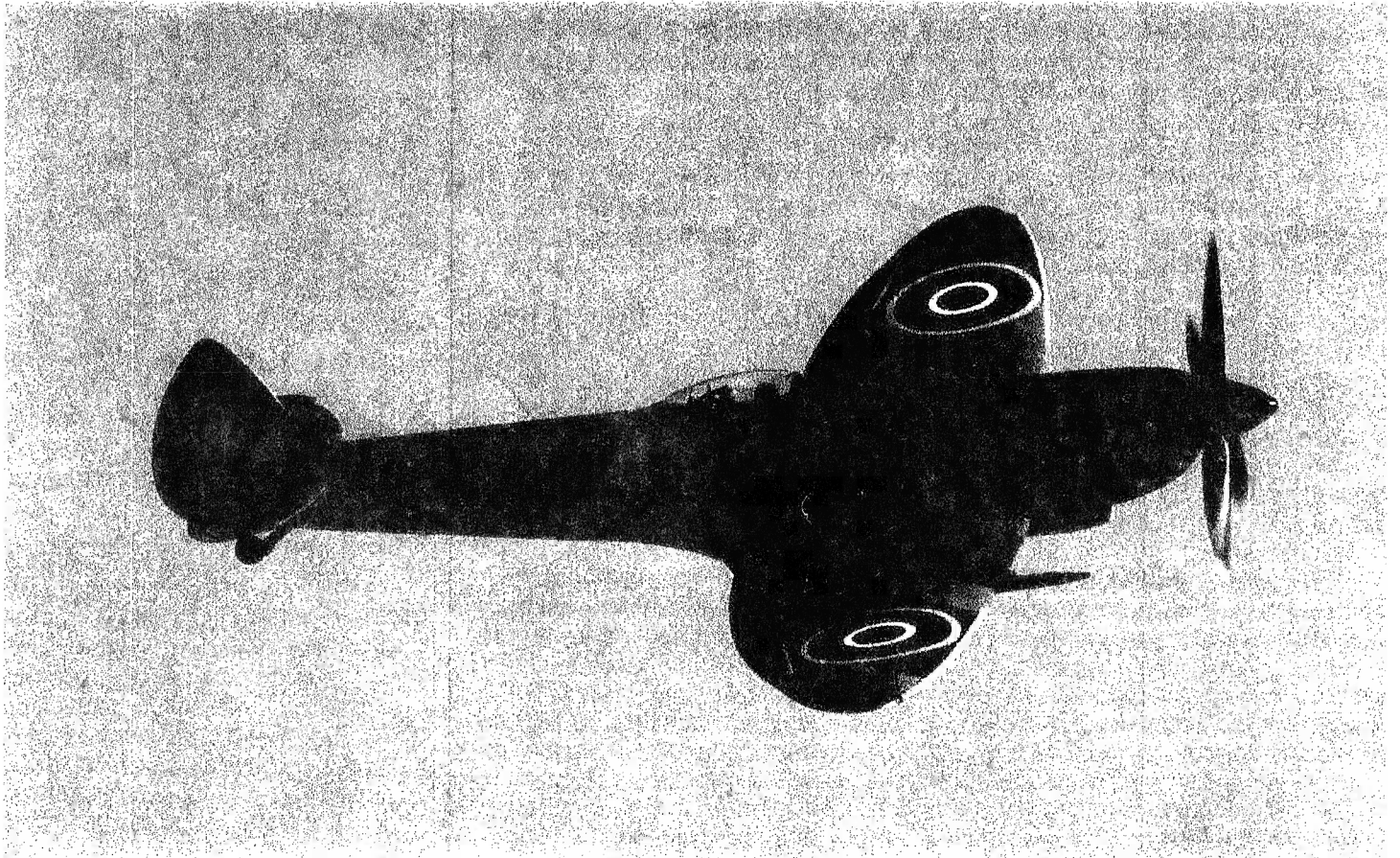


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CZECH FESTIVAL

Historic Flypast by WW2 Spitfire

24th June

over Aston Abbots

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Editorial

There's a lot for you to look forward to in the coming months with the Czech Festival, the Village Fete and Astonbury. Make sure you have these events in your diaries. For the Fete plants and cakes etc are always needed - details of where and when to take them are listed. Lets hope the weather on the day is fine. I noticed that this weekend (May 28th) there was a camping event on the Bucks Showground - must have been a complete wash out - not weather for tents.

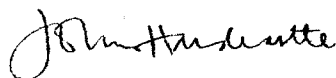
Peter Knight has decided that he will not be continuing with his monthly column recording the passing of the seasons in the countryside. Peter's first article was written in the 2003 September issue of the Chronicle. Phil Spooner (the then editor) noted in his editorial 'that the thing that really makes The Chronicle a part of village life is the range of contributions from all corners of the village. This month is a particularly rich one. We have an Astonbury report from our youngest ever (?) reporter, Charlie Copping. I'm very pleased to introduce a new column called 'Countryside Diary' written by Peter Knight who has promised to regularly keep us up to date with the goings on in the hedgerows and countryside round the Village. Peter knows a *lot* about the subject and I'm looking forward to reading his columns myself.'

Being a city man who loves the countryside I really enjoyed Peter's commentary on the goings on of DEFRA and the bureaucracy that inflicts itself on the natural order - and the passage of the seasons; he opened my eyes to matters I would otherwise have been blind to or not have appreciated their significance.

As a small tribute to Peter's efforts over the years I have published his first article (see page 17) and offer my thanks to him for a most enjoyable contribution. Perhaps he could be persuaded to write an article for each season?

Heard my first cuckoo briefly a couple of days ago, but nothing since, and disturbed a large grass snake that swam away across one of my ponds; I guess it was nearly 3 feet long. A charming brood of moorhens have made an appearance. The chicks are like balls of black fluff.

Judy and I visited Ascott House & Gardens, outside Wing. We recommend it.



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Alison's Gossip Column



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It seems that a large number of Aston Abbott residents have been making use of our local hospital facilities this last month – from life threatening operations, heart attacks down to “procedures”. Get Wells particularly to Christine Scott, Mike Morris and Barbara Bellingham.

It's time for baby Alpacas to start appearing and so far there are three little white boys. This year their names must begin with H, so there is Hermes, Hugo and Hero to date. Just ten more to go!

Sally Clarke has had a big birthday . We can't believe you really are this age Sally but Happy Birthday anyway and trust you had a great day.

June

Claire Fletcher	4 th
Sally Clarke	5 th
Emily DeLooze	17 th
Bernard Osborn	18 th
Dave Wheaton	21 st
Paul Drysdale	21 st
Rob Howell	22 nd
Pat Stevens	24 th
Sharon Wilkinson	26 th
Kim Picking	27 th
David Hewit	28 th
Kirsty Lewis	28 th
Adam Oldfield	30 th

There will be a **meeting** to finalise details for our **village fete on Monday 25th June in the Church Room at 7.30pm**. Please come along to discuss the arrangements to ensure that our day is successful. If anyone has any ideas for anything to make the day more special it would be appreciated.

A huge thank you to all those who came along to the last fete meeting.

April

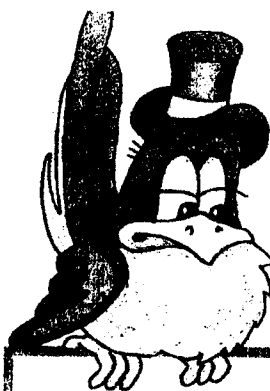
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At the Whitchurch Open Gardens on 29th April, the Friends raised £172.60 for their funds from the bric-à-brac/book stalls they ran and the teas sold. We were lucky with the number of customers and the weather. *Sheila Nuttall*

630 Club

Meets every Saturday in The Old Oak at 6.30pm.

