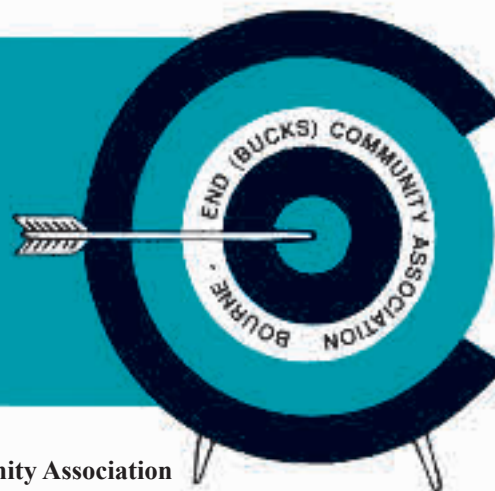


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Tesco get the green light

Long-running access issue has been resolved



an independent traffic and safety assessment.

Councillors will consider and are likely to green light this on Wednesday July 30. The officers' recommendation is for approval backed by the findings of the independent traffic assessment.

New Local Plan: Look out for two August meeting dates when all the local issues, including Slate Meadow, will be reviewed.

Planning issue delays preventing the opening of the Tesco Express store on The Parade have been resolved. When the supermarket giant submitted a range of amendments to their May 2011 permission, granted at Appeal, WDC's planning department insisted on a new planning application. The planned store opening date of Tuesday March 18 was put on hold while the application went through the traditional channels of consultation.

Some minor alterations were not considered likely to cause problems but the proposed new central access was opposed on safety grounds by local objectors along with Bourne End Residents Association who were concerned that lorries would need to manoeuvre before parking to unload.

Two further Planning Committee meetings failed to produce an agreement in spite of assurances from Tesco's planning consultants which were supported by County Highways. Then councillors suggested that widening the entrance to 7.1metres might be an option, before eventually asking for

Bourne End scout chosen for world event in Japan

Alexander Pelling is counting the days and the pennies until July 2015. He has been selected to represent Buckinghamshire at the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan.

The 1st Bourne End Scouter, pictured left and on the right with Chief Scout Bear Grylls, is just one of 36 from Bucks, Herts, Berks and Kent to be selected.

Now, in accordance with jamboree rules, 14-year-old Alexander has to raise £2,000 for the trip to join 30,000 scouts from around the world. To start with he is offering to do odd jobs (watering gardens, walking dogs, washing cars etc). He can be emailed on getalextojapan@gmail.com.

Alexander, who lives in Cliffords Way, joined the movement as a cub when he was just seven and has always volunteered and participated in every aspect of scouting life. Camping in Japan at Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi City, will be on a massive scale compared to what he's used to, but the teenager is unfazed and is looking forward to the event.

The Jamboree is not just fun and games, although there will be plenty of fun things to do. Participants will also learn about different cultures and lifestyles of their host nation and fellow scouts from around the world. And they will make visits to key Japanese landmarks and stay with local families. The trip will also include a visit to Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park and museum to provide the opportunity for all the participants to learn from the events of 1945. See the scouts report on page 38.



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Lights out to remember



The Royal British Legion is asking everyone to turn their lights out on August 4 to mark the centenary of World War One. Britain entered the so called "war to end all wars" on August 4, 1914

The plan is for more than a million homes to burn just one candle, or one light, for an hour starting at 10pm to commemorate the servicemen and women who died.

The action is inspired by the words of wartime foreign secretary, Sir Edward Grey, who said on the eve of war: "The lamps are going out all over Europe; we shall not see them lit again in our life-time."

A candle-lit vigil is due to take place at Westminster Abbey on the same evening.

Programme of events and ticket info for Wooburn Festival page 13

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BULL'S EYE

Barrie goes tea-potty!

Target's managing editor, Barrie Penfold, was tasked with scouring charity shops to find some pretty teapots for our Rather Splendid Afternoon Tea Party on September 6. We really didn't expect her to take her challenge on holiday with her, but should have guessed Barrie would take the quest very seriously indeed...

The challenge, should I decide to accept it, was to check out the charity shops for teapots. Maybe not the sort of thing you do on a short spring break in Devon but not everyone is planning a rather splendid afternoon tea party in early September. In the excitement of finding the first teapot on a market stall in Dartmouth (1920s bone china) and asking the stall holder to keep it for me – I gave very little thought to getting it back home on the train. Another four teapots later, plus a couple of milk jugs and sugar bowls, I developed a nagging doubt about the transport problem.



But let's get back to the teapots. There's a lovely turquoise one that is definitely Poole Pottery and was just there on a shelf and a steal at £3. A bright yellow one with spots came with a teacup and saucer more suited to being a soupbowl – but it was the teapot I wanted. That was an expensive £5. And the real treat was a bone china sugar bowl and

milk jug with a pink rosebud design.

Crunch time came with the challenge of taking the teapots back to Bourne End. I had one very small case and a small fold-up rucksack. I shouldn't mention my dirty washing, but it provided the necessary padding. So there they are – ready and waiting for the tea party. But more are needed so it's probably back to the charity shops unless the appeal in Target works.

Just in case you are interested – the holiday was great.

By Barrie Penfold, Managing Editor

Music and cakes! Who could ask for more?

Tickets are selling fast for the Rather Splendid Afternoon Tea Party being held on September 6 to mark the 50th anniversary of Target Magazine.

Adding some Parisian glamour to the event will be musicians Jackie Doe on accordion and Sarah Luton on double bass, who together form Paris Moon.

Their French café style music, known as Musette, developed in Paris from the turn of the 20th century to its peak of popularity in the late 1930s.

Paris Moon's repertoire of waltzes, tangos, polkas and paso-dobles along with

popular songs of stars such as Edith Piaf is evocative of a by-gone era yet captures the timeless charm and romance of Paris. Perfect for an afternoon party in Bourne End!

Paris Moon has played at venues in the UK and abroad, from Claridges, The Royal Academy of Art, Wellington Arch, Somerset House and Fulham Palace in London to Valentines Day in Beirut, as well as weddings, private parties, art centres, restaurants, French markets and craft fairs. Now they will be able to add Bourne End Community Centre to their CVs.

Tickets are available from the community centre office. They cost £5 to include a yummy afternoon tea and, during the event, the first ever Target Awards ceremony will be held. Don't miss it!



Answers to the Sweetie Quiz on page 37: 1 Snickers 2 Quality Street 3 Mint Imperials 4 Black Magic 5 Mars Bar 6 Smarties 7 Liquorice Allsorts 8 Polo 9 Moonlight 10 Treats 11 Kit Kat 12 Roses 13 Dolly Mixtures 14 Milk Tray 15 Matchmakers 16 Chocolate Buttons 17 Jelly Babies 18 Wispa 19 Double Decker 20 Opal Fruits 21 Twirl 22 Yorkie 23 All Gold 24 Turkish Delight 25 Milky Way 26 Galaxy 27 Lion Bar 28 Humbug 29 Drifter 30 Minstrel

Many words have been written by us regarding the Tesco Express on The Parade. Following on from the front page story it seems inevitable that the saga ends here. Are we satisfied with the outcome regarding delivery lorry access and egress from the site? The simple answer is 'No'.

Traffic consultant, county highways and planning officers assured Flackwell Heath residents that the new Sainsbury store transport plan was satisfactory and totally safe. They now have delivery vehicles causing chaos and backing into this site to unload, something deemed to be unacceptable. What none of these so-called experts can understand is that drawings on a computer are just not the same as actually driving and manoeuvring a heavy goods vehicle.

The original approved access for Bourne End's Tesco was as safe as was possible in a site which was very tight for dealing with the mix of heavy goods vehicles, cars and pedestrians of all ages. A BT manhole, constructed after 2011, was put forward as the reason for wanting this entrance moved. This was simply not true as we have seen plans showing the BT manhole prior to 2007. In any case, a BT Openworld engineer has confirmed that it could be moved. Our one and only concern has been to make this area in front of the store as safe as possible.

On this note our thanks go to Bourne End WI for gaining access to our flower tub (after it had been fenced in for some months) and for continuing to make all our tubs look lovely.



We hope that this is our last word on Tesco in Bourne End. Our plea is simple. When they do open please do not change your current shopping habits. Do not be seduced by opening offers and please support the local, long-established, traders.

Now to McCarthy & Stone. The saga on this site is almost as long running as the site we are no longer going to mention. Many planning conditions had to be completed before construction could commence, but they are now all satisfied. The construction team have indicated their build start date is November.

We are now being told that the Local Plan's progress might be brought forward. No room for a long explanation, but we must all be aware that the proposals could include releasing the Reserved Sites sooner rather than later. This would include Slate Meadow. We are very happy to have Wooburn as neighbours, and I am sure the feeling is mutual. So Slate Meadow's vital role in keeping our villages separate must be protected and free from development.

The battle may start sooner than expected. Look out for details of public meetings in August, although we have no dates as *Target* goes to press. In the meantime enjoy your summer. If you have any thoughts or questions please feel free to give me a ring and thank you for taking the time to read this.

Jim Penfold 01628 525415

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Letters to the Editor

A Sad Loss to the Community of Wooburn Green

The news that "The Woo" coffee/Internet shop on Wycombe Lane was closing was received with great sadness by the customers and the workers of the nearby industrial estates.

The entrepreneurs Martin and Sat had built up a large and dedicated customer base over the years. This was due to the great service and customers interaction but also to the super coffee and food. The ability to make their customers feel at home was always appreciated and turned their cafe into a meeting place for both customers and informal community groups.

However the owners of the space dedicated to the cafe now require the space as a play area for the expanding needs of their grandchildren.

The one bright spark to come out of this sad news is that the sandwich/meal side of the business which supplies the nearby industrial estates will continue, much to the relief of the workers.

John Palfreyman
Wycombe Lane

We usually insist that letter writers provide their name and address, but we have made an exception for this letter which, I fear, will echo what many of you are thinking. Editor

Dear Editor

I am a 77 year old local resident and dog owner – consequently I walk daily in one of the many parks we have in this area and how fortunate we are. I must congratulate the council on the way these parks are kept, also on the addition of the many new roundabouts etc and equipment for teenagers plus. It is a joy to see them being used so frequently.

