

# Soulbury Parish News

**November 2023**



## Parish Information

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### Thames Valley Police

**Emergency 999**

Non Emergency 101

## Dates for your diary - November 2023 onwards

### Events including Soulbury Millennium Green and Parish Events 2023

Social Group (Thursdays) Parish Hall at 14.30 9<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> November

### All Saints' Church Services and News

Sunday November 5th 11:30am Parish Communion

Sunday November 12th 10:50 am Remembrance Service at the War Memorial and then in the Church

Sunday November 19th 11:30am Parish Communion

Sunday November 26th 11:30am Brunch Service. All Welcome especially children

Sunday December 3rd 04:00pm Christingle Service

Sunday December 24th 11:30am Brunch Church

### Soulbury Parish Hall

A great venue for parties, business meetings, fitness classes or rehearsal space. Fibre broadband connected.

To book, email: [soulburyparishhall@gmail.com](mailto:soulburyparishhall@gmail.com) Table and chair hire also available.

### Social Group

The social club was sorry to hear that Robert had to go to hospital on the very day of the Macmillan morning. He suffered a mild heart attack and had to go to Stoke mandeville and thence to High Wycombe where a stent was fitted.

We are pleased to say he joined us at our last meeting but he has to wait for a further appointment to attend Harefield for ongoing treatment. So a big get well soon Robert from us all. WE learnt too ,that we shall soon be losing one of our newest members, Marion, who only joined us this year. She is moving westwards to be nearer her relatives. We all wish you well in your new home.

**P.S.** The Macmillan morning raised the sum of £300 last month. we had more cake than people,so a big thank you to all who contributed.

### Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

If you would like to support the local Poppy Appeal there will be poppies and a donation box located in the Boot pub from the 28<sup>th</sup> October. Any donations will be appreciated.

## **Next Soulbury Breakfast is on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 9.30 to 12.00.**

This takes place in the clubroom, the food always enjoyed and is a good social event for residents of Soulbury and the surrounding area.

There is a Full English Breakfast @ £7.50 or there is a Continental Breakfast option.

**LEIGHTON LINSLADE**  
**HELPERS.org.uk**

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### **Stapleford Bridge Charity**

The Stapleford Bridge Charity is a Soulbury based charity that was set up in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. Over the years it has supported a number of local projects, including, since the 1980s, providing Christmas food parcels to elderly residents of the village. The Charity has also provided support on a one-off basis to individual residents who have needed financial help.

### **Christmas food parcels**

If you know of any elderly Soulbury residents who do not currently receive a Christmas food parcel and are in need of one, or you are not currently receiving a Christmas food parcel yourself and need one, please contact Ian Parrott ([grovefarmhollingdon@btopenworld.com](mailto:grovefarmhollingdon@btopenworld.com) / 01525 270 234) so that consideration can be given by the Trustees of the Charity to updating the list of recipients.

### **Cost of living crisis assistance**

If you are a Soulbury resident (regardless of age) and struggling financially during these difficult times, or know of someone in the village who is, please contact Ian Parrott on the contact details above, so that the Trustees can consider how best to provide assistance. Please rest assured that all information provided will be handled confidentially and sensitively by the Trustees.

If you have any additional ideas as to how the Charity can assist those in the village who are in financial need, we would welcome your views. Again, please contact Ian Parrott so that these ideas can be discussed with the Trustees.

## **A letter from our Team Rector**

As we move into November, our thoughts turn to Remembrance or Armistice Day. For those who take part, it is a poignant occasion when our world briefly stops and we remember; and we recite the names on our war memorials. And therein lies a challenge. We could be related to one or more individual whose name we recite and we may have been told about them from within our family, but in many cases, they are unknown to us (I used to know a woman whose three great uncles, brothers, are listed, but she never knew them). As time progresses, even family memories will fade and the challenge is thus how to remember? What is it we are remembering?

