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Village Life

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

YOUNG people feature strongly in this issue. The cover picture shows members of the Baptist Church Youth Group who, in December, organised a 'silent auction' to raise funds towards their 2016 expedition to Mexico. You can read more on p.5.

On p.9 David Wall reviews another successful scouting year. There can be few more rewarding activities than involvement in the nurturing of the citizens of tomorrow. The call of the wild may be denied to most of us in today's world but the spirit of adventure in the young is as strong as ever. Both boys and girls gain hugely from their time in scouting. Under the guidance and leadership of committed adults they learn how, through teamwork and dedication, great things can happen, great benefits can be delivered and great fun can be had.

We all rejoice in the return to good health of Emily Icke (p.12) after her double-lung transplant. Her story is a tribute, not only to her personal courage, but also to the great skill of the surgeons at Harefield Hospital. And we must never forget the selfless generosity of organ donors in giving the gift of life to people like Emily. She is cherished by a loving family who have been rewarded for their devotion.

Elizabeth Weston writes on p.13 how, after buying some rather special cheese, she was the lucky winner in a thousands-to-one chance of a masterclass with a famous chef.

With all the changes soon to happen around us, it is to be hoped that efforts will be made to record the Aston Clinton of 2015 for the benefit of future generations. Ten years ago Eric Phelps decided to note down his memories of the village as he knew it in his youth. He has updated his notes to take account of the changes of the last decade. You can find his article on page 15.

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Timely thoughts from Rev. Simon Downing

HRISTMAS has long gone, and the new year has begun with great gusto. I don't know about you, but I have felt that last Christmas and this new year seemed to appear more quickly than previous years. Before I knew it, it was over, and now here we are in February 2015!

Time is an odd creature, because whilst it is constant and sure, with each second of it being the same as the next one, and indeed the last one, it has the ability to not seem that way.

Why is it that hard times seem to last, or at least feel,

longer than the good times? Why is it that when one looks at a watch and waits for a minute to pass, it seems to take so much longer than when one is chatting away with a friend, or spending time in enjoyment?

As a Christian, I believe that no matter how time may appear, or indeed what happens within it, there is an overriding power behind the workings of the Universe—the design of everything and how it works together so beautifully is proof enough for me. Indeed,

that power is a person called Jesus Christ, and because of who he is and what he has done, I can have hope within my present and in the future.

My Dad died six months ago after a very long battle with his health, but even within the sorrow of that, I know that time is still in

God's hands. May we this year try to spend more time with God, and may that time feel like it is passing slowly, so we can make the best of it.

Royal British Legion

THE Aston Clinton Branch wishes you a happy and healthy 2015. The response to the 100th anniversary commemoration of the start

of the First World War from the local community was wonderful. Last year's Poppy Appeal raised £2,868 from our district. Our first meeting of the year will be held at the Buckland Hall on Tuesday 10th February at 7.30 pm.

New members are

Photo: Ralph Weston

George Mills, long-serving standard bearer for the Aston Clinton Branch of the Royal British Legion always welcome and we have just had a volunteer to be our deputy Standard Bearer.

Our Christmas function was held at the Bowls Club on 9th December. We enjoyed an evening of Bingo called by Ray Rust. A substantial buffet was provided by members and the Bowls Club ran the bar. Our thanks go to the Bowls Club for the use of their club room.

The Royal British Legion has transferred its County Offices to Aylesbury. Mark, the manager came to our Christmas function and told us all about it. It is situated at the top of the High Street in Aylesbury and is open to all for information about the Royal British Legion, for those with welfare issues relating to exservicemen and for those who are researching family and friends from WW1. The office also sells Legion merchandise. You are invited call in.

Ralph Weston

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Date	Time	Event	Location
Sun 1 Feb	4pm	Christingle	St Michael's Church
Sat 14 Feb	7.30pm	Quiz Night and Supper	The Anthony Hall
Wed 18 Feb	8pm	Ash Wednesday Service	St Michael's Church
Thurs 26 Feb	7.30pm	Lent Course 1	Buckland Hall
Thurs 5 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 2	Buckland Hall
Sun 8 March	9.15am	Sung Eucharist followed by the	St Michael's Church
1		Annual Parochial Church Meeting	
Thurs 12 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 3	Buckland Hall
Sun 15 March	9.15am	Mothering Sunday	St Michael's Church
Wed 18 March	7.30pm	AC Ladies Lent Service	St Michael's Church
Thurs 19 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 4	Buckland Hall
Mon 30 March	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross	St Michael's Church

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



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and healthy Christmas and New Year. All at Aston Clinton Surgery would like to say a big thank you to all our patients who very kindly sent us Christmas cards, letters, sweets and biscuits for the festive season. We also extend grateful thanks to the very kind patients who bring us sausage rolls, cakes, biscuits and other gorgeous home-made goodies throughout the year. These gifts are all extremely well received and appreciated and keep us going.

Once again - thank you all!

Best wishes from all the GPs and staff at Aston Clinton Surgery

Aston Clinton Village Market coming soon!

IT'S TIME to start spreading the exciting news that this year's Village Market at Aston Clinton School is COMING SOON! (And if you're a local supplier and you haven't yet booked a stall, now's the time to do it!)

This will be our seventh year, running what has become an eagerly awaited fixture on the village calendar. The market brings together all our local area has to offer, with a side-serving of musical entertainment while you browse the stalls. Then, when you are all shopped out, enjoy a cuppa or even a Pimm's with a tasty BBQ lunch!

We will have a fantastic selection of stalls, including beautiful vintage furniture, handmade jewellery, tasty cakes, delicious bread and mouthwatering cheeses. There will be chutneys and

pickles, home-reared pork sausages, local apple juice, wine and cider. As always, the children will be entertained with crafts, games, and more.

