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Villages' GP surgeries merge

Bourne End & Wooburn Green Medical Centre is now officially launched

The partnerships of Hawthornden Surgery and Pound House Surgery have now officially merged to form the Bourne End & Wooburn Green Medical Centre.

All locations (Hawthornden, Pound House, and The Orchard) will retain their original names to avoid confusion over appointment locations.

Practice manager, Anne Ronan, told *Target*: "Unfortunately, because of a delay with BT running the line to connect Pound House to Hawthornden, there has been a delay in connecting the two clinical computer systems.

"The new date for this (and this is a firm date that will definitely not change again) is July 9.

We will need to clean up the two computer systems prior to this work being completed, and so we would ask that any requests for repeat prescriptions be made in the week commencing July 2.

On Friday July 6, both surgeries will run an emergency only service in the afternoon to allow the IT work to begin."

All patients will continue to have a 'usual GP', however this is largely a means of keeping paperwork evenly divided among the doctors according to the number of sessions that they work per week. This means patients will be free to see any doctor they choose and text messages and

emails will be sent out in July to confirm these changes.

In other surgery news, as mentioned in the last issue of *Target*, Hawthornden's Dr Peter Newman has now retired. The medical centre is delighted to announce Dr Raj Vaikunthanathan will be joining the partnership in August.

"Dr Vaikunthanathan is a very experienced GP as well as being a GP trainer who joins us from a practice in the Aylesbury area," says Anne.

"We expect to have a further partnership recruitment announcement in the coming weeks, so please keep an eye on the websites for further updates."

Thanks from Target

Many heartfelt thanks to the *Target* readers who have made donations to help with the upkeep of this community magazine.

We have had readers calling in at the community centre with donations, posting cheques and making direct transfers (see page 2 for information on how to do this). To steal a supermarket's catchphrase, 'every little helps'.

Like most regional publications *Target* is in a continuous struggle to make ends meet and while we have a suggested cover price of £1, in practise it is difficult for us to collect this money as our wonderful network of volunteers pop a copy through the letterbox of more than 5,000 local homes every two months whether they have paid or not.

We think £6 a year (£10 for two) represents fantastic value for money and we know that many local organisations rely on us to keep publishing so they can share their news locally (see page 27).

The sun shone for the Upper Thames Sailing Club Open Day in April and encouraged many newcomers to try out sailing and even join the club. See page 25 for more.



Parents and friends were invited to a royal tea party by 2nd Bourne End Brownies as they aimed for their Hostess Badge. They had red, white and blue handmade bunting, tables laid with fine china and royally decorated cakes.

Right: Brownies decorating cakes and left, Anna and Ellie ready to serve tea.





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BULL'S EYE

I'm always in awe of all the marathon runners who push through pain and exhaustion to run the gruelling 26.2 mile course writes editor Debra Aspinall. Well done to everyone who proved themselves at this year's event in April under heatwave conditions. Just a few days prior to the London event, our local running reverend, Janet Binns, vicar of St Nicholas and St Marks, donned her trainers and fulfilled a lifelong ambition to run the Boston Marathon in the United States of America, where the weather was somewhat different. Here is her report: "I was very happy when in September 2017 I secured a place in the 122nd Boston Marathon. It has been an ambition of mine for a long time to take part. In many ways Boston is not like other marathons. Firstly all applicants must achieve a qualifying time in a previous marathon. Secondly Boston is not a flat race; the rolling hills make it difficult to navigate.

The race took place on Monday April 16 this year and with all the training and planning I thought I was reasonably prepared, but what I did not contemplate was the variable weather conditions that Boston experiences.

In the past it has gone from very hot to very cold. The weather forecast for race day was not good, however nothing prepared me for the torrential rain, wind and freezing conditions from start to finish.

My time 4hrs 13 mins is by far the slowest marathon I have ever run, but as one lady told me, it was by far my biggest achievement as I didn't give up.

For me Boston is an amazing place; it was one amazing race, but more than anything a very humbling experience. We must plan, prepare and take advice but as human beings we are not in control of God's creation. In contrast just six days later the London marathon took place in what could only be described as a heatwave. Many runners abandoned their race, suffered from dehydration and heat stroke. Running marathons, I am told, is meant to stretch you to the limit.

I am so grateful to everyone who has sent me messages of support and to those of you who I know have been praying for me. Finally thank you to the Boston crowd who were just amazing. And yes, at mile 23.5 I decided this would be my last ever marathon, but will it be? Watch this space."



