

The Chronicle



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Editorial

A big thank you in advance this month to Janet and Roger Biddle, who have agreed to take over Colin's round for the Chronicle. We wish them good weather.

We have had some more information, via the Parish Council, about payment for taking over the Post Office in the village. The total amount including flat fee and hourly payment is just over £3,000 assuming 20 hours' opening per week. We don't have any more details, but if anyone is interested they should contact the Post Office, Counters Business District Office, St Aldates House, 102/4 St Aldates, Oxford OX1 1ZZ.

We may not have found all the local press articles about the famous Aston Abbots Rock Festival, but the one in the Herald we did see must surely be the pick of the bunch. 'Cliff Might Kill My Chickens' is quite a headline. (I was a bit disturbed by the news until I heard that Rory Gallagher may be coming. This of course changes things completely and I shall be there in the front row - Caroline. Gordon will wish to disassociate himself from this remark.)

May we wish you all a very happy New Year.

Caroline Lane

Gordon Smith

Deadline for the February issue is Friday 25th January. Please bring or send articles etc to us at 2 Church Row telephone 681373. Why not have a go at a cover? Any efforts welcome!

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January.



What's on

- Thursday 10th: Ladies Club
Mrs Hulbert, 'The Great
Rift Valley of Africa'
2.45 pm, Church Room
- Thursday 10th: Whist Drive
Church Room, 7.30 pm
- Sunday 13th: Footpath walk
The Green, 2 pm
- Wednesday 16th: Mobile library
Times below
- Thursday 17th: Bingo
Church Room, 7.30 pm
- Friday 18th: Parish Council
Church Room, 8 pm
- Monday 21st: Toddlers
Church Room, 2.30-4 pm
- Thursday 24th: Ladies Club
Mr Furness, 'Recreational
Walks in Buckinghamshire'
2.45 pm, Church Room
- Wednesday 30th: Mobile library
The Green, 2.00-2.30pm
Longmoor, 2.35-50 pm
- Thursday 31st: Bingo
Church Room, 7.30 pm

REGULARS

- Tuesdays: The Trawler mobile
fish shop, The Green, 1.40-2pm
- Wednesdays: Bin Day
- Wednesdays: Mobile library (see
above)
- Wednesdays: Free bus to Tesco
leaves 10.31 am
returns from Tesco 12.45 pm
- Wednesdays: Fish & Chip van
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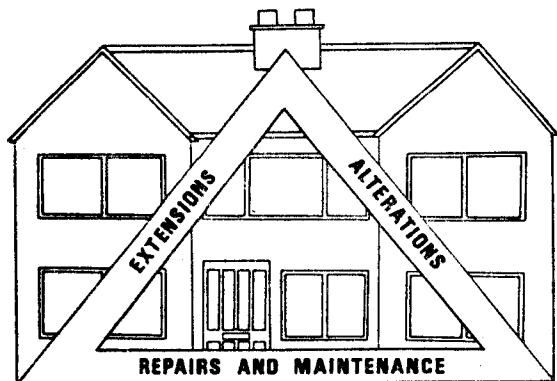
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Coffee and biscuits Raffle

ANGLIAN WATER are to renew
water mains in the area and
have informed the Parish Council
that work will begin in January
and take about three months.
Water will only be cut off when
they connect the new mains, and
separate warning of dates and
times will be issued. There
will be some disruption due to
restricted road widths and access
to premises, for which they
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information can be had from
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People

Our monthly column about village people, edited by BRIDGET BRANDON

BIRTHDAYS

Jane Plested 7th Jan
Sarah Plested 7th Jan
James Clarke 10th Jan
Tony Hinds 13th Jan
Zoe Judd 25th Jan
Clifford Price 28th Jan
Richard Plested 29th Jan

CONGRATULATIONS

to Jean and John Barnett on the birth of their daughter Claire on 18th December.

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ICE AND FIRE

ASTON Abbotts naturalist Vic Scott gave a graphic description of holidays in "The Land of Ice and Fire" when he addressed last week's meeting of Stewkley Men's Mutual Society.

With his excellent slides of wildlife and scenery he transported his audience to the north east of Iceland, where climate, geology, volcanoes and waterfalls had produced such dramatic effects.

Bill Smith was the chairman.

LBO
18th Dec

ANNUAL RAMBLE

THE annual village footpath walk at Aston Abbotts attracted 19 walkers.

Parish councillors, rambling club members and parishioners joined the walk led by parish council chairman Cllr Colin Higgs.

Starting from the green the route continued via Norduck bridlepath, Willowbrook Farm and returning via Whitchurch Brook, Norduck Farm and Moat Farm for tea and biscuits served in the Church Room.

Bingo aids the Legion

CALLER was Mr L. Scutchings and door steward Mr D. Waite for the British Legion Bingo session held in the church room Aston Abbotts.