So please put the date in your diary now and make sure you come along. Stay for lunch, take home dinner, and enjoy a wonderful day out!

James Brine

ASTON CLINTON VILLAGE MARKET Sunday 10 May, 11-4pm

Aston Clinton School, Twitchell Lane, Aston Clinton, HP22 5GG. For more information, see: www.acvillagemarket.co.uk

To book your place as a stallholder please email: bookings@acvillagemarket.co.uk

Last year's Village Market was enjoyed by hundreds of visitors



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Solution to Crossword No.8

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Aston Clinton supports its young people

ON SATURDAY 6th December, a group of young people from Aston Clinton Baptist Church Youth Group held a fundraiser in aid of their planned mission trip, *Rebuild Mexico*, in 2016. They will work with Mexican families living in complete poverty, alongside the charity Urban Saints.

They held a 'Silent Auction', with mulled wine and mince pies, at the Anthony Hall, and thanks to the generosity of local businesses, and their own hard work, they managed to raise over £2,400 on the night. Many local companies kindly helped out by donating items and vouchers for them to sell at the Auction, including La Vita Hair Salon, The Bridal House, The Bell, Mela, Lente Designs, Protea Print, Weston Turville Golf Club and Aston Clinton Coffee Shop.

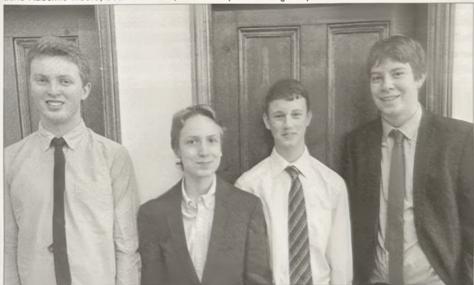
Between them, the team posted leaflets to as many houses in the village as they could, and over 100 people attended on the night. So, all in all, the event had a real community feel about it, and it was wonderful to see everyone getting involved and supporting the young people of our community.

The Auction itself was 'silent' which means there is no auctioneer—all the bids are placed in writing against the items on offer. The bidders were given a number on the door, and they could then bid anonymously against any items they chose, and wait for the bidding to close to see if they were successful. The young people had managed to collect together a grand total of 53 items, including a week's holiday in Egypt generously donated by a local person, and many smaller items, including their own services of gardening, car cleaning, and baking.

The event was so successful that they hope to hold it again next year, so if you missed out this year, watch out for a repeat sometime in 2015.

Susanna Lamport Youth Worker

These four members of the team who organised the Silent Auction were standing at each end of the group front cover photo but were unavoidably cut off to get it to fit the upright shape. They are, *left to right*: Luke Radcliffe-Moore, Sean Wilkinson, Ethan Phillips and Craig Lamport.



Aston Clinton, Buckland & Drayton Beauchamp Horticultural Society

ALTHOUGH most things in the garden are now dormant, we wish you a successful gardening year in 2015. Even if you do not grow vegetables and only have a small garden or have paved over your front garden to park your car off the road, we hope that you can find some room for a small raised flower bed or a few pots. Despite this being the dormant season, I had snowdrops surprisingly coming into flower on 19th December!

The Horticultural Society's year started on 14th January when we had an illustrated talk by Emily Smith, one of the National Trust Rangers at Ashridge. Our February meeting on Saturday 28th at 7 for 7.30pm is also our annual supper. The cost is £12 per head. Our after-dinner speaker is Hilary Weston who is going to talk about and show slides of her visit to Kenya.

The Society has a full programme for the vear and details may be found on our website www.astonclintonhorticulturalsociety.co.uk Please take note of our popular Spring Show and Plant Sale which will be held in the school hall on Saturday 11th April at 2pm. There is an entry fee £1 to help defray costs and teas will be available.

It is planned to arrange a coach trip and a local garden visit during the summer.

Our website is constantly being updated and includes advice and guidance, gardens to visit as well as our latest programme changes.

We are always looking for new members. A subscription costs £5 per year for those with internet access and £6 for those needing newsletters sent by post. We are also in desperate need of volunteers to assist in the preparation beforehand and clearing up after our Spring Show. If you are able to help, please contact Ken Halls on 01296 631636.

I mentioned raised beds and pots earlier. I have just completed a raised bed to display my Buddha statuette (see photo) together with a number dwarf trees. It is also planted with bulbs and herbaceous perennials. I am planning to back it with yew which, like a number of evergreen shrubs and trees, is ideal for pot culture and placing in bare front gardens. Being evergreen, it does not need constant watering, though this aspect cannot be ignored.

Other plants suitable for pots include ferns, heathers and hostas. Yew in particular is useful as it can be pruned and shaped to size easily. In the pot next to the raised bed is an Azalea Lutern which is unusual as it is deciduous. If you are looking for advice and guidance, please use the enquiry email on the website.

Ralph Weston



IVE TRIED REALLY HARD to think of something witty and entertaining to write about, honestly I have. Sadly, my deadline falling back at the end of December meant I was hungover, exhausted and overwhelmed by festive excitement and excess. I also wrote this on the sofa wedged between two vomiting children. Christmas will be a distant memory by the time you read this, so as subject matter goes, vomit it is.

The brilliant thing now is that my youngest kids have finally reached the point where they can control their own sick and actually get it in a bucket, which makes it far easier for me to deal with. You see, I'm not very good with vomit. I can trace it back to a traumatic incident when I was 13 and riding on a Big Wheel when a total stranger in the pod above puked straight onto my

head. I can't even handle my own

now, let alone anyone else's. Even

the sound of someone else heaving makes me gag, let alone actually seeing or smelling it.

