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Village Life

The bi-monthly community news magazine for Aston Clinton, Buckland and Drayton Beauchamp

(formerly The Parish Magazine)

IT'S FAIR TO SAY there's something for everyone in this issue of Village Life. There's a reminder from Revd Downing on page 2 that there's more to life than money's worth. Susanna Lamport's account on page 4 of the life-changing experience of twelve of our young people building a house for a homeless family in Mexico may inspire others to consider doing something similar.

As regular churchgoing declines in many parts of the country, new uses for our churches will need to be found if they are to remain at the heart of village communities. Our own Rhubarb Café at St Michael's is an example of how a church can be the hub of a community as well as a house of worship. Read Alison Roberts' story on page 8 on how it came to be and its surprising success since.

After reading Helen Shepherd's account on page 9 of the latest idea to promote self expression – am I the only person who'd love to be a fly-on-the wall during the classroom discussions she describes?

Our teenage columnist Becca Harty lifts the veil of mystery on page 12 surrounding what young people do on group holidays in places like Ibiza. It seems that they do what young people have always done: have fun, take risks and on the whole survive to tell the tale.

Family life in all its rich variety is entertainingly described by Kelly Cornish on page 16.

Risk-taking on our roads is sometimes far from fun. Read on page 14 how an earlier recognition of danger was followed by what could easily have been the loss of a child's life. Allowing cars to drive down Tring Hill at 50mph straight into a 30mph zone is difficult to understand. If a reduction to 40mph was approved, it is even more difficult to understand how it could cost £5,000-£7,000 to pay for and install two new 40mph signs.

Finally, do read and reflect on the profound words of the late Lord Clark on page 3.

Klec Just Editor

Summer thoughts from Revd Simon Downing

IFE is an interesting thing, and whilst it contains a great deal of variety, there are certain fundamentals to it—things that must not be compromised. Here are some of these that I pondered this sunny morning as I wrote this piece.

We must all sleep - without it we cannot survive. Eight hours per night are recommended

-more likely six in my case – but over 70 years we should all sleep 204, 400 hours. A third of our lives! It is also recommended that we should drink two litres of (preferably) water per day. That adds up to 51,100 litres or 11,356 gallons, which is about half the amount of water in a normal-sized swimming pool.

Food is another; something I

have great affinity for. Men are expected to eat 2,500 calories per day, ladies a little less, but it should be a varied diet—a range of vegetables and fruits, right through to grains and fish. If we are fortunate enough, we might get some red meat too! If we eat the expected basic daily five vegetables and fruits, over a 70-year period, that works out to be 127, 750 items. I am sure calculations of other examples could be made,

such as exercise. So, as you can see, there are some necessary things we must do if we are to remain healthy and be able to experience life as we hope we will.

However, much of this relates directly to the physical. I am confident that there is more to us than just this—there is a spiritual dimension to human beings too. We have this unique ability

to experience and be 'spiritual'. As a Christian I believe that in order for life to be what it should be, this spiritual component needs nurturing and it also needs to be lived out. As we have read, we do not neglect our bodies; similarly we should not neglect our souls either. In John 6, Jesus unequivocally spoke of being the 'bread of life', the living bread,

which came down from heaven and to give his life for the world-soul food! So may we spend some time thinking about him, so that over a 70-year period we can honestly look back and know that we spent some decent hours with God too.

God bless you and thanks.

Aston Clinton Ladies Group

Forthcoming meetings (no meeting in June):

Wed 16 July at 8pm at the Guide Hall: A Foodie Evening with Irene and Linda

Wed 20 Aug at 7.30pm: BBQ Summer Evening at Marion Richards' home

Wed 17 Sept at 8pm at the Guide Hall: "My Holiday in China" by Sue Sanders

Please call Sue Sanders on 01296 630740 or Janet Watson on 01296 631014 if you would like to join us. New members are always very welcome.

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St Michael and All Angels

Regular Services: 9.15am and 6pm each Sunday and Evening Prayer at 7.30pm each Friday



Forthcoming events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun 6 July	6pm	Celebration Choral Evensong	St Michael's Church
Wed 9 July	12 noon	Church Young Picnic in the Park	Aston Clinton Park
Sat 12 July	10.30-5pm	WW1 Flower Festival and Fête	St Michael's Church
Sat 12 July	8pm	WW1 Concert	Anthony Hall
Sun 13 July	11-5pm	WW1 Flower Festival and Fête	St Michael's Church
Mon 14 July	11-4.30pm	WW1 Flower Festival	St Michael's Church
Mon 4 Aug	8-10pm	Candlelit Vigil to mark the start of WW1	St Michael's Church
Sat 13 Sept	7.30pm	Harvest Supper	Anthony Hall
Sun 14 Sept	9.15am	Harvest Festival	St Michael's Church
Sun 14 Sept	6pm	Harvest Evensong	St Michael's Church
Sat 11 Oct	7pm	Barn Dance	Anthony Hall

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



I believe ...

"I believe that order is better than chaos, creation better than destruction. I prefer gentleness to violence, forgiveness to vendetta. On the whole I think that knowledge is preferable to ignorance, and I am sure that human sympathy is more valuable than ideology.

"I believe, that in spite of the recent triumphs of science, men haven't changed much in the last 2,000 years; and in consequence we must still try to learn from history. History is ourselves.

"I also hold one or two beliefs that are more difficult to put shortly. For example, I believe in courtesy, the ritual by which we avoid hurting other people's feelings by satisfying our own egos. And I think we should remember that we are part of a great whole, which for convenience we call nature.

"All living things are our brothers and sisters.

Above all, I believe in the God-given genius of certain individuals, and value a society that makes their existence possible."

The closing words of the late Kenneth Clark (Lord Clark) spoken in the landmark BBC tv series 'Civilisation' made in the 1960s. The BBC plans to remake the series next year.

To Mexico to build a house

AVE you ever done something for someone else that totally changed their life? A bunch of hard-working, caring young people from Aston Clinton Baptist Church Youth Group have done just that!

The team of 12 spent two years fund-raising £15,600 to travel to Mexico during the Easter holidays, to build a house from scratch using only hand tools, for a homeless Mexican family. Many people from the village have supported them and been involved in some way with the fund-raising process, and the whole team are very grateful for all the support and encouragement that local people have given them.

The area they went to was Tijuana, just an hour over the Mexico/USA border. It is an incredibly poor area of Mexico, with many families living in absolute poverty. Sean, one of the team, told me "I knew the poverty would be bad, but I never knew it would be that bad."

The family of five that they helped had an income of less than \$1 a day per person, which is just about enough to buy food but not enough to support themselves or improve their living conditions, even though both parents work incredibly hard in local factories.