New members very welcome. Contact Andy Bystra if you need an introduction.



It would help greatly if plants could be delivered to the Vicarage during the week prior to the fete to give Caroline Abel Smith a chance to price them. A few last minute ones will happily be accepted at the stall on the morning of the fete.

Aston Abbotts Festival 2007 FETE COLLECTION

We will be calling to collect items for the fete on the evenings of

MONDAY 16th July
and

TUESDAY 17th July

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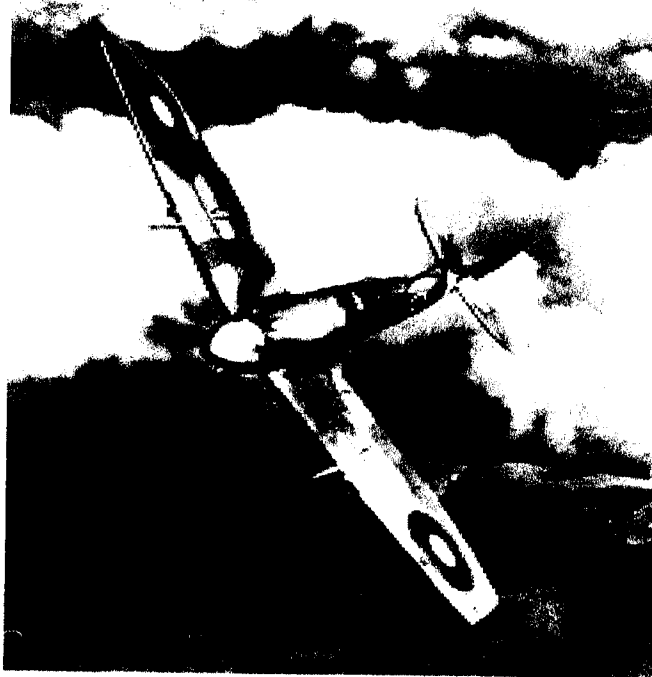
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WW2 Spitfire to fly over the rec.

It is planned that a Spitfire of the
Battle of Britain Flight is to make several low passes over the recreation ground during the 'Village/
Czech' (free!!) fun afternoon being held on the

24th June 2007

The day will start at 11.00 with a Church service, for Embassy officials, Legion members and villagers and this will be followed by a light lunch for our guests.



Entertainment commences at 1.30 pm with
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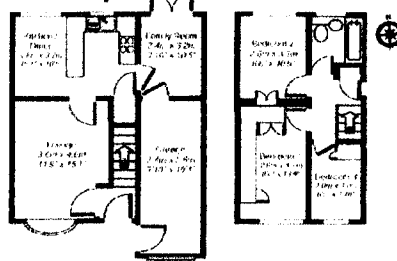
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Starting around 2.15

On the Rec

PLANTS PLANTS

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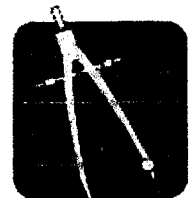
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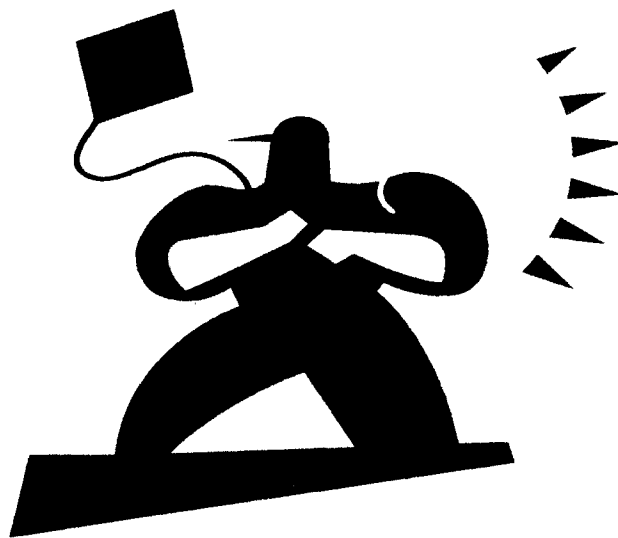
ALLOTMENT DIARY

I haven't been spending much time on my allotment since I last wrote. I recently got back from three weeks in Corsica, and my first week-end at the allotment, when I expect to see people, and catch up on any gossip, was the Bank Holiday week-end, during which, you may remember, it rained most of the time, and the coldest place in the country on Bank Holiday Monday was High Wycombe, at 5° C (colder than Alaska and parts of Siberia) – and I don't think Aston Abbotts can have been far behind! As a result I have not seen many of my fellow allotmenters yet, since none of us have spent much time at our allotments over that week-end; and therefore don't have much allotment news to report

During the week leading up to the Bank Holiday it was fine and sunny, and I spent a considerable amount of time on my allotment, removing the weeds that had grown during my absence, and planting those crops which were not able to be planted before I left the country, because of the risk of frost. I have now planted everything apart from sweet-corn, and pumpkins (to participate in Colin's annual pumpkin growing competition). I had one stroke of luck. One of the trays of seeds I had been growing in my greenhouse (and which Vic was kindly looking after for me while I was away), was a tray of leek seeds. However, when they sprouted, they had mysteriously turned into Brussels sprouts! I had reconciled myself to planting some leek seeds about a month later than they should have been planted, to try to grow some leeks for the allotment, when Alan Jones arrived at my patch, and asked if I would like a pot of leek seedlings that he had grown, and which were surplus to his requirements! My allotment is therefore no longer a leek-free area, and I was also able to let Alan have rather a lot of baby Brussels sprouts in exchange.

As I write this piece, we are still having rain in abundance – perhaps to make up for its absence in April. The weeds on my allotment were not too bad when I returned, but because of the adverse weather I have not yet had time to weed the area where the sweet-corn and pumpkins are to go, and the nettles on this patch are growing so fast you can practically watch them grow with the naked eye!

I forgot to mention last month that I have seen a red kite from my allotment. They have obviously bred so well in the Chilterns, that young birds are having to spread further and further afield in order to find food, and if this continues, they may become as familiar a bird throughout the whole country as they were in the Middle Ages (when they were a common sight over most large towns, before the days of regular dustbin collections, scavenging among the offal and carrion that had been thrown away). The bird was almost wiped out during the 20th Century, when game keepers, wrongly believing that the kite was a threat to the birds they were rearing, had shot, trapped and poisoned the kite almost to extinction. By the 1970's it is reckoned that there were only around 20 pairs of kite surviving in remote Welsh hills. At the end of the last Century attempts were made to reintroduce the kite in various areas – around here by Lord Rothschild in the Chilterns. And did you know that the toy that children and others play with is called a kite because



its flight is like the graceful soaring of the bird?

On our way back from Corsica we were beetling along a French motorway at around 130 kph when a large bird swooped down on the road ahead of us to try to pick up some road-kill from the road ahead of us. Because this was stuck fairly firmly to the tarmac, the bird failed to gather it; and so turned in the air on a sixpence, and had a second go – this time successful. By this time we were so close that I could see that it was a black kite, but it whirled away seconds before impact.

