

SOULBURY VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Stan Morris for receiving a certificate of recognition for his services to the village from Aylesbury Vale District Council as part of their Parish Volunteer '99 awards. Everyone in Soulbury is used to seeing Stan hard at work on various village projects and he well deserves his award.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH CLEANING Help would be appreciated with cleaning on Saturdays 4 and 18 September and 9 October from 10 am to 12 noon.

SUNDAY CLUB The joint Chapel/Church Sunday School resumes on 12 September at 10 am in the Chapel, thereafter 10 am each Sunday in the Chapel unless otherwise notified. New entrants are welcome. Pop in with the children and find out more. Contacts: Christine Shepherd 270377 and Margaret Harris 376492.

PETER LYMBERY is to be ordained Priest in SS Peter and Paul Parish Church, Buckingham by the Rt Revd Michael Hill, Bishop of Buckingham at 10.30 am on Sunday, 3 October 1999. The only reserved seating is for families of the ordinands but there should be plenty of room for everybody wishing to attend. Please put your name on the list in the Church if you intend to be present. This will help with organising transport and save taking too many cars.

Peter's first Celebration of the Eucharist will be at All Saints Church Soulbury on Sunday 10 October at 3 pm followed by refreshments. Please let Lady Nadine Bonsor know by 1 October if you intend to be present.

Peter will appreciate your prayers as he takes this important step in the ministry.

THE HARVEST SUPPER will take place in the Clubroom on Monday 20 September at 7.30 pm. The menu is Shepherds Pie followed by Apple Pie and cream. Tickets are £5 each and should be reserved as soon as possible with Chris Bryant on 270607. There will be a raffle (prize donations to Chris Bryant please) and after the meal the usual auction of harvest produce.

RESTORATION NEWS To help towards fundraising for the Church Restoration, and to celebrate the Rededication of the bells to coincide with the Millennium 2000, a special village colour Christmas card will be on sale from 1 September. Cards can be ordered from Brenda Howell (270307) or via the churchwardens, priced £1 per pack of four cards. A sample of the design will be displayed on the notice board at the Church gate, beside Kirk View.

MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS Work is progressing, albeit rather slowly, on the Green and the children's playground will hopefully be installed in September. We have had problems and it's been very complicated and it looks at this stage as though the playground we planned will have to be scaled down.

The sculpture has been erected by Charles Luxton, the sculptor, and Mr Michael Luxton and helpers. It looks very impressive. They have worked long hours on the amphitheatre area and it has not been easy. The trustees are very, very grateful for all their help and to S.R.B.E, of Hollingdon depot for the loan of the fork-lift.

The paving on the stage area looks very good and when finished, the amphitheatre will offer a great opportunity for exciting events. We need someone to finish it off or make suggestions, do let us know on 270532 or 270377.

The Autumn Fair is scheduled for 18 September. There will be pony rides and a merry-go-round for children and lots of other attractions. We still need help manning stalls, so, if anyone can offer their services, please call Jane on 270532 or Christine on 270377. Raffle tickets are already on sale.

We are still collecting Target stamps and the polo-shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces are still on sale. Phone Christine on 270377 to order.

TRAFFIC CALMING

A number of villagers met with representatives of the Wing Traffic Action Group on 24 August. It was decided that support would be given to the demonstration by the Mid Bucks Villages Traffic Action Group on the 9 September, but only in the shape of hand held posters or banners with no actual disruption of traffic.

Our demonstration would last from 8 am to 9.15 am. If you can help with the preparation of banners and placards and/or display of them on 9 September please contact Kate Cobb on 270006 or Jackie Ridley on 270619 as soon as possible.

Those interested are asked to attend a meeting at the Boot at 8 pm on 6 September to finalise arrangements.