Our young people teamed up with the Luton-based charity Urban Saints to take part in their 'Rebuild Mexico' project. They flew to San Diego and then travelled into Mexico to build the house. On Day 1, this involved mixing 8.5 tonnes of concrete by hand, in 32°C heat, in order to lay the foundation. "Nothing could have prepared us for how hard it was," explained Chloe, "but we pulled together as a team, relied on God, and somehow we got it done."

The team completed the two-room timberframed house for the family, with waterproofing and a layer of stucco on the outside, plus a leak-proof, sturdy roof, in just five days. Prior

The team about to set off on their mission trip, at Easter





The team, with the family, in front of their newly-built house

to this, the family were living in a small, one room shack with a leaking roof, and they were overwhelmed with their new, dry, secure house. It has given them a chance to improve their standard of living, and is a step up out of total poverty. Their lives were truly changed by the efforts of the team. "It was the hardest thing I have ever done, but it was so rewarding that I want to do it all again," Robert told me.

A final quote from Emily sums up how the whole team feel: "Rebuild Mexico was absolutely the most life-changing experience I've ever been through – I have never seen so much triumph in the face of adversity. We've built some amazing friendships (as well as a house) and my perspective of the world has shifted."

Susanna Lamport, Youth Worker Aston Clinton Baptist Church

St Michael & All Angels Flower Festival

On Saturday 12th, Sunday 13th and Monday 14th July St Michaels Church is planning to hold a Flower Festival entitled "A Year of Celebration". As part of this festival we would like to decorate pews in memory of people or to commemorate certain occasions in people's lives. Flower arrangements will be provided for a minimum donation of £10.

If you would like to take part in this venture would you please contact Mrs Joan Collins on 01296 632039 and your requirements can be discussed.

All monies raised will go towards the upkeep of our beautiful church.



Aston Clinton Beer Festival

THE Aston Clinton Beer Festival, now in its third year, not only provides the opportunity to try a range of ales and ciders produced by local brewers, but also a weekend of free entertainment for all the family at the village park. On top of that, the festival supports local charities and, since its first event in 2012, has raised over £10,000 for good causes in Aston Clinton and the surrounding area. Last year, more than 1,000 people came along and enjoyed the fun.

Recently, Lesley Butcher, festival organiser and treasurer of the Aston Clinton Charitable Foundation, presented Robert Breakwell and Susan James of the Chilterns MS Society with a donation of £1,000. "Every penny we make from the beer festival goes to local voluntary organisations and charities," explained Lesley. "Among others, we've made donations to the Aston Clinton School, the village Luncheon Club, an under 7's football team and the local Scouts. Our aim is to help local people make a valuable contribution to local life. The MS

Society provides important services and advice to people with multiple sclerosis, as well as to their families and carers. Everyone involved in our festival is keen to support the fantastic work they do in any way we can."

This year's charity beer festival, known as ACBF3, will be on the weekend of 11-13th July 2014 at Aston Clinton Park, with the kind support of the Hub and local drinks supplier, Dayla, along with many other local businesses and organisations. With a range of 36 real ales, six ciders and perries, and a full programme of entertainment on Comedy Friday, Rock Saturday and Retro Sunday, the event promises to be their biggest yet. And this year, admission to the festival is completely free. "We just want people to come along and enjoy the festival atmosphere," said fellow organiser and beer connoisseur Dave Culliton. "What could be better than chilling out over a bright summer weekend and raising a glass, or three, to local Lesley Butcher charities?"



U3A group visit Arla plant

ON Thursday, 1st May a 40-strong group from Aston Clinton U3A's Science and Technology members were given a tour of the new Arla milk processing and distribution plant. Controversy had surrounded the decision to permit such a building on pasture land and this was an opportunity for those present to not only view the operation but to ask probing questions in an attempt to answer local concerns.

Being the first 'community group' of visitors to be afforded a tour of Arla it was noted, when standing outside the building, that there was little to no noise emanating from the plant. Arla's initial proposal to paint the building blue to blend into the skyline had been opposed and so they used green, grey and brown to reflect the rolling countryside. The area surrounding the building has been carefully landscaped with trees and shrubs. Internally, from the bright and airy reception area and open-plan offices to the operational production and dispatching areas, visitors were able to see Arla at work via the central viewing corridor windows. Currently employing in excess of 400 staff (some via contractors), approximately 80% were people from the Aylesbury, Milton Keynes, High Wycombe and Watford areas. When fully operational, Arla expect to employ some 700 staff, again recruiting within the locale.

Arla have devised an education programme with Tesco and will soon be launching the scheme which will result in schools being invited to the plant to learn about the production of milk. Arla are anxious to educate and encourage young people to enter the technical and engineering work of food production and, in partnership with Tesco, advertising can be more effective via the supermarket stores.

As you walk along the viewing corridor (some 180m long) you are aware how quiet the machinery is. From the production of plastic milk bottles in the blow-moulding unit to the filling and dispatching areas the high tech machinery makes for a constant and seamless flow with manpower used for monitoring the operation and ensuring quality control at all areas of the production process. Milk arrives from the farms in container trucks which park at a 45° angle so that the contents are pumped out with gravity assistance. Laboratory technicians test all milk provided by the farms for quality assurance and the milk is kept at 6°C during the processing and 4°C in dispatch.

One of the most impressive features of the plant were the robots used in the dispatch area. Carefully programmed, this hi-tech workforce manoeuvered with precision around the floor area using a GPS-based system, never colliding nor tiring, to collect the bottled milk containers and move them to the loading area. A dedicated team of planners schedule the day's work for the robots and once programmed the mechanical workers complete their tasks (no tea breaks, sickness nor strikes!). They even park themselves up for recharging when they have finished their assignments. The final area of the tour was the Energy Centre, where Arla produce a high percentage of their energy needs. It is their intention that by 2020 they will be fully self-sufficient with a zero-carbon footprint, supplying energy back to the National Grid.

Having been given the comprehensive tour by the agricultural manager for the SE area of the country and the communications manager (a local lass from Tring) the group were provided with hospitality and offered another Q&A session.

It is fair to say that by the end of the visit a far more positive view of Arla and its operation had been adopted by those in the group who had earlier expressed severe doubts. Arla is here, operational and keen to work with the community so let's give them a chance!

Dawn Everett

The Rhubarb Café

WHATEVER your age, all lovers of cake are welcome! The Rhubarb Café at St Michael's Church in Aston Clinton opened in February this year. The name Rhubarb Café stems from the first meeting to discuss the feasibility of a café at St Michael's Church. Rosie Chandler, now the café manager, brought along a container with warm freshly-baked rhubarb muffins. Our passion for rhubarb stayed with us.

Our idea was to invite people into St Michael's Church who perhaps wouldn't normally go through the door, for the café to become a resource for the wider community.

