

The background of the cover is a photograph of a gravel path winding through a lush forest. The trees are in various stages of autumn, with some showing bright red and orange foliage, while others are still green. The path leads into the distance, flanked by grass and more trees.

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receive local news of people,
clubs and events.**

Village Life

The bi-monthly community news magazine for
Aston Clinton, Buckland and Drayton Beauchamp
(formerly The Parish Magazine)

AS I WRITE, summer is fast dissolving into autumn and there's a distinct chill in the air in more ways than one. After the many lessons of history, mankind still seems unable to resolve conflicting beliefs and ideas without the threat, real or implied, of a resort to war.

As someone who has studied the First World War and lived through the Second, I can say with certainty that war is futile, costs enormous amounts of blood and treasure, causes untold human misery and suffering and creates a breeding ground of bitterness and hatred from which the next conflict will inevitably emerge.

November is the month we remember those who gave their lives so that the rest of us could live in freedom from fear. But wasn't their sacrifice also an expression of hope and trust that we survivors would ensure that the lessons of history would at last be learnt? Haven't we been dishonouring their memory and their sacrifice by doing nothing? Are we merely salving our consciences by our solemn ceremonies of remembrance?

For the first time that I can remember, ordinary folk across the world are collectively demanding that conflict is resolved without the monstrous wrong of war. Through modern technology people can see for themselves the reality of war. They are at last demanding a rejection of primitive responses to international conflict.

As always, this issue of **Village Life** brings you a cross-section of local life and activity including some heart-warming stories, along with sideways looks at the stresses and strains of being human, whether on the threshold of adulthood (p.14) or at the time we discharge one of our greatest responsibilities as living creatures (p.6).

One of the many good memories of Summer 2013 will be of that sunny Sunday 1st September when fifty Aston Martin sports cars paraded in Aston Park en route to Newport Pagnell to commemorate the Centenary of the marque. See pages 10 and 11.

Alec Just
Editor

Reflection on our CAP Course

I think one of the most difficult challenges people face is the issue of money and how they spend, save and use it. This is an age-old issue, because even from the time when money was first invented, there have always been matters associated with it.

Money can be used wisely and for very good causes; it can also become a terrible burden on people.

In recent years many people in Britain, like other Western nations, have found themselves struggling with this area, perhaps more than before. The average person today feels tremendous pressure to earn enough money, in order to maintain their standard of living. They also feel a great demand upon them to buy things; we are surrounded by advertising all the time. Many people have found themselves in great debt too.

Almost everyone can benefit from learning to 'manage' their money better. You may not be personally in debt, but I am sure there are ways that you can make your money 'go further' and alleviate some of the burden you may be under.

At Aston Clinton Baptist Church, we are always trying to reach out to the community



around us, because we genuinely care for people. Our latest endeavour is our CAP course; an advert for it is opposite. It is a three-week course during which trained members from our Church can help you manage your money

better. Please be assured that no matter your financial circumstances, or your background, this course will help you to find greater freedom and potential within your earnings. My hope is that you will feel more in control of this area of your life, and find a greater sense of peace, through attending this course. As we all know, life is more than what we

have accumulated, and it is more than money too. So please consider coming along, or inviting anyone you may know; even attending with them, so they have a personal friend to support them. I trust that through this course you will find yourself in a better place, as many have done so already.

God bless you.

Rev Simon J Downing

Aston Clinton Ladies Group

Forthcoming meetings:

Wed 16 October at 8pm: 'Handmade jewellery' by Catherine, a talk and sale at the Guide Hall.

Wed 20 November at 7.30 for 7.45pm: AGM and meal with friends at the Anthony Hall.

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Sat 2 Nov	10am	Rehearsal for Remembrance	St Michael's Church
Sun 3 Nov	11am	Benefice Service for All Saints	All Saints' Church
Sun 3 Nov	6pm	Remembering those who have died	St Michael's Church
Sat 9 Nov	6.30pm	Bonfire Party	The Rectory
Sun 10 Nov	11.20am	RBL Service of Remembrance	St Michael's Church

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A story of determination, courage and success

There are many exceptional people living in our area. This is the story of one of them: Mark Potter of Aston Clinton. Now in his fifties, his world changed in a split second when he had a catastrophic motor-bike accident at the age of twenty-five ...

MARK was born in 1962. From the age of nine he had been an enthusiastic gymnast. Between the ages of twelve and fourteen, he was part of a team winning national awards in gymnastics.

He attended The Cedars School in Leighton Buzzard, leaving at the age of 17 to train as a heavy goods vehicle fitter at Marley Floor Tiles. To get around, his father lent him the money to buy himself a motor bike. Unfortunately, Marley Floor Tiles closed down, leaving Mark redundant at the early age of 21, but still a keen gymnast and motor-cyclist.

By now Mark was a fully trained engineering fitter and welder, and determined not to be unemployed. After a number of different short-term jobs eventually he worked at Redland Tiles in Leighton Buzzard. By 1987 at the age of 25 he was living with his partner in Milton Keynes, where they were able to buy their first house.

Life changed quite suddenly when, in May 1988, on his way back from a visit to his mother in Milton Keynes, he was involved in a serious accident. An elderly lady driver drove out of a side road without noticing Mark. He had no chance: his head hit the rigid centre pillar on the side of her car, knocking him unconscious despite the fact that he was wearing a crash-helmet. Mark remained in a coma for four weeks and at one point was not expected to

live. However, against all the odds, he did survive although with very severe brain injuries resulting in multiple disabilities including poor vision, speech and coordination. He suffered ataxia (shaking of the limbs) as a result of brain stem injury. The accident also triggered a stroke causing Mark loss of strength and movement down his left-hand side. After several months in hospital, he underwent treatment at the Rivermead Rehabilitation Centre in Oxford from August 1988 until June 1989.

Photo: Alec Just



Not surprisingly, he found it hard to cope initially. Patients were encouraged to do as much as possible for themselves without help, a regime designed to get the maximum effort and achievement from each individual. Determined athlete that he is, since that time he has taken part in wheelchair rugby and currently keeps fit by daily workout visits

to the gym at Aqua Vale in Aylesbury, often travelling there in his motorised wheelchair.

There was a happy sequel to the grim period following the accident. Mark and his partner married in April 1990. They moved to Aston Clinton in 1991 and now have a 21-year-old son who is taking a degree in architecture; an 18-year-old daughter studying at Aylesbury College; and two lovely large black Labradors. His daily visits to Aqua Vale not only keep him fit; they also enable him to have contact with other users of the gymnasium there.