As a parent, this turns out to be somewhat of a problem because when a child blows chunks, the buck stops with you. You simply have to man up and deal with it which, when they were younger and would randomly spray it all over the walls and floor with no warning, I found very hard indeed. This particular round started at 5am this morning, whilst staying with friends. Thankfully, the first one to spew gave me enough warning to locate a bucket but still I suspect we won't be invited back in a hurry.

When we thought she couldn't possibly be sick again, we piled into the car and headed home. Eldest child sat up front with ear plugs in, holding her nose for 35 miles (takes after me I suspect), husband sat in the back with a child on each side and a pile of carrier bags. Good job, because no more than three miles into our journey, she was at it again, closely followed by her brother. At this point I must give full credit to my amazing man for deftly managing the concurrent spewing whilst I tried desperately to focus on the road. He even sealed the bags before the aroma reached the front: what a hero!

It was a different story two years ago when the kids succumbed to the norovirus. At one point all four were just throwing up into the bath because I couldn't clear the sick bowls quickly enough. Then there was the time my

godson threw up in the back of my car as I drove him and his mum to the station. I was really big and brave about it but as soon as they'd gone all the windows went down and I retched all the way home.

On the upside, the gang have been driving me mad lately with their constant bickering, but this bout of sickness has endeared them to me once more. As wrong as it sounds, I prefer my kids like this, all snugly, docile and compliant. And for that I'll gladly empty the bucket.

Kelly Cornish

The Invisible Army

When you pick up your copy of Village Life as it comes through your letterbox, just spare a thought for your Distributor, especially at this time of year, when it might be rather less than a pleasant walk in uninviting weather conditions.

Without a network of reliable distributors there would be little point in producing Village Life magazine. They number some forty members of our community and deserve a word of appreciation for their constant service to us all. They never fail to deliver their packages of magazines to every house in all three villages. So let's not forget those anonymous friends who complete the last—and crucial—link in the chain.

Jenny Just

Gill Merry, our new Parish Clerk

I STARTED in my role as the new Parish Clerk in November, having come from a background in the Arts. It has been a busy two months, with no two days the same! Coming from that foreign place Weston Turville, I have spent many happy hours in Aston Clinton, enjoying the park and other facilities with my family. It is well known that Aston has one of the best parks for miles around and we have much to enjoy and be thankful for here in the village.

By the time this goes to press, the Parish Council will have set its budgets and priorities for 2015. It is a labour of love to try to get the figures right, especially in this current climate of cut-backs and savings. Times continue to be hard and we ask for your patience when services are perhaps not carried out as frequently as they once were. For example, we currently have no budget for clearing paths although we are trying to find ways of tackling this issue, working with other partner organisations in the County. There is no doubt that all local authorities need

the help and co-operation from their communities, now more than ever.

On a more positive note, we have just concluded an exciting project with Aston Clinton School, where the children were asked to submit names for the streets in the new development on Stablebridge Road. There were some terrific entries, many based around the history of the village and as we go to press, AVDC and Taylor-Wimpey are considering our suggestions for the winners. We are hoping that the children will be invited to the official 'opening' of the new streets once they are finished.

We also have a new look to our website to reflect some structural changes to our committees. Any issues in the village such as street lamps going out, problems with the park etc can be reported via the links on the website, or via email to parishcouncil@astonclinton.org

Wishing you all the best for 2015.

Gill Merry Aston Clinton Parish Clerk

MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2015

Meetings are held at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of each month, on the following dates:
7 January 4 February 4 March 1 April 13 May 3 June
1 July 5 August 2 September 7 October 4 November 2 December

Members of the public are welcome to attend Council meetings. Seating is limited.

The Parish Council Christmas Float

For more than twenty years the Parish Council Christmas Float has toured the village; only extremely bad weather has ever prevented it taking place. This time Santa visited on the

Sunday before Christmas
when the weather was
mild so he did not
need heating in his
sleigh in the form of
several hot water bottles!
Once again the Scouts

and Guides helped with the collection with their usual enthusiasm. The collection raised £882 which will be divided between the Rennie Grove Hospice, the Scouts and the Guides.

We would like to thank all those who made this event possible–especially Mr Colin Lane of CD Lane Builders who once again supplied the transport and his time to convey the sleigh around the village.

The people of the village are also warmly thanked for their generosity.

Cllr Richard Maskell

What it means to be a new Parish Councillor

have written this article because there is a big opportunity in May when all eleven posts on Aston Clinton Parish Council become vacant at the time of the general election.

I became a Parish Councillor in June 2013 as a result of a public election, when a previous Councillor resigned. This was a sobering experience: the parishioners actually had to decide if they would vote for me. When I was elected, I felt the responsibility that people had put their confidence in me and trusted that I would do the job properly.

My professional nursing training and career had equipped me with lots of common sense and an ability to solve problems. Becoming a Parish Councillor now meant that I was being asked to think about and make decisions on things I had never even thought about before: for example, the state of football pitches and how the street lights are repaired.

There are even bigger decisions to be made, such as how much local tax we all pay and how we can influence the future size, shape and services of the village.

One of the first things that happened was that I had to sign a document saying I would abide by the Code of Conduct, one of the three main governance documents for the Council. These are a set of rules based upon the so-called Nolan Principles that have their origins in the standards expected for service in public life. At first I thought this was a bit serious but when I looked at the seven principles I realised they are the basis of a good society: selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership. Whether you are a brownie, a scout or any decent adult, these qualities would be important.

I now feel part of a team helping to look after

the future of our village for the generations to come. It is easy to take for granted what we have here around us, but this role has definitely made me much more aware of what we have in our village.