However just lately there has been an increase in litter left lying around in certain areas of these parks, unfortunately by a few irresponsible teenagers. For the past few weeks I have been collecting this litter in large plastic supermarket bags while walking my dog. I managed to collect two of these bags absolutely full each time – the contents being mainly drink cans, plastic bottles, crisp packets, sandwich packets etc. I feel very proud and privileged to live in such a lovely area of the country and only wish the culprits would feel the same way.

(name and address withheld)

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Is there an event you would like to organise?

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by Royal Appointment?

I think the summer is here. Although despite the weather being good, the river seems to be devoid of boats. No one is sure why, especially as we are over capacity here and turning down people most days who want to moor with us. How can we have excessive demand for moorings but very few boats actually moving on the river? The lull before the storm maybe? Still it has given us a chance to catch up with the work load, well Matty and Chaos at least.

The river did liven up as boats made their way upstream to Henley for the rowing and also for the festival, this does help as often they will call in for victualling, either on the way up or on their return. Soon it will be the school holidays and we tend to notice a large increase in traffic at this time. We've noticed there seems to be more Narrow Boats on the river these days, they often come in off the canals and have a look at what they are missing!

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"Gloriana" into the marina recently (see picture). Matty pumped her out, but it was too late when I asked him to bottle the waste to sell on eBay, it was lost to the drains! I am sure that Her Majesty would have felt privileged to have us attend her barge and to have the three of us having a mosey around. In fact I am awaiting a letter from her thanking us for our obvious first class service, I am sure it will arrive any day soon.

The barge had been attending Henley and was on her way back to London. We didn't see the Queen, but I am sure she was somewhere on board as Chaos saw her handbag on a sideboard when he had a sneaky look inside. Maybe we should apply for our 'By Royal Appointment' warrant?

I am sure many of you, especially boat owners, will be relieved that the three of us have passed an assessment on the crane to prove that we are still competent to use it. We have to do this every three years as part of our stringent health and safety policy. We are always very cautious and attentive when we are lifting something. We can lift some high value boats which we don't want to drop but also, and more importantly, we don't risk the life or limb of anyone - including us!

Upping

We all survived a well-attended Boat Owners barbecue over at The Bounty. By the end of the evening the four-piece jazz band went down to a trio as a member was taken ill. He's fine now. Dave and Sue put on an amazing spread and all went home heavier than when we arrived! There were a few muted boat owners around the marina in the morning; it reminded me of a scene from the film 'Zombies'.

I was going to mention the World Cup in Brazil, but I decided there was not much to get my teeth into on the subject, I would probably only start chomping at the shoulder, err, I mean bit, if I carried on. Still, there is always next time!

Not only have we had the royal barge in the marina, we have also had the Queen's official swan keeper pay us a visit during Swan Supping, sorry Upping, (I'm sure there is a difference?). The armada of boats arrived and penned in the swans and cygnets on the public open space, only for one to escape the cordon. The one that got away was an albino cygnet which is unusual as they are normally grey and it was the one they really wanted to tag. Many boats had a go at capturing it, but eventually a skiff from the swan uppers caught it behind our service pontoon. It's lucky they did as Matty and Chaos were just preparing to dive in, bandanas on their heads, patches over one eye and knives between their teeth. This was possibly due to their somewhat confused belief that the swans were being trussed and lined up on the shore to be prepared for a barbecue, I had to explain that they needed to be weighed, tagged and checked out before being released from their trusses and placed back in the river.

I'd best get on and see what the boys are doing, have I ever mentioned that I love work? I can watch it for ages! I may have an ice cream first, don't forget we have a freezer full of them.

Until the next time.

Peter Osborne, Marina Manager



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OPEN SPACES: Bourne End Rec

Finding this little treasure of an open space is an achievement, but the clue is in the name of the road. Recreation Road is just off Furlong Road and there at the end is an open space that comes with lots of local history. Walking round there today it's hard to imagine how this space would have looked over a hundred years ago when Jacksons Mill stretched alongside the River Wye and a huge workforce produced tons of millboard (cardboard) every week.

Go in through the metal gate and you'll find play and climbing equipment for the younger children. Goalposts are provided for football practice and it's regularly used by football teams from Bourne End Junior Sports Club. Seats all around are perfect for a rest and the riverside path takes you back to the days when Bourne End could boast a mill industry that played a vital role in the country's growth.

John Thomas (1834-1920) came from Kent to restore the fortunes of Soho Mill (between Cores End and Wooburn Green). It was his hard work and enterprise that turned it into a



successful papermill. He bought land and built himself a house in Grange Drive and acquired an interest in Princes Mill and the other small mills through to Hedsor Mill. He encouraged his workers to improve themselves and organised after-work classes for them at the local school. He became Sir John Thomas in 1907 and everyone turned out to welcome him back home after his investiture.

It might have helped his cause that he gave Bourne End the open piece of land off Recreation Road in 1901. Mill workers who lived in the cottages alongside walked across the land to get to their jobs in the mill and mothers with children could use it safely. In those days the river was best avoided as it could change colour as a new shade of paper was set up in Soho Mill or smell of chemicals from Princes or Jacksons Mill.

Today the River Wye is a haven for wildlife. Stand quietly and you might see the flash of turquoise from a kingfisher and if you look down into the fast flowing clear water you'll see good size fish. The warehousing units on the other side (where some of the mill buildings stood) are screened by trees that reach down to the river. It is peaceful and shady – a perfect escape from the sun which fills the open space for most of the day.

If you haven't found Bourne End Rec already this is an encouragement to do so. Anyone living in the village can find it on foot by walking down



Recreation Road, just off Furlong Road. It's also an easy walk from the public car park in Wakeman Road. On a weekday you might find that you're the only one there – so just stroll and enjoy.

In the next issue another secret open space will be revealed. No clue this time!



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Councillor Resignation

Elaine Glynn resigned from the Parish Council at the end of May. She was very happy being a councillor, but unfortunately has moved out of the area. We are sorry to see her go and wish her all the best.

Elaine's resignation means that we now have four vacancies on the parish council so if you have an interest in local issues then please consider joining us. It can be a very fulfilling role and you can give as much time as you would like to it. The minimum amount of time required would be to attend the full council meeting which is held once a month. This parish council is non-political so councillors are able to consider all the facts and vote accordingly so **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE**. If you are 18 or over, on the electoral role, living in or within three miles of the parish boundary, you are eligible.

For more information or to discuss the possibilities personally please contact either the clerk on 01628 522827 or chairman on 01628 523948.

Clerk Highly Commended

Bucks and Milton Keynes Society of Local Council Clerks recently ran a "Clerk of the Year 2014" competition and our chairman nominated our clerk Malcolm Silver. She was asked to write a few paragraphs on why she thought he deserved the award and she, along with the office staff, put their heads together to come up with a list of reasons. After throwing around the odd "he doesn't lift a finger, we do it all for him" we put our thinking caps on and came up with quite an impressive list. Our reasons must have impressed the judges too as Malcolm received a Highly Commended which was one of only six awarded. The councillors and office staff would like to pass on their congratulations to Malcolm for a job well done.

Parish Guide

Plans are well underway for this year's Parish Guide. The publishers have been busy visiting all the businesses in the area to sell advertising space in the new guide and four councillors have volunteered to look through the current guide and update any changes that need to be made.

These changes are then sent to the publishers who make the amendments and return a draft copy of the new layout for either further changes or final approval before it is printed and distributed. There is a slight change this year as copies will be delivered to all homes and businesses within the parish and an interactive e-book format will be available online.

All businesses supporting the guide will have a web link to their own site included in the online version and there will be a link to the guide from the parish council website: www.wooburnparish.gov.uk We will still have copies available in our office if required but not as many as in previous editions. If all goes to plan the new guide will be printed in late Summer and distributed in early Autumn.

Car Park Extension

The new extension to Wooburn Park car park is nearing completion and we would like to thank Four Seasons for keeping disruption to a minimum and maintaining access to the park for the general public. Once the work is completed Wooburn Park will have proper entrance and exit points and be more user friendly. We thank the nearby residents for their patience during the renovation work.

Short and Sweet

The Parish Council has purchased three new benches and a triangular picnic table for Wooburn Park. The benches will be placed around the play area and the picnic bench will replace the one stolen from near the pavilion.

The judging of both allotment sites took place during July. Winners will be notified and invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting next year to receive the winners cups engraved with their names.

The poppies which were sown in various areas in the parish in late April to mark the centenary of the beginning of WW1 are in bloom. The bright red flowers are instantly noticeable and we hope that they continue to bloom throughout August.

The ornate streetlights which line The Parade in Bourne End are in the process of getting a much needed revamp. Cllr Mike Appleyard donated part of his ward budget to pay for the paint and our lighting contractors are doing the honours on our behalf.

Meeting Dates:

Full Council: September 23, October 28

Open Spaces, Allotments & Burials:

September 2, October 7

Planning, Highways & Lighting: August 13, September 3 and 24

F&GP: November 11

All meetings start at 7.30pm.

Normal Parish Council Office opening hours are from 9am to 5pm each day. Please call 01628 522827 if you have any queries, alternatively email the office at clerk@wooburnparish.gov.uk or visit our website for information on www.wooburnparish.gov.uk



Best Shop Front winners for the second year running Sapphire left and Mankind, right, seen receiving their awards from chairman Sue Wagner. Below Sue presents Reg Procter with the trophy for the best allotment at Pegg's.



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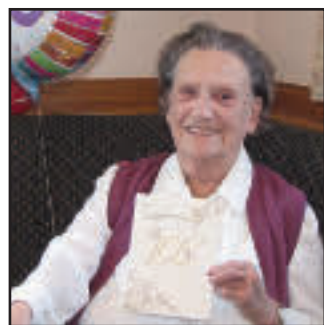


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Born on the fourth of July

Born on the fourth of July 1914. Not that Jean Jones remembered much about her first few years and the horrors of the First World War. One thing for certain is her delight at getting to 100 and enjoying celebrating with friends and family. Here she is pictured with some of her friends who meet up at the Thursday coffee morning in the community centre.