I suggest our starting point is to remember their humanity and this is where local history projects come to the fore. Discovering and recording the lives of the fallen local to our community suddenly emphasises that they were real people; Stewkley school has an excellent such project on display in the school foyer. Also, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission records their stories and maintains their graves, including the graves of those who died after the war from injuries sustained during it. Most of the churchyards in our group have graves monitored by the Commission.

But it isn't just the stories prior to joining up, it's also what they did once there. I think one of the most arresting is the Christmas Eve football match in 1914. The story of that camaraderie is well known, but how surprised was I to learn of a second truce! Easter 1915 on the eastern front on the shores of the Vistula River. For four days, Easter eggs were exchanged and placards in German and Russian proclaimed Christ is Risen! Significant I think, these happening at major Christian festivals.

The war to end all wars turned out a vain cry, but as we grapple with a world steeped in turmoil remembering the humanity of the fallen is how we meet the challenge of them not being known. And, perhaps, we might give some thought to how something bigger than war seems to have walked the battlefield on at least two occasions.

With every blessing,

Rev'd Howard Robson.

## Buckinghamshire Councillors for our Ward

Cllr Phill Gomm



Cllr Jilly Jordan

Cllr Iain Macpherson



## Soulbury Millennium Green

[www.soulburymillenniumgreen.co.uk](http://www.soulburymillenniumgreen.co.uk)

**The Millennium Green** committee are really busy getting ready for our bonfire night! There have been questions asked about whether we should hold such an event but so much has gone into organising that we cannot possibly cancel at such short notice, if in fact we should cancel at all. Concerns have been raised about horses and pets, but surely every one knows what goes on and its's only once a year! Someone suggested we write to the Government and say " we have done this for over four hundred years, is it time to pack it in?" This is our biggest fundraiser to keep The Green going would these objectors care to fund us instead?

The bonfire night event. This is put on to raise money for the Green and we hope that we can raise some sponsorship towards the cost of the fireworks, from some local businesses before hand. After last years bumper attendance and the fact that all cost are rising, we feel that we have no alternative but to make a charge for entry this year. we have thought long and hard about this and decided that we shall sell a family ticket at £10, this means two adults and all their offspring. Extra adults will be charged at £5 each. There is to be no

fireworks in Leighton again this year so we shall be the most local. The date will be November the 4th, gates open at 6pm bonfire lighting at 6.45 and fireworks at 7-7.15pm

### **Soulbury Millennium Green Trust - 100 Club & Winners in 2023**

January:	Nigel Kemal	February:	Daphne Reeves
March:	Bev Walker	April:	Pat Jones
May:	Jean Mason	June:	Jude Sheridan
July:	Jax Crack	August:	Victor Wright
September:	June Wright		

### **Local Policing**

Local PCSO: C9372 Andy Poitrowski

Neighbourhood Supervisor: P7042 PC Ian Carter

Contact Numbers: Non-emergency 101  
To talk to officers 101  
Emergency/crime in progress 999

Local Police Office: Winslow Police Office, 81 High Street,  
Winslow, MK18 3DG

You can also email the team: [winslowanddistrictNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:winslowanddistrictNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)



### **Soulbury Millennium Green**

The Soulbury Millennium Green committee is appealing to any parents who have children who have outgrown play equipment similar to that shown here. The equipment in the kiddies' area is really getting beyond its use-by date and could do with being replaced.

Will you please email Wendy Taylor on [clerk@soulburyparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@soulburyparish.co.uk) if you are able to help.

Many thanks, in advance, for any assistance.