Prizewinners were:
Lines — Mr Waite, Mrs Scutchings, Miss L. Casemore, Mrs Fox, Mrs Stevens, Mr Luxemburgh. Houses — Miss L. Casemore, Mrs Nayler, Mr Luxemburgh, Miss S. Casemore, Mrs Angryk, Mrs Kempster and Mr S. Lee. Special Mrs Polard, Mrs Humphreys, Mrs Kempster; Raffle, Mr J. Dixon, Ian Stevens (2), Mrs A. Rawlings, Mrs Kempster, Mrs Scutchings, Mrs Allan and Mr G. Camallerion.

LBO
4th Jan

Barn fire

A FIRE at an Aston Abbotts farm destroyed feed and damaged a barn on Monday morning.

Fire engines from Aylesbury and Whitchurch were called to Brooklees Farm just before 9am.

The barn storing animal feed was partly destroyed in the blaze.

Boxing Day walk

A BOXING Day walk took 17 villagers from Aston Abbotts to Wingrave via Rowsham and back.

Herald
3rd Jan

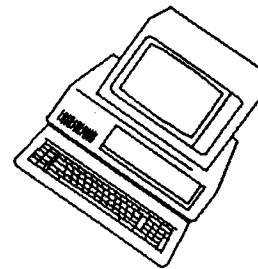
Ramble on the downs

RAMBLERS from Aston Abbotts met at Dunstable Downs car park for their trip to Ivinghoe Beacon via Chute Farm and the sunken track.

Led by Alan Bowley, they returned via Ivinghoe Church and the gliding club.

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- (1) up to 8
- (2) 8-12 years
- (3) 12-under 19s

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Put your name, age, address and telephone number on the back. If you are entering under the name of your school or other organization put this on too.

Send your poster to:

Aylesbury Vale District Council
Technical Services & Planning
Engineering Division
Fowler Road
Aylesbury
Bucks HP21 8QX

Attn: Simone Hoare

Closing date: 22nd March 1991

Judging will be in the first week of April and prizes given on 24th April.

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1st: £100

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Plus an extra £50 or £25 to your school or organization

GRANTS

NEW VILLAGE PROJECTS - you can get £100 from the Village Projects Fund to help get voluntary schemes started. The Fund was started by the Bucks Council for Voluntary Service, and it is inviting applications for the next round. For more information contact Catherine Hinton at BCVS, Walton House, Walton Street, Aylesbury. Telephone 21036

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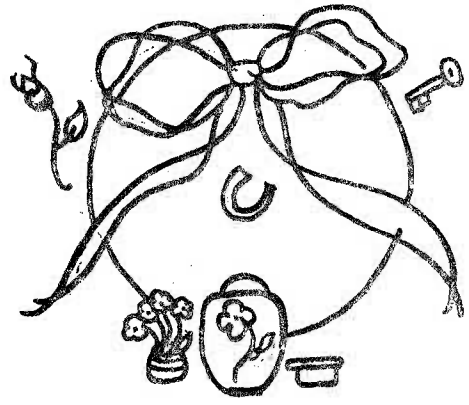
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Many thanks to Mrs Scutchings for lending us this photograph of her grandfather, Arthur North, with a mare and twin foals (very unusual) at Norduck Farm. Date unknown, but she thinks it is at least 100 years ago. The photograph was taken by J. C. Newman of Berkhamstead.



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Wingrave 681621
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Church news

CHURCH NEWS

The annual Church Carol Service was held in St. James's Church on December 23rd. The congregation of 85 adults and children from babies to grandparents enjoyed the singing of carols and listening to readings. This was followed by a welcome cup of tea and mince pie and a chance to chat to old and new friends. On a Christmas Day morning of high winds and driving rain 86 adults and children attended Family Service followed by Holy Communion in St. James's Church at 10 am. The service of carols, readings, and receiving of presents from the Christmas Tree was enjoyed by all. On a day when we celebrate the birth of a baby Jesus Christ it was a great pleasure to see children, parents and grandparents of the same family sharing in this service. A blessed and happy New Year to all.

SHIRLEY FORD

(Peter Dines is away)

Church Services in January

Sidesman

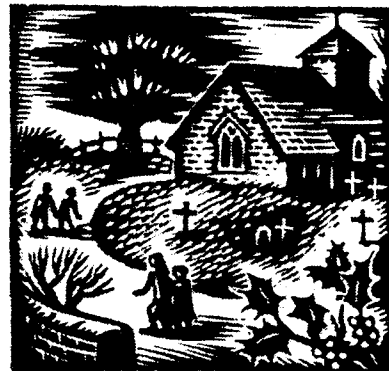
13th January	11.15 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Michael Hasler
Epiphany 1	Acts 10.34-38;	Matt 3.13-end (p. 463)	
20th January	11.15 am	HOLY COMMUNION	Colin Higgs
Epiphany 2	Acts 26.1, 9-20;	Mark 1.14-20 (p.467)	
27th January	11.15 am	HOLY COMMUNION	John Ford
Septuagesima	1 Cor 4.8-13;	Matt 5.1-12 (p.486)	
3rd February	11.15 am	FAMILY SERVICE	Len Scutchings
Sexagesima	James 5.13-16;	Mark 2.1-12 (p.490)	

From the Registers

FUNERALS 25th October Adelaide Brandon
3rd November Simon Butler

Methodist Church Services in January

13th January 6.00 pm Rev Peter Lemmon
20th January NO SERVICE
27th January 6.00 pm Mr Speakman



RECTOR'S REPORT

Another New Year! Another pristine Diary waiting to be filled!