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PARISH PLAN

The demand for housing in the South east of the UK has increased substantially over this last 10- 20 years and this has led to the formation of the South Midlands and Milton Keynes Development Zone which includes N Bucks and Aylesbury. Despite the view that the imposition of housing targets by central government was to be deplored, the opinion of our own District Council is that the substantial housing and development growth is a fait accompli and it might as well co-operate to achieve the best possible results for the district. The Council suggests that at least 40% of housing should be affordable so that local young people can afford to live here and for each new house one new job should be created. One worrying aspect is the view of some local politicians that, "it's good for villages to grow because villages can't stay the same forever". Perhaps this is true, but do we want our village to expand along the lines of other large developments

Members of Aston Abbots produced a Village Survey in 1992 as a result of a complaint made at the Annual Parish Meeting that there was difficulty in finding low cost housing in the village. You will recall that the planning application made for the Bull and Butcher development was that a number of flats to be created would be affordable. In the event, this did not occur and other development so far has paid scant notice of this wish which flies in the face of the opinion expressed by our politicians above.

However, there is a wind of change and our District Council is currently producing a Local Development Framework and we are assured that if we produce a

new Parish Plan the information contained in it may provide valuable input into the preparation of this Framework. It is claimed that Parish Plans can provide a high level of local detail regarding issues such as local characteristics, needs, opportunities and concerns which can be material considerations when determining planning applications.

Other Parishes have developed and produced their own Parish Plans to express a vision for the future of their community within the huge development agenda now taking place and to review the services and facilities that are or will be important e.g. local transport, traffic, refuse collection, recreation, and amenities. In short they want to map out the future needs of the community.

Although the Parish Council accept that a Plan for Aston Abbots is advisable, it should be produced by an independent steering group and to this end we ask for 5 – 10 volunteers to form this group which would oversee the work entailed in the creation of the Parish Plan. The basic requirement is that you should be interested in creating the future of the village and be prepared to devote a little of your time to ensure that we have a sufficiently good game plan to improve services and to resist future unwanted and unseemly development. Those of you who feel that the village is perfect as it is, then you should also consider joining the group to make sure it remains the village of your dreams.

Those who wish to join this steering group should offer their names to the Editor or the Parish Clerk.

Parish Plans and the Planning System

A guidance note for local communities

A Parish Plan is a vision of how you would like your town or village to be. Forward Plans Group can assist local communities in preparing Parish Plans, what planning aspects could be included in a Parish Plan, and how the Council will take Parish Plans into account when making planning decisions.

About Parish Plans and the Planning System

The District Council is currently producing a Local Development Framework which will replace the Local Plan. Information set out in a Parish Plan may provide a valuable input into the preparation of the Local Development Framework. Parish Plans can provide a high level of local detail regarding issues such as local characteristics, needs, opportunities and concerns which can be material considerations when determining planning applications.

Anne Robinson : Who was a famous Indian leader, whose name begins with G, revered by millions, who was assassinated and received a state funeral?

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Peter Knight's Countryside Diary - 14th May

Alex and I have just returned from our annual holiday; one week spent on Exmoor at the beginning of May is good enough for us.

How was Exmoor this year? – well it was short of grass and the talk was 'There will be no hay crop unless it soon rains'. Many farmers had indeed turned their sheep and lambs into fields that had been shut up for hay because the grass had run out in the grazing fields. That is not something done lightly.

As always I was struck by the scarcity of cattle in the country nowadays. I believe we only saw 6 or 7 dairy herds between here and Porlock – there used to be 6 between here and Aylesbury. The fact that we still have a dairy farmer in Aston Abbotts is amazing – it's just a pity that we can never see his beautiful cows from the road. DEFRA ought to give the man a grant just to put his cows on display.

Countryside Management; now there is a contentious issue. On the fringes of Exmoor we walked through several blocks of young trees looking good and growing well. We also saw a large area where all the naturally seeded spruce trees of about 1ft high had been pulled up and put into plastic bags to be burned, a huge heap of them, apparently 'They' wanted that area to return to open moor land despite a free and natural replanting that was hugely successful.

I haven't heard the cuckoo yet in Aston Abbotts but then my hearing is now well below par. However we always hear cuckoos in Exmoor but, curiously, not so much in woodland but up on the open Moors. I can only assume that cuckoos find it easier to source a host net on the moor than in the woods. A friend tells me that cuckoos abound on the Isle of Skye where there is very little woodland.

Certainly they are now a rare bird in the South of England where, 50 years ago, they would drive you cuckoo with their incessant calling.

Today I read a letter in a National Newspaper saying that rooks no longer built their nests in the very tops of trees and suggesting that perhaps the birds needed the shade of higher branches now that global warming is upon us. In my opinion rooks built as high as they can in the selected tree as long as the branches can bear the weight of the

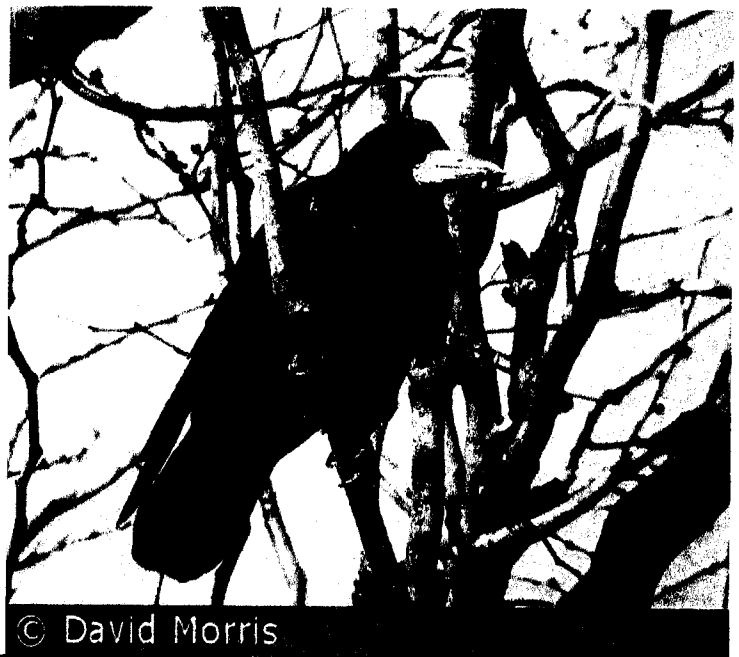
bird, it's nest and young. Obviously this is not in the very tops of trees where the twigs are at their thinnest. It also seems to me that, given the opportunity members of the crow family will always re-use last years nest once it has been patched up and strengthened. Young rooks always leave the nest between 5th and 15th may – May 10th on average – and at least 70% die in their first summer. I'm told that rooks live for about 15 years. So that just to maintain their numbers a pair only need to successfully raise 2 young in their lifetime.

Death and predation out there is on a huge scale. Besides the nesting of rooks I wonder what will be the next thing said to be caused by global warming. At least it makes a change from the usual scapegoat of 'Intensive Agriculture'.

I'm afraid that I will never take global warming seriously until people have the courage to state the obvious – that if we wish to conserve the natural world and feed ourselves we have to control the numbers of the greatest destroyer and predator on the planet – Man!

With that thought I will close my last 'countryside notes'. I find it increasingly difficult not to repeat myself and to think of something new to write about that might be of some interest. Finally may I thank those people, particularly from Wingrave, who let me know that they enjoyed reading these notes and so encouraged me to keep on trying.