She was looking forward to a big party the next day and then just getting on with enjoying her life. She certainly doesn't look 100 and

admits that she doesn't feel old. She is amazed by the changes she has seen, especially with the technology, but thinks that it's probably just progress.

CONGRATULATIONS ON 90 YEARS

George Elsdon reads *Target* cover-to-cover and loves it! Born in Gateshead he and his wife moved to a bungalow in New Road to be close to family. These days he enjoys watching all sport on TV and is the chap in the cap when he goes down to the village. His 90th birthday at the end of July was celebrated with a glass of champagne and a cake – just to get everyone in the mood to say Happy Birthday George.



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A large number of elderly or ill pet owners become very worried about their ability to care for their pets, feeling that their only option is to rehome them. This is where the national network of dedicated volunteers step in to offer support enabling them to stay together.

They walk the dog for a housebound owner, foster pets when owners need hospital care, fetch the cat food, even clean out the bird cage or litter trays.

The aim is to relieve the owners of any worry concerning the welfare of their pets both during and after their own lifetime making us unique among charities.

We are always seeking new volunteers so even if you can only spare an hour a week we would love to hear from you,

All volunteers help in the ways that are most appropriate to them. Teams take it in turns to visit housebound owners and to take dogs for daily walks. Volunteers foster pets as one of their family when owners face a spell in hospital. We take any problem posed in day to day care of pets.



If anyone can help please call during office hours 01736 758707 or via email volunteer@cinnamon.org.uk Please also check out our website for more details www.cinnamon.org.uk

We would appreciate some volunteers to help serving afternoon tea at the Target event at the community centre on September 6. Can you spare an hour or two? Please call 01628 525415

Bucks Stroke Support

Bucks Stroke Support are looking to recruit volunteers to help support the work Stroke Association coordinators carry out with stroke survivors in Buckinghamshire.

One in six of us will have a stroke and, although more of us are surviving than ever before, stroke is still the largest cause of adult disability.

With the support of Buckinghamshire County Council, the Stroke Association is working in Bucks to ensure that stroke survivors and their carers are given the support they need to rebuild their lives.

This is where you come in; we are looking for a variety of people with differing skills to support our work in clients' homes and at stroke support events.

Living with a disability after a sudden stroke can leave you isolated and lacking in confidence. We are looking for befrienders and peer supporters to help reduce social isolation and improve the confidence and self-esteem of stroke survivors.

If you have excellent listening skills, are empathetic and non-judgmental then you could be the person to support a client 1:1 either face to face in the client's home or on the phone.

If you are reliable and responsible you could help stroke survivors to achieve personal goals and become more independent.

Confidence in yourself and an awareness and understanding of disability can give you the opportunity to engage with your local community.

Good organisational and listening skills are also invaluable with helping at our stroke support sessions and events. We run a series of support information sessions and coffee mornings and are looking for help in arranging activities and events.

Supporting clients at meetings, greeting service users and providing refreshments, a friendly warm smile and empathetic nature go a long way to making a stroke survivor feel relaxed and confident.

We have a variety of different opportunities available within Buckinghamshire and all our volunteer opportunities are flexible so can fit around your existing commitments. Why not give us a call and let us know how you can help in our valuable work in the local community?

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Fruit, veg and flowers at Pegg's allotments



Pegg's allotments in New Road held an open day in July raising more than £270 in aid of Scannappeal. It gave visitors the chance to talk to experienced allotment holders like George Whalley (top left) and Elissa Bazley and husband Julian (pictured below).

Elissa's abundant flowers attracted the attention of 19-month-old Aston Moulard (right). Her plot was a sad patch of weeds when she took over in April and in just three short months she has created a dazzling floral display. Husband Julian has a well organised plot of fruit and veg which he has been growing there for seven years. Top right is the "showcase" plot belonging to Reg Procter, winner of the council's allotment cup last year (see page 8).



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Trees

Further work will commence soon on the trees at the Recreation Ground. One of the limes is showing evidence of decay at the base and may need to be removed. There are dead wych-elm on the northern perimeter which will be removed during the summer. Work to many of the trees at Abbotsbrook Hall will also be undertaken during the summer with ivy on trees being stripped and pruning taking place.

Athletics Track

The athletics track at Westhorpe has now opened. Councillors attending the opening at the end of June were impressed with the engineering and design. There are still concerns regarding traffic into and out of the site.

Spade Oak Car Park

We have now signed the lease for the car park at Spade Oak, taking it on from Buckinghamshire County Council. It has taken a long time but we wanted to be certain that the lease covered all the clauses we required, and that BCC handed it over in the condition we requested.

Marlow Town Bus

We have become aware that the Marlow Town Bus only comes to Little Marlow village on its first journey of the day, and subsequently calls 'on request'. We will be meeting with BCC to discuss this further. The bus has problems driving around the village due to parked cars and tight angles, particularly in the area of The Triangle and outside the Kings Head public house.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is on Tuesday August 12 at 8pm. You are very welcome to attend. **Little Marlow Parish Council, Community Office, The Pavilion, Church Road, Little Marlow, Bucks. SL7 3RS 01628 890301 clerk@littlemarlowparishcouncil.org.uk www.littlemarlowparishcouncil.org.uk twitter @littlemarlowpc**

Parish Clerk

Our clerk since 1997, Gloria Barclay, has announced that she will be retiring at the end of September. We will be looking for someone to fill her role, beginning on the September 1. Further details are available from the Parish Council Office.

Gloria was presented with a Long Service Award from the Society of Local Council Clerks at our July meeting.



Gloria receiving her award from chairman Dallas Banfield

Little Marlow Village Fête, Bank Holiday Monday, August 25

We will once again be holding a traditional Village Fête on the Little Marlow Recreation Ground (off Church Road) from 2pm to 5pm on August Bank Holiday Monday August 25. We hope that you will all join us for what promises to be a great afternoon.

As in previous years, you will find stalls selling home baking, jams, vegetables, bric-a-brac, books and local crafts; information stands run by the parish council and the Little Marlow Lakes Country Park: Community Partnership and a display of classic cars.

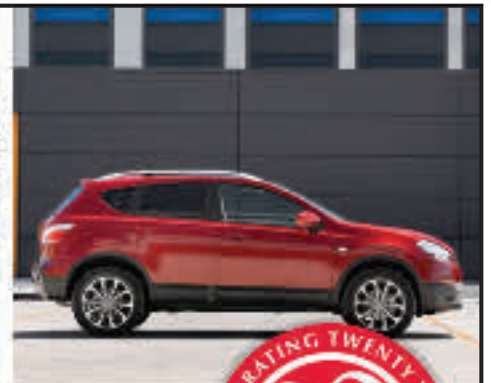
There will be plenty of activities to keep you amused including children's races and rides, a bouncy castle, dog show, plate smashing, fastest shot, coconut shy and face painting. You can also try your luck at the prize draw and the tombola. You will not go hungry or thirsty; refreshments on offer will include tea/coffee along with home-baking, soft drinks, hamburgers and ice cream.

Music will be provided throughout the afternoon by Acoustic Jass, a four piece traditional jazz band.

Last year for the first time we held a cake competition. This seemed to go down well, particularly among children. We have therefore decided to repeat it this year, but this time we are inviting entries from children only. There will be two age groups, four to eight years and nine to 14 years, with two prizes in each age group, one for best decorated cup cake and one for best tasting cup cake. Burgers Artisan Bakery in Marlow has again kindly agreed to judge. Cup cakes should be dropped off at the recreation ground between 1pm and 2.30pm on the day of the fête.

All the proceeds from the fête will go towards local good causes as well as to projects and activities which benefit the residents of Little Marlow. So please put the date in your diary now!

Valerie Brownridge, Chairman, Little Marlow Village Amenities Committee



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Brian setting out a Tombola stall



Remembering Brian Walsh

When visiting family in Northern Ireland not long ago Brian joined his grandchildren in a local park, went up the climbing frame, then hung upside down. His comment "not so bad for an 80 year old" brought laughs all round and the awareness that here was a man who would have a go at anything as long as it was fun.

Fun was a vital element for Brian. In any conversation there would be a smile, a laugh along with a thoughtful remark that would stay with you long after the meeting. There's no doubt that Brian Walsh made an impact within the local community whether it was digging and mowing, delivering Targets, as a parish councillor or just supporting events at the community centre.

His death on Sunday June 22, after a short period of illness, will leave a gap in the local life that he loved.

Born in Yorkshire he did his National Service in the Royal Navy on aircraft carriers. Flying was his passion. After his two years Brian converted to full time service and, at a naval air station in Leigh on Solent, he met Penny, who was also in the service, and they married.

What followed were five years in West Africa spending long periods in Gold Coast and Lagos. Penny remembers that they both found their time there a very special experience. It inspired the family's choice of a coffin made from plaited banana leaves as they had banana trees in their garden.

At the start of the 1960s they moved back and bought a house in Goddington Road. Brian joined BEA and the family grew with daughters Jackie and Alison and son Christopher. Brian was flying regularly and would tell anyone that "it's a good way to earn a living – doing something you enjoy".

Family life was fun as Brian's inventive mind would create challenges, making or building something they could use.

Their move to Claytons Meadow in 1973 brought the navy back into their lives when Brian built a 12ft boat to be paddled along the River Wye.

The first community project, and the one which has resulted in a lasting memorial to their efforts, was an area of waste land opposite Lloyds Bank at the junction of Station Road and Cores End Road.

Fed up with seeing it neglected Penny and Brian set about tidying it up, mowing the grass and creating flower beds. They got on and did the work

while various councils procrastinated about whether they should. It will forever be known as Penny's Corner.

For Penny the next challenge was to join the Parish Council and Brian joined her a few years later. His meticulous attention to detail was something to be feared as he made it his business to ensure that the necessary rules were followed. Many will remember his quiet voice saying "Can I just refer the council to Standing Orders which say..."