Reverend Janet Binns

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TARGET COMPETITION (page 40)

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WOOBURN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

By Margaret Amos
Secretary to the Association

I have been asked a few times recently, by people new to the area, what does Wooburn Residents' Association do? So I thought it about time we went public again on the aims of the association. This is our mission statement – converted into plain English. Please look on our website to see our full objectives at www.wooburnresidents.org.

We exist to bring residents together through organised and informal events. To keep an eye on planning applications (and object when necessary), work alongside the parish council, district and county council to ensure we keep the Wooburns as nice a place as possible and be a community we all want to be part of and enjoy.

And of course, our meetings are an opportunity for local friends to get together, over a pint or a glass of wine, in the Wooburn Club, for a chat about things going on in the village.

By the time you read this we will have had our social evening on May 14 when the chairman of Revive the Wye along with a member of the Friends of the Wye will be speaking on *10 years of Reviving the Wye*. Before this, our AGM will be taking place.

It is becoming obvious that for the association to thrive we need some new members with fresh ideas.

To continue with both our two very popular events; Wooburn fête and the Christmas lights event we need younger people to take an interest and assist. After all,

they are the ones who will benefit from giving up just a little time to attend a meeting.

We hear that most community groups in Wooburn are currently short of volunteers. Such a sad story. If you feel able to offer your skills, and/or however much time you are able to spare, a member of the association will be glad to speak to you at the Community Information Point and raffle stall at the fête in June, or contact us through our website.

Fencing of play area in Wooburn Park

The working party, set up by the parish council, has our Caroline Meechan as a member. They looked at the parks and open spaces in the parish and presented their report and recommendations to the Open Spaces Committee on April 6.

Recommendations in the report included toilets for Wooburn Park, fencing around the play area of Wooburn Park and fencing around the play area in Blind Lane Park. All the recommendations came from residents' responses to the survey which was available online, on paper from the clerk's office, and from talking to visitors to the parks between September 2017 and March 2018.

After some discussion the parish council Open Spaces Committee voted unanimously to agree with all the recommendations. Watch this space for further updates as work is done to put these in place.

Local History Walks in Wooburn

I have leaflets detailing six walks around Wooburn, written by the late Kath Dulley and Alan Stokes in 1999. They include much interesting local history. If anyone would like a copy please contact me on 01628 525033. We are charging £1 and will split the takings with St Paul's.

Our next meeting will be on Monday July 9, at 8pm, in The Wooburn Club. We look forward to seeing some new faces.

Be sure to look at the following:

Our website/Facebook/Wooburn News (an emailed monthly newsletter). For the latest news visit our website www.wooburnresidents.org and follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/wooburnresidents. For a copy of Wooburn News email Margaret Amos at margaretamos123@gmail.com. Contact can be made with the association through the website. Your contact details will not be shared.

Wooburn Fete – Saturday June 16, midday to 4pm, By Caroline Meechan

We are excited to be well on the way with planning this year's Wooburn Fête. It will host many of our regular events and activities plus some new attractions, including a circus workshop.

Supported by the local Scouts, Community Church, Made with Love, WI and Girl Guides, we also have some members of the community market offering their wares and other shopping opportunities.

Music will be provided by Maidenhead Concert Band throughout the afternoon with the addition of The Sappers' Singers and Dave Kimber on his DJ decks in between. Local school children will also perform.

Alongside these activities there will be an ample choice of barbecue food, doughnuts, ice creams, cakes and a lovely cup of tea or coffee.

The Red Lion and Victoria & Albert pubs will be very happy to quench people's thirst as well as welcoming visitors to use their toilet facilities.

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Just a few days ago, on my late night walk around the garden with our dog, I was musing over the subject for this article. Spring may have arrived late, but suddenly it had burst forth amazingly quickly. The incredible aroma of the lilac brought these pleasant thoughts to the fore. But now two things have broken the spell of me waxing lyrical.

The first of these was when I looked at the Wycombe District Council planning website at the application on Slate Meadow (18/05597/OUT).

Some 40 plus plans and other consultation reports made up the submitted evidence which the proposed developer hope will secure them an approval. However the developer might like to know that, in the last couple of weeks, the number of postings associated with this application has risen to over 300, with individual letters of objection in the majority.

Reading these neighbour comments the same theme arises time and time again. When will the council's officers, whose wages we pay, listen to the

collective voice of the local residents who say that the roads simply will not be able to cope with an expected 300 extra cars using Stratford Drive?

This situation would arise without the huge problem of children being delivered to St Paul's school for a 9am start and collected at 3pm.