To be able to make decisions in the Parish Council, the important thing is to listen to all the views in the village. I now have to think about whether I am giving an opinion as a villager or as a councillor, to the extent that my dog walking can make for quite lively trips!

This village of ours has loads of history, lots going on and is a very attractive place in which

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to live. Times are changing and we will need to adapt if new opportunities come our way. If responsibility as a Parish Councillor appeals to you, please think about the opportunity to stand for election. In May, all the Councillors have to stand down and the whole village will be able to vote for eleven new Councillors. This will happen on the same day as the general election and the district council election. This will be an important day because, like the members of parliament in central government, the term of office for a Councillor is for four years.

You don't have to have lived here for years and years. The only qualification needed is that you want to have a say in how this village of ours grows and develops.

So have a think about standing for election in May. Cut this page out and stick it on your fridge as a reminder. You too could add your voice to the Aston Clinton Parish Council - it really does take all sorts!

Jean Savigar

REQUEST: Would those who would like their email addresses included in the "Useful Numbers" listings on the centre pages please contact the Editor with details at alec.just@btinternet.com

2014 - a successful scouting year

AT THE START of this year **Aston Clinton Scouts** had 87 young people and 12 leaders
across all the sections and a significant number
of young people on our waiting lists. Last year
was a great year for Scouting in the village so
may I remind you of some of those achievements as we begin our programme for 2015.

In January 2014 the new Explorer unit started in the village, led by Jeremy Norris who moved on from his position as Assistant Scout Leader. This extends the provision of Scouting in the village to include 14-to-18-year-olds who previously had to go to either Wendover or Cheddington. The group now has 21 members including five who started in January 2015.

In October, the Group as a whole won the County Orienteering competition, the first time we have won this trophy. In November the group also won the District Swimming Gala. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Leaders were strongly represented.

The Beaver colony continues to be led by Claire Walker. In 2014 they won the Pete Deering Award for best colony in the District, the first time they have won this trophy. The children enjoy a huge range of activities and work towards much-coveted badges.

At the heart of Scouting is a love of the outdoors and we try to spend as much time out and about as possible. Recently we have:

- walked along the canal to Wendover chip shop (in the dark and in the daylight)
- hiked to the top of Ivinghoe Beacon to eat chocolate bunnies
- visited Pets at Home to find out about animal care
- · picked up litter at the park
- gone to Phasels Wood to do the annual summer Beaver Cresta Run.

We also have fun in the hall: making glow bugs and lava lamps, bobbing for apples, learning about safety in and out of the home, plus fitting in our regular attendance at local and district events.

In September, twelve Beavers took part in the second ever Aston Clinton Beaver sleep-over at the Guide Hall. The children spent Saturday to Sunday taking part in crafts, games, a walk and ate sausages by a campfire. They 'camped' that night in pop-up tents in the hall.

The Cubs continued to be very well supported through 2014 by parents and leaders alike. The broad range of experience and knowledge we can draw from our pool of helpers and parents turned 2014 into our best year yet. The highlight for the Cubs certainly seemed to have been a visit from the police with a riot van parked outside the Clock School and it hadn't been called by a concerned member of the public! With simulated riots and instructing the Cubs in baton strikes, the leaders probably enjoyed the evening more than the Cubs.

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We continue to offer the Cubs a residential experience every year. In 2014 we camped by the Thames offering kayaking and dragon boating as well as the usual land-based activities. Again our excellent Akela booked the correct weather albeit with the most amazing lightning storm in the middle of the night, right overhead.

The programme included kayaking in association with Chiltern Canoe club, an amazing 'Cubs Got Talent' night where the cubs really showed off how talented they were and even an evening sledging on real snow in the middle of the summer.

Akela will be leaving us over the summer holidays having completed three very rewarding years organising the events. Scouts, led by David Wall, had a hectic year. Ten nights away were offered over the course of the year. An icy start at the February Freezer, the final Malvern Challenge saw another trophy returning to Aston Clinton from a competition with 2,500 entrants. The centenary of the start of the World War 1 was marked by attendance at official events in both Belgium and France and finally in October a night was spent aboard HMS Belfast. During the year nine Scouts received their Chief Scout's Gold Award, the highest number for some years and the Scouts also won their section's District swimming gala trophy.

The Explorer unit started their new existence by choosing the name Gondoliers. The unit participated in the last ever Sun Run; 4,000 people taking part in 13- or 26-mile night hikes in the Gloucestershire countryside, followed by a party and fairground rides until dawn. The Explorers joined the Scouts in commemorating the outbreak of World War 1 and in spending the night on HMS Belfast but they were on their own in December for a survival weekend at the Braid Wood campsite near Chesham, involving a night under the stars without the benefit of tents.

These are just some of the highlights from the past year, there are many other activities taking place on a weekly basis, all require significant support from the leaders, assistant leaders, regular helpers and parents. However, as the number of Sections has expanded and leaders' jobs outside of Scouting exert their own pressures, extra help is needed if we want to continue having a successful Scout group in Aston Clinton. Unfortunately, towards the end of the year a number of meetings had to be cancelled at short notice due to the unavailability of leaders in sufficient numbers. We need some more local support so that responsibility

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for organising and running meetings is spread across a wider group. We need more assistant leaders in each of the sections so that, if 'reallife' occasionally intrudes on meeting nights, events don't have to be cancelled.

We currently have a number of leaders in each section, all parents of children in the Group and most of them with very limited Scouting experience prior to signing-up. Formal Scout Association training is given but most learning comes from working with the existing leaders and extensive use of the internet. If you like the outdoors, can listen and google, you're as well qualified as the current leaders.