**STEWKLEY PLAYERS  
PRESENT**



**BY PAUL CARPENTER & IAN GOWER**

**WEDS 29TH NOV-  
SAT 2ND DEC 2023 AT 8PM**

**STEWKLEY VILLAGE HALL  
LICENSED BAR OPENS 7PM**

**TICKETS £7.50 ON SALE 6TH NOVEMBER  
BOX OFFICE TEL: 07845 489167  
SUNDAY BOX OFFICE AT STEWKLEY VILLAGE HALL  
12TH, 19TH, 26TH NOVEMBER- 10AM - 12PM**

**GOOD MORNING CAMPERS !!**

# **'ART AT WINGRAVE' 2023**

## **JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS...**

HOSTED BY FIELD VIEW AND HOME FARM  
CASTLE STREET, WINGRAVE, BUCKS. HP22 4PT  
**November 18<sup>th</sup> -20th 10.30 am – 4.30 pm**

We're pleased to invite you back to **'Art At Wingrave'** from **Friday 24th – Sunday 26th November, 10.30 am – 4.30 pm**, just in time to find those special and individual Christmas gifts – or simply to have an enjoyable browse. (Free Event)

During the week-end Julie Pugh's lovely Studio will also be open for her successful, annual pre-Christmas showing of **'One of One' Jewellery** at **Home Farm**, Castle Street.

And at **Field View**, Castle Street we will be hosting an exciting collection of works from a dozen local Artists and Makers – and expect to meet new Artists too!

From the beginning of November, A6 leaflets detailing the artists and showing examples of their work will be available in locations locally and at the Wingrave Shop. Look forward to seeing Ceramics, Ceramic and Paper Sculptures, Textiles, Glass Art, Designer Lamps, Pencil and Pastel Portraiture, Photography, Furniture Design, Hand-turned Wood, Mixed Media Paintings.

So here's the perfect occasion for that spot of enjoyable browsing; keep the dates free, bring a friend, head down Castle Street and pay us a visit: a warm welcome is guaranteed along with something mulled to drink and yummy cake of course (Proceeds from refreshments to Breast Cancer Research).

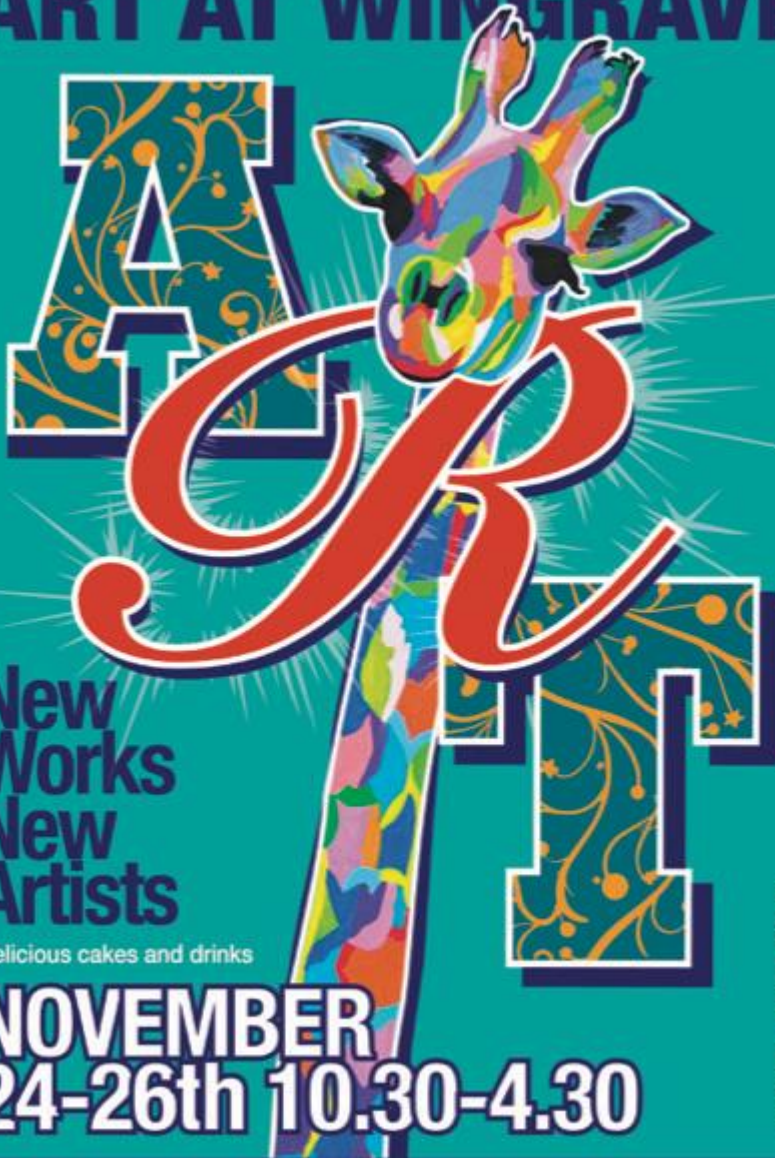
See you there – well 'here' in fact...