Pete Knight



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Countryside Diary 10th August 2003

The presently seriously hot weather apart it has been, in my opinion a lovely summer. Plenty of sunshine, but sufficient rain to keep things moving.

Hay time has been easy, albeit with low yield, and harvest is shaping up to be also a simple affair but again, yields probably down.

What a year for butterflies! We had two fields white with clover a month ago and the number of butterflies was amazing. Mostly meadow browns, but at least six different species including the once rare commas crowded the clover fields in their thousands. When part of the field was mowed for hay it became obvious that it was also a swimming with grasshoppers; great shoals of them leaping out of the way of the tractor wheels.

Ants too have been doing well and one field is becoming difficult to travel due to the ant banks. These 'banks' have bought in birds that feed on ants - green woodpeckers - quite rare around here 10 years ago, now a common sight.

Not everything is having a good summer, life that depends on worms, slugs and snails is struggling a bit. I suspect that virtually no hedgehogs now live in the parish - I hope I'm wrong.

Frogs and toads are increasingly rare and moles might be having a hard time of it, but then no fears of the latter getting scarce.

The huge increase in badgers - and I mean huge - has



again made itself felt. 30 years ago there were two badger setts in Aston Abbotts, Lines Hill and Nor-duck. Now I know of 12 setts, not badgers. There could be a point reached, as with most wildlife, when there are too many.

The badgers have completely obliterated the sweet corn cobs at the Abbey. They wait until the cobs have set then fell the plants and strip them. How do they know when they're ready?

At least the dry weather has stopped 'our friends' digging up the lawns looking for worms.

Looking forward to cool rain and huge plums.

Pete Knight

---- What is Butt Dust?

What, you ask, is "Butt dust?" Read on and you'll discover the joy in it! These have to be original and genuine. No adult is this creative!!

JACK (age 3) was watching his Mum breast-feeding his new baby sister. After a while he asked: "Mum why have you got two? Is one for hot and one for cold milk?"

MELANIE (age 5) asked her Granny how old she was. Granny replied she was so old she didn't remember any more. Melanie said, "If you don't remember you must look in the back of your panties. Mine say five to six."

STEVEN (age 3) hugged and kissed his Mum good night. "I love you so much that when you die I'm going to bury you outside my bedroom window."

BRITTANY (age 4) had an earache and wanted a pain killer. She tried in vain to take the lid off the bottle. Seeing her frustration, her Mum explained it was a child-proof cap and she'd have to open it for her. Eyes wide with wonder, the little girl asked: "How does it know it's me?"

SUSAN (age 4) was drinking juice when she got the hiccups. "Please don't give me this juice again," she said, "It makes my teeth cough."

CLINTON (age 5) was in his bedroom looking worried. When his Mum asked what was troubling him, he replied, "I don't know what'll happen with this bed when I get married. How will my wife fit in?"

JAMES (age 4) was listening to a Bible story. His dad read: "The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city but his wife looked back and was turned to salt." Concerned, James asked: "What happened to the flea?"

TAMMY (age 4) was with her mother when they met an elderly, rather wrinkled woman her Mum knew. Tammy looked at her for a while and then asked, "Why doesn't your skin fit your face?"

The Sermon I think this Mum will never forget... this particular Sunday sermon... "Dear Lord," the minister began, with arms extended toward heaven and a rapturous look on his upturned face. "Without you, we are but Dust..." He would have continued but at that moment my very obedient daughter who was listening leaned over to me and asked quite audibly in her shrill little four year old girl voice, "Mum, what is butt dust?"

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ASTON ABBOTTS PARISH COUNCIL

Unofficial minutes from the meeting held on 9th May 2007. PRESENT: Cllrs. C. Higgs, D. Dicken, J.Hardcastle, A. Stefanczyk, R.Clarke and K.Curry. Apologies were received from: Cllr. Peter Shorrocks, Rebecca Hunt and P.C.Callaghan. Four members of the public attended.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

MATTERS ARISING

Cllr Shorrocks was unanimously voted Chairman Cllr Higgs was elected Vice Chairman.

Councillors were appointed to committees as follows:

- o Street Lighting Officer: Andy Stefanczyk
- o Planning Committee: Peter Shorrocks, Judy Hardcastle, Kate Curry and Dickie Dicken.
- o Transport: Colin Higgs
- o Highways: Richard Clarke, Kate Curry and Andy Stefanczyk

Recreation Ground: Richard Clarke

COUNTY COUNCIL, DISTRICT COUNCIL AND POLICE MATTERS

No-one was present from the County Council or Police.

District Councillor Peter Cooper was present and gave the following reports:

Local election results gave the Conservative party a clear lead for the first time in eight years, and guarantees that the major development projects in Aylesbury town centre will be completed.

At the recent Area Committee meeting it was requested that the A418 between Rowsham and Wing be moved into Area 12 for the speed limit review, thus ensuring it is dealt with in the near future. Highways are also considering a request for permanent diversion signs to be placed in Aston Abbots to divert traffic when the A418 is closed due to incidents.

The decision on the new route for the A418 should be made by September. Friends of the Earth are opposing the new road altogether, and a review is being carried out of their proposals.

PLANNING

07/01060/AGD Land Adj Windmill Hill Barns. Erection of building to use as tractor / machinery store. Additional information had been requested and supplied to support this application. **Resolved** to continue to oppose it as the new information does not address the concerns previously voiced by the Parish Council.

VILLAGE PLAN

Dickie Dicken has started to ask for volunteers to form a steering committee.

VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS

It was decided not to apply for signs at present, but to possibly consider the matter again in the future.

PARISH PATHS PARTNERSHIP

Kate Curry explained that money may be available from BCC to support work to local public rights of way. Agreed to place a notice in the Chronicle asking people to identify any problems they encounter when using the footpaths and bridleways in the Parish.

RECREATION GROUND

Safety check – children's play area - up to date. The new seat has been installed and the bonfire area cut prior to re-seeding. The goal posts are to be repaired. It was agreed to accept a quote for £140 to repair the two holes in the skateboard ramp. It is still planned to officially open the children's play area on the village 'Czech Day'.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING To confirm that the next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Wednesday 20th June 2007** at 8pm in the Church Room.