When Penny was invited to be President of the Community Association Brian would be there to support. They battled against cuts in county council grants and supported plans to make the centre more accessible. Brian also took over Penny's *Target* distribution route. Tombola became their fund raising event at Fun Nights where together they would choose, label and set out the table ready for the money to come rolling in. Penny and Brian would be the first to buy tickets for events at the centre and probably run a raffle beforehand.

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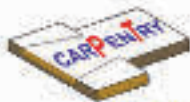
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Initially they bowled on one mat, but it soon became necessary to increase that to two so that everyone got a game on a Monday night. And the steadily increasing membership meant that Tuesday night was added and filled with keen bowlers. With a full turnout a third mat can be added.

There are still two founder members, Hilda Bowerman and Shirley Allison. They will be there on Sunday September 28 when Short Mat Bowls celebrates its anniversary with an afternoon of bowling followed by a hog-roast on the patio. Then onto the next big anniversary!

Our pictures show some of the Monday group with founder member Hilda Bowerman (centre).



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Local author, Quentin Falk, sent in the first of our Take Your Target items this issue. He had just returned from what he called: "an amazing Zimbabwe idyll, mostly deep in the bush and around the Zambezi." This is a shot of him at the Victoria Falls Hotel before he ventured into the "interior". In the background is the "Smoke that Thunders" (The Falls are hidden) and the famed Zambezi Bridge. On the left is Irene Box from Blind Lane pictured on holiday by the Fountain of Diana in Archimedes Square, Syracuse, Sicily

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All my own work – with a little help

Barrie Penfold discovers how Andy Hopper built his own steam launch

Making things comes naturally to Andy Hopper. When working he was an electrical engineer and his hobby was building large model aeroplanes. Retirement meant more time and the chance to take on other projects involving the engineering that makes things work. Initially making a steam launch from scratch wasn't one of the options although he had thought about building his own boat.

Visiting model engineering exhibitions and having the time to browse around and see what other engineers had been able to do provided the inspiration. Then getting to know these engineers and just talking set Andy on a course which took three years, but resulted in the launch of SL Aurelia in 2013. This year the distinctive sound of its hooter has echoed along the Thames and at steamboat rallies.

"It all started with the engine," Andy explains, "but the one I found had no plans. I was offered the chance to borrow it and do a reverse engineering job over the winter." Andy admits that his project might have come to a halt without

the support of fellow enthusiasts: "I set up in my garage and took the engine apart and copied it – piece by piece."

By the spring Andy had his own engine and it worked – going forward and backwards. Along the way he found a great circle of fellow amateur engineers who offered advice, help if necessary, the loan of a larger lathe or just encouragement. Then the search was on for a boat design and with it the question of transporting it to steam boat events. Andy and wife Lorna also planned family days out on the river, so finding the right boat was important. Again, with a little help from other enthusiasts and a few telephone calls, the order was placed.

"On our drive it looked enormous," was Andy's only comment, "so to make working easier in wet weather we created a removable garage extension."

While applying coats of varnish Andy's thoughts turned first to the question of a boiler, then to what fuel he would use. He realised that the boiler had to be professionally made. Once again the steam boating grapevine came up with the news of a secondhand boiler that would be perfect.

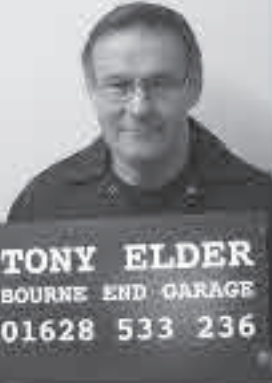
Putting it all together was a big job. There were frequent phone calls to one of the circle of engineering friends, but eventually the SL Aurelia was launched last August. There were legal requirements, as this was a new boat, including a boiler safety certificate, then a boat safety certificate, insurance and finally registration with the Environment Agency which had to be done on a written form by post. Initial teething troubles were sorted, tweaks made to this or that, but these meant minutes or occasionally hours – not weeks or months.

Now it is great fun, meeting lots of fellow enthusiasts at rallies organised by the Steamboat Association of Great Britain and for Andy seeing his 'all-my-own work' steamboat on display at the Model Engineering Exhibition. In June a special

moment came at the Beale Park Rally when a young couple climbed aboard and on the way around the lake the young man dropped on one knee and proposed. "The lady said 'yes', I'm delighted to say, but it really made my day. Imagine choosing my steam launch to do that!"

Right, the engine that started the project





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The 200th anniversary of an octave

by John Walton

Octave. Perfection in music. The simplicity of a plucked string, and another of half its length producing a note exactly in tune but an octave higher. How long is a piece of string? It doesn't matter, as long as the second is precisely half as long.

St Paul's Church tower has been a notable landmark of the Wye Valley since the 15th century. And, almost as soon as it was constructed, it was populated with bells. A small number of large ones at first, swung energetically to project the sound. Wooburn's tower is impressive, befitting the former southern outpost of the Bishop of Lincoln. And its bells were impressive too.

As the 18th century arrived, a new fashion for musical bell ringing began to emerge. This style, known as change ringing, made household names of the art's finest proponents whose exploits would be published in the journals of the time. A sixth bell was cast for Wooburn at Whitechapel and added in 1718, while the largest bell was recast there in 1762.

Perfection

Transporting the finished article approximately 30 miles without the aid of the combustion engine was no mean feat. Indeed at least one of Wooburn's bells came by boat and was offloaded at Spade Oak. Before even that was practical, itinerant bellfounders used to dig a pit on site and cast the bells within sight of the church itself.

Then, in 1814, two further bells were cast in East London and hung in the tower, making a total of eight. The smaller of the two was tuned to the note

of E, exactly one octave higher than its 1762 counterpart, completing the Wooburn octave. Perfection – four hundred years in the making.

So how were two bells, cast more than 50 years apart, able to be in tune with each other? Unlike the simple string, a bell is a complex musical instrument that produces a number of different tones all on its own. The shape of the bell is the first key determinant. A poorly proportioned bell will sound discordant and out of cry with its neighbours. Founders use stock profiles to ensure that every

Precision

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Finally, tuning. On rare occasions bells came out of the mould in tune but a more pragmatic solution was to cast the bell slightly too thick and gently remove excess metal to bring its multiple notes into harmony, using nothing more than tuning forks, a chisel and a good ear.

The craft of the bell founder was passed down for generations, creating dynasties with the knowledge to cast the most famous bells in the country.

Modern founding still relies on this knowledge but allies it to science and technology to create musical



instruments of great precision.

But, for Wooburn, 2014 marks the 200th anniversary of its octave – one of the first in the area, and still one of the largest. Next time you hear those bells, think about how much has changed since they first rang out across the Wye valley.

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BEJSC Annual Prizegiving

Our special guest Shona McCallin presented more than 100 awards to club members and volunteers at a gala evening held in Bourne End Community Centre. Shona is a member of the Team GB Senior Hockey Squad. She has already earned four caps for her country. Her proudest moment was captaining the England Under 21s to fourth place in the Junior World Cup in Germany in 2013.

Awards were made to members for sporting achievement, progress and effort in all sports on offer at the club.

Twenty four young people were recognised for their contribution as volunteers helping younger members and the club deliver every opportunity for involvement in their sport. Unusually this year the top awards of Club Girl and Boy were not presented as no current members reached the very high standard required. As you see there are many younger ones coming forward as contenders for the future.



BEJSC Junior Committee

BEJSC Club Ambassadors

Directors have reinstated a past custom of inviting some of our special guests and supporters to become Club Ambassadors. We are delighted to announce one well known Paralympian has agreed to start this role of honour: Clare Griffiths - Team GB Wheelchair Basketball.

Clare has given full support to the club over recent years. We are very pleased to record the success of the GB Ladies Wheelchair Basketball in the recent World Championships in Canada in reaching their highest level ever of fifth place. Many of them train in our Sports Hall so congratulations to them all. Special congratulations to Clare who was voted a True Sport Winner.

Junior Committee Award

Members last year created a new award recognising "Contribution to the Life of Young People". This year they chose to present it to Mark Rimmer who has been a long standing volunteer at BEJSC and Action4Youth. Now qualified as a teacher, Mark still found time to help deliver the Young Leaders Course again. He is a well deserved recipient. He also made time to travel down from Newcastle to receive the award along with a Keystone Bronze Award for voluntary Service to BEJSC and Action4Youth.

John Williams Memorial Trophy

John Williams Memorial Trophy for contribution to Club and Community was awarded this year to David Over who has run the Judo Section for over 20 years and is now standing down. David is well known in the community for his volunteering with the Wye Valley Volunteers; and for his help with neighbours and elderly residents with such things as shopping, gardening and any tasks they are unable to do themselves. He is pictured with his grand-daughter Abbie who won the club's trophy for Judo (under 40kg girls)



Inline hockey section

Former member Matt Croyle is now playing for GB in the Under 18s Junior 2014 IIHF Inline Hockey World Championships in Toulouse, France. Great to hear of his progress – well done Matt!

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The winners (l to r), Harry Gamble, Chloe McClenaghan, Isaac Seamens, Bradley Bullock, Jessica Mead and Daniel Healy. The children are holding their winning posters and their chocolate prizes presented by parish councillors Sue Wagner and Michael Reeves.

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A helping hand in Zambia

Mike Ware reports on the Spring working trip to Zambia by Young Rotary (Interactors and Rotaractors) and Rotarians to continue the good work started on their previous visits

In early April we travelled to Lusaka as part of the Zambia Exchange project (WVZP). This party was different to the larger group who visited in 2012 as almost everyone was connected to Rotary, be they Interactor, Rotaractor or Rotarian. The group also included teachers Jan and Jane from Carrington School in Flackwell Heath, and Matthew from Bardwell schools along with squadron leader Paul, a long time helper at Carrington Rotakids, and Jan's husband (see our group photo on page 40).

Led by the unstoppable Rotarian, Sue, we set out to tackle a very long "to do" list.

As in previous years we were able to visit our friends and partners at Libala High School and spend time at Libala Basic School, but the lion's share of our work was at Chilenje B Basic School.

It is here that we first met up with the special needs class in 2012 when the group of Libala and Wye Valley students all agreed that it would be good to do more to support the students and their teachers. A small group, namely Rotaractors Rachel, Natalie and Andrew visited again in July last year and so the scene was set to get stuck in.