I don't often get the chance to look back at my old diaries - but when I do, I can't usually make head or tail of the things they record. I suppose that if I were a bit more careful about what I wrote down, there would be more to go on if I ever did decide to write my 'Memoirs' (What a ghastly thought)!

It is strange to think that our lives are part of the process of history. We are part of the history of our Village, our Country and our planet. More often than not we are so busy living out our ordinary everyday lives - working through the hum drum - concentrating on the task in hand that we lose our sense of perspective.

The Christmas Break does give us a brief chance to see our life in a wider context - and that may probably be the spur that will lead us to make some New Year Resolutions.

What we resolve will depend on how we see our life, but the sad thing is that by the end of January, many of these good resolutions will not only have been broken, but also forgotten. Our world would definitely be a better place if people resolved to be more thoughtful, less greedy and less selfish. Few of us would find it harmful to resolve to take more physical exercise - that would help us to feel more like 19 than 91.

Of course January 1991 sees the beginning of the Decade of Evangelism, so those of us who are Christians should be resolving to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in a more open and positive way than we have done previously. That includes reminding people that Love and Joy and Peace are among the gifts that come from God. Without Him they cannot and will not be there!

One of my New Year Resolutions is to write down my New Year Resolutions at intervals through my new diary. There is nothing like being reminded of those things which we might wish to forget!

Happy New Year.

Bob Willmott

***** THE ASTON ABBOTTS 14TH CHRISTMAS SHOW *****

* An Unbiased Critical Review *

It was with some apprehension that I joined a full Church Hall, or is it Village Hall, to witness again the Aston Abbotts Christmas Show. Rumours abounded in the village for weeks that this year's show would be a classic, a truly professional extravaganza. A script prepared by a genuine publisher Gordon Smith (no more scraps of paper) was typed and bound, and having stage directions. It was also said that some of the hardy annuals would be side-lined, replaced by younger, more articulate and skilled performers.

As a traditionalist, I was concerned that 'The People's Show' might lose its rustic charm, its local earthiness, its lavatorial humour and satirical bite, to please the many upwardly mobile sophisticates from Watford, who now come to the Show in ever increasing numbers. (Locals can no longer afford the extravagant seat prices. Subsidised theatre must come to Aston Abbotts, donations possibly coming from the Pop Festival of the Century and The Village Fete).

I had no need to concern myself. The old guard were still in evidence, bolstered by some excellent new talent.

The lights dimmed, the heating went off and not a 50 pence available for the meter. What a great opening number Gordon, the old guard could not have thought that one up. Lights restored, the curtains very slowly stuttered apart, was it Margaret or Rita that had over imbibed with sweet sherry? A stunning set was revealed. Aston Abbotts Forest and Cublington Castle in the distance, all in bright living colour, a glorious setting for Robin Hood to carry on his good works. Andy Bystra's scenery, like good wine, improves with age. It is a shame the same cannot be said for the man himself.

Casting Director, Neil Chesher, once again excelled in matching village Thespians to the plot's characters. It is an onerous task, as you cannot expect this crew to have any acting ability. Personality traits must be matched exactly. This Neil has done, as exemplified by the well known scourge of Heathrows Terminal Two Excise Inspector, John Whyte, as the Sheriff of Cublington. What a pity Neil does not stay with casting instead of doubling as the musical director. The musical score once again had the usual cock-ups, wrong cords, flat notes and wrong music being played. I am sorry Chesh, but it is a critical review.

The fast moving, articulate story line, the triumph of good over evil, Robin Hood and his wierdos bitter battle with the despicable Sheriff of Cublington, The Litter Queen and some very dubious 'Normans'. Taking great liberties with historical fact by the introduction of machine guns and the odd warble by Dennis Judd and some of the Hewitt clan, (how many more do they have at home)

cont

*STOP PRESS The Christmas Show raised £320. Whereas in the past Christmas Show proceeds have automatically gone to the Recreation Ground, this year an Aston Abbots Christmas Show Fund has been opened by the

villagers who organize the show, and all village associations in need of funds may apply to the fund for support - in the first instance contact John Whyte.

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did not detract from the main theme. Can there be a more evil pair than Cublington's Sheriff and The Litter Queen? John Whyte and Margaret Kent played themselves to a tee. Would you use her check out desk if you had a choice? The despicable pair kidnapped the lovely daughter of Robin, sweetly played by Alison Hewitt, and incarcerated her (locked her up) in Cublington Castle under guard by two 'Right Normans'. Chris Brandon and Gordon Smith brought outrageous comic relief to an otherwise serious script.

Sex raised its head again this year in the guise of Maid Marion. Tony Hewitt gets more alluring each year, the silicone implant operation undergone earlier in the year was very prominent. Tony slinks about the stage oozing sexuality, making the males in the audience most uncomfortable. Greater use however must be made of his musical talents. More songs from Tony please.

