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THE 500TH EDITION

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Dates for your diary - June 2019



Dates for your diary June 2019

Brown bin		Weds 5th, 19th
Food bin and general waste (green lid)		Weds 5th, 19th
Food bin and recycling (blue lid)		Thurs 30th May Weds 12th, 26th
W.I.		Tues 11th
Social Group	2:30 pm	Weds 5th, 19th
Book Club		Weds 12th
Parish Council Meeting	7:00 pm	Mon 17th

Copy date for articles

Fri 21st

Soulbury Millennium Green and Village Events 2019

SVCC vs The Boot Invitational XI Cricket field	Sun 9th June
Soulfest 2019	Sat 29th June
Cricket Club Quiz Night	Sat 13th July
Soulbury Fete and Scarecrow Festival	Sun 11th August
Cricket Club Race Night	Sat 31st August



All Saints' Church Services

Team Rector: Rev. Philip Derbyshire, The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel 240287

Team Vicar Wing & Wingrave : Rev. Helen Barnes

Team Vicar Cheddington with Mentmore : VacantChurch News - Philip's message

Services for June 2019

Sunday 2nd June	Peoples' Praise	11:00 am
Sunday 9th June <i>Rev. Philip Derbyshire</i>	Parish Communion	11:30 am
Sunday 16th June	No service	
Sunday 23rd June <i>Rev. Philip Derbyshire</i>	Parish Communion	11:30 am
Sunday 30th June	'Cluster' Communion at Stewkley	10:00 am

Soulbury Parish Breakfast

The last breakfast before the summer break was held this morning, 12 May. It was very well attended and 101 breakfasts were served. A profit of £410 was made for the Friends of Soulbury Church. A big thank you to everyone who helped and cooked - and to everyone who came along.

The next one will be in September, date to be arranged.

Church News - Philip's Message

Dear friends,

One line of a great hymn goes: 'Age and decay in all around I see'. There's certainly no doubting the ageing process and it's complications and everything inevitably breaks down given the time available.

But there is also a lot of life, energy, growth around to enhance our enjoyment of life. A few year's ago someone tried to start a 'good news' item for each TV news broadcast. I think it lasted about a week at most! You just can't engineer these things - as the late great Doris Day sang 'Que sera, sera - whatever will be, will be' and therefore the reverse is also true. The sad truth is that we all too often seem much, much more interested in disasters than in good stuff.

Now I wonder if that is because we are basically scared of dying or is it just the process. It was the crazy film maker Woody Allen who said: 'I'm not worried about death, I just don't want to be there when it happens!' The truth is we often deal with difficult and unpleasant realities by splashes of humour. It certainly helps put things in perspective. We all need positive support in times of stress: family, friends, faith can all get us through our times of trial.

Whatever works for you, I wish you God's blessing this, hopefully, 'glorious June'.
God bless, Revd. Philip.

Defibrillator training

So far I have had 4 people wanting to be trained to use this equipment. We need 18 so if you missed the last session and want to be involved please let me know.

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Parish Council News

The meeting of Soulbury Parish Council took place on Monday 20th May 2019. There were 10 members of the public present. Apologies received from Cllrs Ian Culley, Neil Blake and Janet Blake. Minutes of Parish Council meeting on Monday 15 April 2019 were approved. Matters arising: tree at Laburnum Cottages has been felled. Various accounts were paid. New mower bought, essentially for keeping allotments in good order, costing £203.94.

Planning:

32 High Road, Soulbury: no objections.

Green Farm, High Road, Soulbury: parish council supports the 15 house scheme.

Appointment of Chairman: Cllr Wright happy to stand again. Cllr Stevens proposed and Cllr Day seconded his appointment.

Appointment of Vice-Chairman: Cllr Cross happy to stand again. Cllr Stevens proposed and Cllr Wright seconded his appointment.

Children's play area: Needs effort for kids to want to be there. Needs a mower that picks up/mulches. Wants rolling. Need to sort out security of tenure. Draft lease discussion to be added to agenda for next meeting.

Grass cutting: Not a good cut this time. Looks a real mess.

AVDC/BCC: Cllr Ben Everitt attended the meeting. Introduced himself. Is now covering Gt Brickhill and Soulbury as Cllr Neil Blake no longer does.