Matthew, the teacher from Bardwell School in Bicester, was looking to join the project and 'twin' with the special needs class. He had brought with him a large selection of resources plus examples of Bardwell's teaching methods for students who need extra help.

Very soon a plan was hatched to refurbish the classroom completely and make it a bright and stimulating learning space. Materials were bought and the gang, including a number of Zambian students, got stuck in. Before long a brightly

coloured room emerged.

We were also able to start a project to build two disabled toilets in the classroom as there are none at the school and the ordinary loos are 500 metres across a bumpy playing field – impossible for those in wheelchairs. By the end of our stay we had finished the room and plans and costings had been drawn up for the building project which would be overseen by one of the original students involved at Libala - Chico - now studying construction. The Rotary Club provided further gratefully received sponsorship for this construction.

In addition we were able to buy two new bespoke wheelchairs for students, arrange for five hearing tests and supply new hearing aids for two students. The future plans are to expand the number of students who attend the class by refurbishing the adjoining classroom.

While all this was going on part of the group spent time at Libala Basic School and even put together a number of lessons involving ukuleles and percussion instruments, which really got the Libala children excited and involved.

At both schools we were able to leave many resources that were provided by our friends at the Literacy Box Trust. And we supplied both Family and Individual life straws to both schools to be distributed to those most in need who have no access to fresh water.

A big thank you is also due to South Bucks Hospice for looking out for good quality school uniforms and sports clothing which we distributed. They were very well received.



In each location we left it to the teachers and carers to decide how the kit was issued according to the needs of the individuals. One young man in the Transient Home grabbed a pair of green tracksuit bottoms from the stack, put them on and refused to take them off - oh well, looks like they were going to be his then!

On the final Monday we were also able to support Libala Interact with their talent contest fundraiser and the school laid on a magnificent traditional Zambian meal for our last night when a number of awards were made to individuals involved with the project who were made Ambassadors.

Our trip came to an end all too soon and already there are ideas buzzing around as to what needs to be done next time. Zambia 2015 – you bet!

None of this would have been possible without support from Bourne End and Cookham Rotary Club, a district grant, our friends and supporters, Bicester Rotary Club, our friends at Maluba Rotary Club and members of staff at all the schools especially Patricia, Susan, Daniel, Brenda and Jordan and of course ex-student Sean who is also a member of Rotaract – "Their man in Africa"



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Budding artists wanted for Junior Craft Show

Following on from the success of last year's event there will be another Junior Craft Show at Bourne End Library this summer.

Sue Croall and her 12-year-old daughter Amy, who regularly run children's craft activities in the library during the school holidays, are once again organising the event and want local youngsters to start thinking now about their entries.

The show will take place on Saturday October 4 and will comprise six classes for children aged four to 18. These will be: any picture (not photo), collage, any junk model, any clay/plasticine model, photography (any subject) and needlework. These will be divided into age groups of four to seven years old, eight to 11, 12 to 14 and 15 to 18.

Thanks to generous sponsorship from local businesses, last year organisers were able to offer prizes to all winners without charging an entry fee and it is hoped this year's event will follow that path.

Entrants can take their submissions to Bourne End Library on the morning of the show where entry cards can be filled in and the entries placed in the appropriate classes. A special cup, donated by Bourne End Horticultural Society, will be awarded to the judge's favourite entry. Judges will include local artists, photographers, teachers and needlewomen.

The show will be open to viewing by the public and refreshments will be served, with the grand prize awarded just before the library closes.

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Bourne End's running reverend, Janet Binns, tells us about her London Marathon experience...

On Sunday April 13 I ran my seventh marathon. You'd think it would get easier, but so much depends on the training and the conditions on the day.

On the morning of the race I felt excited but nervous. Just walking up to the Green Start enclosure felt scary. The next 60 minutes went quickly and soon I set off with the rest of the runners in my pen at a steady pace. Only the noise of the crowds convinced me I was indeed there – running the London marathon again!

I had broken the race down into segments, the first thing I was looking forward to was getting to the Cutty Sark at around mile six. The crowds were amazing yelling and banging those inflatable sticks. It's brilliant – probably a bit overwhelming!

Arriving at Tower Bridge just after 12 miles was an amazing feeling, really lifting my spirits. Over the bridge and the halfway point was in sight. I felt relaxed, watching Mo Farrah going past on the other side of the road with the other elite runners was just breathtaking.

Canary Wharf is the next milestone and again the crowds were great. I spotted a few people from Lane 4, the company that have their base in front of St Mark's church here in Bourne End. They cheered wildly, which gave me a boost. I was prepared for the final six miles or so I thought.

At 20 miles I developed muscle fatigue in my legs, my calves tightened and my feet hurt. I started the mantra of telling myself it wasn't too long now. By mile 23 somehow the pain was more bearable and I could pick up my pace again.

Coming down Birdcage Walk and on to The Mall is every bit as epic as you'd imagine. Then it's 385 yards and the finish. Crossing the finish line was just as amazing as the first time. The best bit is having my timing chip cut from the laces of my trainers and my finish photograph taken. I can't believe I finished my seventh marathon in 3.25.07. I later found out I was third in my age category.

So far I have raised just over £3000 towards building the parish centre at St Mark's church. We all know it will be a long journey with a tremendous amount of fundraising to do but, like the marathon, we have to break it down and take each phase as it comes. I am very thankful to everyone who faithfully supported me both financially and with prayers.



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Inner Wheel Club By Diana Hyde

Our monthly June meeting fell within Ascot week so the Tuesday evening was spent enjoying Pimms and strawberries in a member's beautiful garden.

The informal handover from the outgoing president Elaine Morris to Diana Hyde took place and above there is a picture of the incoming President's new committee. A new programme of monthly meetings



will include a Historical Walk & Talk of Marlow followed by dinner, a Thames boat trip with lunch in Windsor, a visit to the V&A for the wedding dress exhibition.

The second picture shows Elaine Morris (right), past president, handing over to Diana Hyde (left), incoming president 2014/15.

Wooburn WI By Sue Pressney

The Wooburn Fete was a great success, as was our stall. In June our speaker was Drew Ellis who showed us how to do simple flower arrangements.

August is our Bring and Buy, which is held in the riverside home of one of our members, and in September Dr Brenda Harold will be talking about Wild Flowers on a Country Walk.

Our meetings (except August) are held in St Mary's Church Hall at 2.15pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Do join us.

Probus By Howard Fitzer

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So explained Kate Bettison in her after-lunch

presentation 'Life as a Film Extra'.

It seems that it is not an easy option; participants are 'on call' at highly unsocial hours, may have to travel long distances and endure constant repetition.

The Ladies' Summer Lunch was a most enjoyable event, an opportunity to escape not only the kitchen but the sheer drudgery of attending Ascot Races. Additionally, it ensures that the gentlemen still possess a shirt for the occasion.

Cookham Bridge Rotary Club By Roger Gould

At the end of June we welcomed our new President for the year, George Molyneux.

George said: "The position of President is an honour and with the council and the support of the club, I hope to bring an interesting and entertaining year to our members." The club, which meets at Winter Hill Golf Club, also welcomed Alistair Knox, Assistant District Governor, to the handover ceremony.

This year's fun-packed Cookham Regatta will be held on Saturday September 6 on Cookham Moor from 11am with free parking.

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Little Marlow & Well End WI By Judy Wilson

Our June meeting saw us discussing plans for a possible supper club and future outings to London theatres. Suggestions for decorating a tree as part of the WI centenary celebrations next year were also put forward. We were given final details of our planned river trip later in the month. Nigel Ealing then gave an entertaining account of his service life in the Police.

In July our delegate to the AGM in Leeds gave us a full report on the day's business and guest speakers. Sadly our guest speaker failed to arrive, but this gave us more time to discuss future events including visits to Luton Hoo and Bournemouth, and a book sale in September. Reminders were given for entries to our August show. Visitors are always welcome, details: 01628 481343.

Bourne End WI By Jean Roche

At our June meeting we were given a fascinating demonstration of Ikebana, the art of Japanese flower arranging, by Jean Young. We learned how to make beautiful flower arrangements using very few flowers and foliage. Jean used plants from her own garden to show that it need not be an expensive hobby. She commented on how the number four was a very unlucky number in Japan so arrangements of three and five



flowers were the key. Also in June, members enjoyed a coach trip to Brighton.

Once again the tubs on The Parade and outside the Library are in full bloom thanks to Bourne End WI Gardening Group led by Margaret Butler. They have been planted with their summer colours and provide a cheery centrepiece to the village. The Bourne End Craft and Chat Group have decorated the tree by the river with the knitted hearts again this summer.

A photograph of the tree has been chosen as one of the pages in next year's National WI Calendar. The Craft and Chat Group are planning to decorate another venue so are busy preparing. Watch this space.

Our July meeting was our Annual Garden Party. Thanks to Kath Acres for allowing us to use her garden again this year.

In September our talk will be on the History of Lace Making. We have several trips arranged for the autumn in addition to our meetings, which take place on the first Thursday of every month in St Dunstan's Church Hall at 7.30pm. Our WI Craft and Chat Group meets on the third Tuesday at 1.30pm in the library.

Bourne End (Afternoon) WI By Julie Wardell

Our new group goes from strength to strength. Membership is increasing and for our garden talk in June we had many new visitors. Edwin Rye introduced us to some wonderful plant colour combinations to consider for the garden and some unusual ideas for what to put in our hanging baskets.

He showed us beautiful photographs of his garden in Wendover which is opened as part of the NGS each year. As a bonus we were able to purchase some beautiful plants too.

Our talk in July gave us an opportunity to develop our photography skills when David Trotter discussed 'How to Take Better Photographs'. We return in September for a lesson in make-up and an opportunity to purchase some products.

Our Autumn programme will offer opportunities for developing new skills and discovering new subjects of interest and possibly making our own Christmas presents. To find out more contact Sue Berrido on 07776 713701, or email Julie Wardell at www.bewiafternoon@gmail.com.