The Rhubarb Café places great emphasis on hospitality, most regularly in the form of delicious and imaginative cakes. These are freshly baked by a team of volunteers. Café prices are as low as possible; we are not looking to make a profit but to cover our costs, including bakers being reimbursed for their cakes. Those serving are also volunteers from across our community.

We have been delighted by the success of the café. St Michael's is not a building that lends

itself easily to being a café; however come every Monday afternoon (except bank holidays) the transformation is complete.

Children of all ages appear to relish the space, as do walking groups and many people have already established themselves as 'regulars'. We hope to put on additional activities during August, and will be advertising as our plans become clearer.

Presently the café opens Monday afternoon 2pm-4.30pm. Long term we would like to open more frequently but this heavily depends on the number of volunteers available.

If you would like to be involved we would love to hear from you, or come and meet us at the Rhubarb Café on a Monday afternoon where freshly baked cakes including occasionally the now-famous "Two-Hands-Required" meringues await you!

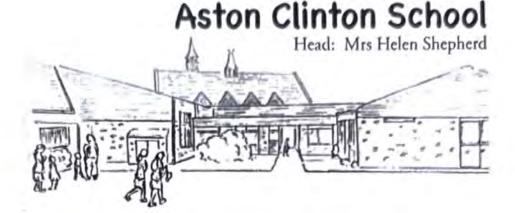
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Look us up on Facebook: www.facebook.com/rhubarbcafeastonclinton







THIS YEAR, one of our aims has been to improve children's writing as we know this is an area we need to develop as a school. We have looked at planning and the use of learning walls so far and now we have moved on to Philosophy 4 Children (P4C). It might sound like a strange idea, but stay with me!

It is a well-known fact that children need to be able to express their ideas in words-spoken words-before they can effectively communicate in writing. P4C encourages children to think, enquire, offer opinions and listen to each other. It is an enquiry-based approach that opens up children's learning through the exploration of ideas. It lets children see that all ideas have value whether their own or from other people. They develop the confidence to ask questions and learn through discussion and have a chance to speak and be heard without fear of getting an answer wrong.

The lesson starts with a stimulus-a picture, poem, news item-and children are encouraged to ask a question from their imagination (e.g. I wonder why...?) about it. The class vote for one question that they are most interested in and then a discussion starts. This part of the lesson is not directed by the teacher but by the children, following a path guided by the children's ideas and thoughts, where they can be heard agreeing and disagreeing, but always giving a reason for their point of view. This is the most powerful part of the P4C lesson. The children have to listen to what someone else has said and respond in a meaningful way. They

must think before they speak and give reasons to back up what they say. Over time this way of expressing themselves makes it into their writing.

P4C helps children to value their views and the views of others. When others disagree with them they learn not to take things personally. It has been a wonderful experience hearing children of all ages discussing issues that matter to them in a thought-provoking way.

Here are a few questions for you to discuss at home with your children and see whether they can give you good reasons for their ideas. Just remember there is no right answer, you cannot be wrong, but you have to explain your thinking!

Is it better to give up your space in a lifeboat to save a mother and infant twins, or to stay put and push out an old man instead?

Would it be better to be rich and ugly, or poor but beautiful?

Is the hole in a polo part of the polo? Helen Shepherd



Aston Clinton, Buckland & Drayton Beauchamp Horticultural Society

THE 18th SPRING SHOW and plant sale was held on Saturday 12th April at Aston Clinton School. While we all welcomed the unusually mild weather following the appalling period of rain we have suffered, it did mean that many of the daffodils were past their best by the show date. In spite of that, a good display and high standard was achieved by the exhibitors. The show is not just reliant on daffodils, having sections for floral art, domestic and handicraft, plus entries for children so there were plenty of options, both to enter and to view. The dry weather on the day and popular plant sale contributed towards the tremendous public support.



Rosemary Birch presents centenarian Margery Stanbridge with the George White Floral Art Shield. The shield was won jointly by Margery and Sue Lipscomb.

The most prestigious award in the daffodil section (The Masters Trophy) and the best bloom in show were awarded to Graham Thirkettle. The cup for the pre-junior daffodil class was presented to Eloise Geary, and the junior class to Charlie Wallis. Other daffodil

and Graham Thirkettle. The winners in the children's classes were Natasha Bradley (5 years and under), and Lottie Dickinson-Lomas (6-8 years). The Show Secretary would like to thank all those people who helped to organise, set up and run the show, and to all the exhibitors and general public who supported us. All this ensured the success of the Society's 18th Spring Show. Eighteen years ... I remember entering the first Spring Show and cannot believe that it has been going so long. Its continuing success has been the result of a lot of hard work by a few dedicated people.

It is good to see the allotments being cultivated in the park. We will be running our competition for the best allotment again this year, which will be judged in July. One of our members, Diane, has taken on an allotment

> for the first time this year. Her patch is full of bindweed and twitch grass, both difficult to eradicate. This not impossible, as shown by her next-door plot holder who has finished digging his plot all over, leaving no weeds at all. There is something very satisfying looking at a clean dug plot. In Diane's situation it is advisable not try to dig or clean out the whole plot in one year but to cover it with black ground cover material. This will kill off the grass and weeds and allow an easier dig-over in the autumn.

I read recently that because of the storms over the winter, the price of fencing and fence panels had rocketed. To me, 6ft high close boarded fencing is antisocial and not necessary. Boundaries can just as easily be defined by hedging and it does not have to be 'leylandii' as there is a wide range of plants that can make good hedges. They don't blow down in the wind either. My recommendation is to grow a

'Photinia', Red Robin Hedge. This is an evergreen plant with new shoots tinged with red and can be trimmed into a long-lasting hedge.

Our Summer Show and Fête will soon be upon us and preparations are in hand. This year it will be held on **Saturday 16th August**, This is during the long summer holiday period but makes for a relaxing family afternoon at minimal cost. As well as admiring the efforts of local gardeners, there are classes for children, handicrafts, domestic, photography and floral art. There is one dahlia class open to all who live in the three villages. The dahlia plant(s) for this class are obtained from the Society but the

class calls for only one bloom to be presented. There are a number of classes for 'novices' who have either not exhibited before or have not come first in a novices class, so why not have a try. The photographic classes attract many entries now that we have an expert from the U3A judging them. This year's subjects are: Adult class 'My village' and for the Children's class, 'My favourite place'.

You can contact the society by email at:
info@astonclintonhorticulturalsociety.co.uk or
why not visit our very informative website at:
http://www.astonclintonhorticulturalsociety.co.uk/
Ralph Weston

GREAT WAR 1914-18

CENTENARY COMMEMORATION FLOWER FESTIVAL AND FETE

The Aston Clinton Community Group, in partnership with St Michael and All Angels Parish Church, are holding a Centenary Commemoration of the outbreak of the Great War on **Saturday 12th, Sunday 13th and Monday 14th July 2014.** A Flower Festival, with WWI themed titles, will be included together with WWI memorabilia. In addition, there will be a Fête on the Saturday and Sunday in the church grounds with a variety of stalls where lunches and teas will be available

The commemoration event will be held in St Michael's church. There will also be an evening of popular music and song from the last 100 years, to be held in the Anthony Hall on the Saturday evening. If you have items of WWI memorabilia (medals, letters etc), maybe you would consider showing the items during the commemoration event. If so, please give Mike Collins a call on 01296 632039.