Parish hall: Nothing to raise. Gents loo now has a lock!

Soulbury Millennium Green: ride-on mower back from service. Plans to extend power supply to annex side of the SMG. Cllr Stevens needs to talk to the electrician for timings as we cannot leave an empty trench unattended.

Public participation: Tree has been planted on village green. Cannot allow tree planting on common land. Would set a precedent and could get to a situation where people think that because they improve the area eventually they could claim it is theirs. We thank people for looking after the village green, which does look lovely by comparison to the job being done by the contractor. We have received offer of replacement for the Jubilee Oak which died. It is a sapling of the original tree. It was agreed we would receive the sapling and the parish council will plant it.

AOB: Speed sign on Leighton Road needs lowering but this needs care so cyclists do not hit it. A picture of HRH Queen has been donated. Cllr Stevens will get it framed and put on the village hall wall. VE Day celebrations 5/2020 - agreed that parish will be involved.

Date of the next meeting: 17th June 2019.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting took place on 20th May, 2019. There were 10 members of public present. Apologies received from Cllrs Ian Culley, Neil and Janet Blake. Minutes of last year's Annual Meeting held on 21st May 2018 were approved.

Chairman's Report: Cllr Wright thanked all the councillors for their work during the year. He felt that generally the village seems to be 'on our side'. Planning will continue to be an issue but Cllr Wright did ask Cllr Everitt to encourage the planning department to take a lot more notice of the comments of the parish councils when making planning decisions. The Parish Council knows the area far better than the planners since they never bother to even attend the sites for which there is an application. It appears that it has now got to the point that if the PC approves the planners don't and visa versa. It has become a joke. Generally, though, we are doing a good job but it was felt that more support was needed from the residents, particularly the younger end of the scale.

W.I. Report: Jean Housley reported that they had a good year and retained all of the 30 members of the group. Enjoyed listening to the many speakers who attended their meetings. They, too, are trying to attract the younger age group. They supported The Boot by having their Christmas party there and continue to support the church, in particular the bi-annual fete.

Allotments: 18 of the 22 allotments are taken so 4 available for rent. Regular grass cutting of the paths required - suggested this task is taken in turns. Mower now purchased for the purpose. Community payback lads tidy the area as well when not focussed on large projects on the SMG. Hedging also needs continual attention.

District Councillor's report: Cllr Ben Everitt reported that planning was 90% of his case load, that the performance of the planning dept is not good and it has a huge backlog. National shortage of planners and communications skills of those in post needs to be improved. Things will be easier when VALP is signed off which is now to be this Autumn. HS2 is in the 'tearing up of the countryside' stage and netting to prevent birds nesting is abhorrent. Cllr Everitt is fighting this on every level. The Oxford/Cambridge corridor project needs to learn lessons from the HS2 shambles.

Cllr Everitt commented that the way local government is funded and run is broken and radical reform is needed. Another £3bn is needed to keep the show on the road. Bucks, however, will be a unitary authority as of next April and not the 5 current councils we currently have. The magnitude of this reform should not be underestimated.

Cllr Neil Blake sent a written report, most of which Cllr Everitt covered but it will be attached to the minutes.

Jean Housley, on behalf of the village, thanked all members of the parish council for their hard work.

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Soulbury Village Cricket Club



It's been a difficult start to the new season for the village cricket club who were promoted to Division 2 of the Four Counties Cricket League last year. The first match against Great Horwood CC had to be abandoned due to rain and the next two matches saw poor batting performances and dropped catches lead to losses against Newport Pagnall CC and Cranfield University CC. On both occasions Soulbury would have expected victory chasing relatively low totals but batting collapses, reminiscent of England in the nineties, let them down. None of the opposition faced so far suggests the league team won't be able to do well this season but improvement is needed. On Sundays the more relaxed friendly matches have seen great local games against Drayton Parslow and Stoke Hammond.

In June:

On Saturdays in the league Soulbury are at home against New City CC and Printers CC on the 8th and 22nd (fixtures start at 1:30 pm)

On Sundays Soulbury are at home every week, playing friendly matches against, among others, Buckingham on the 16th and Cublington on the 23rd (fixtures start at 2 pm)

Finally, on the 9th June it is the second ever **Soulbury Village CC v The Boot Invitational XI** fixture for bragging rights over the coming months. It should be a fantastic day and all are welcome!