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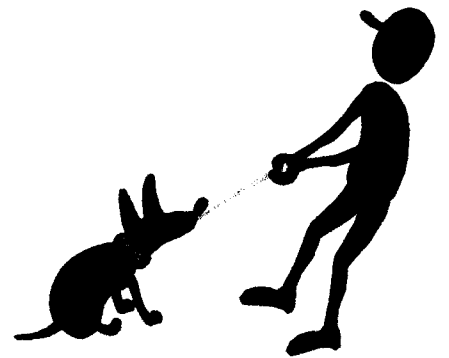
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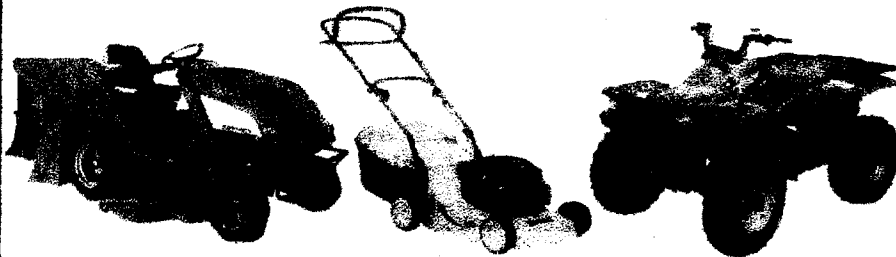
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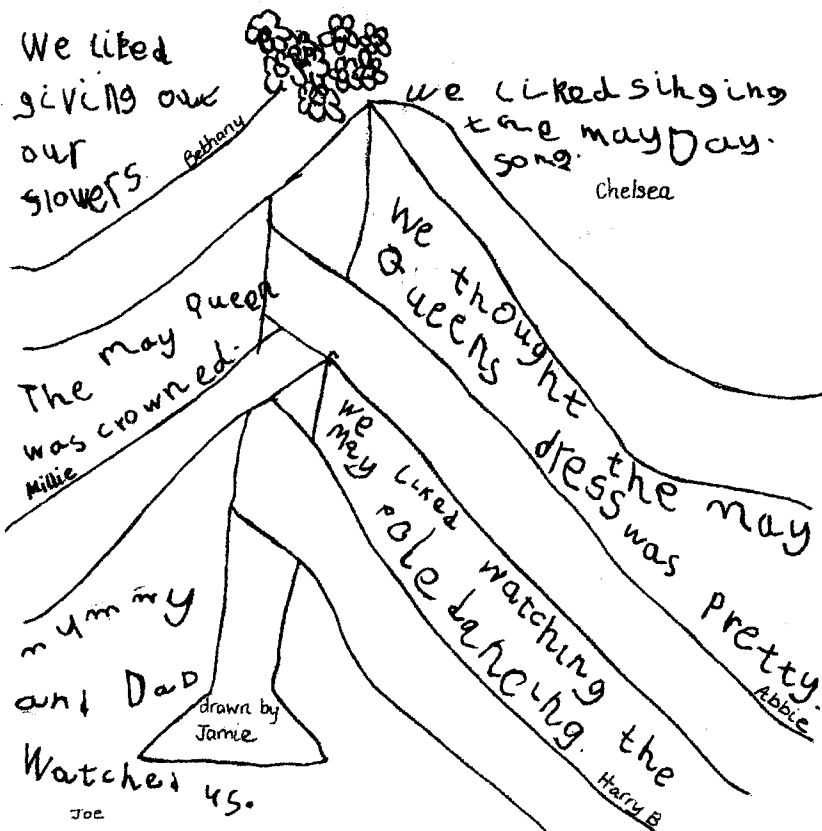
We have a new notice board! And a new home for it!

Following the closure of Bernard's shop, the old location of the notice board alongside it no longer seemed appropriate, and the new notice board has been erected (with the consent of our vicar, Derek Witchell, for which we are grateful), outside the Church Room. At the moment it does not have the Parish Council's name on it, but this will be added as soon as the firm who made it have done the lettering.

If you want to see official parish council notices, dates and times of meetings, etc., this is where you should now look.

Peter Shorrock

On May 1st Wingrave School held their annual May day celebrations. The children walked around the village giving out their poses to the villagers who watched the parade. The traditional May Pole and Country dancing was enjoyed by all. The weather was superb.



Reception Class wanted to share with you what they enjoyed most.

Bullshit and Brilliance

A wealthy old lady decides to go on a photo safari in Africa, taking her faithful aged poodle named Cuddles, along for the company. One day the poodle starts chasing butterflies and before long, Cuddles discovers that he's lost.. Wandering about, he notices a leopard heading rapidly in his direction with the intention of having lunch. The old poodle thinks, "Oh, oh! I'm in deep shit now!" Noticing some bones on the ground close by, he immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat. Just as the leopard is about to leap the old poodle exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious leopard! I wonder if there are any more around here?" Hearing this, the young leopard halts his attack in mid-strike, a look of terror comes over him and he slinks away into the trees. "Whew!", says the leopard, "That was close! That old poodle nearly had me!" Meanwhile, a monkey who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree, figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the leopard. So off he goes, but the old poodle sees him heading after the leopard with great speed, and figures that something must be up. The monkey soon catches up with the leopard, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the leopard. The young leopard is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here, monkey, hop on my back and see what's going to happen to that conniving canine!" Now, the old poodle sees the leopard coming with the monkey on his back and thinks, "What am I going to do now?", but instead of running, the dog sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet, and just when they get close enough to hear, the old poodle says. "Where's that damn monkey? I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another leopard!" Moral of this story....
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You may recall that I related the random attempt by someone to kick down the front door of my house earlier this year. The police officer who happened to be passing at the time has now been appointed as our Neighbourhood Officer. Below is published his unedited letter for your information. Ed

NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICE OFFICER

John;

I did meet you ref that attempted burglary in January, if you remember, when we came across you coming down the road. Anyway, as you may know, I am Pc 3388 Frank Callaghan and I am your new Neighbourhood officer. Basically there have recently been some changes whereby response officers have been split from the newly formed Neighbourhood officers. What this means, hopefully, is that the neighbourhood officers should be left alone to be able to patrol their local areas and to deal with incidents in the community i.e. local problems whether that be anti social behaviour or bouts of criminal damage etc amongst other things. The response should pick up immediate or urgent type incidents such as Burglaries and assaults etc.

In the past as we had all been response officers and it may well be that you have not regularly seen officers patrolling your village. This was because all of us were having to respond ASAP to incidents all over the central and east area's of Buckinghamshire which meant that we had little time to actually get out of a vehicle and walk around especially as there may have been only one or two on duty at a time.

I am presently responsible for eleven villages from Great Brickhill in the North to Hardwick in the South of my area. Obviously everyone wants a fair proportion of my time so I cannot spend all of my time in the same area. I also have to be aware as to where the main problems are and maybe give more of my time

to that area to try and resolve the problems. This does not mean that I will not patrol all the villages as often as I can bearing the above in mind and hopefully you will get more attention than you have had in recent years. That said I am always available if anyone needs to contact me for advice or whatever they think may be pertinent on the Thames Valley Police number of **0845 8 505 505**. If I am on duty I will hopefully respond on the day but if not you can leave a message on my voice mail which the operator will put you through to and I will then get in touch when next on duty.

Just to reiterate that if someone needs the police immediately i.e. if a burglary or theft is taking place or there are suspicious persons in the area then they can call on the three nines or the above number and a response unit should be able to attend as soon as they are able to. It needs to be emphasised that any of the above types of incident should be called in immediately and not left as it seriously diminishes the chances of apprehending any offenders.

I would just further like to say that Aston Abbotts is a relatively quiet village compared to most on my area and there has only been one dwelling burglary since the beginning of the year which I believe was unfortunately yours. There has been no car crime there that I am aware of over the same period of time. A useful web site for your readers regarding home security can be found on www.thamesvalley.police.uk/reduction/saferhomes/safehome/index.htm.

If anyone wishes to liaise further re this I am quite happy to visit them and give advice.

If there is anything else that you require of me please contact me and I will endeavour to oblige.