Summer holidays

ON ENTERING our last year of school, a priority topic of conversation was where to go on holiday. It's become a sort of tradition over the years for groups of friends to go away for a week or so to celebrate leaving school and finishing exams in their extended summer.

My friends and I have booked to go to Majorca for a week; with sandy beaches and an average nightlife we certainly went for the tame end of the spectrum on teen holidays. Other friends have chosen a more extreme package for their first time abroad with friends: Zante, Kavos, Ayia Napa and Kos to name a few of the popular destinations. These are the sort of places you come across on popular tv shows such as Sun, Sex, and Suspicious Parents, which as the title implies is not one to watch with the folks. It films what young teenagers sup-

posedly get up to when on holiday with their friends, but with their parents spying on them from afar. It certainly put me off going on one of them for a few years!

The darker side of party islands is definitely shown in these sorts of programmes, and I've personally banned my mum from watching them, more for her sake than mine. Yet I've known people who have had the time of their life on holiday with their friends; the idea of no curfews, cheap booze and no adults certainly is appealing.

Yet, in the past few years there has been a

branching out from the Greek island style of holiday (with the role of fly-on-the-wall programmes possibly being an influence) with activities such as inter-railing also becoming an appealing summer activity for young people; taking a month out to travel around countries with a group of friends, soaking up the European culture.

Festivals are also a great way to spend a few days in the summer. I experienced my first one last year, camping it up and having to queue an hour for the toilet was certainly an experience, but great

fun overall and such a fun few days to spend time with close friends.

Summer can be one of the most incredible times if spent wisely. I'm certainly looking forward to mine, and as long as you stay safe and don't go too wild, the memories will definitely stay forever.



by Becca Harty

Incentives for greener home heating

Rural homeowners living off the gas network pay extra for oil, LPG or electric heating. The Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) offers incentives to consider lower-carbon alternatives when replacing an old boiler.

The RHI aims to even out the relative cost of installing and running a new renewable heating system instead of one using fossil fuel. With the RHI a payment is made for every unit of renewable heat it is estimated your system will

generate. Supported heaters include biomass or pellet boilers, air, ground or water source heat pumps, and solar thermal panels.

The RHI is open to homeowners, private landlords, social landlords and self-builders. If you have installed a renewable heat system you may also be eligible. Application for the RHI is via a form on the Ofgem website. You can also get free advice from the Energy Saving Advice Service on 0300 123 1234.

Aston Clinton Village Market Day: 11 May



IT DIDN'T RAIN...

...but the winds blew and the Aston Clinton Village Market 2014 stood fast and carried on regardless!

The sixth annual Aston Clinton Village Market raised an amazing £4,600. We had over 1,000 people through the gates, thank you for your support.

The Village Market would like to thank all the Stallholders who stayed with us and battled the gusts of winds! Thank you to the residents for their patience and understanding on the day with the increased traffic on the surrounding roads.

Thank you to our generous sponsors: MJB Smart Services, MJ Electrical Engineering, Green Park (The Adventure Learning Foundation), Taylor Francis Insurance Brokers, Dulux Design Service, Sivatech, Masterdriver, Chapmans Fairs, The Lily Pot, Owen's Finest, Ashridge Delicious, Daisy Bell Jewellery and Crafts and Neal's Yard's Remedies. Thanks also to Mediaport Solutions Ltd for printing all our posters again and Spot On Print for our site maps. Thank you to Hafiz the Ice Cream Man, Aston Clinton Childminders, Hyatt Studios, Fun4Kidz and MJB Smart Services for donating a share of their profits.

The music was fantastic! We were entertained by Dream-chasers all day and they made us all feel like the sun was shining! Thank you to the Aston Clinton Beer Festival for running the bar and keeping the Pimms topped up!

The Village Market would also like to thank all the wonderful volunteers who helped make

the event run smoothly by directing traffic, moving tables, running the café, the BBQ, manning the entrance, the list goes on. We cannot do it without you!

And the last thank you goes to everyone who came and supported the Village Market this year, not only do you support our wonderful school but all the local businesses, services and organisations that we have in and around

Aston Clinton. Visit www.acvillagemarket.co.uk

Clare Simmonds



Some of your comments on the question: Should Tring Hill have a lower speed limit?

IN the article on this topic in the previous issue of Village Life, the final paragraph ran:

"So far, there have been few serious accidents at the B4009 junction. Must we wait for a calamitous one? Please tell us what you think. Email the editor at alec.just@btinternet.com."

By a grim twist of fate, on Easter Monday a potentially very serious accident happened at that very spot when a bus collided with a car emerging from the B4009 from the Wendover direction. A trapped child had to be cut out of the car and three people were taken to hospital. Thankfully, no-one was seriously injured. One of the respondents to the earlier article (E.H.) described what nearly happened to her at the very same spot:

"I had a near miss pulling out of there the other week ... looking at the traffic from your right, if there is stream of traffic coming down the hill with the majority of them indicating left, it is somehow an illusion that their indicators all seem to merge and give you a false belief that they are all turning left, only to find when you think it is safe to pull out, one car is heading straight on! Hence my near miss situation!

Although the precise cause of the accident on Easter Monday is not yet known, the facts do point to the possibility that similar circumstances described by E.H. above might have applied in the case of that accident.

Of the 12 respondents to the previous article, 10 were strongly in favour of a reduction in the speed limit on Tring Hill to 40mph. Most of those recognised the need for enforcement cameras. Several respondents thought that the only real solution to the problem would be a large roundabout at the junction. That option is, however, unlikely on grounds of cost.

Two of the respondents to the previous article thought that the 50mph speed limit should remain. T.L. was forthright:

"We live in a society where dogooders and busibodies spend their time trying to stop others doing what they want to do. I want to drive down Tring Hill at 50mph-not 40, not 30 nor, God forbid, 20 -because it is perfectly safe to do so. I do not want someone telling me that there seems very little point in maintaining the limit at 50mph for such a short stretch of road. Would it be OK to keep the 50mph limit on Tring Hill if the junction with the double roundabout was 1600 yards away rather than 800 and if so, why?

"Every junction onto every main road presents a challenge. It is up to drivers to face the challenge and either pass the junction safely or exit from it safely, not wittering on with much hand-wringing about how risky it is and demanding a speed limit reduction, not because someone has got hurt but just in case they might, one day."