Although there have been times when he has felt depressed, he is such a strong and positive character that he manages to combat that with the understanding that despite all the difficulties, there are many compensations in life. Mark has two personal mottos: 'Don't give up' and 'Smile and be happy'.

Jenny Just

Royal British Legion

THE annual Remembrance Day services will begin at the War Memorial on Sunday 10th November at 11am, followed by the main service at St Michaels and All Angels church at 11.20pm. A further short service will be held at the War Memorial on Monday 11th November at 10.50am.

The Aston Clinton Royal British Legion Branch have moved to a new venue for their monthly Branch meetings. Meetings are now held in the upstairs room of Buckland Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Potential new members are invited to contact the Secretary – Janet Tye on 01296 434866 or you can email tye154@btinternet.com

Right: Standard bearer George Mills leads RAF personnel and members of the RBL Aston Clinton Branch in the 2012 Remembrance Day parade from the War Memorial along London Road. George will again be parading the Branch standard at the Festival of Remembrance in the Royal Albert Hall.

Photo: Angela Mills



Remember this marque?

A particularly famous British sports car features strongly in this issue (see page 10). For those readers of mature vintage, the Frazer-Nash badge below will also bring back memories of the heyday of British sports cars. A 1930s' Frazer-Nash is being lovingly cared for and occasionally exercised in Aston Clinton. See next issue.



Photo: Alec Just

War has no winners

When will man ever learn?
What wisdom needed to discern?
No killing is above the law,
No winners in any war.

'We won't put up with their threats,
We'll kill the enemy with our jets,
Top brass to control the press,
Tell the truth, more or less.'

'Collateral damage' is what they call it;
Don't like to say what caused it.
Innocent people blown to pieces,
Don't mention this in press releases.

It seems we never learn from history,
Finding a peaceful solution still a mystery.
We live the lie of "war and glory".
War has no winners, is the truthful story.

Simon Icke, Aston Clinton

A dear friend of mine recently gave birth to her first child and by all accounts it was a traumatic affair. Then again, isn't it always? Especially first time around. Sitting with her in my kitchen, tender and tearful a week later, all those memories came flooding back like it was yesterday.

Of course, the first time I went in with my eyes wide shut expecting to 'breathe away the pain' surrounded by candles and soft music. Instead I was left to labour alone on the ward through the night, unable to pull my new disposable pants above my thighs and having to clean the rancid bath before I could use it. The induced labour hit me so hard and fast I begged for drugs and took everything I could get. So much for my 'birth plan'.

I was so deluded that I assumed I'd be walking out of hospital in a pair of albeit 'fat' jeans, but definitely non-maternity. Turns out the manufacturers of my pregnancy wardrobe were all in on some cruel joke because, after giving birth, I found myself needing clothes four sizes bigger than I had ever been. And, as for the 'walking', well who really walks after a bucket-load of stitches in their undercarriage? I remember my husband striding off with our new daughter leaving me to catch up about half-an-hour later, before perching on one bum-cheek for the drive home. The speed bumps in Weston Turville certainly came in for some abuse that day.



My first experience in hospital was so negative that I opted to have my second baby at home. As births go it was as good as it gets, with friends popping in for tea and cake between contractions and two fantastic midwives all to myself. The huffing and panting in the garden may have alarmed the neighbours somewhat, but the freedom to do it all on my terms was hugely empowering.

Then for reasons we can no longer fathom, we decided to have one more child to complete our family. So with a three-year-old daughter, and a son about to turn two, we arrived at the ante-natal unit for a scan that revealed twins! This time, due to their positioning, a planned c-section was my only option for delivery. I must confess that a small part of me was secretly pleased as I thought that

this might be the easier option.

I was deluded once again. You still shuffle like you've expelled a large object from a very small aperture and every cough, sneeze or sob feels scarily like you're quite literally going to bust a gut.

Still I reassure my dear friend that it will all get better in time, she will be able to pee comfortably, laugh and even have sex again. She will probably even choose to have more children. She eyes my dirty, cluttered house; the children clawing at each other and the mountain of laundry. Then again, perhaps not.

Kelly Cornish

RAF Association • Aylesbury and Halton Branch

Ordinary meetings are held in Building 259 at RAF Halton (first building on the right from the entrance to the airfield) on the first Wednesday in every month at 7.30 for 8pm. Bar open to everyone Thursday and Saturday evening 7.30-11pm.

Wed 2 Oct: 'Roald Dahl's War' - talk by Graham Laurie MVO on the WW2 fighter ace and writer

Wed 6 Nov: Frivolous Social Evening with cheese and wine. Frivolous short films to be shown

Wed 4 Dec: Christmas Dinner & Party - Members £10 each, non-members £15 each

Further information: Ray Mockford on 07771 591 586 or Derf Mockford on 07775 664 064



Aston Clinton School

Head: Mrs Helen Shepherd



Feedback

SEPTEMBER 2013 is a momentous month for Aston Clinton School! Barring a few finishing touches, the school building is complete and fully operational. The hall looks absolutely huge as we had been using only two-thirds for two terms. It is a splendid sight!

With the builders no longer on site we are beginning to return to some normality and our complete focus now is on improving the teaching and learning in the school over the next year. On our most recent INSET day, the staff focused on what good teaching and outstanding teaching looks like in the classroom. This may sound odd as we should know what good teaching looks like, shouldn't we? With the constant changes in the educational landscape we cannot be complacent that what we used to do well is still good enough. So, with an ethos of professional development, the staff are keen to ensure that they can meet the current Ofsted expectations and deliver the best lessons they can.

One area we have recently looked at is how we can support children's learning with the feedback we give to them. The most effective feedback is always going to be when a teacher talks with the child about their work. However, realistically, that is not going to happen with every child in a class of 30 in every lesson. So we have to use written feedback as well as verbal feedback. Marking a child's book has no

value, even if the teacher has written the most insightful comments possible, if the child does not have time to read the comments and, most importantly, respond to them. This might mean doing corrections, rewriting a sentence or paragraph, editing their work or writing a response to the teacher's question. Therefore, when you come into school, you will find some lessons start with the children looking through their books and responding to the teacher's comments. This is valuable learning time.



Photo: Alec Just

It is strategies like the one described above that we feel will help us ensure that all children make good progress. However, we are still moving forward and are moving on to backwards planning! Perhaps that should be the theme for my next article? *Helen Shepherd*

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Horticultural Society**Report on the Society's 56th Summer Show and Fête**

WITH the vagaries of our British weather, there always seems to be an element of uncertainty as to whether we will have a deluge at some stage during the afternoon of the Show.