For some reason we are told that outside of rush hour, or school start or finish time, the traffic is fine. Do we have to say again to the council officers that they need to be realistic. People do not travel in these times for the fun of it but out of necessity.

Problems with lack of doctor facilities and appointment waiting times is mentioned and that Bourne End and Wooburn will be all but joined up. The council has at last acknowledged that coalescence of the two communities is to be avoided.

However the computer generated images produced by the developer show that the meagre strip on the plan, as separation, does not work. As is to be expected, greed by the developer as to the number of homes to be built, which seems to be supported by the planning officers, inevitably means that far too small an area is left undeveloped.

The Slate Meadow Liaison Group is still actively trying to influence the outcome of this application. Our message is that members of the public should keep on writing to the council telling them, time and time again, how wrong this is for our area.

Remind the planning officers that there are huge infrastructure issues and that no decision should be

made before the Inspector looks at the issues in the New Local Plan. With both sites being no further than 75 yards apart Slate Meadow and Hollands Farm must relate to each other in the larger picture. The Inspector should be allowed to see this larger picture and make an overall decision.

The second happening which has changed the contents of this article is the sad news of the sudden death of Norman Christy.

Norman was the senior partner in a London-based accountancy company. Some 15 years ago Bourne End Residents Association became a limited company which meant we needed our accounts to be done professionally. Norman has done this for us, but at no cost. Similarly in keeping the day centre open the Friends of Bourne End Day Care Centre needed accounts and again Norman's company did this totally charitably.

Others will know of a group called The Squirrels who take around 100 elderly residents for a full Christmas lunch in Beaconsfield at no cost. A favourite event that gives so much to those who participate. For years Norman has been the leading figure in this charitable group.

For every person out there doing things to help our community there are always the unsung heroes. Norman Christy was one of the best among the unsung heroes, never looking for public recognition.

My words will be echoed by many other organisations and individuals who have benefitted from the quiet, but effective, fundraising done by Norman. He really loved to help.

Although approaching his 81st birthday Norman carried on working and was on his way to meet a client when he was taken ill and sadly died. He was also a dear friend of mine as well as a neighbour for the last 40 years.

So Norman, rest in peace, you have certainly earned the right to be able to do exactly that. We will miss you, and, as he always said when we parted company "Bless you".

Once again, thank you for reading this article and, as always, feel free to give me a call.

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I should learn never to tempt fate. In my last missive I mentioned the lack of floods. Well, they came, albeit that they were mainly contained within the banks, nevertheless the river was closed for traffic for quite a few weeks. This encompassed the Easter weekend which is traditionally the commencement of the 'season' and instead of taking millions of pounds from the river trade we probably sold one can of Coke, or to put it another way we didn't sell any sun tan lotion!

I am late in my scribings unfortunately, as ever, so it's early May now and the river has burst into life with some sunnier and higher temperature weather than the average for this time of year. Yes, you've guessed it the whole boating world 'wants it yesterday' and the millions we lost at Easter is pouring in to the till. We are also catching up on the maintenance work on the boats we have out of the water. I trust the famine is over, let the feast begin. Matty and Chaos don't know what's hit them.

I don't know how it happened, but Chaos managed to outsmart me and took a week's leave. He decided to go boating when the river was red boarded and went downstream towards Teddington. I believe he managed to get down there in under 24 hours with his mate water-skiing off the back as the flow was so great. However, it was a case of he couldn't get back upstream, he had to secure the services of a tug to tow him to Sunbury where he was able to moor up. He had to cycle home after abandoning the boat which he subsequently was able to recover some two weeks later. With all due respect to Chaos, who works on the river, you'd have thought he would take heed of the river conditions. Obviously not.

We welcome Jack Whitehead as the Saturday Boy (oops, should I say Saturday Person?) this year from a life of leisure and home comforts courteously provided by mum and dad. He has mastered the art of painting the bottom of boats and learning how to deal with customers. I hope his parents master the art of getting

paint out of new polo shirts. It would also be handy if they sewed up his trouser pockets, or shorten his arms. It was Jack's misfortune to find the missing person from Spade Oak the other weekend while checking the moorings. Truly a baptism of fire. Our thoughts are with the family of the gentleman concerned.