To join our happy Group or just to discuss how you can get involved in the running of the Group please contact David Wall, Group Scout Leader on 01296 632142 or email at: ac.scouts@yahoo.co.uk

David Wall

In August, Aston Clinton joined Chippenham Scouts with a visit to France and Belgium to commemorate the start of the First World War.



Emily-one year on from her double-lung transplant

Readers may recall this photo of a radiant Emily Icke, taken on her wedding day in 2010. It appeared in the June/July 2013 issue of Village Life at a time when her life was in immediate jeopardy from Cystic Fibrosis. Thankfully, her life-saving double lung transplant was performed at the world-famous Harefield Hospital in December 2013 after a donor was found at the eleventh hour.

In December 2014, 25-year-old Emily and her family and friends celebrated the first anniversary of that gift of life. Around 100 guests danced the night way at a surprise party for her organised by husband David and held at Pitstone Memorial Hall.

You can hear Emily, in her own words, in a Bucks Herald interview, describe her terrifying

ordeal which ended with the double lung transplant. She is deeply grateful to the donor and the donor's family for the gift of her new lease of life. Type into your browser the website address at the bottom of the page.

Alec Just

Photo: Angle Hart

Left: Emily framed with five friends she met through her CF network, all with Cystic Fibrosis and alive today thanks to lung transplants. They are, I-r: Kirstie Tancock (from Devon), Charlotte Davies (from Kent). Katie Gammon (from Devon) and Victoria Glen (from Glasgow). Emily and husband David are on the right of the picture.

Add your name to the NHS Organ Donor Register and one day you may be able to save lives.

Right: Emily surrounded by friends she met through her CF network, plus Vanessa Bradley (another Harefield beneficiary) at her party last December to mark the first anniversary of her double-lung transplant.



oto: Derek Pelling @ Johnston Press plc

www.bucksherald.co.uk/news/more-news/emily-thankful-for-greatest-gift-of-new-lungs-1-5813049

Our masterclass with Nathan Outlaw

T'S NOT EVERY DAY that you receive a phone call saying that you've won a prize of a masterclass with Nathan Outlaw, a 2-star Michelin chef, but that is what happened to me. My name was picked from the thousands who had bought Davidstow cheese. The prize consisted of an afternoon masterclass with Nathan at his restaurant, dinner afterwards and a night in a hotel in London plus cost of transport. His restaurant is called Outlaws at the Capital Hotel and is a fish restaurant. The hotel is 5-star and is situated in the road behind Harrods' department store.

When we arrived we were treated like royalty with a pot of tea and a room to get changed in. When Nathan was ready we were shown into the kitchen which, surprisingly, was not that large. Having introduced himself, he explained that he was going to show us how to prepare a fish risotto. On the tray were a monkfish, a large brill, some scallops, oysters and a huge Dorset crab that was still alive. Nathan, who lives and also has a restaurant in the village of Rock in Cornwall, explained that Cornish crabs are normally smaller than those caught off Dorset because of the strength of the seas.

We started with the monkfish. He showed us how to fillet it and then it was our turn. This was followed by the scallops when we had to prize open the shell and carefully scrape the scallop off the roof of the shell. Similarly we were shown how to open oysters and to scoop out the oyster.

Meanwhile a large saucepan of water was brought to the boil and the crab dropped in. Nathan then started to prepare the risotto using Carnaroli rice. First he put some rape seed oil into a saucepan followed by some butter. When this was warm the rice was added and continually stirred. To this was added some white wine, finely chopped onion and two sliced

cloves of garlic, chopped tomato, grated Davidstow cheese, plus herbs and vegetable stock. The mixture was stirred continually until it thickened and the rice cooked. This was then rested whist the crab was prepared. Nathan demonstrated how to pull the cooked crab apart and to crack the shell and to extract the white and dark crab meat. The monkfish, scallops, oysters and crab were added to the risotto. Meanwhile a fillet of brill was cut into tranches and fried in oil until one side was well done. It was then turned over to lightly cook the other side.

The risotto was served in a deep plate with the brill resting on top. It was delicious. A fish risotto, which may contain any number of fish, is a favourite with his restaurant diners.

This was a once in a lifetime experience and we learnt a great deal.

Elizabeth Weston

Editor's note: For two years from the age of twenty, Nathan Outlaw worked as a chef with Rick Stein at Padstow in Cornwall. In 2011 he was awarded his 2nd Michelin star.

Elizabeth and Ralph Weston with master chef Nathan Outlaw



Eric and Gladys Phelps of Aston Clinton

ERIC was born and lived most of his early life in Brook Street, Aston Clinton. He attended the Boys' School, on the corner of London Road and Twitchell Lane, from the age of five until 14 and he remembers Mr Lowe, the headmaster and Mrs Lowe, who was a teacher there. There were just three classes in the school with a wide age range in each class.

On leaving Aston Clinton School, Eric spent a year at Queen's Park School in Aylesbury and

became apprenticed to local plumber, Norman Green. Mr Green paid for Eric to attend night school for the 18 months of his apprenticeship. Later he joined a firm in Wendover. At the age of 18 he enlisted in the Royal Artillery for his two years' National Service. He was posted to BAOR (British

Army of Occupation of the Rhine) at Hildesheim near Hanover, where he enjoyed many new experiences: sleeping in a hayfield; in a tent on a mountainside and he even had the chance of learning to ski at the Army's expense. He feels that today's young people would benefit from the opportunity to learn self-reliance, discipline and responsibility. He rues the day National Service came to an end. After his National Service, he returned to his job in Wendover, later deciding to work on his own account as a plumber.