**Andrew and Margaret Liversidge, Field View Studio**

Check out (and follow):

- Julie Pugh's Facebook page and Instagram Account <https://www.facebook.com/oneofonejewellery>
- [https://www.instagram.com/oneofone\\_jewellery/?hl=en](https://www.instagram.com/oneofone_jewellery/?hl=en)
- Our 'Art At Wingrave' Instagram page for the Event <https://www.instagram.com/art.at.wingrave/> featuring participating artists and their lovely work.
- Margaret's Instagram Page and web-site <https://www.instagram.com/margaretliversidgeart>
- <https://margaretliversidge.co.uk/>

# ART AT WINGRAVE



New  
Works  
New  
Artists

Delicious cakes and drinks

**NOVEMBER**  
**24-26th 10.30-4.30**

Supporting  
BreastCancer Research

Field View, Castle Street, Wingrave, HP22 4PT



### **Soulbury Parish Hall**

The Parish Council are looking for two people to assist in the running of this important asset in the village.

#### **1. Bookings Co-ordinator**

You will be looking after any bookings requested for the hall. The system for this has been upgraded meaning you will not be handling cash and anyone wanting to book the hall has to use the online booking procedure. You are there to check that payment for a booking has been forthcoming and answer any queries. You will also hold the key for any users to collect.

Full training will be given.

#### **2. Caretaker**

This can be a role for a single person or a couple. It requires making sure the condition of the building is monitored and arrange for any works necessary to rectify any issues. The area around the hall needs a regular sweep and guttering needs to be checked. You will need to ensure that electrical, gas and fire safety equipment checks are carried out at the specified intervals.

Full training will be given.

Both roles are voluntary but neither role will take up a lot of your time.

Please contact Wendy Taylor on [clerk@soulburyparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@soulburyparish.co.uk) or 07881 714814.

## **Soulbury WI – (October)**

Our regular meeting was held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and the meeting opened with the traditional singing of Jerusalem.

It was lovely to see visitors to the club again.

WI & Club matters were discussed. We have now confirmed that from January 2024 meetings will be held in the afternoon. A full program of speakers and events is in progress and will be published in December.

The Members December Christmas Meeting and the Christmas lunch options were also discussed. The Members meeting will be the usual social format with the addition of Wreath making, and a new opportunity to try candle making. Members should remember to advise the committee in advance which activity they would like to join in with so sufficient materials can be supplied.

We then welcomed Richard Stark. Now a regular visitor to Soulbury, Richard is a classically trained singer from Trinity College of Music and Morley Opera in London and sings regularly in Opera and concerts throughout the Country having performed in such diverse venues such as the Orient Express to Glastonbury Festival. He entertained us with Songs from West End Musicals with impromptu choruses from the audience !

The Raffle was drawn, and the meeting closed at 10pm.