Following the longest Winter on record and then the sudden increase in temperature and improvements in the river conditions the boat owners suddenly want to use their boats. It's somewhat inconsiderate of them. This has generated an unprecedented demand on our boat work resources. Unfortunately not all the boats have been ready in time. One problem that we face is that when we order supplies/equipment required for the work the suppliers are not as fast as they used to be in supplying the requested item. They do not seem to maintain adequate stock levels and often we must wait until they have secured a production run to produce the item. This must be a sign of the times, nevertheless it embarrasses us as it may seem that we are not doing what we should be in terms of time scales. At the end of the day we wish to complete the works in good time and issue our invoice.

I have heard a few comments that Matty has lost a few pounds. I like to think that this is the result of the efforts he is putting into his work. Chaos has also shed a bit, but I know he's going down to the gym. Matty must be working harder or is there another reason Matty?

The warmer weather has also brought out some idiots. We have noticed that we have had abusive drug taking groups visiting and there have been incidents of these people threatening some of our neighbours, even while in their properties.

I just wish to state that we will not tolerate such behaviour in the marina and advise that we are on first name terms with the local constabulary. Any such behaviour occurring within the marina will result in the police being called. We will always look to protect

people in the marina who we feel are being threatened. I also wish to advise that we have regular visits from patrol cars, also out of business hours, just checking that nothing untoward is happening. They also check the rear car park for those who are looking for somewhere quiet to carry out certain types of illicit transactions.

The Bounty is open again which is always good news for us. Besides the obvious, this is because it draws boats like a siren drawing the old ships on to the rocks, in bygone days.

Why this is good for us is that the boats can pop over for our services while they are in the area, also there are occasions that they breakdown and need repairing especially if they catch pieces of rope on the river bed that become wrapped around their props which results in us firing up the crane.

For those who keep asking, Rocky is NOT the Bounty dog, he's the marina guard dog. I simply don't understand why people think he lives there. To clarify this point his dad, Tyson, lives there and therefore is the pub dog.

On the subject of licenced premises, I would like to reiterate that the restaurant in the marina is still closed and unfortunately will be for the foreseeable future. The reason that I mention this is that we still have many people coming down wanting a meal or alcoholic beverage, the only two riverside premises on the river in this area are The Bounty over the river and the Ferry at Cookham, please don't drive here expecting it to be open.

I better get back to bossing the boys to ensure they crack out the work load on time. Maybe I'll have an ice cream first. We're all hoping for a great season this year, fingers crossed for hot weather this time. We hope to see you all down here enjoying the river.

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Mountains to frozen wastes

Ralph Durbridge has a wide experience of expeditions to extreme areas of the world and he talked about some of these at a centre talk on Thursday April 12. Beforehand there was time for a chat with the ladies who make sure the tickets are sold and everyone is seated comfortably. Left to right are Linda, Sarah and Tracey with Ralph.

These days the closest Ralph gets to ice is serving local youngsters with ice-cream sundaes in his coffee shop and snack bar at Bourne for Desserts on The Parade in Bourne End.

When needed he is still consulted by groups undertaking extreme expeditions and occasionally finds time for a quick trip to the mountains. "Great to have been there" Ralph told *Target* "but I love the world of coffee, cakes and ice-creams these days."



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Councillor Resignation

We are sad to report that Cllr. Mark Ellis has decided to stand down from the parish council. Mark was co-opted onto the council in June 2013 and represented the Wooburn Town ward. He joined the Planning, Highways & Lighting Committee and was a wealth of information regarding older/listed properties. Mark was also vice chairman of the planning committee from May 2017. Mark will be missed by everyone and we all wish him every success in the future.

We now have two vacancies on the parish council, one for the Wooburn Town ward and one for the Bourne End ward. If you are interested in becoming a councillor or would like to know more about what being a councillor entails please contact Malcolm Silver (clerk) on 01628 522827 or email him at clerk@wooburnparish.gov.uk

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Our Neighbourhood Development Plan continues to take shape and the draft can be viewed on our website www.wooburnparish.gov.uk

Having an NDP approved by parish constituents via a public referendum means it has legal status and becomes a part of the planning framework that local authorities must follow.

It also means that we can attract increased funding from the local authorities in the form of the Community Infrastructure Levy. We can then use the money on infrastructure projects within the parish to improve the community. This is our opportunity to help shape the future of our villages.

The closing date for comments on the

Neighbourhood Development Plan consultation has been extended to July 10. Comments to clerk@wooburnparish.gov.uk, 01628 522827 or in person at PC office on Town Lane, HP10 0PS.

The working party will amend the draft plan to reflect residents' thoughts and suggestions. This revised plan will be submitted to the council for approval and then go forward to independent examination for a referendum of all residents.