Eric's wife Gladys was the Marsworth lock-keeper's daughter, and from the age of 11 was taxied daily to Aston Clinton Girls' School. She, too, remained until the age of 14 and then moved on to Queen's Park School for another year—just one year later than Eric.

In 1956, after an evening out in Aylesbury with Eric's sister, Gladys encountered a problem in getting home. Eric's sister offered her a

lift from Eric on his motorbike and romance blossomed from that time. They married in 1958 and have a son, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Their first home was in New Road leading to Buckland, where Eric carried out extensive work, including the installion of modern plumbing.

Gladys spent the early years of their marriage caring for the home and family, before taking various jobs including working in the shop

> which, many will remember, stood at the corner of Twitchell Lane and Green End Street.

Eric followed his uncles, joining Aston Clinton Bowls Club in 1947, playing for a few years. In 1969 he joined the Aylesbury Town Bowls Club, before the green was opened in Aston

Clinton Park. He has been an active member of the Aylesbury club for 45 years. In 2009, he presented the Eric Phelps Trophy to the club, in recognition of his long association. The cup is awarded annually.

Eric recalled his early days as a boy in Aston Clinton, when traffic was quieter and fewer cars were parked in the local roads; although London Road could be a hazardous place to cross before the by-pass was built. In earlier times, local bus services were more plentiful and frequent than today, and the 706 Green Line bus ran all the way from Aylesbury to Westerham in Kent-for a price, of course. Most of the local shops have now closed and of course new houses have been built, either on former farmland or as 'in-filling' developments. Aston Clinton has changed from former times and is still changing, but the village atmosphere remains in many respects and it is still a pleasant place in which to live. Jenny Just

Eric's memories of bygone times

When senior citizen Eric Phelps agreed to be interviewed by your Assistant Editor a few months ago, he showed her his unpublished notes written in 2005 about his recollections of growing up in Aston Clinton and of what he had heard from others. It is an important piece of social history and makes an interesting read ...

LONDON ROAD and Aylesbury Road, the main road through the village, was the A41 from London to Birkenhead. This road number was later transferred to the by-pass, which opened on 3rd October 2003.

In the 1920s to early 30s, the Pine Shop on the corner of Brook Street used to be a grocers owned by Mr Humphries and then Mr Bignall.

The house on the other corner was at one time a temperance hotel. During WW2 and for some years after, Mr Holman had a shoe repair shop there. Next to the grocers were the Library Rooms and half-way along Brook Street at no.54 was Bonhams Bakery. No. 62 Brook Street was a fish-andchip shop and later, a grocer's. At one time, it was the 'Green Man' public house. The red brick building opposite College Road South, no.106, used to be a butcher's shop and slaughterhouse owned by Mr Munger, and the garden area to the right was a cobbled yard, closed off with large wooden gates.

On the main road opposite Weston Road is 'Raglan House' which was owned by Mr Howe who ran a horse bus, but in 1919 changed to a motor bus which ran to Aylesbury twice a day. Later in the 40s, the house was a barbers shop. Next to it, the model railway shop used to be a sweet shop and then a greengrocers. On the corner of Weston Road, what is now a petrol

station, was a shop owned by Mrs and Miss Burnham selling toys and other goods. There was also Ernie Collier's cycle shop and later Mr Menday's butcher's shop. Anong Weston Road in the 1930s and 40s, was Miss Barker's bakery and, further on, a grocer's shop which later became a drapery and is now an antiques shop. Before the council houses were built, there were beautiful trees lining that side of the road.

The bungalow built in the 1950s beside the War Memorial, was a newsagents and Post Office until 2004. Further along the road the car sales garage was a wheelwright and then a garage and petrol station. This was first owned by Will Plater, and had just one hand-wound petrol pump. Later in the 1950s, it was owned

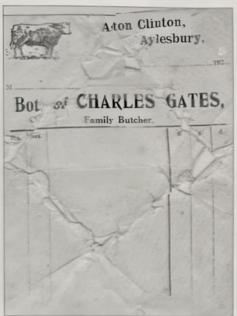


A view of London Road as it was around 1914, before the motor age changed everything.

by Mr Madge, who held the Skoda agency, and four modern pumps were installed. These pumps were removed prior to the tenancy of 'Specialist Cars'. The site is now Forge Close, a development named after the forge that was on the site in former times.

Opposite the Anthony Hall used to be the Cosy Corner Café and a little wooden shop owned by Mr Roberts selling sweets and newspapers. This was a good 'pull-in' for main road traffic. The Boys' School with the clock tower was the only school for the boys and the other houses along Twitchell Lane are sited along the edge of what was the recreation ground which included a football pitch. The other side of the road was the village cricket field until the late 1930s.

There were no bungalows in Twitchell Lane or the adjoining houses in Green End Street and the London Road. Between Church Lane and the Anthony Hall used to be the Girls' School which was pulled down in 1978. It was



A somewhat crumpled relic of the days before Tesco. Charles Gates the butcher was Eric's grandfather, father of Charlie, the cornet-playing member of the village band when he wasn't delivering coal with Eric's help. The bill dates from the 1920s.

a similar building to the Boys' School with a bell tower instead of clock tower. During the war a canteen was built to provide all the schoolchildren with hot dinners. At 10 o'clock all the children had a free 1/3 pint bottle of milk.

Along the London Road, Miss Sharp and her sister owned No. 102, which used to be the Post Office and an early-style telephone exchange. On the site of Aston Clinton Surgery was a large garage repair shop belonging to Harry Baker who later opened a cycle shop in Buckingham Street, Aylesbury. The garage then became the Oriole record factory, which provided work for many local people.