In my reply to T.L., I suggested that some small restrictions on personal freedom is the price we

> pay if we want to enjoy the benefits of living in a humane, safe and free society.

Bucks CC appear not to wish to encourage applications for changes to speed limits. Any application for a specific change involves the local parish council or Local Area Forum (LAF)

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Tring Hill continued

applying to TfB (Transport for Bucks) at BCC on a prescribed form setting out the reasons for the request and agreeing to pay a non-returnable £900 in order for BCC to carry out a full assessment of the request. Should the request be approved and should there be a need for speed/flow data to be collected, then the parish council

or LAF have to pay a further £380 per 'data collection site'.

Furthermore, if an application is finally approved, and before any speed limit change can be implemented, the applicants have to pay the cost of implementation (new signage etc) which can involve £5,000-£7,000. Not good news for cash-strapped ACPC! Alec Just

St Michael's Men's Lunch

'Sexism?' she asked, as I queried whether her husband would be coming. But she relented when I pointed out that she was a member of the Women's Institute!

I have been thinking for some time about organising a men's lunch for all those men associated with St Michael's who are free to meet at lunch time. I felt that we don't know each other well enough and so, with the Rector's blessing, I organised our first 'St Michael's Men's Lunch' on 25th April.

As it was fairly short notice, only twelve men were able to come but we all had a great time with good food and a drink or two.

It was a successful occasion and we will therefore be holding the next one at The Oak, on Friday 20th June at 12.30 for 1pm. On this



occasion our Guest of Honour will be our former Rector, Alan Bennett.

If you would like to come, please contact me by phone on **01296 623239** or email me at james@jamesadam.co.uk

James Adam

RAF Association . Aylesbury and Halton Branch

The bar in Building 259 at RAF Halton (first building on the right from the entrance to airfield) is open to all interested parties Thursday and Saturday evening 7.30–11pm. Ordinary meetings are held there on the first Wednesday in every month at 7.30 for 8pm.

Wed 4 June: Quiz Night

Wed 2 July: Frivolous Night with cheese and wine

Wed 6 August: Ron Adams, singer-story teller promises an entertaining evening. Sun 10 August: BBQ on the lawn outside Building 259. Bar opens at 12 noon.

For any further information please contact:

Ray Mockford on 07771 591 586 or Derf Mockford on 07775 664 064

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MANY PEOPLE believe that a woman loses her dignity upon entry to the delivery ward. But for me this moment occurred when I told a small group of friends that we, as a family, had experienced our first dose of worms. I must have said it quite loudly, the way you do in a crowded, achingly-hip Islington restaurant because it definitely went quiet all of a sudden. And the couple next to us asked to be moved.

My childless chum at the table nearly spat her Pinot in my face and recoiled in abject horror. While the other three – all mums to toddlers – immediately leaned in with a barrage

of questions. "What do they look like?" "How do you know?" "What do you do about it?" The debrief went along the following lines: little pieces of white thread; someone reports an itchy bum so you have a look and there they are wiggling at you; whole family takes a tablet;

boil-wash bedding and towels; remind children not to be so gross and to wash their hands more often. Job done.

With almost a decade of motherhood under my belt, I think I have experienced most of the nasties that spread like wildfire amongst children: vomiting and diarrhoea, verrucas, and of course, the dreaded head lice, to name but a few. But no-one wants to admit to worms, and yet most families with young children experience it at least once. Well, that's what I choose to tell myself.

The helpful advice online reassures you that

having worms is very common and easily spread amongst children and not a matter of questionable hygiene within the home, before going on to say that threadworm eggs can live on bedding and surfaces for up to three weeks. Well, excuse me if I sound judgmental but who on earth, with kids, doesn't wash their bedding or surfaces during that sort of time-frame?

But back to the dinner in Islington, world affairs and politics took a back seat that night as the cocktails kicked in and our chat went on to a lively debate of what we should call our lady-parts in front of our children. Single friend

thought it absolutely ludicrous to use anything other than vagina. But the others all had differing names—Noo-noo, Twinkle, Daisy—and a wider poll of mummy friends revealed even more hilarious nicknames. There's flower, ha'penny, front-

bottom and Jemima in case you were wondering. In my house it's your 'undercarriage'. Nice and gender-neutral and the kids are less likely to make a friend at school named after it. The fact that bum rhymes with Mum provides endless entertainment as it is.

Mum's

And of course, since wormgate, my youngest two have a tendency to tell me if they have an itchy finger or leg for example, followed quite loudly and only ever in public, with "does that mean it's got worms in it?". To anyone reconsidering inviting us round, I say loudly: "NO!"

Kelly Cornish

Flicks in the Sticks

Buckland's *Flicks in the Sticks* completed its most successful season ever in April. Screenings ranged from silent movies with live musical accompaniment to outstanding art house films interspersed with spectacular Oscar winners.

The organisers would like to thank all those who have contributed to Flick's brilliant season,

either by attending or by volunteering behind the scenes.

Our new season opens in October and there is already speculation as to what the opening film will be!

If you would like to be on the Flicks in the Stick's email list, please email Alison Roberts at alisonroberts999@btinternet.com

All Saints' Church, Buckland

Regular Services:

8am Holy Communion each Sunday except 1st in month 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
Sun 15 June	2-5pm	Open Gardens	Buckland Village
Sun 15 June	3pm	Teas	All Saints' Church
Sun 6 July	11am	Family Communion and Picnic (see below)	All Saints' Church
Sun 7 Sept	11am	Family Harvest Festival	All Saints' Church
Sun 7 Sept	6pm	Harvest Choral Evensong followed by Harvest Supper	All Saints' Church

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

Benefice Welcome to our new Curate, Sally Bottomer

On Sunday 6th July, at the Family Communion Service at All Saints', we shall be shall be welcoming to the Benefice Sally Bottomer who joins us as our new Curate. Revd. Sally will join us at the picnic following the Service.

When did WW1 end?

Most of us date WW1 as 1914-18. And yet, as the photo below shows, the Buckland War Memorial states the end of the war as 1919, as does the Aston Clinton memorial.



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The discrepancy arises because 11th November 1918 was Armistice Day when the fighting stopped. The war did not officially end until the Versailles Peace Treaty was signed on 28th June 1919 after months of argument and negotiation amongst the Great Powers as to what the treaty should contain.

The problem was that all parties wanted different things and this led to a very punitive treaty. America's President Woodrow Wilson had been genuinely stunned by the savagery of the Great War. He could not understand how an advanced civilization could have reduced itself to so much devastation. Subsequent conflicts around the world have shown that 'Man's inhumanity to Man' has not changed.