Once approved by a majority of residents, it becomes a legal document that the council must consider in all planning applications.

Your vote to approve the neighbourhood plan is very important to make this document a legal part of the planning framework as it could have a profound and positive impact on any and all future development. Please check our website and notice boards for further updates.

Parks and Play Areas Consultation

The Parks and Play Areas Working Party was tasked with reviewing all of the parks and play areas in the parish with a view to looking at their issues and general usage. Working party members walked the areas and spoke to park users and a survey was conducted for all park users to submit their thoughts and suggestions. Below is a summary of the review and recommendations. These recommendations were submitted to council and approved for actioning. Full details of the consultation can be found on our website www.wooburnparish.gov.uk

SUMMARY OF REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Blind Lane Rec

- 1 Erect a fence around play equipment
- 2 Install more/imaginative play equipment
- 3 Educate residents re the unhealthy/antisocial aspects of dog poo

Bourne End Rec

- 1 Educate residents re the unhealthy/antisocial aspects of dog poo
- 2 Erect a fence around the play equipment



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- 3 Install more/imaginative play equipment

Wooburn Park

- 1 Erect a fence around the play equipment
- 2 Install a toilet (already approved)
- 3 Educate residents re the unhealthy/antisocial aspects of dog poo
- 4 Educate residents re the antisocial aspects of bad dog behaviour

Wooburn Green: Add another dog poo bin

Warren: Install a handrail near steps

Farm Wood: Install an additional dog poo bin

Dalton's Path: Review of ease of access to river

Cherwell Green: Review dog poo bin and tree at an angle

Short & Sweet

Just a quick reminder to Wooburn Town Allotment holders that your annual rent renewal payments for 2018-2019 are due into the office by the first of July. The renewal notices will be with you all by mid-June.

Meeting Dates 2018:

Full Council: June 26, July 24, September 25
Open Spaces, Allotments & Burials: June 5, July 3, September 4
Planning, Highways & Lighting: May 30, June 20, July 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

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Parish Council Awards

Tony Wright, from Cards & Gifts on The Parade in Bourne End, took the award for the best shop front in the village from parish council chairman, Sue Wagner (picture above). Dolce won the Wooburn award.

The Peggs Allotment award went to Diana Fergusson on her first year as an allotment holder (picture below). She loves the peace and quiet at Peggs. The award for Wooburn Town went to Pier Poli. A photo of his allotment will be in the next *Target*.



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KATHY HUTCHINSON RIP

Kathy Hutchinson will be remembered for her spontaneous smile. That smile shone out from her funeral card as family, friends and footballers packed St Dunstan's Church for her funeral on Tuesday March 27.

Kathy died aged 63 and the congregation celebrated the life of this special lady with a lovely service packed with memories of her life.

Born in a suburb of Bournemouth, Kathy and her family moved to High Wycombe in 1970. She joined the Bucks Free Press in 1974. Three

months later Alan joined the paper and the two met. In January 1975 they worked together for the first time when Wycombe Wanderers were drawn at home to Middlesborough, then top of the old First Division, in Round Three of the FA Cup.

In 1979 Alan decided to open his own business and moved into a new development at Bourne End, launching Crocks and Crystal. Kathy joined the company a month before opening to look after the finances and general running. The very successful business ran for 18 years. Alan and Kathy were married in 1990 and she became stepmother to Alan's two sons Geoffrey and Richard. Her affection for the local community saw her join the parish council where she served for a number of years.

When she wasn't working and running the family Kathy found time to support Alan in his voluntary role with Wycombe Wanderers. She was a valuable worker around the football club when Alan took over as the club secretary. She continued an active behind-the-scenes role when he became media boss for the Blues. In 1998 she won a football league award for providing the best Press Room and looking after journalists and photographers.

It was in that unpaid role where she came in regular contact with Martin O'Neill during his time as manager. The former Wycombe boss was among the first to pay tribute. "Such sad, sad news. My heart goes out to Hutch. Kathy was so loyal to him in every respect and she will be sorely missed by not only her family but by all at the club."

When Alan set in motion the formation of an ex-players association Kathy was there and eventually took over the role of treasurer. To celebrate Kathy's life current manager Gareth Ainsworth, Keith Ryan, Steve Guppy, Glynn Creaser, Keith Scott and Matt Crossley helped carry in the coffin. In all there were six generations of former WWFC players attending from the 1950s to 2000s. A total of 160 attended the service.

Having sold their gift business Kathy eventually joined William Hands Furniture in High Wycombe as a credit controller. A position she held for 21 years.