However, this year we were lucky in spite of the chill in the air at times. Over 300 people attended and we were very pleased with that level of support. There was, as always, a great deal to enjoy in an afternoon we always bill as a 'traditional village event'. The Great Horwood Silver Band always gives great pleasure and provides excellent entertainment value. This year, for the first time, the Aldbury Morris Men gave an enjoyable display and many people urged us to make this a regular feature.

The fête with its coconut shy, refreshments and variety of stalls, is always a draw but many visitors make a beeline for the show itself. The Old Clock School houses the horticultural

classes and this year it was possible to view many excellent vegetable displays including some truly enormous cabbages! David Elkins and Marcus Powell, a newcomer to the event, together ran away with most of the cups in the vegetable section. But Diane Kolonko, who has given so much support to our website, proved to be quite an expert, sweeping the board in the novice section and also winning the Peter Richards Cup for the Village Basket class. You are no longer classed as a novice now, Diane! Ralph Weston gained most points in the flower section with Ann Elkins hard on his heels (in fact with only four points between them).

Teresa Kirtland proved herself the star in the Floral Art section. Once the points were added up in the Domestic section of the show it was apparent that Rebecca Potton was just five points ahead of Rosalinde Nicholls and both received cups. Rebecca also received the Margaret Lowe Cup for the best cookery exhibit in respect of her excellent brown rolls.

It is always a delight to look at the children's sections in the show. The stars here were Lizzy Pearson, Carolyn Powell, Benjamin Potton and Sophie Bradley.

Continued opposite

GP Corner**Flu clinics at Aston Clinton Surgery**

AS the flu season will soon be upon us we will again be holding walk-in flu clinics at Aston Clinton Surgery in October and November, slightly later than last year as the deliveries of vaccine have been later. As last year, letters will not be sent; however, we will be advertising the relevant dates as widely as possible as soon as they are confirmed.

There will be posters in the surgery, local pharmacy and in the post office, giving the dates and reminding people of eligibility. If you need to confirm your own eligibility please check the posters or call the surgery.

Last year we had questions as to why the

clinics were not advertised in some places, if you have a specific suggestion for other sites for display please let me know as it is helpful to know which spots we are missing.

Patients may have noticed a new large information screen in the waiting room and there will soon be an automated check-in screen installed. These were generously funded by the outgoing PCT and will prove very useful to us for giving out information and helping with patients waiting to check in for appointments. Please be patient with us while we learn how to use them to their greatest potential.

*Best wishes for a healthy winter from
Tina Moran, Site Manager, and everyone
at Aston Clinton Surgery.*

Benjamin also entered the Handicraft section with a photograph which was awarded second prize when judged alongside the other nineteen entries which were all taken by adults. Quite an achievement, Benjamin! Please enter our show every year. Maggie Evans won the cup for the best handicraft exhibit, which was also a photograph and Ros Needham was awarded the BAHS rosette for the best painting.

We were delighted to be joined at the prize giving by Professor Ed Peile, who not only awarded all 37 cups and trophies but also auctioned some of the prize vegetables for us. One cup we were delighted to reinstate was the Rolfe Cup for the winner of the best-kept allotment and this was given to Chris Ronson.

Another successful Summer Show and Fête, but we must remember all the planning and hard work that goes into an event such as this and thank everyone who supported us in any way, including all those who entered the Show itself.

Sue Lipscomb, Chairman and Show Secretary

■ Ralph Weston asks how you produce cabbages of the size displayed and the two cauliflowers with each white curd at least 9" across? —see below. When I try growing cauliflowers they always head up with tiny curds as soon as the sun gets warm. If you came and enjoyed the Show and would like to give us some feedback, let us know through our website: info@astonclintonhorticulturalsociety.co.uk



Photo: Richard Needham

EVEN if you are not already a member, you are welcome to our evening meetings on the second Wednesday of the month in the Anthony Hall. Visitors are charged £2 (members free). Our Autumn programme includes one of our regular presenters, John Cornwall, who comes to us in October when he will be showing us 'Stowe Gardens'. We will be selling Daffodil and Tulip bulbs at this meeting. And don't forget our Spring Show at the beginning of April 2014.

Ralph Weston

MURDER MYSTERY EVENING

The Anthony Hall, Aston Clinton
Saturday 12th October

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start
Tickets £10 (includes fish and chip supper)

Vale Musical Society invite you to join them for this fundraising event. The Quaintonwood Players will perform "Who Killed The Hotel Manager" by Chris Martin.

The whole performance takes place in a northern seaside resort hotel. Following Acts 1 and 2, there will be a break of 45 minutes for supper when members of the audience are invited to suggest who the murderer(s) is (are). Act 3 reveals the identity villain(s) of the piece.

At the end of the play, the winner will be announced and their prize presented (it may well be a team effort).

The event promises to be a fun-packed evening. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

Any funds raised will support the Society's next production "Doctor Doolittle" at The Court Theatre, Tring - 13th-16th November 2013.

Tickets: Jackie Farrow 01442 381739

Astons on Parade

A GLITTERING ARRAY of Aston Martins graced the lush playing fields in front of The Hub on 1st September when the Owners Club passed through the village on their "Making the Marque" tour.

The 44 cars officially on the run were joined by several locally-owned Astons to bring the total to well over 50, a grand spectacle which was enjoyed by several hundred spectators on a warm sunny afternoon. The cars were en route from Feltham in Middlesex to Newport Pagnell, two of the key manufacturing locations in the history of the company. They arrived via Aston Hill, which lent its name to Lionel Martin, one of the founders—and hence the name of the company and the title of the tour.

"... he put James Bond in a DB3, just like the ones that were parked at The Hub ..."

The majority of the visiting cars—DB2s and Mark IIIs—were built in what is known to enthusiasts as the Feltham era. This was the period after WWII when the Yorkshire industrialist David Brown bought the company and firmly established its reputation as a maker of fast, luxurious touring cars. The company these

Over fifty Aston Martin sports cars gathered in Aston Clinton Park on a gloriously sunny day for a lunch stop at The Hub, on a run to commemorate the Aston Martin Centenary.

Photo: Barry Halton

MAKING THE MARQUE

AN ASTON MARTIN CENTENARY YEAR TOUR

Feltham – Newport Pagnell 1st September 2013



A 1935 1.5 litre Mk II Aston Martin, a product of the factory at Feltham in Middlesex.

days uses "Power, Beauty and Soul" as its advertising slogan, but you could argue that it really started in the 1950s when drivers including Stirling Moss and Roy Salvadori won many racing victories at events such as Le Mans and the Nürburgring, and Aston Martin took the World Sports Car Championship in 1959.