Regards *Frank.*

CUBLINGTON FETE

Saturday, 16th June @ 1pm

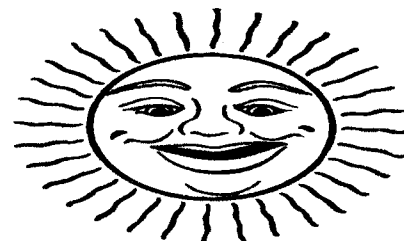
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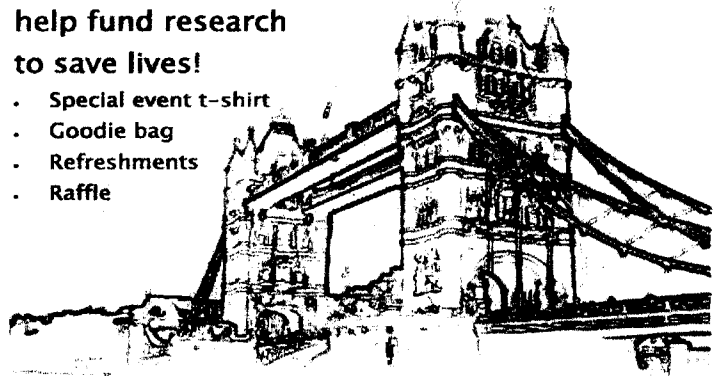
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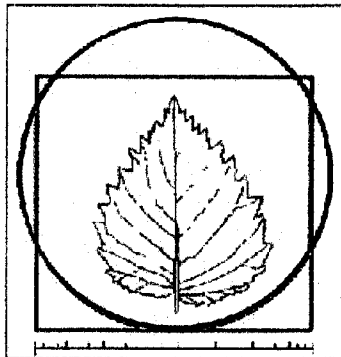
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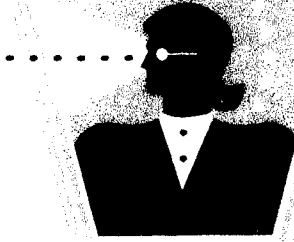
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ASTON ABBOTTS & CUBLINGTON LADIES CLUB

Ladies Club April 26th

21 members were present at today's meeting. After the minutes were read and approved our speakers for today were introduced. They were in fact two sisters, Liz Lloyd & Cherry Ann Evans who had come along to deliver a talk intriguingly entitled 'How to be an evacuee'. Evidently, in September 1939, they and their mother moved to Wingrave with eighty or so other children to get away from the bombing. For their particular family, what was hoped to be a relatively short stay, stretched out to be ten years! However, their time in Wingrave was far from dull as their highly amusing talk about people and events of the time demonstrated.

They were thanked by Daphne Rogers.

Tea hostesses were Margaret Hinds & Doreen Powys and our lucky raffle winner was June Brine.

Shirley Ford.

BRILLIANT QUIZ NIGHT

Sam Crawley hosted and compiled the Quiz Night at the Church Room on Tuesday evening 14th May. The teams, some of which were 6 strong and one gallant team 3 strong (*Ed was one of the gallant three*), gave themselves appropriate names like 'The Hammered Spurs Unbridled', 'A few Gnomes', 'Alpacas Anon', 'The Bogenders' and the 'The Plotters'.

Some of the questions were very innovative – see if you can answer them?

It occurs once in a minute, twice in a week and once in a year, what is it?

Which animal was domesticated first, the cat or the dog?

What group were George Harrison, Paul McCartney and John Lennon in together as well as the Beatles?

What is the fastest animal on Earth?

What is the Star of India?

Sam and her partner Geoff Ryan have recently moved into the village and thanked everyone for making them feel so welcomed.- although Geoff did remark that he was told 'don't go out in the fog'. Andy Bystra thanked Sam for her 'first quiz' and trusted she could be encouraged to host another. Proceeds of the evening went towards the Czech Weekend.
Ed (answers on page 33)

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Name a bird with a long Neck? -

Naomi Campbell

Name an occupation where you might need a torch? - *A burglar*

Where is the Taj Mahal? -

Opposite the Dental Hospital

What is Hitler's first name? - *Heil*

Name a famous Scotsman? - *Jock*

Name some famous brothers? -

Bonnie and Clyde ..

Name a dangerous race? - *The Arabs*

Name a famous Royal? - *Mail*

Name something you do in the bathroom? - *Decorate*

Name a method of securing your home? - *Put the kettle on*

Name a sign of the Zodiac? - *April*

Name something people might be allergic to? - *Skiing*

Name something you put on walls? - *A roof*

Name something slippery? - *A conman*

Name a kind of ache? - *A fillet of fish*

[I particularly liked this one. Ed]

Name a jacket potato topping? - *Jam*

Name a food that can be brown or white? - *A potato*

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AT THE BALLET

Recently a small group of GNOMES namely, Sally (Clarke), Kate, Christine, Jackie and I, went to the Civic Centre to see Swan Lake performed by the Vienna Festival ballet company. The quality of the dancing was very good though we were being deafened by the loud and somewhat distorted sound. The smoke machine was working overtime, creating an atmospheric vapour to waft around the stage. The tension was palpable as the story reached it's climax, we watched awe inspired as the dying swan took her last breath, when suddenly the house lights came on and we were ordered to evacuate, as there was a fire on stage! There was no alarm and no panic, only disappointment; Sally was especially disappointed as there was not a single hunky fireman in sight!! The fire was minor, and quickly brought under control by the staff. The excitement over, five rather deflated GNOMES made their way sorrowfully home.

Carol Spooner



OPEN GARDENS IN WINGRAVE
16TH AND 17TH JUNE

More than 20 gardens will be open in Wingrave and Rowsham between 11.30am and 6pm on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th June, with lunches and teas being available in the village on both days. There will also be an exhibition of creative work in the Community Centre by village artists and craftsmen.

Come and enjoy our gardens and stay for lunch or tea (or both!). Tickets and maps will be available from the gardens at £4 for each day or £6 for two days

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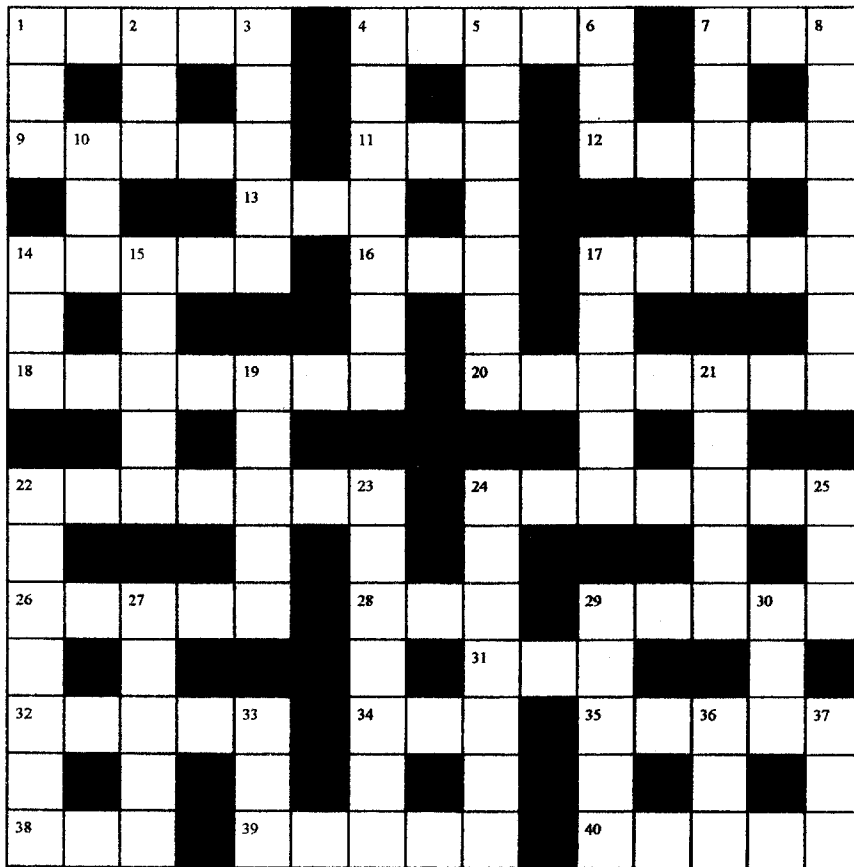
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The Chronicle Crossword