Any weekend when Soulbury are at home, pop across the fields, say hello and enjoy the cricket and cash bar available, or - even better - come and have a game on a Sunday, all abilities are welcome!

Other dates for your diaries:

Cricket Club Quiz in the Pavilion 13th July

Cricket Club Race Night in the Pavilion 31st August

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Social Group

The Social Group's meetings go from strength to strength as we become more vociferous. Modern behaviour seems to be the greatest cause. I know we are barking up old trees, but nostalgia is wonderful, and we can't help wondering where this modern generation will finish up. What with do gooders and political correctness, it seems the whole world has gone mad and not just our politicians. Now I hear that Boris Johnson has confirmed he will run for leadership of his party. Far be it for me to get involved in politics, but I think we should all start running!

Womens' Institute



Our president, Gay Henrick, welcomed members to the May meeting, which opened with the singing of "Jerusalem". The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed, and matters arising dealt with. Several members attended the Annual Council Meeting held in Aylesbury at the beginning of the month. According to reports, this proved once again to be a most enjoyable day, although two of the scheduled speakers were unable to attend. Helen Burtwell has offered to co-ordinate an entry for the W.I. Craft competition to be held at the Bucks County Show, when the theme is "The End of a Rainbow". Plans were also finalised for the afternoon tea to be held at the home of Gay Henrick next month.

As the main object of the evening was to discuss and vote on the two resolutions to be presented at the N.F.W.I. Annual Council Meeting we did not have a speaker. The two resolutions are one concerning the decline in local bus services, and the other to encourage more eligible women to attend routine cervical smear testing. With regard to the one dealing with local bus services, most people felt that it would be good to have an improved service, but with Government spending cuts seemingly increasing, it was unlikely that extra funding could be found for this cause.

Numbers of women eligible for cervical screening seem to be falling, and it is felt that this campaign would hopefully make women more aware of the benefits of regular screening. Various reasons for the fall in numbers have been suggested, and it is hoped that some of the causes can be alleviated by more information. This resolution was passed with a very clear majority.

After voting on the resolutions, refreshments were served, and the rest of the evening was spent socializing with our colleagues.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 11th June, when the speaker will be Paul Helsop and his topic will be "Northumberland Coast and Grace Darling"

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Emily Stevens

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Soulfest

SOULFEST

29 JUNE

Tickets are now available from any member of the Soulbury Millennium Green committee - see inside from cover for details. Each ticket is numbered so you could win a weekend away with dinner on the first night. You have to be in it to win it so get your tickets soonest. £4 before the event, £5 on the day.

BBQ, bar, tea room and games for the children, so plenty to do and good music all afternoon and early evening finale with the Heath Band providing a 'Proms' style flag waving concert.

The schedule for the day is below.

Get it in your diaries now.

Soulfest 2019 - Music Schedule

Stage West		Stage East	
Time	Act Name	Time	Act Name
1:00 - 1:30	Anthony	1:45 - 2:30	Soul Buddies
2:45 - 3:45	Impetus	4:00 - 4:45	Lizzie
4:45 - 5:15	RAFFLE	5:15 - 6:15	The PommyGranites
6:30 - 7:30	The Co-Optimists	7:30 - 9:00	Heath Brass Band





Millennium Green News

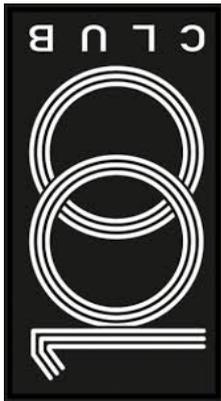


The Millennium Green is now the proud owner of a very large pond liner, so large in fact that it will take a good few careful hands to install it. Could you be one of those pairs of hands? Hopefully we are approaching the dry season and we can empty the pond in preparation for the liner to be installed. All we need are bodies who can carry out instructions. Now, the churchyard was full of people the other weekend so perhaps some of those people can step forward once more, PLEASE?