Ralph Weston

St Mary the Virgin, Drayton Beauchamp

Regular Services: 10.45am each Sunday 8am on first Sunday of month



Forthcoming events

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun 8 June	12.30pm	Wendover Arm Canal Trust Open Day	St Mary's Church
Fri 27 June	All Day	Clay Shoot	Painesend Farm
Sat 30 Aug	10am	Watford Industrial History Society	St Mary's Church
Sun 7 Sept	12.30pm	Wendover Arm Canal Trust Open Day	St Mary's Church
Sun 21 Sept	4pm	Harvest Festival Evensong followed by Tea	St Mary's Church

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

Lunch and Bridge afternoon

Elizabeth and Guy Moores will be holding a Lunch and Bridge afternoon in aid of St Mary's Church on Wednesday 24th September at the Cecilia Hall, Puttenham. For further information please contact Guy and Elizabeth Moores on 01442 826241 or email: guyandliz@talktalk.net

Free-range eggs!

The egg stall at Morgans, Drayton Beauchamp had a setback when a fox killed a number of hens. Chris and Alistair Dunbar have now managed to restock with rescued chickens who are slowly readjusting to a free-range life. They hope to have more of the larger hens' eggs for sale soon, but are continuing to sell bantam, guinea fowl, duck and goose eggs. Morgans is near the B489 end of the village.



Wendover Arm Trust

The Grand Union Canal was the M1 of its day. From its junction with the Thames it rises some 380 feet through a series of locks to the Tring Summit. Wendover Arm Restoration Open Days are to be held on Sun 8th June and again on Sun 7th September, 12.30-4pm, when you can have a guided tour of the canal restoration site and see the volunteers at work. Teas and cakes are on sale. Car parking will be at St Mary's Church, Drayton Beauchamp HP22 5LS. Admission is free.



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Drayton Beauchamp in the 1940s (Part 2)

THROUGHOUT 1944 the residents of Drayton Beauchamp continued to be as busy as they had been during the early years of the war. Land Army girls were still in residence at the Rectory and Drayton Manor was still being used as an Auxiliary Hospital. Land Army and VAD choirs were formed, and both sang at many local events. In June of that year, a fête was held in the grounds of Drayton Hospital on a scorching day which saw the temperature rise to 100F. A committee was formed to organise fundraising events for the "Salute a Soldier" week, the target being to fund a £250 ambulance. In fact, a concert in the Rectory gardens and a whist drive in the schoolroom together raised almost £350 - a total announced with justifiable pride in the Parish Magazine. Regular sewing parties of village women were held in the home of Clare Ball, whose name appears constantly on the list of stalwarts who worked hard to support the village and its

The beautiful St Mary's Church at Drayton Beauchamp

church. The finished sewn items were sold at the August fête.

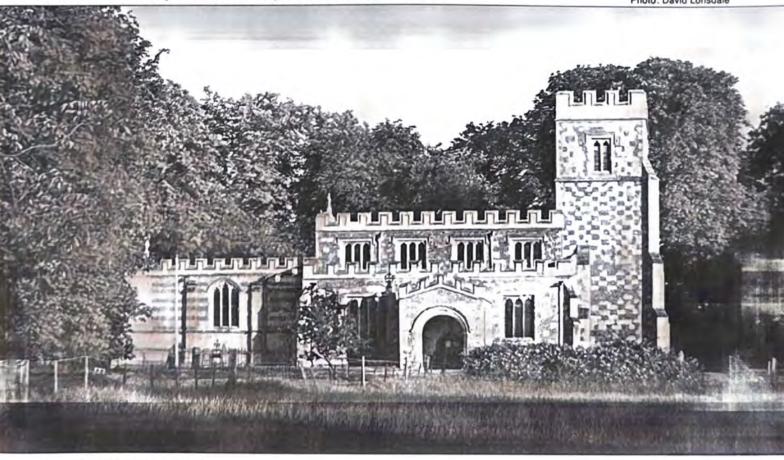
Money for church upkeep was always needed. At the end of 1944 several pressing tasks were undertaken including mysterious measures taken to ensure that "the bats will cease to trouble us". (It was not until December 1946,

A fete was held in the grounds of Drayton Hospital on a scorching day which saw a temperature of 100°F.

however, that it was finally announced: "At long last we are free from the bat pest" – not a sentiment which would find favour in 2014!) In early 1945, an unspecified "rough estimate" for installing electric heating in the cold church was secured, but proved to be a "formidable sum for a small parish to face". That autumn, another large estimate was received for necessary work

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Photo: David Lonsdale



Drayton Beauchamp in the 1940s (Pt. 2) Continued from p. 19

on the fabric of the church including replacement of large timbers damaged by death watch beetles. Less gloomily, it was recorded that the organ had been repaired for £20, an expense which, according to Revd. Scurry Jones, was justified by the result.

1945, the final year of the war in Europe, was an important year for Drayton Beauchamp. In April a "Welcome Home Fund" committee was formed to raise contributions which would be shared among returning service people. On 20th April 1946 the total fund of over £70 was presented at the schoolroom to 20 recipients service personnel or their relatives - who each received £3.10s. Sadly, some did not return. Francis Smith of Hang Hill, who had survived the inferno of Dunkirk, died in March 1945 leaving a young widow and 9-year-old son. Walter Jeffs, who had married a Drayton Beauchamp girl in September 1943, returned to his regiment after recovering from wounds suffered in 1944, but was killed in April 1945.

1945 saw a further major event in Drayton Beauchamp with the arrival at the Dower House of Alfred Reynolds, his sister Edith and their niece Dorothy. Alfred Reynolds was a composer of light music for the theatre (perhaps the Andrew Lloyd Weber of his day). Among his many compositions was the music for "1066—And All That", a musical comedy written in

Village lore has it that they had a truncheon and set of handcuffs each ...

1938 and revived at the Palace Theatre, London in 1945. In May 1946 the Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret attended a matinée performance which they enjoyed so much that they requested a souvenir and were sent a copy of the full score.

A highlight of June 1945 was the wedding of Alfred's niece Dorothy to a Royal Navy Lieutenant followed by a generous party afterwards at the Dower House. Dorothy continued to live there while her husband served in the submarine service. Alfred, Edith and Dorothy quickly proved to be invaluable new residents of Drayton Beauchamp. The three hosted garden parties, fêtes and plant sales in aid of church funds and to finance the renovation of what was by then being called the church hall or parish hall. Alfred became a churchwarden and

The 1953 Coronation was celebrated in the schoolhouse with food, games and the pleasure of watching the proceedings in London on a television set hired for the day.

in June 1947 was appointed Chairman of the Parish Meeting, successor to the Rector.

Stewart William Jenney, Lord of the Manor, had moved out of Drayton Manor in 1909. By 1946 he was living in Buckland and too frail to attend St Mary's, but his unfailing support of the church at Drayton Beauchamp continued until his death in December 1949. Major Jenney was the last Lord of the Manor to live locally and although Henry Harpur Crewe— his successor as Lord of the Manor—attended church services in Drayton Beauchamp occasionally, he remained firmly based at Calke Abbey.

