Thursday	✓12th October		AVDC Collection for Recycling	
Friday	✓20th October	1:00pm	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
Monday	✓23rd October	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting	(Clubroom)
Thursday	✓26th October		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	
Tuesday	✓7th November	8:00pm	Soulbury Cricket Club AGM	(Clubroom)

**Thank you to a Soulbury resident for kindly sponsoring this months Newsletter.**

If you would like to sponsor an issue, or submit items for publication by 25th October, please contact:

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