ROYAL AIR FORCES ASSOCIATION will be holding a 1999 Wings Appeal Concert on Wednesday 8 September at the Vandyke School Concert Hall, Leighton Buzzard. The James Goff Big Band featuring vocalist Jeannie Dee will give a varied programme. Doors open at 7.30 pm for a concert start at 8 pm. Tickets are available from Graham Webb Music 6/8 Bridge Street, Leighton Buzzard 01525 376622. If anyone has difficulty obtaining tickets please contact Daphne Booth 270322.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Please remember to support Soulbury's participation in the world's largest Coffee Morning on Friday, 1 October. Further details will be available on posters advertising the event nearer to the time.

PREPARE NOW FOR THE MILLENNIUM

We have received the following notice from Bucks and Milton Keynes Fire Authority:

"DON'T LET firefighters be your first footers in the new Millennium. Whether you are planning a big party, a dinner party with friends or family, or planning a quiet night at home you can reduce the possibility of having an emergency that night.

Churches are suggesting that you put a candle in your window for the night of December 31 to see in the new Millennium. If you plan to do this use one of the candles provided by the church and follow the instructions carefully. Fill the candleholder with water to the required level (so that the candle is extinguished when it burns low). If you don't have one of the special candles and you want to put a light in your window use a night light in a proper night light holder. Place the candle away from curtains and other flammable objects and ensure that the window is closed so that no draughts can blow something onto the flame or blow the candle over.

If you plan to hold a firework or bonfire party, or are involved in a public display, or lighting a beacon why not attend a free seminar being held in Aylesbury during September. The seminar will provide advice from Trading Standards, Environmental Health and fire officers, and is designed to help you run your firework or bonfire party safely. For more information contact Station Officer Chris Gill on 01296 424666.

Any home or business that has a fire alarm should check it to ensure that it is Millennium compliant. If it is not and your insurance is dependent on the alarm you may not be covered. Contact your supplier or manufacturer to check now.

And last, but not least, take a few small steps to protecting yourself from the ravages of fire. If you don't own a smoke detector - get one now. If you have a smoke alarm check it operates once a month by pushing the test button. Change the battery once a year and clean the alarm carefully once a year by vacuuming to stop the collection of dust. Ensure any non-essential electrical items are turned off when you go to bed and when you leave the premises and close all internal doors also, as this will go a long way to protecting your property from smoke damage.

If you are over 60, a single parent, or have a disability and you live in Buckinghamshire, the fire service will provide a smoke detector and fit it for you free of charge. For more details call Station Office Chris Gill on 01296 424666.

Chief Fire Officer, Jeff Goddard, said: "The Millennium presents a difficult time for the fire service as no one is certain what is going to happen.

People can help the brigade by bearing fire safety in mind and checking to ensure that equipment is Millennium compliant in advance of the night."

THE SAVE ENERGY SOCIETY 'TOP IT UP' SCHEME

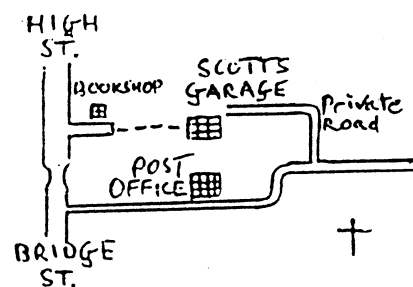
The Save Energy Society and AVDC were recently granted funding from the Government's Energy Saving Trust to set up a new scheme to help local residents to insulate their home. Called 'Top It Up', the scheme is run by the Save Energy Society with the support of AVDC. 'Top It Up' can benefit local homeowners in money saving ways: by offering professionally installed cavity wall insulation, loft insulation and draught proofing at as much as 30% off standard prices, and by offering loans of up to £400 for energy efficiency measures to reduce fuel bills. If you are interested and would like more information and advice call the Save Energy Society freephone on 0800 174238.