The return of King Richard from the Crusades was handled with great pomp and ceremony. Andy Bystra as the great King must however learn that it is better to underplay the part rather than go over the top. Some excellent sculptured cameo performances were portrayed by Robin Hood's very merry and gay band:

WILLSARFACE:
PAUL TURNAM

FRIAR TUCK:
ANNE BRANCKER

LITTLE JOHN:
JOHN BRANCKER

What of Robin Hood? To rise above such a talented cast was to climb mountains. The young, vibrant Robin Hood scaled Everest. John Davies' performance on Saturday night (Les Smith took the part on Friday - I am told his performance was adequate) was a revelation. What poise, what grace, what presence, what shoulders. Having the largest cod piece in the show, evil could not withstand this upright, shining young knight. John's Robin Hood must equate with the greats, Errol Flynn, Richard Todd and Richard Green.

I cannot elegeize (bullshit) further, modesty must prevail lest it embarrass the handsome and very talented performer.

Yes, you have guessed it, the despotic Sheriff, the grubby Queen and the comic Normans get their comeuppance. Robin Hood and gang triumph and bring peace and tranquillity once again to Aston Forest. That is until next year, when I will be forced to sit in a cold hall witnessing well meaning clowns make fools of themselves.

All involved in the Show, including the audience, are to be warmly applauded and rightly congratulated for a very humorous and enjoyable evening. One of the best shows around, but what happened to the PUPPETS. There MUST be THE PUPPETS next year.

F.S.D.



TIP?

Hales Waste's application for a rubbish tip at Bierton was not after all heard by the County Planning Sub-Committee during December. Hales Waste have still not submitted an environmental assessment, which is required for such a major application. The County has protested to Hales Waste about the length of time that has been taken to provide an environmental assessment. Hales Waste has replied that if the County considers the application without the assessment they will use this as a ground for appeal against any possible refusal of the application. This puts the County in an extremely difficult position. If it considers the application now, it increases the risk of an appeal. If it waits (and for how much longer?) the misery and uncertainty continues for the people of Bierton and the surrounding areas.

Latest information is that at the least the application will be 'reported' at a Planning Committee Meeting on 4th February. It is also at least possible that on that day the Committee will make recommendations. The Bierton and Villages Environmental Group would like concerned local residents to register their protest about the tip on that day. Further details will be publicized later, but as always latest information is available from:

Chairman: Keith Miller 28205 Secretary: Wilf Dobbs 89980
Weston Carlyle 88930 Press Officer: David White 25763



"Wise Old Goat"...



A MONTHLY LOOK AT FACTS YOU NEVER WANTED TO KNOW

Was the punishment of death by drowning ever legal in England?

The punishment of death by drowning is very ancient, and was practised by many countries, even by our own. The Britons inflicted death by drowning in a quagmire before 450 B.C. In modern times it has been practised under the guise of the cold water ordeal, notably in cases of alleged witchcraft, when on the test being applied and the victims thrown into a pond, if they did not sink they were presumed witches, and were either burned or hanged; and if they did sink, which they would most naturally do, in all probability they were drowned. And all this was proper and legal.

Wingrave Garage

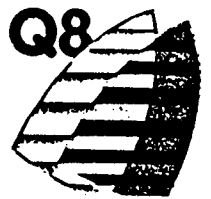
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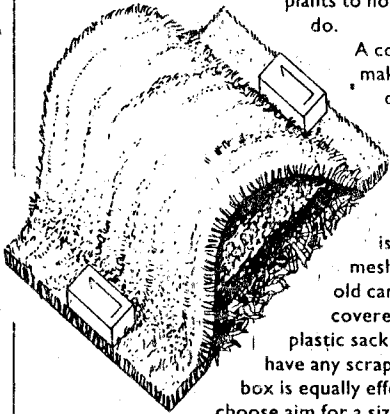
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COMPOST

Most kitchen waste and garden debris can be recycled back into the soil: Tea leaves or bags, vegetable and fruit peelings, egg shells, weeds, grass mowings – in fact anything that was once living – can go to make ideal compost which will make your soil more fertile and so help your plants to flourish. And it's very easy to do.



A container isn't essential for making compost, although it does improve the quality and keeps the heap neat and tidy. You can either buy a compost bin or save money by making one yourself. The simplest type is a bin made from wire mesh, lined with cardboard or old carpet for insulation, and covered with old carpet or a plastic sack to keep out the rain. If you have any scrap timber, a simple wooden box is equally effective. Whichever type you choose aim for a size of about 1m x 1m x 1m.

Put the container straight on to the soil so that any liquid can drain away. The quicker you fill the container, the sooner you will be able to use the compost. Remember that large amounts added at one go will decompose faster than small quantities added now and again.

It is important to use a good mix of materials, from soft grass cuttings to tough weeds. Too much soft material will end up slimy and smelly while too much tough material will take years to rot.

When adding garden or kitchen waste, press it down gently and evenly to the edges of the container. If the heap is very dry, water it.