On the more glamorous side, the cars figured in many films—notably Hitchcock's "The Birds" as the car of choice for Tippi Hedren.



And when Ian Fleming wrote *Goldfinger* in 1959 he put James Bond in an Aston Martin DBIII, just like the ones that were parked at The Hub, though by the time the film was made the famous silver DB5 was the current model. But there was one of those there on that Sunday too.

The drivers and navigators enjoyed the excellent carvery lunch at The Hub and were enthusiastically welcomed by its manager Gary Brennan and his staff. Several local folk spoke to the drivers of the days of the hill climb events, though personal memories are sadly

few and far between as those races ended in 1924. Parish Chairman Richard Maskell was on hand to greet the visitors and the Aston Martin Owners Club is very grateful for the hospitality shown by the village and pleased to be able to keep the historical link alive.

With the rising value of the cars—there was well over £4 million pounds-worth parked up on the day—and the weaker pound, many of the cars are being snapped up by foreign buyers and leaving the UK. Whether we will be able to gather so many again in one place is uncertain, but you never know... *Barry Halton*

Photo: Alec Just



Left: An elegant lady with her stylish car, a 1934 Aston Martin 1.5 litre. No doubt the hat is removed once the engine is started!

Below: In the foreground is the iconic Aston Martin DBIII, made famous by Ian Fleming in *Goldfinger* (although he mistakenly called it "DB3"). The car featured in the film *Goldfinger* was, in fact, a DB5. During the cycle of Bond films, cinemagoers have continued to enjoy a sequence of increasingly glamorous Aston Martins, fitted with all manner of destructive devices, designed to ensure that Bond always gets his man in the end.

Photo: Barry Halton



The Millennium Map



Photo: Alec Just

Visitors to the recent excellent Local History exhibition in St Michael's Church might have noticed a framed map of the Parish on the wall near the main door.

IN August 1997 an article appeared in the Bucks Herald showing a map, painted by a local artist, depicting the parish of Westcott.

An Aston Clinton resident saw it and thought, 'What a good idea, we'll have one for Aston Clinton, ready for Christmas 1999, to celebrate the millennium!'

The Parish Council agreed the project. The next step was to seek 'willing volunteers' to form a committee to make it happen.

In January 1998, questionnaires were sent out to village residents asking how they could help with collecting historical information about the village and offering suggestions for items to be included. In February 1998 local organisations and clubs were approached, explaining our project and asking for details of

their various activities.

In March, and with much enthusiasm, we held an exhibition in Aston Clinton Social Club, showing maps from other villages, which were kindly supplied by Bucks Rural Action, along with facts concerning the village, such as old newspaper articles and photographs. Over seventy people attended, so we were much encouraged to continue 'the project'.

Throughout 1998, the committee held regular meetings, along with other interested villagers, to decide what should be included on the map and seeking extra information and ideas.

Once a decision had been made about the information to be included, the committee members set about collecting facts and figures from as many sources as possible. Many hours were spent visiting the County Records Office, Reference Library and County Museum, reading up and making copious notes (the photocopier working overtime). One person would go to the library for a quick visit to check on a detail, only to emerge bleary-eyed a few hours later, armed with other information and facts, unearthed from the files, to be taken home, typed up ready for use.

To include as much information as possible, we gained permission from Ordnance Survey to use their maps of the village which showed footpaths, canals, streams and roads; also the layout of fields.

We had regular meetings with our artist to discuss the format and design of 'The Map'. By this time, we were still enthusiastic but starting to feel apprehensive as to how everything would turn out. However, our artist assured us it would come together in the end.

A local resident with access to a light aircraft, kindly offered to fly over the village taking aerial photographs. These were of great help.

After a break from our endeavours over the Christmas of 1998, we returned to the project with 'renewed vigour'. *Continued opposite*

A booking was made to hire The Anthony Hall for Saturday 9th October 1999. We had a deadline! 'Panic', but still the enthusiasm was there.

All the information we'd gathered and which was still coming in, we collated in order for our artist to be able to 'understand' and enter onto the correct areas on the map. Our computers worked overtime.

We were still having regular meetings throughout the first half of 1999 and feeling things were coming along nicely. Then, before we realised how quickly time was passing, June had arrived. Panic! –yet again. The date was fixed for the artist to take all our information away to make a start on the first draft copy of 'The Map'; it was now out of our hands for the first time in 18 months.

Our next step was organising the launch exhibition we had been making plans for throughout the year. The information, already assembled for the map, was re-typed in more detail, and more photographs and memorabilia collected.

On August 23rd, amid much excitement, the completed map was unveiled by the artist to the committee. We were so pleased with the end result, just as we'd imagined it would be – but better. One person was heard to say "Wow" which pretty well summed up our feelings.

On 3rd September 1999, our safely guarded map was taken to the printers in Over Wallop, a village near Salisbury.

The proof copy was returned to us on 28th September; some adjustment was needed, and time was running out fast, so the following day, the husband one of our committee members set off for Over Wallop to explain the changes to the printers and hurry things along! But, later that day, we were told nothing could be done without the master copy of 'The Map'. More panic!

On Friday 1st October with nine days to The Launch, a party representing 'The Map Committee', also set off for deepest Hampshire

to oversee the alterations.

Upon arrival, we were shown how the proof copy was going to be altered. This would take one-and-a-half hours, so off we went to get some lunch. We returned later to the printers to be told the proof was not ready. 'Would we like to visit Salisbury?', which was quite near, so off we went for a visit to the shops!

"... we were told nothing could be done without the master copy of The Map."

Arriving back at the printers late afternoon, there was good news and not so good news. The good news was the alterations we had asked for were successful. The not-so-good news was that only half the map had come through the processor. Well, we had to laugh or the poor man helping us would have had three hysterical women to deal with!

After much reassurance we had to accept that 'The Map' would be printed and delivered to us on Thursday 7th October, just two days before the exhibition!

As promised, on the appointed day and to our great relief, 1500 copies of 'The Map' were safely delivered into our care! We could now relax and look forward to 'The Launch'.

The Parish Map had taken two years to evolve and in that time the committee had spent many hours in its development. We all enjoyed the project very much and gained a great deal of knowledge about Aston Clinton.

We had a few panics over the previous few months, but above all, had a great deal of fun as well.