CRICKET FIXTURES

Sat	Sep 4	Shenley Ch End (away)
Sun	Sep 5	Ebury Strollers (away)
Sat	Sep 11	Gt Horwood (home)
Sun	Sep 12	Cublington (home)
Sat	Sep 18	Totternhoe (home)
Sun	Sep 19	Gt Brickhill (away)
Sun	Sep 26	Mentmore (away)

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ALL SAINTS CHURCH

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

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

Sun Sep 5	8 am	Holy Communion - Prayer Book Rev Bob Wilmott No other services at Soulbury
Sun Sep 12	11.30 am	Sung Eucharist
Sun Sep 19	10.00 am	Harvest Festival - Family Service
Sun Sep 26	10.15 am	Benefice Service at St Michaels Stewkley - Patronal Festival No services at Soulbury
Sun Oct 3	10.30 am	Peter Lymbery's ordination at Buckingham No services at Soulbury
Sun Oct 10	3 pm	Peter Lymbery's First Celebration of the Eucharist

METHODIST CHURCH Minister: Rev Brian Trudgian. The Manse, Stewkley. Tel 240251.

Sun Sep 5		No morning service
	6 pm	Circuit service at Stewkley to welcome Rev Brian Trudgian
Sun Sep 12	6 pm	Rev Bob Morris
Sun Sep 19	6 pm	Mrs J Gregory
Sun Sep 26	6 pm	To be arranged
Mother and Toddler	10 am - 12 noon every Tuesday	

FORTHCOMING EVENTS (meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated)

Mon Sep 6 & 20		Mobile Library
Tue Sep 14		WI 'Something to Declare' by Customs and Excise Officer
Wed Sep 8	2.30 pm	Social Circle
Thurs Sep 9 and 23		A.V.D.C Waste Paper and Recycling Collections
Thurs Sep 2,9,16,23,30	7.30 pm	Bowls Evening
Wed Sep 15	7.45 pm	WF Business Meeting
Sat Sep 18	2 pm	Autumn Fair on the Millennium Green
Mon Sep 20	7.30 pm	Harvest Supper
Mon Sep 27	8 pm	Parish Council Meeting

DIARY DATE

Fri, Oct 1 Macmillan Coffee Morning (venue to be announced nearer the time)

Items for next issue by 21 September to: Mrs Miller 270545, Mrs Bunyan 270461, Mrs Norman 270483 or Mrs Fairbairn 270674.

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Soulbury Millennium Green Trust

4 Andrews Close - Soulbury - Leighton Buzzard - Beds. LU7 0DQ
Telephone: 01525 270532

Dear Soulbury residents

I along with the Soulbury Millennium Green Trust am organising a '100 Club' to raise funds for the Soulbury Millennium Green.

The club will be based on two principles

1. To raise funds for the upkeep of the Soulbury Millennium Green
2. To give a cash prize each month of half the amount collected. So if there are 100 members, the cash prize will be £50 each month.

A member of the '100 Club' will subscribe £1 per month by paying a one off payment of £12 for the year (cash or cheque - cheque payable to Soulbury Millennium Green Trust).

The club will start in October 1999. Each person will be given a permanent number to go in the prize draw. The draw will take place at the Soulbury Parish Council which is held monthly in the Clubroom. The winner will be contacted as soon as possible after the draw, either by telephone or post.

We need as much support as possible, so please ask your family, friends and work colleagues to join.

Please complete the slip provided and send to me: (or hand to the Secretary at the Fayre on Saturday, 18 September 1999)

Mrs Diane Lowes
Cypri House
Dean Farm Lane
Soulbury
Leighton Buzzard
LU7 0DD

If anyone has any queries, please feel free to contact me on 01525 270752 (evenings and weekends).

Many thanks for your support.

Yours faithfully



Diane Lowes

TRUSTEES Mesdames M.Payne, J.Day, E.Miller, C.Sheppard, Miss J.Phillpot. Mr R.Marks.
Soulbury Millennium Green Charity Trust. Registered Charity Number: 1070738



Soulbury Millennium Green Trust '100 Club'

We wish to join the '100 Club'

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