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This was a busy week for the WI as we then held our special fund-raising event on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> with a visit from The Pearl Lady – Frances Carlaw. She talked very enthusiastically about how Natural and Cultured pearls are formed and clearly has a very extensive knowledge of all things 'pearls'. She was happy to answer questions from the audience and give advice on wearing and caring for pearls. She also brought along what could only be described as a treasure trove of Pearl Jewellery for sale as well as some precious family pearls for us to see. The selection was amazing. Every colour, style and size that could be imagined, from modestly price earrings to necklaces costing many hundreds of pounds.

We ended the evening with light refreshments and Bucks Fizz, and of course the customary Raffle.

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November's meeting on the 14th at 7:30pm will be the club AGM. There will be no speaker, to allow time for the nominations for committee, officers, and President.

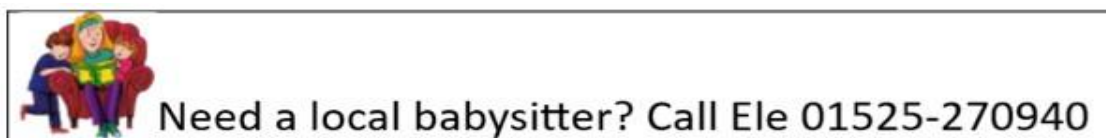
## Parish Council Email Addresses

Due to GDPR regulations the Clerk and Parish Councillors should not be using their own personal email addresses for parish council business. Therefore, the following email addresses have been set up for everyone to use when communicating with the parish council.

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Wendy Taylor  
Victor Wright  
Maurice Cross  
Alan Stevens  
Margaret Rowe  
John Day  
Nigel Kemal  
Salina Darbyshire-Mackay

This information will also appear on the parish website.



## Advertising Rates

To advertise in this magazine the rates are as follows:

	Annual	Monthly
Full page (portrait)	£200	£30
Half Page (landscape)	£100	£20
Quarter Page (Portrait)	£50	£10
Small Ads (landscape)	£33	£5

Ads will appear in the newsletter and on the parish website.

[sdm@soulburyparish.co.uk](mailto:sdm@soulburyparish.co.uk)

# The International Tribute

To be undertaken at 9.15pm alongside the lighting of a Beacon - 6th June 2024



When the International 80th Anniversary D-Day Beacon will be lit at **8.15pm** (British Summer time), at the British Normandy Memorial overlooking Gold Beach, with the other Beacons located on Utah, Omaha, Juno and Sword, in Normandy, France, being lit at **8.30pm BST**, followed by the Principal United Kingdom, Channel Island and Isle of Man Beacon at Portsmouth, England at **9.15pm BST**, we would ask all communities in France and the UK to stop what they are doing and undertake **The International Tribute**, using the wording found on this page. This could be undertaken by your Lord Mayor, Mayor, High Steward, Town and Parish Clerk, Town Crier, Pub Landlord or a young person from one of your local youth organisations etc, paying tribute to those who gave so much. In doing so, we commemorate D-Day and give thanks for eighty years of peace and freedom.



## The Tribute

- Let us remember those who gave their lives at home and abroad during the D-Day landings, whose sacrifice enables us all to enjoy the peace and freedom we have today.
- Let us remember those who came home wounded, physically and mentally, and the friends and family who cared for them.
- Let us remember those who returned to restore their relationships and rebuild their working lives after years of conflict and turmoil.
- Let us remember the families that lost husbands, wives, sons, daughters and sweethearts.
- Let us remember the servicemen and women and merchant seafarers of all faiths and nationalities - from all countries - who fought, suffered and died during the D-Day landings and six years of war.
- Let us all remember those in the Royal Navy, Army, Royal Air Force, Merchant Navy, and our Allies - the brave people who kept us safe on the home front and abroad and those in reserved occupations during the difficult time of war.
- Let us remember the brave doctors and nurses who cared for the wounded, the men and women who toiled in the fields, the coal mines, the factories and the air raid wardens, police officers, firemen, ambulance drivers and the young people of the Scouts and Guides who all played such a vital role in the war.