This article is condensed from the full account of the Millennium Map kindly supplied by Pat Williams.

NOTE: A few copies of the map are still available, price £5. To buy one, please contact Pat Williams on 01296 630929.

Too much work; too little play?

THE IMAGE that the public gets of teenagers these days is pretty dark, of party-mad gangs, obsessed with drinking and wrecking things for fun. However, a few months ago, I could not have been further from that image; hair scrapped up in a messy bun, glasses on and tracksuit bottoms making their yearly appearance clearly meant that exam time had come.

My family are well aware that, during this period, they keep their distance. On the day of my actual exams earlier this year, my younger brothers were terrified even to say good luck to me for fear of being shouted at from one very sleep-deprived and stressed teen.

Some students have taken things to extremes; others would only joke about with one teenager faking his own kidnapping instead of telling his parents he had failed an exam.

These exams we sit painfully young have a huge impact on the majority of those going into competitive work or university, something that is constantly drilled into us by parents and school. It's hard to believe that we make some of these life-changing decisions at an age when we can't even vote.

It's not surprising, therefore, that the nights before exams, teenagers swarm to social networking sites in order to vent their frustration at exam boards, schools and life in general and the phrase "exam stress" comes into place. With our lives ahead full of work, why are we being made to be sat down and contained for weeks? And aren't there better, more valuable

things to be learning at this age such as mortgages, tax and employment skills, things we actually have to use in later life? I could tell you very little about the above, although can talk for hours about the Pythagoras theorem and the periodic table.

What's more, the terrifying conditions we

have to sit exams in don't help with the rising stress levels, with the wait between being handed the exam paper and the time the clock strikes nine seeming to go on forever. Why examiners make us write in such a short time frame is a mystery to me also, as they end up having to spend hours deciphering handwriting progressively turning into just a wriggly line.

It would seem logical for the Government to see the recent correlation between exams getting harder and grades getting lower

and therefore attempt to make things slightly easier for students these days. Instead, we get the removal of modules and introduction of ways to test us even harder.

It is understandable that students should be tested in order for employers to see their capability and for teenagers themselves to learn about working hard; however, is it really necessary for the pressure to be so great and for students to end up feeling so stressed that they can't enjoy themselves? Teenage years are meant to be the best years of your life, exams and revision are important, but always remember: work hard, play hard(er).



A TEENAGE PERSPECTIVE
by Becca Harty

If you are in education, whether as teacher or student, Village Life would like to know your thoughts on what changes are needed to improve outcomes for students.

All Saints' Church, Buckland

Regular Services:

8am Holy Communion each Sunday

11am Morning Worship - First and Third Sundays

6pm Choral Evensong - Fourth Sunday each month

10am Midweek Communion each Wednesday



Forthcoming Events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Fri 4 Oct	7.30pm	Film Night with Supper	All Saints' Church
Sun 3 Nov	11am	Benefice Service for All Saints	All Saints' Church
Sun 3 Nov	6pm	Remembering those who have died	St Michael's Church
Sat 9 Nov	6.30pm	Bonfire Party	The Rectory
Sun 10 Nov	12.30pm	Act of Remembrance	All Saints' Church
Fri 15 Nov	7.30pm	Film Night with Supper	All Saints' Church

More details about all these events on the church website: www.allsaintsbuckland.org.uk

Flix in the Sticks

Buckland's own cinema, based at All Saints' Church, re-opens for its Third Season on 4th October. The £10 ticket includes the film, supper and a glass of wine or soft drink.

The film-and-supper nights run from October through to March and have proved to be very popular. Last season's favourites included: the magical *Hugo*, *The Third Man* with Orson Welles and the astonishing French film *Untouchable*.

Our film-and-supper events are great fun but require a number of people to work, cook and provide support behind the scenes. If you are interested to help, please get in touch.

As the new season begins, we look forward to welcoming our regular enthusiasts and newcomers alike.

As usual, tickets need to be pre-booked with Alison Roberts on **01296 630256** or to be on the mailing list to receive full programme

details, email: alisonroberts999@btinternet.com

Showing dates are: 4 October, 15 November, 6 December, 10 January, 11 January (matinée *t.b.c.*), 14 February and 14 March.

IN MEMORIAM

Private Thomas Rance served in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment and is just one of numerous WW1 soldiers commemorated on the simple but beautiful Buckland War Memorial behind All Souls' Church. Seven days before the Armistice, he was killed in action on 4th November 1918 in Flanders, close to the French border. He was aged 34, born in Wendover and lived in Tring. He was the beloved son of Mrs Agnes Rance, of Model Row, Buckland. He lies in Landrecies British Cemetery, Nord, France and is just one of the many millions killed in 'the war to end all wars'. WW2 began less than nineteen years after the Armistice was signed.

Love at first sight

Your editor attended the Centenary gathering of around fifty Aston Martin sports cars at The Hub on Sunday 1st September (see page 10) when a Buckland man remarked to him that he was married to Celia, the lady at his side, as the result of buying a DB2/4 many years ago. This is what he said:

THE YEAR was 1964 and I was a 29-year-old widower with a 2½-year-old son. So to keep our families together my brother-in-law, who was also my best friend, and I decided to take over a garage/petrol station in the beautiful village of Theydon Bois in Essex.

Little did we know what this would lead to. For several months my brother-in-law was constantly telling me of a most beautiful young lady who crossed our forecourt each morning making her way to the station. In the end he threatened that if I did not come out

"To say I was smitten is an understatement ..."

that very day he would drag me out himself to have a look. I relented and was I glad I did!

I said 'hello' to her and she sweetly replied. To say I was smitten was an understatement, but then my world came tumbling down after asking one of the petrol pump attendants who she was. Being informed that she was going out with a young man in the RAF, I decided not to try and 'chat her up' as having been an ex-RAF man myself I would not have liked it to happen to me!

Those were the days!

According to Wikipedia, 175 years ago there were thirteen pubs in the village and the Wesleyan chapel had a bigger attendance than All Saints! Now there are no licensed pubs; the Wesleyan chapel has been converted into a house and All Saints remains today a beautiful



Photo: Alec Just

Later that week I was informed that an airline pilot was selling his Aston Martin DB2/4 convertible for the princely sum of £300. Within three hours I had bought it and it was on the garage forecourt with the bonnet up, my head under and tail up!

Hearing cat calls and whistling coming from a passing pickup truck, I turned to see the same young lady crossing the forecourt. I said to her, 'take no notice of them', to which she replied, 'they don't worry me ... is that your car?'!! I replied, 'yes, and if you would like to come for a drink this evening, I will take you for a spin'.