Compost is ready for use after 6-12 months, when all the ingredients have turned dark brown or black and smell sweet and earthy. Use it on the flowerbeds and in the vegetable patch.

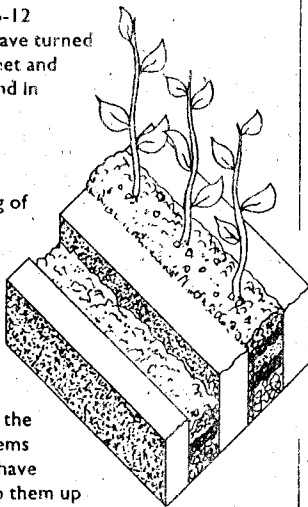
TRENCH COMPOSTING

This is an easy method of disposing of kitchen scraps in the winter when compost heaps are mostly inactive. At the same time you will have prepared a perfect site for planting a crop of peas or runner beans the following spring.

Dig a trench 30cm (12 inches) wide and deep. Line the bottom of the trench with old Brussels sprout stems (brassica stems) if you have

them and chop them up with a spade. Empty your scraps into the trench, covering each bucketful with a layer of soil. Be careful not to throw in fish or meat scraps as these will attract cats and rats.

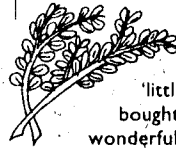
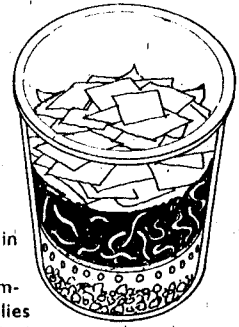
When the trench is full, cover with the remaining soil and leave it to settle for a couple of months. Then plant your beans or peas.



WORM COMPOST

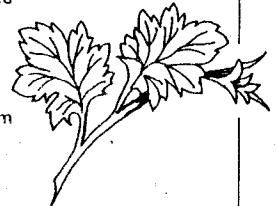
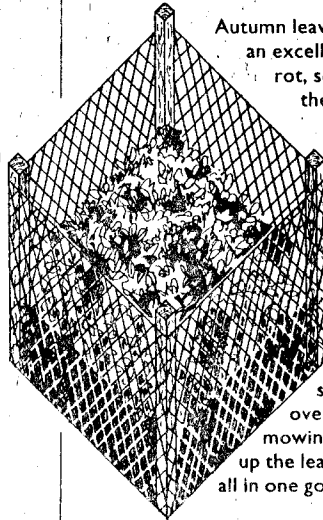
For people whose recyclable rubbish consists mainly of kitchen waste, or who only have a window box, this method of producing small amounts of compost is ideal. It's easy to maintain and doesn't smell.

Compost worms can be kept in a plastic dustbin and fed on kitchen waste and other compost material. They like supplies 'little and often'. The worms, which can be bought from most fishing tackle shops, turn the waste into wonderful compost.



LEAFMOULD

Autumn leaves are a valuable resource – they make an excellent soil conditioner. Leaves are slow to rot, so they are normally kept separate from the compost heap. Stack them in a wire mesh bin to stop them blowing away or in black plastic bags. If the leaves are dry, hose them down while you're stacking them. In a year's time the resulting 'leafmould' can be used in the garden – spread on the lawn or dug into flower beds and vegetable patches. If you wait two years, leafmould can be used as an alternative to peat in potting soils. You can speed up this process by spreading the leaves over the lawn and mowing them. This chops up the leaves and collects them all in one go.



MULCHES

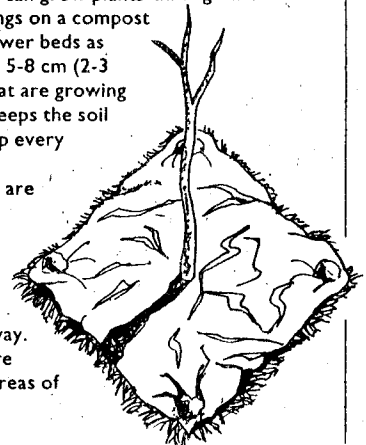
Mulching simply means covering the ground with a layer of material. It has several uses – clearing and controlling weeds, improving the soil structure, feeding the soil and keeping it moist – depending on the materials you make the mulches with.

Mulches act as an insulating blanket on the soil, so should only be put down when the soil is wet and warm, such as in late spring or early autumn. Mulches can be put down round plants already in place, or you can grow plants through them.

Instead of using lawn mowings on a compost heap, you can use them on flower beds as mulches. Place them in a layer 5-8 cm (2-3 inches) deep around plants that are growing well. Grass mulch feeds and keeps the soil moist and should be topped up every 4-5 weeks.

Newspapers and cardboard are good for controlling weeds. Lay these on the soil and cover with a thick layer of leafmould, grass mowings, hedge clippings or logs to make sure they don't blow away.

Plastic bags and bin liners are equally effective for clearing areas of weeds.