JUNE 2007



MAY SOLUTIONS

ACROSS

- 1 Craft 4 Cycle 7 Cam
 9 Bacon 11 Use 12 Exist
 13 E E C 14 Reset
 16 Inn 17 Cabin
 18 Optical 20 Pickaxe
 22 Tenfold 24 Croquet
 26 Nanny 28 Sob
 29 Sweep 31 Aft
 32 Admit 34 Err
 35 Argue 38 Dad
 39 Petit 40 Fours

DOWN

- 1 Cab 2 Arc 3 Tinet
 4 Crucial 5 Clean-up
 6 Ewe 7 Climb
 8 Matinee 10 Ale 14 Rio
 15 Satin 17 Cacao
 19 Cooky 21 Abuse
 22 Tankard 23 Dessert
 24 Cabaret 25 Tap
 27 Nomad 29 Staff

ACROSS

- 1 Animals track (5)
 4 To do with the nose (5)
 7 Navigational system (1-1-1)
 9 Mad (5)
 11 Used for 12 across (3)
 12 Goes in 11 across (5)
 13 Small roll (3)
 14 Black hardwood (5)
 16 Unwell (3)
 17 More than usual (5)
 18 Sometime seen in the village (7)
 20 Pour down (7)
 22 Large tent (7)
 24 Collects (7)
 26 Darkness (5)
 28 America (1-1-1)
 29 The devil (5)
 31 Nothing (3)
 32 Belgian city (5)
 34 Small speck (3)
 35 Change (5)
 38 Noise (3)
 39 Made well (5)
 40 W W 1 Battle (5)

Compiled by ROD ROTHERO

DOWN

- 1 Twitch (3)
 2 Type of cooker (3)
 3 Parking space on road (3-2)
 4 Used for babies (7)
 5 Early American traveller (7)
 6 Around your mouth (3)
 7 Large person (5)
 8 Himalayan country (7)
 10 Curved bone in your chest (3)
 14 Approx arrival time (1-1-1)
 15 Equal with (2-3)
 17 Eject from house (5)
 19 On top of bread (5)
 21 Not moving (5)
 22 Have control of (7)
 23 Country in South America (7)
 24 Allow (7)
 25 Small coin from Japan (3)
 27 Blue and Yellow mixed (5)
 29 Hits (5)
 30 Top card (3)
 33 Detective (abbr) (3)
 36 Short for Thomas (3)
 37 Type of grain (3)

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The view from the vicarage.....

'As lead singer of the 'Stereophonics', Kelly Jones has it all: multiple houses, a silver Porche, megastar friends. And he owes it all to his father, who gave up his own pop career to raise his family. Arwyn Kelly, a factory worker with a voice to rival Tom Jones, was talent-spotted in the Sixties while singing at pubs around the Welsh mining town of Cwmaman. He was signed by the Hollies' manager and spent months in the studio with George Martin, the Beatles producer. But the brutal schedule meant he hardly saw his wife Beryl or their two young children. Kelly says, 'One day he came home on the train and my mum met him with my brother Lee. Lee didn't know who he was because he had been away so long, and that broke his heart. He was supposed to be going back to London on the Monday, but he rang up and said there was a gas leak and he wasn't going to make it. He never went back.' Arwyn returned to the factory, and Beryl had another son - Kelly. 'If he hadn't given it up, I probably wouldn't have been born, but he chose his home over everything else. He could have had it all, but he didn't want it.'

(Mail on Sunday quoted in The Week)

Flicking through the diary I see that this month we have a chance to celebrate Fathers on the 17th June. Being a father too I know how easy it is to be affected

by the contagious and virulent virus 'Affluenza', which drives us to concentrate on achieving star status, fame, the big job, the big house, the big toys and the flashy holidays, working long hours to try to get the absolute best for us and our families. Unfortunately, along with the drive come side-effects - depression, anxiety, addiction and envy.

The good news is that at least one antidote to 'Affluenza' has been found - faith in a loving God who promises to give us 'life in all its fullness' to fathers and their families without the bad side-effects. God, our loving heavenly Father, has great advice as to how to be the best Father, with no bad side-effects. Through his followers He says:

'Husbands, go all out in your love for your wives, exactly as Christ did for the Church - a love marked by giving, not getting.....making her whole.....your words evoking her beauty, everything you say or do designed to bring out the best in her.'

'Father, don't exasperate your children by coming down hard on them. Take them by the hand and lead them in the way of the Master (Jesus).'

Fathers have a tough job so don't forget to give them the one present they really want - tell them how much you love them.

Shalom Derek

Evensong & Sunday Evening Services in Aston Abbotts

Just another reminder that services are held on one Sunday each month in our beautiful village church. They are very 'user friendly', commence at 6.00pm and are usually conducted by Colin Smart.

With our very own Nigel Palmer playing the organ, they are becoming increasingly popular, so if you would like to come along to these friendly and uplifting services, please make a note that the next will be held on:-

July 22nd, 23rd Sept. (5pm) 16th Dec, 23rd Dec

Church Sidesman

3rd June Mrs S Ford
 10th Mr G Kemp
 17th Mrs A Curnow
 24th British Legion Parish Council
 1st July Mr A Ford

Cleaning

w/e 2nd Mr Kemp/Mrs Goodman
 9th Mrs Bean/Mr Higgs
 16th Mr Bystra/Mrs Curnow
 23rd Mrs Parker/Caroline Lane
 30th Mr A Ford/Mrs S Ford

Flowers

2/3 Mrs Loader
 9/10 Mrs Ford
 16/17 Donated
 23/24 Festival

Answers to Quiz Questions

- 1 The letter E
- 2 The dog
- 3 The Quarry men
- 4 The peregrine falcon
- 5 Precious stone- sapphire in the Coronation Crown



If you are unable to do your duty rota please arrange to change with the next person



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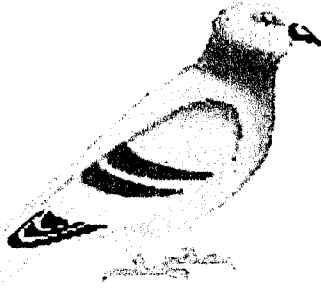
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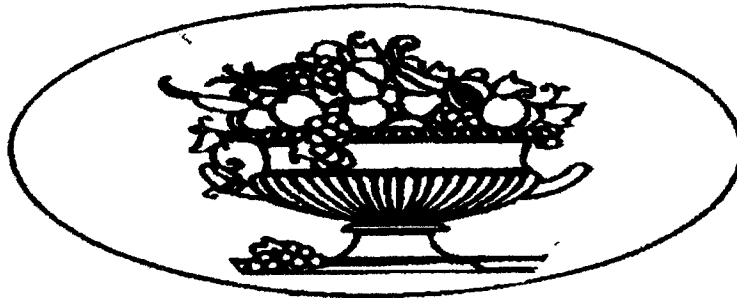
SERVICES FOR JUNE 2007

*Aston Abbotts – St James; Cublington – St Nicholas;
Wing – All Saints; Wingrave – St Peter & St Paul*