In Green End Street (opposite the Bell) was the Aston Clinton Brewery, where you could get eight pints of beer for a shilling (5p). Flats now occupy the brewery site. Miss Barlow had a shop there and used to sell penny drinks of lemonade, cherryade, Tizer and American cream soda. The house facing across the corner of Green End Street and Twitchell Lane was Mr Biggin's chemist shop and then a grocery shop. Also in Green End Street was an old thatched cottage used as a shop with a clanging bell at the door and gleaming brass scales. At that time everything had to be weighed. Archive Close opposite the Chapel was Bowermans chicken farm in the 1920s and 30s, then the National Film Archive which moved to Berkhamsted in 1987.

Around 1910, a brass band was formed by a Mr Prothero, a school attendance officer from Aylesbury. The band used to play for Kitchener's Army on their march to church before they had their own band.

There were two village feasts a year which everyone looked forward to. A carnival was held on August bank holiday and on Christmas Day the village band came round playing carols. My uncle, Charlie Gates, played the cornet.

The majority of people were agricultural workers and the wages were 14 shillings a week (70p). This was in the 1900s.

I started school in 1939 in the infants' class which was in the Girls' School, and then, when we went up a class, we moved over to the Boys'

School. During the war, the social room at the Baptist chapel was used as an extra classroom, because the influx of evacuees had increased the number of children in the village.

A prefabricated classroom had been built by the end of the war, behind the Boys' School on the edge of the tarmac playground. This was nice for us because it had low windows on each side and we could look out and see what was going on. We also had our own cloakroom and toilets, whereas the main school had a toilet block outside near the fence by Twitchell Lane. There was also a brick air raid shelter next to it during the war. These buildings, of course, are now all gone.

During our school days, we lived in Brook

Street in the cottage next to the brook. The bungalows were not there then and on the Aylesbury side of Book Street were fields and on the other side between our cottage and London Road was an orchard. There were hedges along both sides of the road. The other side of the cottage next to the brook was a large field, now part of the Long Plough estate, and next to it was another large field, which is now Putnams Drive. We used to play in these fields and walk across them to school. The footpath from Brook Street into Putnams Drive is still there.

Most of my school days were during the war years when my dad was away in the army. Mum had to take in evacuees and I lived at my grandmother's (Mrs Gates, now Gates' Orchard) just along the road. There wasn't enough room for mum and us four children plus evacuees in our two-bedroom cottage.

My two uncles, Fred and Charlie Gates, ran their coal business from my grandmother's and there were always heaps of coal and stacks of wood in the orchard. They were not called up for the army during the war because their business was classed as essential. They had a small lorry and a horse and cart, and I went out with them quite often. We would go up Aston Hill to the woods and get lorry loads of wood and bring it back to the yard, saw it into logs and then deliver it locally around the villages. I used to chop up a large sack of fire lighting wood for a lady in College Road and she would give me sixpence (2½p) pocket money for delivering it. We also used to go to the coal yard at Aylesbury railway station by lorry or horse and cart, and shovel coal from the coal trucks into thick hessian sacks. These were weighed on scales on the lorry or cart to one hundred-weight (51kg) each and delivered locally as well.

The station and coal yard were at the bottom



A postcard postmarked 1911 shows the Boys' School, as the old Clock School was then known. The main entrance was in London Road.

of the High Street (in Aylesbury) next to the Vale Park going back to Park Street and across the area now covered by B&Q. There was a single line railway track along Stocklake to Broughton, Long Marston and Cheddington, where it joined the main line.

Everyone had wood or coal fires until the 1960s when houses started to have central heating. Before then, we had no bathrooms:

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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
Sat 7 Feb	10am	Produce Stall	All Saints' Church
Tues 17 Feb	12-4.30pm	Pancake Party	All Saints' Church
Thurs 26 Feb	7.30pm	Lent Course 1	Buckland Hall
Fri 27 Feb	7.30pm	Film Night	All Saints' Church
Thurs 5 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 2	Buckland Hall
Sat 7 March	10am	Produce Stall	All Saints' Church
Thurs 12 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 3	Buckland Hall
Fri 13 March	7.30pm	Film Night	All Saints' Church
Sun 15 March	4pm	Mothering Sun Service and Tea	All Saints' Church
Thurs 19 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 4	Buckland Hall
Sun 22 March	6pm	Choral Evensong followed by the	All Saints' Church
		Annual Parochial Church Meeting	design to the latest to the la

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

Urgent message from the Horticultural Society

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occasions, so if anyone feels that they could get involved with one or both, in any way, it would be marvellous! To find out more, please contact Frances Farley (630072) or you can email her at francesmfarley@googlemail.com or contact Janet Leech on 630563. Our Chairman, Sue Lipscomb, is also contactable on 630578.

Frances Farley

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Thurs 12 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 3	Buckland Hall
Sun 15 March	10.45 am	Matins for Mothering Sunday	St Mary's Church
Thurs 19 March	7.30pm	Lent Course 4	Buckland Hall
Wed 25 March	8pm	Annual Parochial Church Meeting	St Mary's Church

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

Pony Express

The Pony Express made two delivery runs this year. On the first run the ponies were reindeer, and on the second they were dressed as zebras.

We delivered to over thirty addresses with lots of cards. Including my own donation we collected £160 so I have sent cheques for £80 to Rennie Grove Hospice Care and £80 to World Horse Welfare.

I would like to thank my helpers, Jenny Chalk, Rachel Bullard and my two grand children Isaac and Rosalie Godman.

Erica Godman



Tring Charter 700

Watch out for lots of events in Tring this year to celebrate the 700 years since we were granted town charter status.