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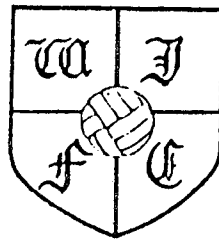
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KLARGESTER JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

JANUARY FIXTURES

- January 6th - U10s - away Ayles.Vale Park v Aylesbury United [10am KO]

 U12s - home Wingrave School v Arrows [League]
 U14s - away Pages Park v Arrows [League]
- January 12th - U10s - home Wingrave School v Bucks C.C. [10am KO]

- January 13th - U12s - away Pitstone School v Pitstone [Cup]

 U14s - away Aston Clinton v Aston Clinton 'B' [Cup]
- January 20th - U12s - home Wingrave school v Wing [cup]

 U14s - home Wingrave Rec. v Wing [cup]
- January 27th - U12s - home Wingrave school v Aston Clinton [cup]

 U14s - home Wingrave Rec. v Aston Clinton 'A' [cup]

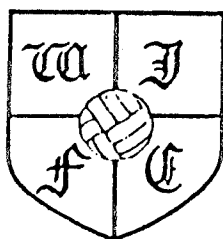


LEAGUE TABLES [up to Dec.]

UNDER 12s	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	UNDER 14s	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Woodside	10	10	0	0	103	9	20	Arrows	8	8	0	0	70	9	16
Pitstone	9	7	1	1	76	13	15	Aston Clinton 'A'	9	6	1	2	39	16	13
Wing	10	5	2	3	34	20	12	Aston Clinton '13'	8	6	0	2	34	15	12
Brooklands	9	5	1	3	37	20	11	Wingrave	8	3	1	4	22	15	7
Wingrave	10	4	2	4	22	29	10	Pitstone	8	2	0	6	13	47	4
Aston Clinton	10	3	2	5	33	33	8	Brooklands	7	1	0	6	6	34	2
Corinthians	10	1	0	9	6	113	2	Wing	8	1	0	7	12	60	2
Arrows	10	0	0	10	7	81	0								

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DECEMBER RESULTS

Under 10s:-

Wingrave v Woodstock & Rotheram - lost 2-0
 v Beaudesert - lost 4-1 John Roberts
 v Woodside - lost 6-0
 v Aston Clinton - Won 3-2 John Roberts 2, Steven Charleson

Under 12s:-

Wingrave v Aston Clinton - Won 2-1 [L] Ben Loades
 v Corinthians - Won 3-1 [L] Stuart Lucas 2, Andrew Morley

Under 14s:-

Wingrave v Aston Clinton 'A' - lost 1-0 [L]
 v Grendon Underwood - Won 5-0 [Oving Cup] Lee Bracey-Wright 2,
 Mick Kuh, James Marsh, Kevin Pretty

U14s OIVING CUP MATCH

A frosty 9am start on Saturday 15th Dec. was not only a new experience for the writer but also the start of a new challenge for the U14s. An entry in the Oving village cup competition saw the team travelling in convoy across country [past Oving!] on the way to Grendon Underwood. Inside information led us to believe the opposition was going to be strong. However a brisk start on the frosty pitch proved a welcome surprise for the intrepid spectators. With a squad of lads conforming to the Oving cup rules our passing game soon saw us in command. With Mark Pope and James Dixon solid in defence and the captain [Lee B-W] being given more time than usual, Wingrave soon took control of the game. The first goal for Wingrave was also Mick Kuhs first of the season, taken well after a Lee free kick left the ball uncleared in front of goal. Four more goals followed, two from Lee, the first after a short corner involving Nick Morley and the second a solo effort banged in from 15 yards. The captains hat trick was foiled by the cross bar but with the ball on the rebound Kevin Pretty quickly seized his 8th goal of the season. The fifth goal followed some lovely passing football between Lee and James Marsh, with James also scoring his 8th goal for the U14s. Ellis Habel was also back in action [all over the field!] after a sunshine break in Florida. A good 5-0 win, watched as a matter of interest by one spectator a Mr Ken Workman who used to farm at Alwrick Farm, [just off the Long Marston road.] Now retired in Grendon Underwood, he showed me a photograph of the 1950-51 Wingrave mens team. Alongside Ken in the picture were amongst others, Basil Ellis, John Goldney, Jim and Fred Kirby and John Rickard. I think Ken was well pleased with our lads performance.

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Rock festival plan ruffles
a few feathers

Cliff could kill my chickens!

CHICKEN farmer Jenny Chappell is calling foul over plans for Cliff Richard and the Shadows to star in a charity rock festival near her land.

She says the veteran pop stars could be the death of her flock.

The festival is the brainchild of Geoffrey Husson of Badgers Oak Farm, Cublington Road, Aston Abbots, who wants to celebrate Shadow guitarist Hank Marvin's 30-year pop career. But it has cast more than a shadow over villagers.

Mr. Husson put his case for a licence to Aylesbury Vale District Council's licensing sub-committee on Monday night.

But councillors found out that the planned festival had whipped up widespread opposition from Aston Abbots and Cublington Parish Councils. And Mrs. Chappell of Willowbrook Farm, Bushmead Road, Whitchurch, told members that the noise of a festival could kill her chickens.