SUNDAY 3RD <i>Trinity</i>	Aston Abbotts	09.15	Morning Prayer
	Cublington	09.15	Family Communion
	Wing	08.00 10.45	BCP Holy Communion People's Praise
	Wingrave	09.15	Holy Communion
THURSDAY 7TH <i>Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion</i>	Wing	09.30	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 10TH <i>Trinity 1</i>	Aston Abbotts	09.15	Holy Communion
	Cublington	09.15	Family Service
	Wing	09.15	Family Communion
	Wingrave	10.45	Family Communion
THURSDAY 14TH	Wing	09.30	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 17TH <i>Trinity 2</i>	Aston Abbotts	09.15	Holy Communion
	Cublington	18.00	Songs of Praise
	Wing	08.00 10.45	Holy Communion Holy Communion
	Wingrave	08.00 09.15	BCP Holy Communion People's Praise
THURSDAY 21ST	Wing	09.30	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 24TH <i>Trinity 3</i>	Aston Abbotts	11.00	Czech Service
	Wing	08.00	Holy Communion
	Wingrave	18.00	A Celebration of Ministry with Bishop Alan
THURSDAY 28TH	Wing	09.30	Holy Communion

HELEN PEACOCK - A brass plate, has been set in concrete in the Rec, at the request of our Parish Council, who have paid for the work. It is set next to a decorative tree planted last year near the play area to remember Helen Peacock who sadly died after quite a long illness on the 9th August 2005 aged 42. Helen lived with her husband Andrew and daughter Kirsty in Ross Rd.

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630 Club	Andy Bystra	681690	Parish Clerk	Rebecca Hunt	688166
AVDC	Switchboard	585858	Parish Council Leader	Peter Shorrocks	681260
Baby & Toddlers Group	Kim Gayler	681123	Police	Emergencies	999
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Church Room Hire	Colin Higgs	681343	Rector	Reverend Derek Witchell	
Citizens Advice	Aylesbury	0870 126 4056	Refuse Collection	Enquiries	585510
Coach Trips	Colin Higgs	681343	Roads & Transport	Colin Higgs	681343
Council	Aylesbury Vale District	585858	Royal Oak	Teri & Gary Moulton	681262
Council	Bucks County Council	395000	RSPCA	General Enquiries	08705 555 999
District Councillor	Peter Cooper	681250	Scouts	Julia Ellis	681118
Fete Coordinator	April Curnow	681459	Whist	Colin Higgs	681343
Floral Class	Colin Higgs	681343	Wingrave Preschool	Claire Upton	681700
G.N.O.M.E.S.	Carol Spooner	681544	Wingrave Post Office	(PO only)	682964
Hospital	Stoke Mandeville	315000	Wingrave Post Office	(Stores)	681696
Ladies Club	Shirley Ford	681865	Wingrave School	Office	681436
LBO Reports	Colin Higgs	681343			
Milkman	Ron Miller Dairies	482838			
Mobile Library	Buckingham Library	01280 813229			

Please let us know of any errors or omissions

MOWING ROTA

2nd June	Caroline Lane
9th	Nigel Palmer
16th	Geoff Curnow
23rd	Andy Bystra
30th	Phil Spooner
7th July	Gordon Kemp

If you are unable to match the rota please change with a colleague



Something to cheer you up.

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE

Bamber Gascoigne : What was Ghandi's first name?

Contestant : Goosey, Goosey?

Wingrave
Village Fete

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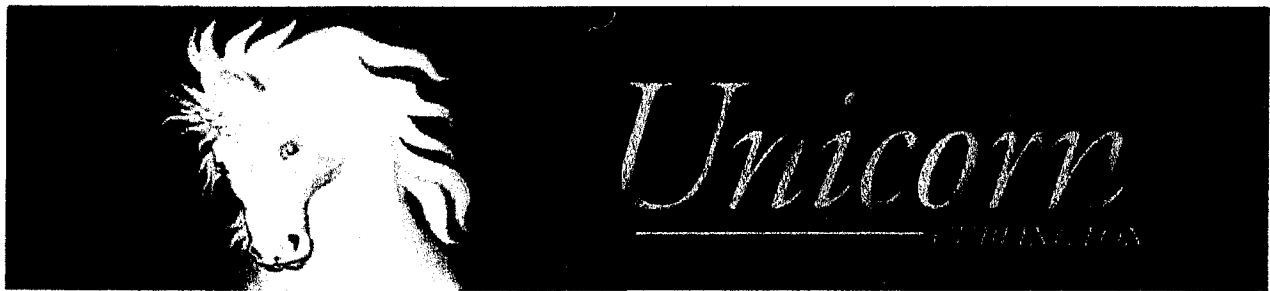
Games
Shells
Great Horwood Silver Band

Sunday, July 8th
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What's On In June

Monday 4th	C/Cllr Quintin Ings Chambers Cluster Meeting 6.30pm	Church Room
Tuesday 5th	Parochial Church Council 7.30pm	Church Room
Thursday 7th	Coffee/Shop 10 - 12noon Ladies Club 2.15 Whist Drive 7.30pm	Church Room Church Room Church Room
Thursday 14th	Coffee/Shop 10-12noon Bingo 7.30pm	Church Room Church Room
Saturday 16th	Cublington Fete 2pm	Old Rectory
Sunday 17th	Fathers Day Rambling Club Members Meet 2pm	Hulcott
Wednesday 20th	Parish Council Meeting 8pm	Church Room
Thursday 21st	Coffee/Shop 10.30 - 12noon Ladies Club 2.15pm Whist Drive 7.30pm	Church Room Church Room Church Room
Friday 22nd/Saturday 23rd	Italian Market	Kingsbury Aylesbury
Saturday 23rd	Flower Festival 12 till 5pm	St James Church
Sunday 24th	Czech Connection Service 11am	St James Church
Monday 25th	Fete Meeting 7.30pm	Church Room
Tuesday 28th	Farmers Market	
Thursday 31st	Coffee/Shop 10-12noon	Church Room
Sunday 1st July	NO SMOKING BAN includes Church Room	

Address

Please note that all submissions for the Chronicle should be sent to John Hardcastle, Marloes, Lines Hill, Aston Abbots, Bucks. HP22 4NG

Email submissions to:

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Please don't forget to tell us of any events that you would like included in the What's On list

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We guarantee there will be something of interest for you - no matter what your interests, passions or time commitments.

Will you have to sign up to volunteer on the day?

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Where: Aston Hall, Civic Centre, Aylesbury

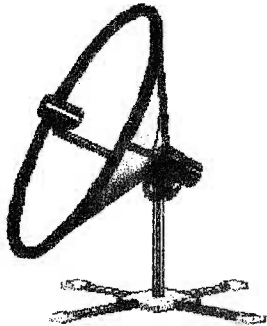
Date & time: 26th June 2007, 2 pm - 4 pm

As numbers will be limited to 20. please book ASAP: - Vale Volunteers ☎ 01296 337456

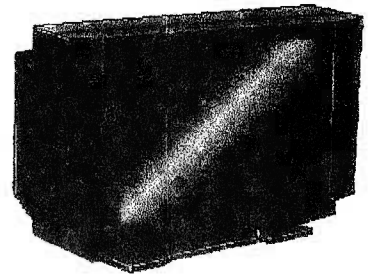
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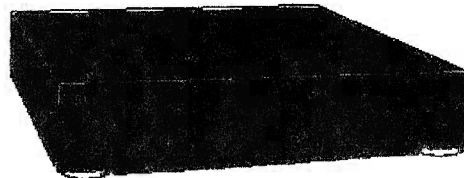


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