- Tring Carnival Saturday 27 June
- Charter Day Monday 29 June





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Proposed development just over the county boundary

LOSS of green belt land and the absence of firm infrastructure plans have prompted strong local opposition to Dacorum Borough Council's latest development plan for 2006-2031.

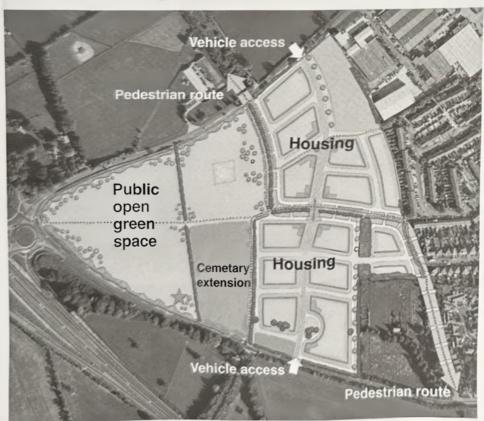
To the east of the A41 double-roundabout at the top of Tring Hill, it is proposed to create:

- 180-200 new houses of which 40% will be 'affordable'
- Five pitches for travellers a pitch will normally accommodate two caravans and associated vehicles
- · Extensions to the associated business park
- · Extra land for the adjacent cemetary
- · 6.5 hectares of open spaces
- Contributions to local infrastructure including schools and transport

Dacorum BC claim that the proposed development is to meet the needs of Tring before 2021. The proposal is expected to be adopted by the borough council early next year. That could mean homes on the site by 2018/19.

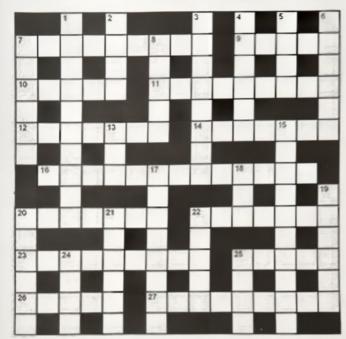
The dilemma for planners is to reconcile the reality of a growing population with the understandable and legitimate desire of established communities to preserve valued amenity. A series of new towns, at the cost of permanently losing productive farmland, may indeed be the only answer.

According to the *Bucks Herald*, the impact of all the presently-approved housing schemes in Aston Clinton will be to increase the total number of homes in the village by 14.5%.



Village Life crossword no. 8

Crossword compiled by Helen Lonsdale Solution to this crossword on p.4



ACROSS

- 7. Portable musical instrument (9)
- 9. Sun-dried brick (5)
- 10. Hunting dog (5)
- 11. Lovely to look at (9)
- A rolled cake or piece of meat rolled round a filling (7)
- 14. A medieval weapon (7)
- Severe ordeal experienced for the first time (7,2,4)
- 20. V-shaped pattern (7)
- 22. To extend/enhance (7)
- 23. Equine path (9)
- 25. Belief (5)
- 26. Suppurating skin lesion (5)
- 27. A Swiss Family Robinson (9)

DOWN

- 1. Amass (10)
- 2. Barren (4)
- 3. Engraving into flat surface (8)
- 4. Full-length tunic (6)
- 5. Sport with a fair-way to walk (4)
- 6. A beau (6)
- 7. Hates (7)
- 8. Pervade (5)
- 13. Emmet (3)
- 14. West Midlands city (10)
- 17. Original Cinque Port (6)
- 18. Dandy (3)
- 19. Aylesbury's urgent need (6)
- 20 Fruit of the hazel (6)
- 21. People in charge/governing (6)
- 22. Chasm (5)
- 24. Irritate (4)
- 25. Heedless (4)

Eric's memories, contd. from p.19

we had to heat water in a copper with a wood fire then scoop the water out into a tin bath. When we'd finished, we carried the bath outside and poured the water down the drain. The copper was kept outside in a tin shed and that's where we had to bathe. The shed had a concrete floor and we had just a mat by the bath to stand on; it was freezing cold in winter!

The copper was always used at Christmas time to boil the Christmas puddings. Every Monday it was used to boil the weekly washing. Washing machines and tumble dryers were unheard of and, after rinsing, the washing was put through a mangle to squeeze out the water before it was hung out on the line to dry.

Life was harder in those days, but I'm sure

we had more fun and freedom. We could go out anywhere in the fields and could always play in the roads, because there was hardly any traffic. If a car did come along, it was a nuisance because we had to wait for it to go by. When it rained, we could make little boats with a sail and sail them in the puddles.

Eric Phelps

Editor's note

Do you know someone who has memories of life in Aston Clinton in the old days and is willing share them with us? There were many changes in the 1950s-70s, a time when Aston Clinton experienced a big growth spurt. If you, or someone you know, is willing to talk about their memories, please contact the Editor on 01296 634955 or email: alec.just@btinternet.com

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^{*} 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

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The Police Constables who have been assigned to this area are Thomas Piercy and Jo Smith. They are supported by three PCSOs. Wendover Police Station is open Tuesday to Thursday 9am-1pm. Aylesbury Police Station is open until 10pm all week. The non-emergency police number is 101. For real emergencies dial 999. More information at www.thamesvalley.police.uk



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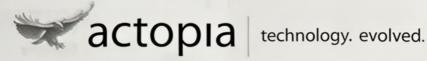
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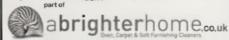
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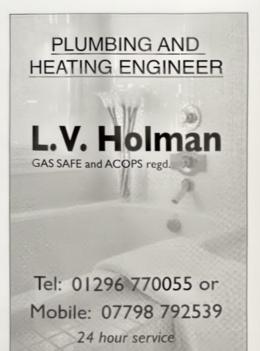
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