Mr. Husson, who hopes to attract veteran Christian crooner Cliff Richard to the festival, estimates that the event planned for next June or July would attract up to 25,000 people.

by Andy Bell

The aim of the family orientated festival — which would be televised — is to raise cash for the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund — a charity with which the Aston Abbots farmer has strong links.

Police and Bucks Fire and Rescue Service have raised no objection to the controversial proposal.

Mrs. Chappell whose farm is 500 metres away from the festival site, which backs on to her land, only found out about the event on Friday.

DAMAGE

She said: "My major concern is the noise levels and possible damage to surrounding properties."

She claims that the noise of the concert could kill some of the 8,400 chickens she will have on her 33-acre farm next June.

She told councillors that as a result of any disturbance the chickens could panic and suffocate one another.

It could also cause the sensitive

poultry stress — affecting egg-laying production.

Helicopters flying overhead have been known to make the chickens lay mis-shapen eggs.

Mr. Husson has promised to pay for any loss Mrs. Chappell incurs as a result of any festival. But this cut no ice with her. It was the welfare of her birds she had at heart.

Mr. Husson said: "It will not be a haphazard festival but a thoroughly professionally orchestrated event."

District councillor Ted Payne said: "The police may be satisfied with the traffic this event will create but it won't satisfy the nearby villagers. We should take account of the quality of life of these people."

Councillor Bryan Round who represents Aston Abbots said: "I don't question the motives of the event but I am very concerned about the noise aspect, the control of the amount of people that attend and alcohol on the site."

Councillors on the licensing sub-committee agreed to hold a site meeting before making any decision.

Bucks
Herald
29th Nov

UNDER 12s SPORTS COMPETITION

There is soon to be an inter-villages sports competition in Aylesbury Vale. It is run by the Leisure Services Department of the District Council. They plan five activities: netball, kwik cricket, unihockey, ten-pin skittles and a gymnastic relay. They see to all the equipment and trophies. If anyone wants to organize an Aston Abbots team (5 boys and 5 girls under 12 years) please contact Mr W. Richards, Area Manager, AVDC Leisure Services, on 395900 ext. 2298.



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"FAITH IN THE COUNTRYSIDE"

"Faith in the Countryside" is the title of a new report from the Archbishops' Commission on Rural Areas (ACORA). It is the sequel to the much-discussed "Faith in the City" which many people in rural communities and churches will have discussed. Indeed, many may have contributed to the Church's Urban Fund. But how many of you, even though you may live in the rural areas, have heard or read "Faith in the Countryside"? Perhaps not many.

The Buckinghamshire Council for Voluntary Service (BCVS) and the Archdeaconery of the county are hoping to work together to publicise the findings and recommendations of "Faith in the Countryside", and also to show people how they can have some say and some input into how their own villages and church communities develop. Perhaps you don't think it will affect your own area - but did you know that the Oxford diocese (which includes Buckinghamshire) was one of the first to be visited by the Archbishops' Commissioner and that oral and written evidence was gathered on lack of low-cost housing, poor public transport and lack of facilities and training?