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The programme at Bourne End Community Centre will have an international flavour with Tchaikovsky's popular ballet suite, Sleeping Beauty and Khachaturian's incidental music to Lermontov's play, Masquerade which share the Russian characteristics of beautiful melodies and lavish orchestrations.

From England we have The Earl of Oxford's March composed circa 1590 by William Byrd. It provides a wonderful opportunity for the orchestra's brass section to shine and, in contrast, the hauntingly beautiful Idyll, Banks of Green Willow by George Butterworth, who died in the trenches in 1916. Scotland is represented by Hamish McCunn's Land of the Mountain and the Flood.

Two overtures, one Austrian and the other German make up the remainder of the programme. Suppé is mostly remembered for overtures to now long forgotten operas of which Poet and Peasant is one of the most famous. Brahms' Academic Festival Overture was composed as a musical 'thank you' to the University of Breslau, for the award of an honorary doctorate: See poster page 36.



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Above; Visiting Clovelly by Juliette Palmer

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Many calls have been received for repeating Wooburn Fête which was held on Wooburn Green on Saturday June 21. Most of Wooburn's community groups took an active part by running games or raising awareness of their organisation.

The Community Church did an excellent job providing those present with a delicious cream tea and displaying the good work they do in the community. St Paul's Church told us about the fundraising needed for their new church roof as well as allowing us to listen to a CD of church music made to raise funds for the roof. It was good to be joined by Wooburn Green and Bourne End Children's Centre and Marlow Opportunity Playgroup (a playgroup for children with special needs) which meets in our village.

Entertainment was provided by St Paul's School's country dance club, Takeda Voices – a local Choir made up of Takeda Ltd's staff of Wooburn, along with Maidenhead Concert Band and The Ellington Morris Dancers.

The children (and their parents) enjoyed races, tug of war and were educated about small, harmless domestic reptiles. There were fairground rides, a bouncy castle and the scouts ran a variety of traditional games. Wiggy, Glory Mill's old fire engine was on display with memorabilia from the era.

Delicious local farm food was barbecued.

The fête could not have taken place without the enormous help with tent pitching (and in a variety of other ways) from the 1st Wooburn Scout Group. Their involvement was a major factor in the event's great success.

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See our photos on page 40.

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Bourne End Library

By Inka D'Agostino, library manager

It's summer holiday time again and what better way to occupy the children than by enrolling them onto our Mythical Maze Summer Reading Challenge?

This year's theme is based around myths and legends. The challenge is for children to read six books over the holidays and collect stickers for their reading poster.

They can read whatever they like; fact books, joke books, picture books, audio books, just as long as they are borrowed from the library.

The first 50 will receive a medal and stickers for their pack. We are also looking for volunteers aged 16 to 24 to help with the challenge. If interested please contact the library.

We have organised the following Mythical Maze activities:

Children's Crafts

Wednesday August 6 and August 13, 10.30 – midday

Friday August 15, 10.30 – midday

Summer Reading Challenge Book Group,

Tuesday afternoon at 3 – 4pm on August 5, 12, 19 and 26. Come and discuss your favourite books, collect your stickers and join in with the activities on offer. This is open to all children enrolled on the challenge.

For adults, we have decided to have weekly internet taster sessions every Friday at 10.30am. If you need help, please book a slot.

Lifestyle club is held once a month usually on the last Friday at 10.30am. The talk on August 29 will be "All the Buzz about Bees"

Wooburn Festival at the Library.

Once again we shall be hosting the Wooburn Festival Literary Week and Photographic Exhibition. Mon Sept 22 at 7.30pm The Art of Photography, Dave Trotter.

Tues Sept 23 – Sat 27 Photographic Exhibition.

Tue Sept 23 at 7.30pm The Bone Dragon – Writing thrillers for young readers, Dr Alexia Casale.

Wed Sept 24 at 7.30pm, Kate Frye – A Bourne End & Berghers Hill Suffrage Diary, Elizabeth Crawford.

Thurs Sept 25 at 7.30pm A time for Verse, Metroland Poets.

Fri Sept 26 at 7.30pm Turning to Wood, Colin Mantripp.

Sun Oct 12, 2 – 5pm Peter and the Wolf for children

Tickets for the above, as well other Wooburn Festival events can be obtained from the library.

For further information and tickets for all activities at the library, room hire rates, please contact us on 0845 2303232 or email lib-boe@buckscc.gov.uk. Follow us on Facebook and Pinterest, and Twitter.

Bourne End Community Market



Rest & de-stress at the Community Market

In the UK 40% of all workplace related illnesses are due to stress. We are all too aware that our body works hard for us in every moment – even when asleep our body is repairing and our physiology and mind are more complex than most of us will ever fully understand. But we do know that when our physical body is in good shape, our mind is too and our mental outlook tends to be more positive.

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She has been offering this massage treatment for the past five years to companies and businesses locally and is based in Bourne End. Find out more about her services at www.beautyandsoul.net. Or come along to the Bourne End Community Market (on the second Saturday of each month) where you can try a seated acupressure massage and talk to Amber about her workplace treatments and other health and healing approaches.

For more information about the Community Market contact Rosie O'Hagan on rosieohagan@me.com or call 07989 716635.

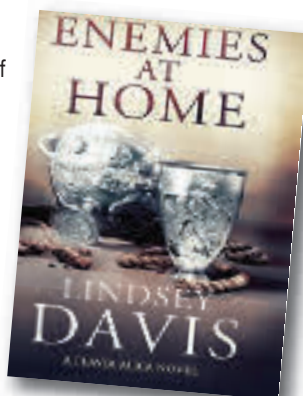
Roman way for historical novelist

Lindsey Davis is probably best known for her Marcus Didius Falco collection of mystery novels set in ancient Rome. But she was unprepared for the shock and horror from faithful readers when the final book in the collection was published. Instead of moving on she was forced to consider "what next?" and her answer introduced Flavia Albia, Falco's adopted daughter, who at the age of 28, in AD 89, becomes the central character in *The Ides of April* - the first in the new series called Falco: The New Generation.

Her visit to Bourne End Library on Tuesday July 15 introduced the recently published second Albia story called *Enemies at Home*. Before signing books Lindsey entertained her audience with tales of her Brummie upbringing, her passion for writing, her favourite authors, her job as a civil servant and her grateful thanks to Alan Sugar for her first Amstrad computer that made the writing so much easier.

Lindsey explained that writing a historical thriller about ancient Rome was almost an easy choice as no popular fiction had been written about the Romans. In between Falco novels she wrote about the English Civil War in *Rebels and Traitors*.

Then it was time to sign books, chat to readers, compliment the community on its lovely library and then dash off to catch a train. Turn to page 40 to see a photo of Lindsey with our librarians.





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Railway history on the move...

Dave Henwood updates on the Marlow Branch Line.

Here is a familiar scene for passengers - Platform 5 at Maidenhead Station with its unique wooden lean-to Train Shed, designed by the Great Western Railway to provide shelter for travellers to High Wycombe and Marlow.

It's been there forever. Certainly no one around today remembers it being any different. Things are set to change at the end of September with the dismantling of the structure and its removal to a new location.

It's built with steel support struts placed horizontally above the track and it is not possible to remove them to allow the

required clearance for the overhead electrification. So the shed will go. You will note I said dismantling and not demolition.

The unique nature of the structure has thankfully been significant enough for it to be acquired by the Cholsey and Wallingford Railway Preservation Society in Oxfordshire. It will be removed piece-by-piece and re-assembled at Wallingford for all to see and remember its former life.

Other changes at Maidenhead will see the removal of all the current canopies and their replacement with something much more modern and compliant with the increased clearances required.



OUR LOCAL CHURCHES KEEP IN TOUCH

St John the Baptist Church

Little Marlow will be holding their annual Village Fete on August Bank Holiday Monday. The church will have its usual jams, preserves and pickles stall together with Attic Finds.

There will be no Altogether Service in August, but this will resume in September on the fourth Sunday in the month at 4pm. This is a service for all the family ending with homemade cakes, sandwiches and tea.

We look forward in the autumn to welcoming the Reverends Graham and Sammi Watts to the team and their three children. They will be filling the vacancy as a job share.



St Paul's and St Mary's Church, Wooburn

Our 'Open Church' at St Paul's continues throughout the summer months from 3pm to 5pm every Sunday until August 31. Do come and join us for some tea/coffee and homemade cakes, plus take the opportunity to look around our beautiful church here at Wooburn Green.

We are holding a Band and Beer evening on Saturday September 13 and a Quiz Night on Saturday November 1 – please look out for more information on our website.

We are hoping that the Buckinghamshire district councils' initiative 'Theatre in the Villages' is returning to St Paul's Church Hall for its fifth consecutive year at the end of November. Look out for more information on our website and for posters – tickets will go on sale in September.



Our Friday midday Communion service and lunch will start again at the beginning of September, as will 'Tots Praise' on Fridays in St Paul's Church Hall at 9.45am.

The church hall and garden in Town Lane, Wooburn are available for bookings through the office on 01628 525512, email stpaulswooburnparishoffice@gmail.com and via the website.

For full details of our regular services and events visit www.stpaulswooburn.org.

St Dunstan's Church

We were blessed with glorious sunshine for the First Holy Communion weekend, when 50 young parishioners from St Dunstan's and St Teresa's in Beaconsfield received this sacrament for the first time.

Unfortunately, we were not as lucky for the Summer Fayre at St Teresa's the following weekend, but the rain didn't dampen our spirits and a lot of money was raised for the Leonard Cheshire Children's Home in Mongu, Zambia. The fundraising continued with a fabulous 'Night at The Opera' at St Teresa's on July 11, when four internationally acclaimed young singers performed famous operatic arias and songs from musical theatre to a very appreciative full house.

The back entrance to St Dunstan's (from Wakeman Road car park) has been renovated and

repainted and new toilet facilities have been installed. We now focus on enhancements to the church itself and eagerly await the arrival of two beautiful stained glass windows which should be in place in the autumn.