The outcome of all this being that this year 2013 saw our 47th wedding anniversary.

Thank you, Aston Martin!

Ted Gosling

12th century church at the centre of a friendly, active and thriving community. The church is always open and warmly welcomes visitors.

Does anyone know which of the present-day Buckland houses were once to be counted amongst those thirteen pubs?

Latest on Buckland lock restoration

The Canal & River Trust ('CRT') are undertaking the repair and restoration of the partially collapsed Lock 12 on the Aylesbury Arm of the Grand Union Canal.

Works are ongoing and the piles to retain the new wall are currently being installed, see photograph below. At the time of writing (in early September):

- The top gate has been refurbished and due back on site in mid-September for refitting.
- Piling works have started and are expected to be finished by mid-September.
- The waterway team are on site carrying out works to the bottom approach walls.

As far as a defined cause of the partial collapse of the lock is concerned, a CRT spokesperson said that, although the final conclusions of the technical investigation have not yet been released, the partial collapse of the lock wall cannot be attributed to a single cause.

Instead, the cause is likely to be a combination of factors including general deterioration over time of the c. 200-year-old structure, changes in ground water levels and/or an increase in loading behind the wall. At present the Trust is concentrating on the job of rebuilding the lock and further clues to the exact cause of the collapse may emerge over the coming weeks as the site works progress.

It is now expected that the lock will be reopened towards the end of the year.

A view, looking towards Aylesbury, of the remedial works to restore to use the collapsed Lock 12 on the Aylesbury arm of the Grand Union Canal, which has been closed since Easter.

Photo: Neil Owen, Canal & River Trust



St Mary the Virgin, Drayton Beauchamp

Regular Services:

10.45am each Sunday



Forthcoming Events

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Sun 3 Nov	11am	Benefice Service for All Saints	All Saints' Church
Sun 3 Nov	6pm	Remembering those who have died	St Michael's Church
Sat 9 Nov	6.30pm	Bonfire Party	The Rectory
Sun 10 Nov	4pm	Evensong for Remembrance	St Mary's Church

More details about these events on the church website: www.s-marys.org.uk

Parish Meeting

There will be a Parish Meeting on Thursday 28th November at Painesend Farm, Hang Hill, Drayton Beauchamp at 8pm. The Meeting provides information on local topics and village concerns. Potholes are inevitably a

perennial agenda item.

Afterwards there will be a chance to socialise with the villagers over refreshments – especially important since several new residents have recently moved into the village. *Meryl Nodes*

Photo: Margaret Ross



On a brilliantly sunny day in late August, retiring Curate Rev. Andrew Allen was guest of honour at a convivial lunch party at Badgers End, hosted by Rosemary Brooke and Moira Warr-King.

Five hundred years ago, on 9th September 1513, the Battle of Flodden was fought on English soil in the Border country which divides Scotland from England and between the army of the Earl of Surrey who was Henry VIII's lieutenant-general, and that of King James IV of Scotland. James was respected as a statesmanlike, talented king, but despite his painstaking—and successful—efforts to create a peaceful relationship with England, he felt morally obliged in 1513 to honour the “Auld Alliance” by supporting the French who were being invaded by England.

The ensuing Battle of Flodden was a disaster for the Scots. In a battle lasting three hours, James and his son Alexander were both killed along with a member of virtually every noble family in Scotland and a total of 10,000 men – the “Flowers o’ the Forest”. Scottish communities were left decimated and devastated, mourning the loss of their own menfolk and of their national leaders. For example, 80 men left the small Scottish Borders town of Selkirk to fight but only one, named Fletcher, returned. Poignantly, a farm lying not far distant from the battlefield but on the Scottish side of the border was called “Sorrowlessfield Farm”, said to have been so named as it was the only farm for miles around which suffered no loss of life in the battle.

One hundred years ago next year, on 4th August 1914, the Great War began. For the next four years, British men (and women) once again took part at great personal cost in active service. Twenty-five years later, World War II resulted in yet another heavy death toll.

War memorials to list and honour the dead sprang up in towns and villages across the country after World War I. A very few villages, however, were—as was Sorrowlessfield Farm so long before—spared the grief of local war casualties during one—or even both—of these two wars. More than 16,000 villages in England

and Wales suffered losses of serving personnel during World War I, but 51 villages were spared. These were named “Thankful Villages”, an expression coined by the writer Arthur Mee in the 1930s. The 14 villages left unscathed by fatalities during both World Wars were called “Doubly Thankful Villages”. Sadly, there are no Thankful Villages in Ireland, which was still part of the United Kingdom at the time of World War I, or in Scotland.

Upper Slaughter in Gloucestershire is one of the 14 Doubly Thankful Villages. The 24 men and one woman who served in World War I all returned alive as did the 36 who served in

World War II. Catwick, in the East Riding of Yorkshire, is also a Doubly Thankful Village. The 30 men who left the village to serve in World

War I all returned although one had lost an arm. In 1914 the village blacksmith hammered a horseshoe to the door of his forge and around it he nailed a coin for each man who left the village to fight; he did the same thing at the start of World War II.

“... Puttenham in Hertfordshire is the nearest Thankful Village to Drayton Beauchamp.”

Thierville in Normandy is an even more remarkable village in that, alone in all of France, nobody from Thierville was killed in any of the wars between 1870 and 1962 in which France was involved.

To mark next year's centenary of the start of the Great War and to raise funds for the British Legion, two men – Medwyn Parry (a member of staff at the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales) and Dougie Bancroft – set out in late July from Aberystwyth on a journey which would last 9 days and cover 2500 miles. As

Continued overleaf

Thankful Villages

Thankful Villages, *contd*

motorbike enthusiasts, they travelled by motorbike round all 51 Thankful Villages, presenting a slate plaque and a certificate to each one. They were joined at intervals along the way by local bikers who pledged a contribution to the British Legion in order to take part.

The only Thankful Village in Buckinghamshire is Stoke Hammond, but Puttenham in Hertfordshire is the nearest Thankful Village to Drayton Beauchamp. A study of the bikers' itinerary showed that the riders were due to pass through Drayton Beauchamp on July 30th on their way from London to Puttenham. A good number of villagers accordingly gathered in the lane that afternoon to speed the riders on their way. Garden chairs, flags and an impromptu afternoon tea gradually appeared, thus adding to the sense of this being a special occasion. A wrong turning by riders unfamiliar with the area meant that the cavalcade missed the entrance to the Holloway and found itself unexpectedly in Puttenham, but a hasty car journey to Puttenham by two Drayton Beauchamp residents and a word in the ear of

the organisers proved highly successful. After the presentation of the plaque and certificate to St Mary's Church in Puttenham, the riders detoured through Drayton Beauchamp and back down the Holloway before continuing on their way to Stoke Hammond.