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100 Club

Winners in 2019



January	Jean Housley
February	Vickly Rolls
March	Peggy Stevens
April	Julia Foulsham
May	Peggy Stevens



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SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

JUNE 1976

"Our Village" - This month we publish the entry by Timothy Faulkner, winner of the 8-11 year group:

'Our Village'

Hollington is really two hamlets, the part where I live was originally known as Dark Hollington. I don't really know how it got its name, but I have been told that the word Holling was old English for Holly, and Holly woods were grown specially for animals to eat during the winter months, so perhaps there was once a large wood of holly trees. Some of the houses are very old. Parts of our house are about 400 years old. There are three farms and two private houses in this part of Hollington.

The other part of Hollington was originally known as Lower Hollington. There is evidence that holly also grew here as one farm is still known as Holly Bar Farm. There were also two other farms in this part of Hollington, but only one is still farmed today. Most of the houses are very old and originally had thatched roofs. During the last twenty years three new bungalows and one new house have been built. There is now a total of nine homes in this part of Hollington.

In the future I would like to see a few more houses. but not too many. I would like a few more houses because there might be more children to play with. I would not like too many houses because it would be too over crowded. I would like to be in a housey place, but I like to be in the countryside as well. I would like to have our old post box back because the post box we have now is a fussy little thing and the big post box was quite a nicer one than this one.

The result of the recent election of Parish Councillors was as follows:

F. Bunyan - 136, K. Camp - 117, J. Kellner - 150, W. Rolls - 154, J. Rowe - 130, M. Skeels - 48. There was a 59% poll which was an exceedingly creditable turnout when compared with many local villages.

We are pleased to welcome Rosemary and Ken Vaux to the village. They have recently moved into a cottage on the Green.

We should also like to apologise to Brenda Howell for getting her Christian name wrong last month!

There has been a reasonable response to last month's appeal for those interested in forming a gardening and allotment association with a view to establishing allotments in the village. We will announce the date of the inaugural meeting in the July newsletter.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED! There are several projects in the near future for which willing helpers are asked to volunteer:

1. On Friday June 4th helpers are asked to come to a 'Mow-in' in the Churchyard. All are invited bring a weapon of your choice, suitable for mowing. Start as early as you can; the more the merrier! If it rains, come on the 8th June instead.
2. On Monday June 7th at 8 p.m. there will be an Open Meeting in the Clubroom to discuss arrangements for the Church Fete. Will anyone who can help in any way or can suggest new ideas for the much enjoyed annual village event, please come along to the meeting.
3. Volunteers are needed to rub down paintwork in the Clubroom, prior to repainting. Please bring a small wooden block with you and come along on some or all of the following evenings, after 7.00 p.m.

Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd, Wednesday 23rd, Monday 28th, Tuesday, 29th,
Wednesday 30th

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Sunday	6th June	2.30 p.m.	Rev. N. Burrows	Sunday School Anniversary.
		6.00 p.m.	" " "	" " "
Sunday	13th June	2.30 p.m.	Mr. N. Hammond	Family Hour
		6.00 p.m.	Mrs. Symmons	
Sunday	20th June	2.30 pm.	Mrs. D. Mettan	Family Hour
Sunday	27th June	10.30 am.	Mr. Tofield	
		6.00 pm.	Mr. Edwards	

Bible Study - on Mondays at 2.30 pm.

7th June at 25 The Green	21st June at 27 The Green
14th June at 11 The Green	28th June at 10 High Road

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Sunday	6th June	4.30 p.m.	Evensong & Sermon
Sunday	27th June	8.00 p.m.	Holy Communion

COMING EVENTS

Wednesday	2nd June	10.00 a.m.	<u>Social Circle</u> A few spare seats available to R.H.S. Gardens, Wisley, Surrey. Please contact Mrs Jones.
Friday	4th June	Any time	Mowing of the Chuchyard
Monday	7th June	8.00 p.m.	Open meeting in the Clubroom to discuss Church Fete.
Tuesday	8th June	8.00 p.m.	<u>Women's Institute</u> in the Clubroom. Speaker, Mrs. I. Blow. Talk on pressed flowers. Competition: A single rose.
Wednesday	9th June	8.00 p.m.	A.G.M. Clubroom Committee. <u>Open to all.</u>
Wednesday	16th June	7.30 p.m.	<u>Women's Fellowship</u> Mystery tour. Meet at the Stone.
Thursday	24th June	2.45 p.m.	<u>Social Circle</u> . Tea at the Forge by kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Broad. Hoop-la Stall. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

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