The April 1947 Parish Magazine saw Revd. Scurry Jones write about the winter which the country had endured – "the worst in living memory". Roads were impassable, trains and lorries buried in drifts, fuel hard to come by, disastrous flooding the inevitable accompaniment to the thaw. Somewhat incongruously, he finishes his weather report with a severe condemnation of greyhound and horse racing which he saw as a squandering of money and human labour.

As Chairman of the Parish Meeting, he was authorised to appoint two village constables

every year. Thomas Hedges and Fred Green seem to have been the final constables as this role is not mentioned again after 1947. Village lore has it that they had a truncheon and set of handcuffs each, but what eventually happened to these has never been discovered.

By the end of 1947 it was announced that the Rectory was to be de-requisitioned and the Land Army girls were to leave. The Manor Hospital had also changed its function and was now a "Home and School for Blind Children".

Frustratingly, no Parish Magazines for the entire year of 1948 seem to have survived, but

it may be imagined that a meticulous record of parish events continued on their pages. The thread is taken up again in January 1949 with the report of a tea party for village children, followed by a party next day for the children at the Manor, these two becoming annual events.

The children's summer sports day drew forth words of delight from Revd Scurry Jones who described the "tea nectar and the cakes ambrosia".

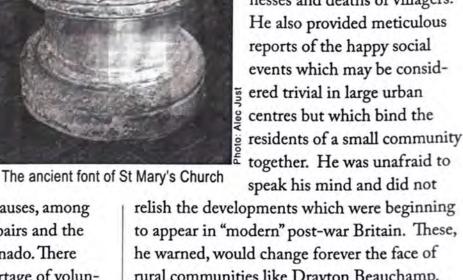
Looking back on the decade, it is clear that Drayton Beauchamp played a full

part in raising funds for many causes, among them the war effort, church repairs and the damage caused by the 1950 tornado. There seems never to have been a shortage of volunteers for the many tasks which had to be distributed among so few people, and a sense of community shines out from the pages of successive Parish Magazines. The 1950s saw a fast-changing world with people rebuilding their lives after the war and amazing achieve-

ments being recorded- such as the return flight to North Africa and back in eight hours in January 1950. In Drayton Beauchamp, the Coronation of 1953 was celebrated in the schoolhouse with food, games and the pleasure of watching the proceedings in London on a television set hired for the day. By then, the Rectory had returned to use as a normal dwelling, and the children at the Manor had moved on to a new school in Kent.

Finally, in late 1954, Revd. Scurry Jones left the parish after a total of 52 years in Holy Orders. Reading the words he wrote in the

> Parish Magazines throughout the fourteen years of his local ministry, one cannot doubt his love of Drayton Beauchamp. He knew the village and its people well and recorded faithfully his gratitude at the efforts of those who worked so hard and his sadness at the illnesses and deaths of villagers. He also provided meticulous reports of the happy social events which may be considered trivial in large urban centres but which bind the residents of a small community together. He was unafraid to speak his mind and did not



rural communities like Drayton Beauchamp. I wonder what he would have made of the Drayton Beauchamp of 2014? Margaret Ross

Apology: In the first instalment of Margaret's account of DB in the 1940s, the third paragraph should have been a continuation of the second. The Editor regrets any confusion caused by the error.

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Aston Clinton Scouts

THE GOOD NEWS STORY continues for Aston Clinton Scouts. The Explorer Unit for 14 to 18 year olds is now operational and working towards their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award.

Some members of the Explorer Unit have now completed their Bronze Practice Expedition and are planning their qualifying expedition for later on this summer. If all goes to plan they may have completed the Bronze Award by November this year.

We are looking to expand the unit so anyone who would like to join should contact the unit. No previous scouting experience is necessary. Email us at: Gondoliersesu@yahoo.co.uk

Scouting in Aston Clinton is thriving and hugely worthwhile. We can grow still further with additional adult support. If you can assist in any way whether on a weekly or occasional basis, assisting with the proposed scout hall, providing administrative support or volunteering to speak on your favourite topic at one of our meetings please contact David Wall at: ac.scouts@yahoo.co.uk

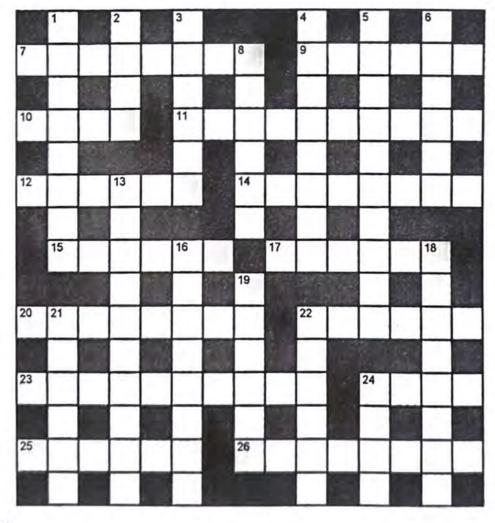
Scouting is the growth organisation in the village... why not be part of it?

David Wall

P.S. Keep up with our progress by looking at the 'Villages' columns in the Bucks Herald and watch out for Aston Clinton Scouts when we represent the UK at the Commemoration of the Battle of Mons in Belgium on 23rd August this year!

Village Life crossword no. 5

Crossword compiled by Helen Lonsdale Solution to this crossword on p.26



ACROSS

- 7. A crafty expedient (8)
- Receive willingly (6)
- 10. Climb or Fly (4)
- 11. Stories (10)
- 12. Thrifty (6)
- 14. Configuration, arrangement (8)
- 15. Mob (6)
- 17. Grinds and Rasps (6)
- 20. Sportsmen and Women (8)
- 22. Fragrant ointment (6)
- 23. Tree of the Sloe (10)
- 24. Spleen (4)
- 25. Together (10)
- 26. Tips of woody plants (8)

DOWN

- A manufacturer of weapons (8)
- 2. A stand for a coffin (4)
- 3. ---- Martin, founder of Aston Martin in 1913 (6)
- 4. Fancy man or woman (8)
- 5. Random (10)
- 6. Loom (6)
- 8. Anger (6)
- Last hanging of witch in UK in nearby village in 1751 (10)
- Freedom from normal restraints (8)
- 18. Marine bivalves (8)
- 19. Retinue (6)
- 21. Flair (6)
- 22. Arranged or set up in a row (6)
- 24. Soak (4)



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Volunteering for the Memory Advice Service

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All volunteers need to provide two personal references and will need to complete a Disclosure and Barring Form. Volunteers need to be able to drive, have access to a car and be comfortable working with clients in their own homes. All volunteers are supported by the paid advisors but most of their time is spent supporting clients and carers on their own.

We now have four fully trained volunteers and further training is planned for the additional volunteers who have recently applied to work with us.