It seems to me that the Thankful Village motorbike ride was an important exercise, reminding us as it did of the joy there must have been in those few villages which saw every one of their service personnel return alive from one or even both of the two World Wars. At the same time, it reminds us how rare indeed were those villages which were able to celebrate such a joyful outcome.

Finally, it highlights how, even in the Thankful Villages and at Sorrowlessfield Farm, the joy and relief of those waiting anxiously at home must have been tinged with a terrible awareness that every single community for many miles around them was instead mourning the loss of young, active people and facing the major social, economic, and emotional upheaval which this would inevitably cause.

Margaret Ross

The 'Thankful Village' riders as they came through Drayton Beauchamp en route from Puttenham, one of the 51 UK villages without a war memorial. The riders visited every one of the Thankful Villages on their 2,500m tour.



Photo: Margaret Ross

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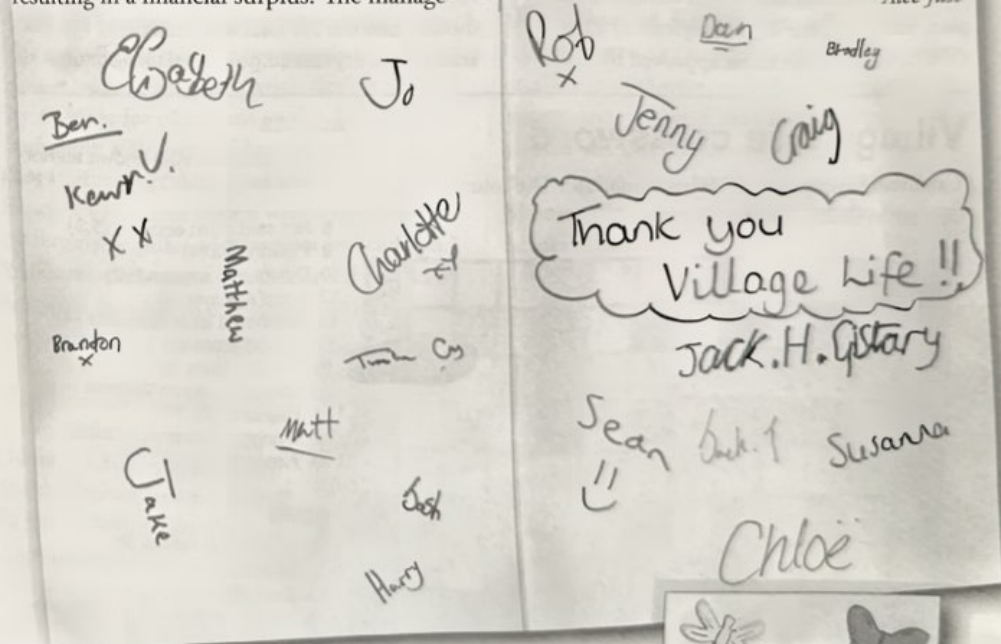
Now well into its third year, **Village Life** has attracted increasing volumes of advertising, resulting in a financial surplus. The manage-

ment group have decided that, as the remit of the magazine is to support our local community, part of that surplus should be distributed to local churches and other charitable groups. Accordingly, the following grants have been made this summer:

£500 to St Michael's Church, Aston Clinton
 £350 to All Saints' Church, Buckland
 £350 to St Mary the Virgin, Drayton Beauchamp
 £350 to the Baptist Church Youth Café
 £250 to the Scouts
 £250 to the Guides

The rest of the surplus is being retained as a contingency against future increases in printing costs.

Alec Just



James Adam, the Village Life treasurer, received this 'Thank-you' card from some of the 'customers' of the Baptist Church Youth Café. Susanna Lamport, a volunteer Youth Worker at the Café wrote: "I have asked the young people what they would like to spend the money on ... we would love to buy an air hockey table. It's been on our list for two years, so it will be a pleasure to be able to buy this now so that the young people will be able to enjoy it from the start of the new term in September."

Chapel Drive development proposal

AN outline planning application has been filed with AVDC on behalf of the Kler Group, a Nottingham-based residential builder and developer.

The application is for the building of 47 new houses on the 2-hectare field at the end of Chapel Drive, Green End Street, Aston Clinton. The land is bounded to the SW by Green End Street and on the SE by the rear gardens of New Road.

This proposal follows hard on the heels of the application to build 48 houses on a field off Stablebridge Road, Aston Clinton.

It is understood that under the new local plan, known as the Vale of Aylesbury Plan (VAP), which is yet to be approved by the

Government, the number of new houses projected for the Vale up to 2031 is 13,500, of which 26-50 houses are projected for Aston Clinton. The presently proposed 95 new houses over the two sites represents double the planned quota in the first year of the 18-year plan period. Clearly, something has to give!

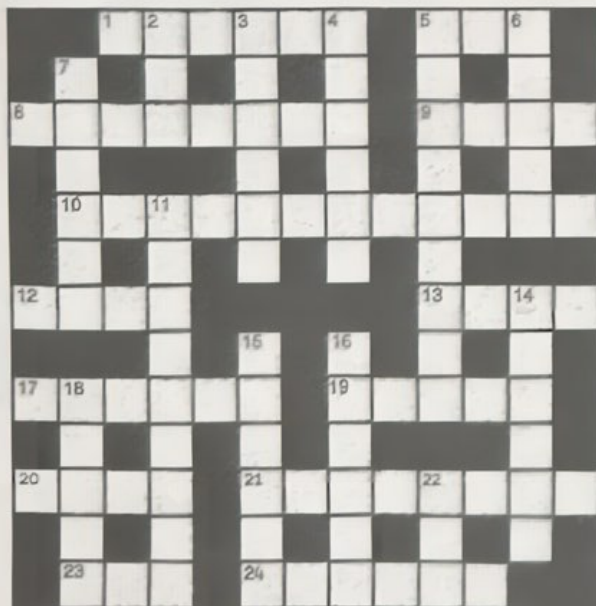
Theatre in the Villages

Sadly, there is no performance by a touring company in our immediate area during the 2013/14 Season. However, there are several upcoming shows in Wendover and Wingrave. You can download a brochure detailing all the shows from the AVDC website at:

www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/leisure-culture/

Village Life crossword

Crossword compiled by Helen Lonsdale. The solution will appear in the next issue.



