

SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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PARISH NEWS

Incident : Unfortunately, two cars were broken into on Thursday 12th August on High Road. One of the cars (a convertible) had the roof slashed several times and it is now totally ruined and will need to be replaced. The incident has been reported to the police and anyone with any information related to this is requested to do the same.

Fountain clean up : The Parish Council are working on the Jubilee Fountain on Saturday the 2nd October, we will be meeting at the Fountain at 10am. Please bring gloves and tools.

Parish Hall : The extension to the Parish Hall has been started and this will add extra room for functions and add extra parking for cars when functions are taking place.

Parish Council : There was no meeting in August, the next meeting will be on 20th September at 7:30pm.

Post Office Services : The Post Office and Shop in Stoke Hammond is now closed. The Parish Council has made enquiries about the Post Office Outreach Service, which provides Post Office facilities in rural areas. This is usually once a week for a couple of hours, the local community providing the space. This has been operating for some time in Great Brickhill on a Monday afternoon in their Village Hall. It has become a social occasion with tea and coffee and a chat all being available. Before any decision is made, the Parish Council need to know that it will be supported. We need to hear from you, so please contact your Parish Councillor, so that a supporting case can be made before the Post Office make their decision.

CHURCH NEWS

Most people will already have noticed that there is major building work being done on the church roof. It started on August 23rd and will be going on till the end of February 2011. The Parochial Church Council asks everyone who uses the church and all those who walk along the public footpath not to go too close to the scaffolding. If you go into the church while the builders are there, please let the workmen know you are there, so that they can take the necessary precautions. We must do everything we can to avoid accidents. We are also asking people to be especially vigilant and on the lookout for anyone acting in a suspicious or strange way, in other words, any persons who might be potential thieves. If you are worried by strange happenings, noises or lorries moving about at night, please phone the churchwarden on 270377 or phone the police who are aware of the repair works being carried out and will respond accordingly. There will be scaffolding inside the church as well as outside, all along the nave and along the north aisle. Sunday services will carry on as usual: we are assured that this will be possible. We are greatly indebted to The Friends of Soulbury Church who have done so much fund-raising over recent years and continue to do so, for giving us such a generous amount of money towards the cost of these repairs and, of course, to English Heritage who have given us a grant. It is going to cost about £190,000 in total. It will be marvellous when it is finished and there won't be any more need for buckets to catch raindrops coming through the roof!

BUILDERS NEED ACCOMMODATION: Could anyone offer Bed and Breakfast or Board and Lodging for two or possibly three workmen from the middle of September? Or does anyone know of somewhere local, Wing or Linslade, Stewkley, say, that does accommodation. If you have suggestions, please phone the churchwarden on 270377.

W.I. NEWS

A few hardy members and their families attempted to attend the celebrations for the 90th birthday of the WI in Buckinghamshire. Coach & car loads from all over Buckinghamshire duly arrived at Stowe Landscape Gardens with their picnics for what should have been a very pleasant summer's day out. Despite Carol Kirkwood's forecast that the whole of the area should be cloudy, but dry - the heavens opened and very soggy and wet people could be seen trying to picnic under dripping trees. The WI meetings restart in September with "The Delights of Fish" a talk by Liz Fryer of local company, Best Butchers of Great Brickhill. Tuesday 14th September at 8:00 pm in the Clubroom. Please contact Jean Housley on 01525 237654 for more information.

HARVEST SUPPER

This popular event will take place on Monday 27th September at 7:30 in the Clubroom at a cost of £12 per person. There will be the usual, excellent two course meal, followed by an auction of produce donated at the Harvest Festival service. A raffle will be held in aid of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institute a major charity supporting the farming community (see www.rabi.org.uk for more information). Also, there will be a collection of (in date please) tins, packets and other non-perishable food stuffs, for a Milton Keynes based charity who provide emergency food parcels for families in need, including Bucks villages in our area. Tickets are already selling fast, so please contact Chris Bryant 01525 270607 asap to book your place! The Harvest Festival Service is on Sunday 26th, so do come along with produce and bring your family and friends.

BARN DANCE

Many thanks to all those who attended and helped at the Barn Dance in July, and especially Michele Wilde for providing the venue, Debbie Kellner for much of the organisation and the Scouts for selling soft drinks. It was a great evening enjoyed by all. We still do not have a final total as we are still seeking a partial refund from King Bounce Alot, who provided the Rodeo Bull Ride and Saloon Bar Shoot Out. The company arrived over an hour late and the Saloon Bar Shoot Out game did not work correctly. However, the total sum raised so far is £2,154.64, to be split between All Saints Church general fund (£1,054.64), the Friends of Soulbury Church (£550) and the local Scout group (£550).

MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

The Millennium Green Trust Quiz will be on Saturday 2nd October at 7.30pm in the Club Room. The price of tickets is £10 and includes a lovely supper. Tables of four people are required but if you aren't a foursome, don't worry. We will find you a table. Please bring your own drink. If you want to book a place, please phone either Elizabeth Caplan on 270838 or Christine Sheppard on 270377 or turn up on the night.

Some fruit is ready to pick in the little orchard. Please help yourselves but check on the tree label to see when the fruit is supposed to be ready. There are some greengages still to be picked though you'll need a ladder to reach the top most branches. I've harvested the others. The Victoria plums are ready and some apples and pears will soon be ready. Be careful of the wasps!!

LIONS CLUB OF BLETCHLEY

Bletchley Lions are holding two fund raising events, supporting many local charities:

Barn Dance: Saturday 9th October at the MK Dons Stadium. Tickets available from Chris Bryant 01525 270607, priced £15 which includes a BBQ supper. Licensed bar.

Moonwalk: Saturday 25th September. Approximately 3 or 4 miles easy walking, expected to take 1.5 hrs (ish) round the Simpson Village area of MK. To commence at 7 pm from Simpson Village Hall, in the twilight. Refreshments provided upon return. There is a £2.50 registration fee. All monies raised from this event will be split between The Street Children Project (see www.streetchildren.org.uk) and **Bletchley Lions**. Please contact Chris Bryant 01525 270607 for application form or further information.



MK CITY DISCOVERY CENTRE

MKCDC is an educational charity established with the aim of promoting a wider understanding and appreciation of the heritage and unique built and natural environment of Milton Keynes. They are holding an on Sunday 12th September. The event will comprise a series of local and academic speakers which may be of interest to the villagers of Soulbury.

Admission to the lectures and drinks reception costs £8 each and includes a glass of wine or juice and a selection of canapés. Your support will help us raise funds for the upkeep of the chapel and its extraordinary paintings for future generations to enjoy. This is a wonderful chance to hear talks by experienced local speakers and academic experts among the beautiful medieval remains of Bradwell Priory. We hope you will join us to celebrate our shared local heritage and broaden your understanding of art and society in medieval England.

In addition to this, MKCDC is holding a free 'Family Fun' event throughout the day from 11am-4pm. This will feature archery, falconry, re-enactors, hog roast, and stalls selling crafts and local produce.

More details can be found at www.mkcdc.org.uk

Don't forget the **Macmillan Coffee Morning** on Friday 24th September, at the Old Vicarage, 10:30am to 12:30pm. Entry will be £1 (to include coffee) and there will be a raffle and cake produce table.

Any other good fund-raising ideas for the morning will be most welcome (phone Margaret Owen on 270305)



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Sunday	5th September	11:30am	Family Service - Shoe Boxes (Andrew and Lesley Barry)
Sunday	12th September	11:30am	Holy Communion (Rev. Peter Lymbery)
Sunday	19th September	11:30am	Holy Communion (Rev. Ian Ogilvie)
Sunday	26th September	11:30am	HARVEST FESTIVAL - Holy Communion (Rev. Ian Ogilvie)
Sunday	3rd October	11:30am	Family Service



CRICKET FIXTURES

www.soulburyvcc.org.uk

Sunday	5th - 1pm	Ebury Strollers	Away
Sunday	12th - 1pm	Bletchley Cavaliers	Home
Sunday	19th - 1pm	Stewkley	Away
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Wednesdays	1st,15th,29th	11:15am- 11:35am	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop
Friday	* 3rd Sept *		AVDC Refuse Collection
Thursday	9th September		AVDC Refuse & Recycling Collection
Tuesday	14th September	8pm	W.I. - "The Delights of Fish" - Liz Fryer
Thursday	16th September		AVDC Refuse Collection
Sunday	19th September	9:30am	Soulbury Breakfast
Monday	20th September	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Thursday	23rd September		AVDC Refuse & Recycling Collection including Glass
Friday	24th September	10:30am	Macmillan Coffee Morning - The Old Vicarage
Monday	27th September	7:30pm	Harvest Supper
Saturday	2nd October		Millennium Green Quiz and Supper (£10)



DATES
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DIARY

This month's newsletter is kindly sponsored by Vic and June Wright

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