Activities are now slowing down for the summer break, but the charity sales held on the first Saturday of each month from 10am to midday in the church hall will continue. The next one will be on August 2 and proceeds will go to the Leonard Cheshire Children's Home in Kaoma, Zambia. For details of Mass times and upcoming events, see www.saintdunstons.co.uk.



St Nicholas' Church

Long summer days and the views are beautiful at Hedsor Church. It is open on Sunday afternoons during August and September from 2.30pm to 4.30pm. Do come along.

Our 9am service is Holy Communion on the first and third Sundays of the month. On the second Sunday it is Pathway which is a service for all ages, again at 9am, and very popular. On the fourth Sunday we have our choir making this very special and on that morning also we have 'Pebbles' which is for young children. They begin and end in the church and use the vestry the rest of the time.

On Saturday August 23 we have Spencer at Hedsor at 7pm. Tickets £10 with wine and nibbles in the interval.

On Saturday September 13 we have an Animal Service at 4pm when you are welcome to bring along your pets. We celebrate Harvest on Sunday September 28 and the church will be open that weekend.



The Community Church

First and foremost a big thank you to everyone who visited the Community Church tea tent at the Wooburn Fete in June. In addition to devouring a large quantity of scones, cream and cakes, you helped us raise £340 for the One Can Trust – our local food bank and a very worthy cause.

Our Sunday morning services during August are all at the chapel – so how about taking a nice morning stroll across Wooburn Green and joining us? Come at 10am for refreshments ahead of a 10.30am start. Our continuing theme is 'What's So Good about the Good News?' Looking further ahead our Harvest service will be on September 28 at The Meadows School at 10am.

If you're a parent with school children, this edition of Target will arrive just as you have enjoyed (or endured) the first couple of weeks of the school holidays, and you may be looking for a bit of variety. On Thursday August 14 and Tuesday August 19 between 10am and 11.30am the Community Church will be opening up our Little Steps Toddler group for older children (up to ten years of age) to come along with a parent and join in some fun craft activities. To book a place just email joanne.maynard2@btinternet.com.

We're starting something new this autumn called Funday Sunday – the first one is on October 5 at 3.30pm at the chapel on Wooburn Green. This is



an afternoon event full of fun, crafts, Bible stories, songs, and a sandwich tea for all families with primary school aged children. All are welcome: for more information check out our website www.wooburngreen.org nearer the time.

Another new thing coming this autumn is our Marriage Course. This has one simple goal – to make marriages better whatever state they are in now, whether great to not-so-great. It runs over six evenings, starting in September. To book a place or get more information just contact Geoff or Anne North via geoff.north5@btinternet.com.

Talking about new things, did you know that there is a new CAP Debt Centre in Wycombe which complements the CAP Money Course that we run at the Community Church? So now whether you just want to get better control of your finances via the Money Course or want help sorting out debts, we can help you. For more information email peterisle@outlook.com. You can also book straight onto the next Money Course which starts on Wednesday October 1 at www.capmoney.org.

Cores End United Reformed Church

Despite still having no permanent minister, our Sunday services are always thought-provoking and inspiring and the weekly Bible study group is well attended and informative. Children are welcome at all our services and there is a crèche for the under 3s and Junior Church for the older children. Services are at 10.30am every Sunday with Communion service on the third Sunday each month.

On July 5 we held a Jazz and Gospel concert in aid of a Ugandan Orphanage and a barbecue after the Sunday service later in the month.

Throughout August we will be serving afternoon tea from 3pm to 5pm each Sunday. Do please come along and enjoy a nice cup of tea and homemade scones.

Time for a chat with your friends and neighbours.

Our Link-Up club breaks for the summer after everyone enjoyed an outing to Dorney Lake and lunch at Dorney Garden Centre. Our table tennis and whist groups continue throughout the summer and twice a month after church service there is an organised pub lunch and walk.



St Mark's Church

An Afternoon Tea with entertainment is planned for August 31. The Lacettes, a well known local choir, will perform. The event takes place from 3 to 5pm. Tickets £5 adults £3 children. Call Jane Cottrell on 810590 for more information.

Pathway, our new All-Age Service takes place on the second Sunday of each month and is proving popular with families. On the first and third Sundays we celebrate Holy Communion and on the fourth a Sung Eucharist. We gather at 10.30am, with our Young Church meeting in the church hall on the fourth Sunday. Puffins, our Mother and Toddlers group, meet from 10 am – 11.30am on Wednesdays. There is also a Coffee Morning on Mondays from 10am and our regular nearly new sale on the third Saturday gives the opportunity to catch up over a cup of coffee. Lots to do here... Do come along.



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It is always pleasant to report good news and that is what I am about to do. You will remember from my last report that the end of season knock-out competitions were in progress at the Wooburn Working Men's Club and I am happy to advise that our players did fairly well without actually winning a final – with one exception.

The exception was none other than our worthy captain Mike Slade who brought home the cup for the League Captains prize, beating our old member Pat Carrigan, now playing for The Black Lion, in the final. A celebration evening was enjoyed by all a week later, with John, the centre bar manager, providing the champers. We are now in the process of celebrating our glory in the Wooburn Summer League and I am happy to report that we have started off well with two wins out of two.

Because of the holiday difficulties, putting out a consistent team in the Wycombe Friday League means we have not entered a team this year. However, the members are more than happy to enjoy friendly darts on Friday evenings and would be happy to welcome anyone who dares.

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Target Quiz



AS you will see from page 23 of this issue, Community Association President Penny Walsh's husband, Brian, died in July. Understandably Penny is taking a break from setting quizzes for the foreseeable future.

So, just for fun, we are running The Sweet Quiz. It's not quite as demanding as Penny's quizzes, but it should be good for a few family debates! Enjoy. The answers (all sweets or chocolates) are on page 2.

- 1 Sly giggles
- 2 High class thoroughfare
- 3 Money making royalty
- 4 Dark occult
- 5 Mother's local
- 6 Clever folk
- 7 Various black items
- 8 Sport for princes
- 9 Frankie Vaughan wanted it
- 10 Good children get these
- 11 Feline equipment
- 12 Garden flowers
- 13 Assorted girls
- 14 Dairy holder
- 15 Arrange marriage partners
- 16 Edible fasteners
- 17 Wobbly infants
- 18 Talk quietly
- 19 Big bus
- 20 Gem orchard
- 21 Spin around
- 22 Lorry Drivers Snack
- 23 100% Au
- 24 Istanbul harem
- 25 Up Out there
- 26 Even more out there
- 27 Big cats pub
- 28 Noisy insect
- 29 One who wanders
- 30 Musical bard

ANSWERS TO QUIZ No 81 1. Barn Owl. 2. Walnut. 3. Ounce. 4. Landrace. 5. Haddock. 6. Cider. 7. Golden Eagle. 8. Goose. 9. Raspberry. 10. Primrose. 11. Cauliflower. 12. Cloche. 13. Apple. 14. Hockey. 15. Woodpecker. 16. Clydesdale. 17. Amber. 18. Balsa. 19. Bangladesh. 20. Sycamore. Question 18 is an aberration as many people said that balsa wood is actually classified as a hard wood due to the manner in which it reproduces. In the interests of fairness question 18 was discounted. The winner was Olive Pearsons, East Ridge.

Chess

The club's last summer session is on Wednesday August 6 from 7.30pm in the small hall before the club resumes its weekly meetings from Wednesday September 3. These will involve informal sessions as well as the AGM and the Maidenhead friendly match before the new season gets underway at the end of the month. Why not come along to one of the friendly sessions or contact Roger de Coverly on 01628 486676? The club web site, www.bucksvoice.net/bourneendchess gives details of the match programme, currently showing last year's results. You can also follow the British Chess championships via www.englishchess.org.uk

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To help fund Alex's trip, the Beavers are doing a sponsored hike, the Cubs are making paracord items to sell and the Scouts are organising a raffle for the group's Family barbecue. If any local companies or groups would like to help the fund, please email besg.gsl@gmail.com.

Our Scouts go off to Kent for their week's Summer Camp, and both our Cub packs head off for theirs. They will be trying out the new tents and fire grills that Zebra Technologies of Bourne End kindly donated to the group.

For more information on our group contact Emma Lee on besg.gsl@gmail.com or for membership contact Jenny Benning on besg.waitinglist@gmail.com.

RNLI Bourne End & District Branch

We were very sorry to learn of the recent death of Patsy Ilett, a dedicated supporter of the RNLI who collected for the branch for many years. The committee sent its sincere condolences to Patsy's husband Bob who also supports us.

The House-to-House and Flag Day collection in May raised the magnificent sum of £4,459.60. This was followed by a three-day collection at Tesco Loudwater which raised a further £2,134.84.

A two-day event at Waitrose Beaconsfield was on the hottest weekend of the year so far. Staff of Waitrose kindly offered drinks, sunblock and seats to the collectors standing in the full sun. Another £2,025.20 was banked, all for our brave Lifeboat crews. New committee member David Oswald organised this successful event and thanks go to all our collectors.

We will again be 'showing the flag' at Cookham Regatta on Saturday September 6, when Christmas cards, calendars and diaries will be on sale.



Neil and David Kempster of Collias Butchers receiving their RNLI award in recognition of their excellent fundraising from their static box in their shop

Bourne End Video Makers

We made the final of the Film and Video Institute's new competition where we competed with three other teams. We didn't win but our main film 'On the Rails' was considered the best in the competition. We have now completed its successor ready for the next season.

With a new chairman, Roger Davies, we met in June and July with a practical session where camera features were explored, a guest speaker, Michael Slowe, an excellent barbecue and a session of members' films for discussion. We return in September to look ahead to 2015 when the club will reach its 50th anniversary.

Meetings are held in the Target Room at Bourne End Community Centre on the first and third Wednesday of the month from 7.30 to 10pm. Come along one evening. See bevm.co.uk or contact David Jarman on 01494 712441.

Marlow and District Railway Society

We had an excellent presentation about the changing scene of the railway network in Scotland in June and a visit to a bus collection in Fife the same month, including a tour around Windsor in a vintage Royal Blue coach. In a plastic age it easy to forget the workmanship that went into luxury coaches, with woodwork and art deco fittings in ornate glass, plus fully upholstered seats with decent springing.