We offer ongoing support to volunteers with regular contact with the paid advisors and meetings with other volunteers are held throughout the year.

If you are interested in volunteering for the service, look at the Age UK Buckinghamshire website or give us a ring on the direct line for more information.

Useful telephone numbers

Name	Contact	Telephone no.	Email address
1st Aston Clinton Brownies	See below*	-	
2nd Aston Clinton Brownies	See below*	-	
Amersham Hospital	-	01494 434411	
Anthony Hall (Bookings Sec)	Janet Brassington	01296 630229	janet@goggle.plus.com
Aston Clinton Badminton Club	Maureen Davison	07958 479690	
Aston Clinton Baptist Church	Simon Downing	01296 631824	
Aston Clinton Parish Council	Claire Hill	01296 631269	AS A CONTACT
Aston Clinton School	Helen Shepherd	01296 630276	1101110111111
Aston Clinton U3A	John Bullard	01296 436403	PERSON, IF YOU
Aston Clinton Youth Club	Brian Churchill	01296 630142	
Aston Park Tennis Club	Luanda Bury	01296 630169	WOULD LIKE YOUR
Aston Wine Club	Penny Ginger	01296 630383	
Ballet, Tap and Jazz Classes	JoAnn Latus	07800 518654	EMAIL ADDRESS TO
Ballroom Dancing	Yvonne Domican	01296 630467	
Baptist Church Hall	Valerie Owen	01296 630303	BE INCLUDED IN
Bowls Club	Rosemary Stratfull	01296 631339	
Buckland Bridge Club	Viv Barton	01296 630776	FUTURE ISSUES
Buckland Villge Hall (Bkings Sec)	Paula Graves	01296 630310	
Buckland Parish Council	TBA	01296 626073	PLEASE EMAIL THE
Buckland Society	Kelly Cornish	01296 632119	
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Citizens Advice Bureau	-	0870 126 4056	
Cricket Club	Mike Parsonage	01296 631788	REQUEST.
Crimestoppers	-	0800 555 111	
Dentists' Surgery	3	01296 323090	
Dial-a-Ride	-	01296 330088	
Doctors' Surgery	-	01296 630241	
Drayton B'champ Parish Meeting	Meryl Nodes	01296 630396	
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Environmental Health	Out of hours	01296 585093	
Environmental Health	Helpline	01296 585605	
Fly tipping	Hotline	0845 330 1856	
Football: Aston Clinton FC	Mark Foster	07831 765738	
Football: AC Colts	Ray Lucas	01296 630076	
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Green Park Life Saving Assocn	John Lesingham	01296 622613	
Guides and Brownies	See below*	-	
Halton Singers	Cherry-Ann Evans	01296 622097	
High Wycombe Hospital		01494 526161	

Name	Contact	Telephone no.	Email address
Highways on Call	9am-5pm	0845 230 2882	
Highways on Call	Out of hours	01296 486630	
Horticultural Society	Maureen Ridler	01296 633376	
John Radcliffe Hospital		01865 741166	
Ladies Group	Irene Wharton	01296 630195	
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Bucks County	Bill Chapple OBE	01296 426814	
Aylesbury Vale District	Carole Paternoster	01296 630710	
Aylesbury Vale District	David Thompson	01296 425656	
Aylesbury Vale District	Phil Yerby	07769 621507	AS A CONTACT
Luncheon Club	Marion Richards	01296 630577	
Marsworth Pre-School Group		07506 179658	PERSON, IF YOU
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Neighbourh'd Watch Administrator	Helen Thomas	01296 396262	WOULD LIKE YOUR
Neighbourhood Watch, Buckland	Edwin Domican	01296 630467	
Neighbourhood Watch, DB	Elizabeth Dutton	01296 631613	EMAIL ADDRESS TO
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Veterinary Centre		01296 630600	
Women's Institute	Anne Floyd	01296 434372	
Water emergency		0845 9200 800	

^{*} 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 Constables who have been assigned to this area are Thomas Piercy and Jo Smith. They are supported by four PCSOs. Wendover Police Station is open to the public: Tuesday to Thursday, 10am–2pm. The non-emergency number is 101. For real emergencies the number is 999. More information at www.thamesvalley.police.uk

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20. Athletes 22. Balsam 23. Blackthorn 24. Bile 25. United 26. Treetops

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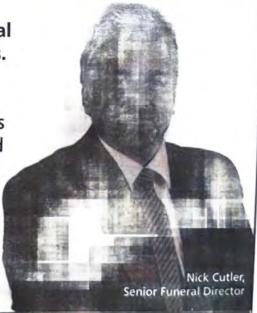


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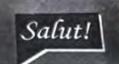


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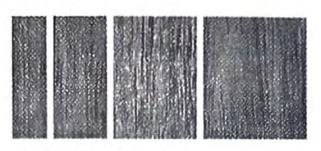
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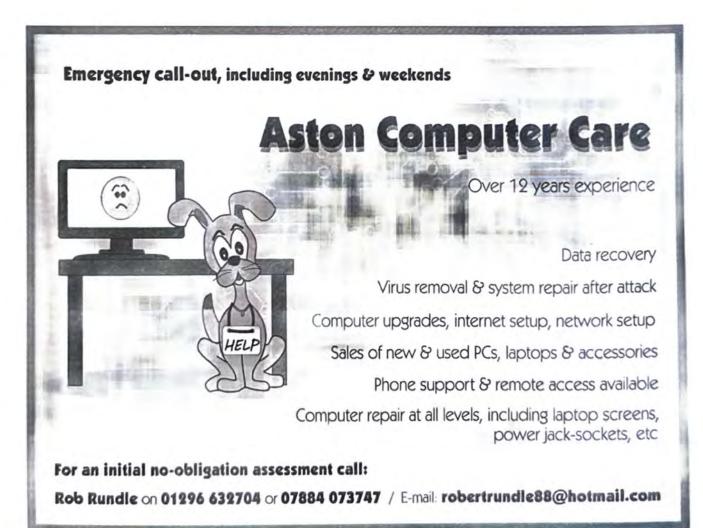
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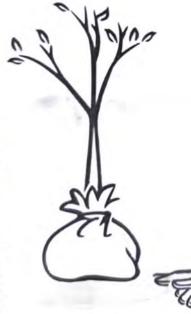
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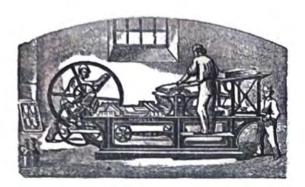
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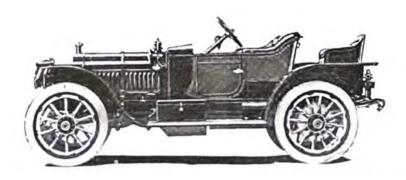




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