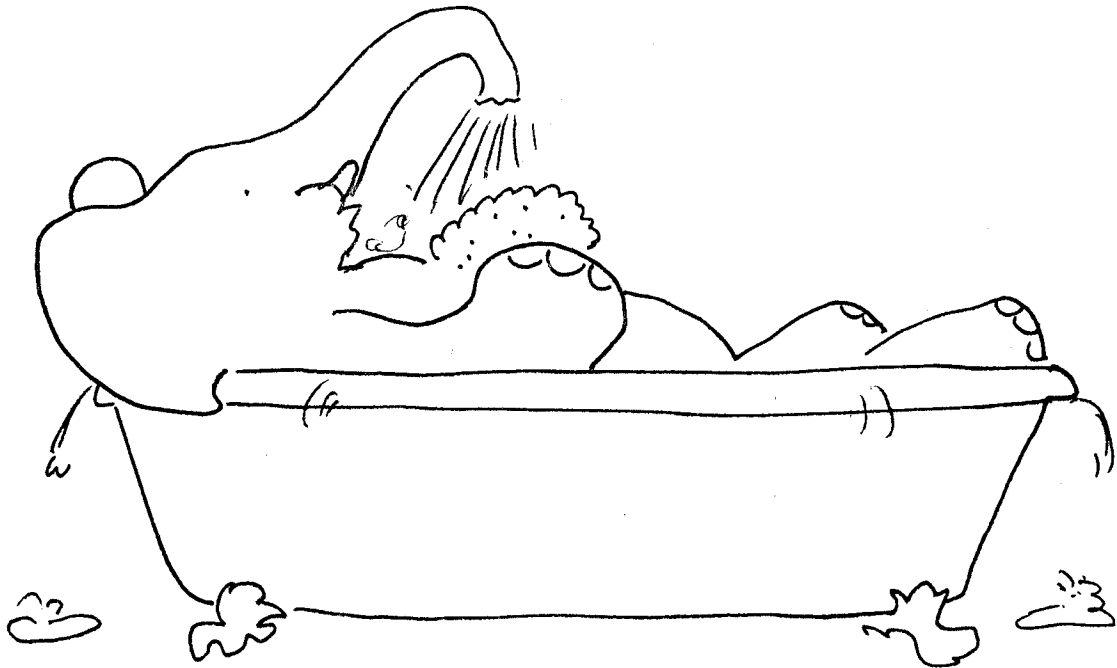
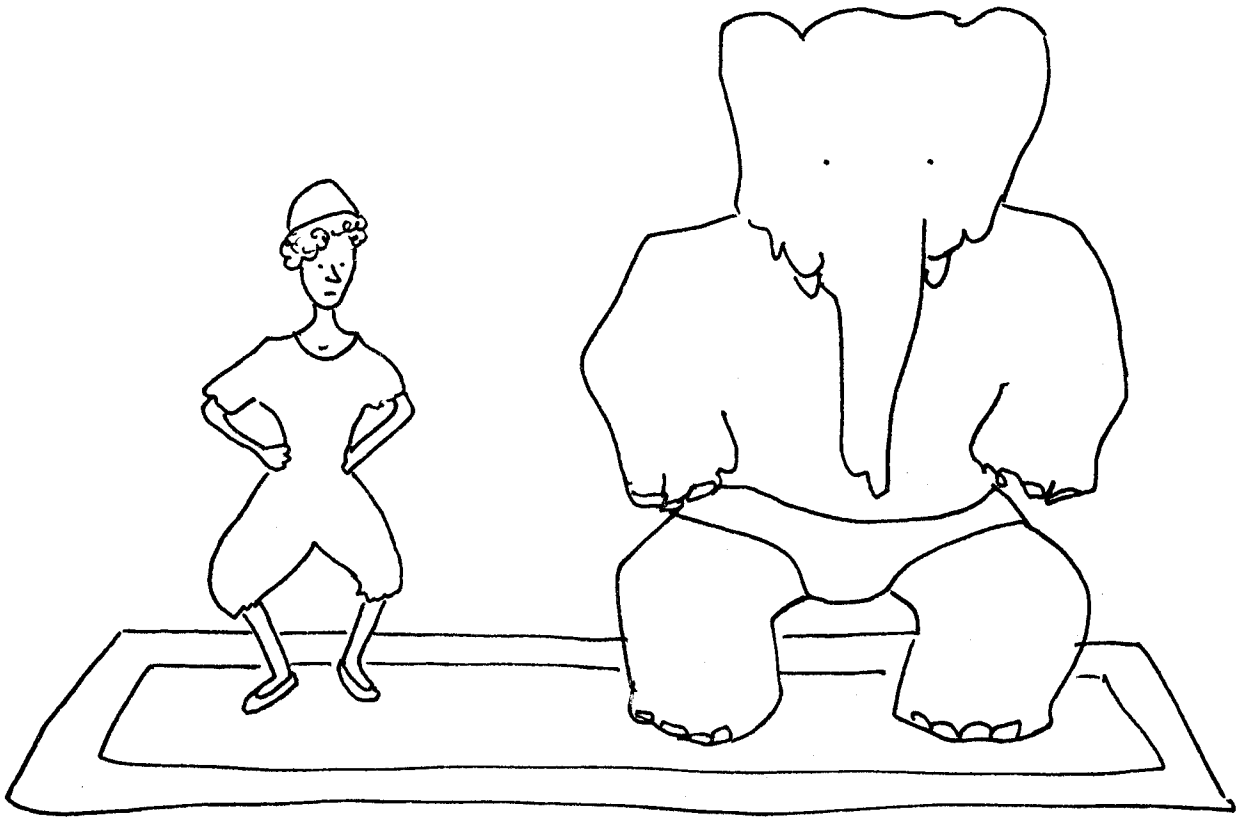
The report makes 148 recommendations - not only to the Church but also to local and national government. These suggestions include:

- * Each parish should initiate a village appraisal which can find out what local people need and want and which can be used as a policy statement for the village (BCVS can help with this)
- * National Government should remove restrictions on local authorities income from house sales so that the money can once again be used to build new social housing.
- * There should be national and parish-level studies of rural transport needs and encourage more people to volunteer for hospital and social car schemes or community mini-bus projects.
- * Parochial Church Councils should be involved in identifying Church land that might be used to develop low-cost housing for local people.

Most of us are aware of the problems of rural areas and how Church and County are coming together to work on those problems. BCVS and the Archdeaconery plan seminar events on Faith in the Countryside early next year, but if you would like to know more please contact:

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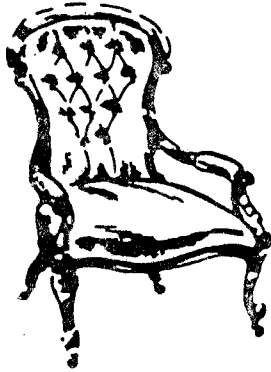
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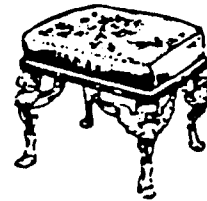
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