On July 17 Richard Storer gave a presentation on Crossrail. We have a visit to the Wotton railway in north Bucks planned for August 16. Details via julian@jeh.org.uk. We recommence monthly meetings in September with 'On Parallel Lines' by Ken Horan. Ken, who is from Sheffield, worked on steam in the mid to late 60s. He is a great enthusiast and keen photographer and has co-authored two books.

Bourne End Twinning Association

Our friends from our twin village of Octeville sur Mer visited us in May. Hopefully everyone spotted the wonderful efforts made by our local shops and businesses with window displays and bunting - the French certainly appreciated them.

Our welcome ceremony included songs from our newly formed choir and very impressive they were too. We took our visitors to the Black Country Living Museum and on a private visit to the Mayor's parlour in High Wycombe, and danced Saturday night away sharing their love for barn dancing. It was a good weekend enjoyed by all.

Three weeks later we tested our skills at our popular Annual Quiz. The winning team, Stargazers, left happily clutching a bottle of wine each.

If you think you may be interested in joining us see www.bebta.ukgo.com.

Wooburn Lawn Tennis Club

Following discussions with Wooburn Parish Council for an additional tennis court, the club received planning approval to relocate the clubhouse and construct an additional court. The work was due to commence late July. Tennis will not be affected and new enquiries for membership and coaching are welcome on mandj77@btinternet.com for juniors and anneharttennis@hotmail.com for adults.

Bourne End Horticultural Society

We have a talk by Graham Talbot on Thursday August 21 on Fruit for the Small Garden. We will find out about Vertical Gardening, climbing plants and wall shrubs on September 18, and by popular request, Liz Glasser from Waterperry Gardens will make a return visit on October 16 to wow us with Plants with Autumn Interest. We always make guests and new members most welcome, meeting at St Dunstan's Hall in Bourne End every third Thursday in the month at 8pm.

Please contact Penny Hampson on 01628 521482 for more details.

Soroptimist International of Thames Valley

We held another Garden Party in June, generously hosted by ex-President Gill Curry. This time the aim was to raise funds for the costs of a consignment of goods already sent to the award-winning Kori Development Project in Sierra Leone, which aims to empower and educate women. Over 60 Soroptimists and their friends gave their support by buying plants, recycled books and 'treasures' and taking part in the raffle and tombola. Many other supporters who could not come along gave generous donations and a total of £700 was raised. For more information go to www.sitv.org.uk or come along to the Target Room, Bourne End Community Centre at 7.30pm on the third Tuesday of the month. You'll be very welcome.

Wye Valley Volunteers

Rarely does everything go to schedule and the delivery date of the new Community Minibus is no exception having been put back to the beginning of August. However, trims and colours have been chosen and logos designed and we are all looking forward to delivery of the Pacific Blue vehicle. The launch party will take place in September as too many people planned to be away in August. Volunteers and all the companies, charities and individuals who have contributed so generously will be invited.

One concern, both for our volunteer drivers and for the minibus, is the impending number recognition system of payment in the Wakeman Road car park. As our office can only be accessed via the car park we were concerned that our drivers might be expected to pay even when spending a couple of minutes picking up a disabled badge. We are discussing this with the parking authority.

If you would like to enquire about help from one of our services (transport, home visiting etc), or if you are thinking about becoming a volunteer, please contact us at the Community Volunteer Office (to the right of the Community Centre and open 10am to midday each weekday), or by phone 01628 521027.

Future of Our Village (FoOV)

Wycombe District Council's Local Plan is the subject of continued interest and FoOV has submitted a statement to the council detailing its objections to the development of Slate Meadow on grounds of unsuitability and of inadequate infrastructure. The separation of Wooburn Town from Cores End is another factor which mitigates its current brown field status.

Speeding in the village is always a concern and FoOV is working with Neighbourhood Watch to initiate some training to look at Marlow Road. The peace garden project is supported by the

parish council at the far end of Penny's Corner so we look forward to progress on this commemoration.

FoOV also supported a submission to Royal Mail regarding The Parade post office. Essentially it supported the modification of the arrangements in Martin's but put forward a number of conditions to maintain services. Other issues were also to be covered at our July meeting.

Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society
We meet at the community centre at 8pm on the first Tuesday of the month – except August. In September Carol Ferris will demonstrate on the theme 'Wish you were here'. Visitors are always welcome at a charge of £5. For information contact Thelma Robinson 01628 525689.

Bourne End Townswomen's Guild
On Wednesday September 10 in the small hall at the community centre starting at 1.30pm our special guest will be our history regular Colin Oakes who will talk about 'London in Roman Times'.
We meet on the second Wednesday in the month and visitors are always welcome. You might want to become a member and enjoy our monthly events with speakers, activities and demonstrations. For more information ring our chairman, Cynthia Houchin, on 01628 527931.

Bucks Family History Society
On Tuesday August 12 our visiting speaker Mike Evans will tell us more about the English Heritage Archives' on-line catalogue and the website of the Britain from Above project which is making early aerial photographs available on-line.
On Tuesday September 9 Will Phillips will talk about the Bucks County Museum including the artefacts and archives it holds both in the main Aylesbury building and at the off-site store at Halton. Anyone keen on the social history of the county will find this a very useful talk.
We meet on the second Tuesday in the month at 7.15pm in the small hall at the Community Centre. The speaker usually starts at 7.45pm. Visit www.bucksfhs.org.uk.

Marlow & Maidenhead Passenger Association
Work has commenced on the modifications to Maidenhead Station to accommodate Crossrail services. In particular platforms will be extended and the canopies will be modified to enable the installation of overhead electrification equipment. There will be some parking restrictions while the works are carried out. For information about Crossrail ring the Helpdesk on 0345 602 3813 or email helpdesk@crossrail.co.uk.
We continue to campaign for toilets to be installed on Crossrail trains and for more seating. As proposed there will only be 450 seats on a ten car train designed to carry 1,500 passengers – and no toilets.
The planning application for development at Marlow Station has been turned down by the council. It would have compromised access for Network Rail to maintain the track to Bourne End. We are still getting reports of inactivity by some revenue staff on the branch preventing ticket sales or inspection. If this happens to you please let us know by email or via the website.

CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS

See page 13 for Wooburn Festival events and ticket information

AUGUST

- 1 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 5 Tues CentreJazz: live music from 8pm in the Community Centre bar. Admission £5 includes raffle.
- 7 Thur Community Centre Bar Quiz starts at 8.30 pm, Its a £1 per person, and the winning team gets the quiz takings from the night.
- 8 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 9 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am – 1pm in the Library
- 15 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 15 Fri Charity Dance at the community centre in aid of The Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance Trust, 8-11pm with American supper. Tickets £7.50. Enquiries to Barbara and David on 01628 629563.
- 22 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 25 Mon The traditional Bank Holiday Little Marlow Village Fête at Little Marlow Recreation Ground (off Church Road) from 2pm to 5pm. See page 12.
- 29 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 31 Sun St Mark's Church, are holding an Afternoon Tea with entertainment by The Lacettes, a well known local choir, from 3 -5pm. Tickets £5 adults £3 children. Call Jane Cottrell on 810590 for more information.

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Tues CentreJazz: live music from 8pm in the Community Centre bar. Admission £5 includes raffle.
- 4 Thur Community Centre Bar Quiz starts at 8.30 pm, Its a £1 per person, and the winning team gets the quiz takings from the night.
- 5 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 6 Sat Target's Rather Splendid Afternoon Tea at the Community Centre. Tickets £5 from the office. Afternoon tea will be served and there will be live music and a Target Awards Ceremony.
- 6 Sat Cookham Regatta on Cookham Moor from 11:00 with free parking. The day offers a great opportunity for families, friends and organisations to enter a variety of boat races and challenges. There's the chance to wander among the many stalls and displays or just relax with a pic-nic on the river bank. For more details about the regatta, on how to enter go to cookhamregatta.org.uk.
- 7 Sun Magpie's Nest antiques fair 9.30am to 3.30pm
- 12 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 13 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am – 1pm in the Library
- 13 Sat Animal service at St Nicholas' Church, Hedsor at 4pm. Bring along your furry, feathered or even hooved friends for a blessing.
- 18 Thur Forum Players present Laying the Ghost, by Simon Williams at the community centre. See poster page 37.
- 19 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 19 Fri Forum Players present Laying the Ghost, by Simon Williams at the community centre. See poster page 37.
- 20 Sat St Mark's monthly market in the church hall from 10am to 12 noon with coffee and cakes
- 20 Sat Forum Players present Laying the Ghost, by Simon Williams at the community centre. See poster page 37.
- 21 Sun Jazz picnic at the Bourne End Community Centre starring the Rhythm Kings at 8pm. See poster page 36 for more details.
- 26 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 26 Fri Social dance with Barbara and David at 8pm . Good dancing in friendly company.
- 27 Sat A Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning at The Garibaldi in Hedsor Road, Bourne End from 10am to 11am. Entry £5 with all money raised going to the charity.
- 27 Sat Coffee morning and sale as part of the World's Biggest Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support, 10am to midday at the community centre. To book a table call Yvonne or Roger on 01628 529681.

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AROUND & ABOUT



A group photo taken during a visit to the Zambia Exchange Project by Young Rotary (Interactors and Rotaractors) and Rotarians. See Mike Ware's report on page 25.

Author Lindsey Davis visited Bourne End Library in July to talk about her Roman-themed mystery novels and sign copies. She is pictured on the left with librarians Penny (centre) and Inka



The Wooburn Fête was held on a sunny day in June and a great time was had by all (see page 31). Thanks to the Wooburn Residents Association for their photos.



Correction

On this page in the June/July 2014 issue we reported that The Meadows School had planted 30 mixed fruit trees paid for by the parish council. The fruit trees were in fact paid for by councillors Julia Adey and Julia Langley, from their Annual Wycombe District Council Ward Budget. Their joint contribution of £700 to the school was towards their project of a creation of an orchard, and they were both delighted that it became possible. They also gave a donation of £260 to Wooburn Residents Association, to assist with maintenance and new Christmas lights for Wooburn. We apologise for our error.

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