ACROSS

- 1 and 18 down Well-known author who taught at AC prep school (6,6)
- 5 Conflict (3)
- 8 Not said often enough (5,3)
- 9 Pigeon pea (4)
- 10 Drinks and snacks (12)
- 12 Local eyesore (4)
- 13 Feathered local favourite (4)
- 17 A good score (6)
- 19 Tubular pasta (5)
- 20 Vorsprung durch Technik (4)
- 21 Desserts (8)
- 23 A boggy area on a moor (3)
- 24 A maxim (6)

DOWN

- 2 In or out in tennis (3)
- 3 Members of a congregation (6)
- 4 Zero (6)
- 5 Built between 1874-1889 with five-arrow crest (9)
- 6 To respond (5)
- 7 Distributor (6)
- 11 Parading ostentatiously (9)
- 14 Marble monument at St Mary's, DB, in his memory (6)
- 15 Avoid Aston Clinton (6)
- 16 Stinger commune (6)
- 18 See 1 across
- 22 Discordant sound (3)

A memorable day in Aston Park

THE last two years has seen the development of the Aston Park with new extra car parking space, access to the new floodlit tennis courts, and a new fitness trail. The Park is now being used by several fitness groups in addition to the long established football, bowls and tennis clubs.

The development of the Hub (previously known as the Sports and Social Club) is also attracting more and more people as a venue for

... the parish clerk was asked by a visitor for directions to the 'beach'

food, entertainment and social events. Aston Park has become a very popular venue not only for the villagers but also for people from a wider area. Only recently the parish clerk was asked by a visitor for directions to the 'beach' as she had come with her children from Bicester. (Some time ago the Parish Council created a beach area by the stream which has become extremely popular with parents and children.) This summer's warm weather saw the Park so full with families that at times there were no parking spaces left.

In February this year, Barry Halton of the Aston Martin Owners' Club approached Aston Clinton Parish Council for permission to use the Park as a stop-over for lunch. They were planning to celebrate 100 years of the Aston Martin marque with a visit to the village that gave the car half its name. The Aston Martin Centenary Tour was for the

Feltham-era cars, made between 1926 and 1959. (See pages 10 and 11.) The route passed through Aston Clinton, where a three-quarter-mile hill climb event was held between 1904 and 1925 at Aston Hill. Lionel Martin had done well with his early creations in these competitions and the name appealed to him when he was considering a title for his company. The cairn at the top of the hill was erected in 1997 by the Aston Martin Owners' Club and Aston Martin Lagonda Ltd. On Sunday, 1st September, we were pleased to welcome over forty Aston Martins which lined up in front of The Hub while their owners had lunch. Some of the cars were only two years old, but two very rare 1935 models (a 2-seater and a 4-seater) were present. It was a glorious, sunny day, and more than 1,000 people came to view the cars, before they continued on their tour to Newport Pagnell, where Aston Martins were eventually built after the Feltham factory closed.

Richard Maskell

Photo: Barry Halton



An autumn reflection

Truth is like a lion. You don't have to defend it. Let it loose. It will defend itself.
St Augustine

Useful telephone numbers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Contact/Line status</i>	<i>Telephone no.</i>
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2nd Aston Clinton Brownies	See below*	—
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Aston Clinton Badminton Club	Maureen Davison	07958 479690
Aston Clinton Baptist Church	Simon Downing	01296 631824
Aston Clinton Parish Council	Claire Hill	01296 631269
Aston Clinton School	Helen Shepherd	01296 630276
Aston Clinton U3A	John Bullard	01296 436403
Aston Clinton Youth Club	Brian Churchill	01296 630142
Aston Park Tennis Club	Luanda Bury	01296 630169
Aston Wine Club	Penny Ginger	01296 630383
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Baptist Church Hall	Valerie Owen	01296 630303
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Buckland Bridge Club	Viv Barton	01296 630776
Buckland Village Hall (Bookings Sec)	Paula Graves	01296 630310
Buckland Parish Council	TBA	01296 626073
Buckland Society	Kelly Cornish	01296 632119
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Cricket Club	Mike Parsonage	01296 631788
Crimestoppers		0800 555 111
Dentists' Surgery		08443 756336
Dial-a-Ride		01296 330088
Doctors' Surgery		01296 630241
Drayton Beauchamp Parish Meeting	Meryl Nodes	01296 630396
Electricity emergency		0800 7838 838
Environmental Health	Out of hours	01296 585093
Environmental Health	Helpline	01296 585605
Fly tipping	Hotline	0845 330 1856
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Football: Aston Park FC	Ken Workman	01296 631504
Football: AC Colts	Ray Lucas	01296 630076
Gas emergency		0800 111 999
Green Park Life Saving Assocn	John Lessingham	01296 622613
Guides	See below*	—
Halton Singers	Cherry-Ann Evans	01296 622097

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Aylesbury Vale District	David Thompson	01296 425656
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Marsworth Pre-School Group		07506 179658
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Police	Non emergency	101
Pre-School	Jo Johnson	01296 632672
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RAF Halton	At all other times	01296 656211
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Royal British Legion	Janet Tye	01296 434866
Scouts, Cubs and Beavers	David Wall	01296 632142
SSAFA Forces Help	Ann Smith	01296 631030
Stoke Mandeville Hospital		01296 315000
Tot Spot (Baptist Church)	Nicky Downing	01296 631824
Trading Standards		0845 4040506
Veterinary Centre		01296 630600
Women's Institute	Anne Floyd	01296 434372

* To register an interest in joining the Brownies or Guides, visit www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested

Any error or omission in this list should be notified to the Editor

Police information

The Police Community Support Officers who have been assigned to the area are Mandy Aplin and Christina Pringle. Wendover Police Station is open to the public: Monday to Friday, 9am-1pm. The new non-emergency number is 101. For **real** emergencies the number is 999.

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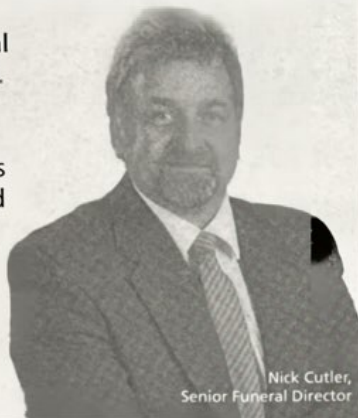


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