Kathy's smile would lighten any room. Her death came too soon but her memory will live on. May she rest in peace.

Our picture shows Kathy with husband Alan (left) and (right) antiques expert and football supporter Eric Knowles



DAVE MASSON RIP

Dave was the very tall postman with a Scottish accent and a cheery greeting for everyone. Even in retirement he was always known as the tall postman, and, of course, husband of Janis.

They celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary a few days before he died aged 77 at the end of April.

Residents of Orchard House will miss him, his skill as an artist and his support for their activities. After completing a wonderful picture on all sides of an old cupboard Dave went on to join the art group at Orchard House and share his artistic skill. He had a great eye for detail and loved painting birds, animals and nature.

Earlier this year Dave was ill with stomach problems but, after treatment, he rallied and was on the road to recovery.

Then he was taken into Wycombe hospital with pneumonia and died a few days later. "Everyone treated him so well" said Janis, "and made sure he was always comfortable. He died with dignity."

For many years Dave was happy to deliver *Target* around the flats in Selbourne House and Orchard House. He will be missed by wife Janis and his many friends in Orchard House.

Plumbers have vital role in special TV project

Red Van Plumbers of Wessex Road played an important role in transforming the home of a police officer injured in the Westminster Bridge terrorist attack.

A major project for DIY SOS in 2017 (and shown in March 2018) it included installing a lift up the outside of the house so the wheelchair-bound police officer Kris Aves could get upstairs to read a bedtime story to his children.

Jack Ward, one of Red Vans youngest engineers, was there for nine long days. He's in the middle of the picture here and said: "Working on DIY SOS was an experience I will never forget. Being able to offer my skills to someone in Kris' situation was truly incredible.

"It was great to see that he and his family were clearly going to benefit massively as a result of everyone's goodwill and effort. I found working with the DIY SOS team and all the other trades totally inspirational and it made me realise how lucky most of us are. I feel extremely privileged to have been involved in helping to improve life for Kris and his family."

Red Van Plumbers were involved in installing the central heating, boiler, bathroom and kitchen. Their three engineers had to oversee and co-ordinate several trades. Red Van had a technical design team and an operations manager to help the BBC DIY SOS team come up with the designs and ensure everything ran as smoothly as possible.



Paul, one of Red Vans senior engineers and pictured here on the left with Nick Nkowlles, said: "Everyone was really friendly and everyone was getting along considering how many people were crammed into a small space.

"The DIY SOS team were



l-r Paul Lewis, Jack Ward and Conna Green

great and there was plenty of banter among all the trades. It was very challenging at times and the pressure was certainly on due to the deadline.

"We had to work around other trades, but we all helped each other out. We were there handling all the plumbing and heating requirements, but we all picked up a paint brush, dustpan and brush or helped other trades get new materials around the house or the old stuff into the skip."

After all the hard work, the excitement was seeing the faces of Kris, his wife and family, and knowing there would be a programme to tell the tale.

For the team involved this will be one recorded programme marked 'Do Not Delete'.

Sandra's memorial update

Great news! An artistic blacksmith, who creates beautifully in metal, will be making this memorial to our very special post lady.

We are expecting the work to be completed towards the end of June.

Then we need to arrange a plinth outside the library where the memorial can be seen and enjoyed.

More details in the August/September issue of *Target* when we hope to invite everyone to an official unveiling on a sunny afternoon.

Then there will be a chance to chat, remember and recall someone very special. No final date yet but look out for the news in the August/September issue.



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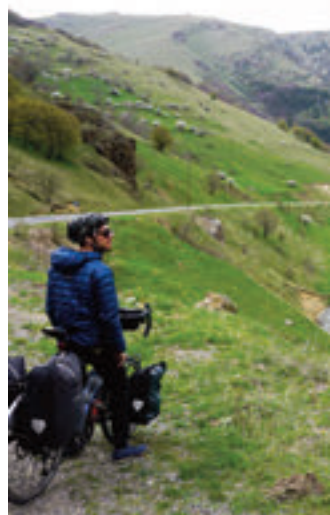
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Bourne End resident Pedr Charlesworth brings us up to date on his epic cycle ride across the world, raising funds for Endometriosis UK in the process. Pedr, aged 23 of Wendover Road, started his marathon journey in January. All being well it will end in Sydney next year.

If change really is the spice of life, then the last three months on the road have promoted me from a korma to a Last Viceroy vindaloo. Three months have passed since that first pedal stroke propelled me on my journey to Sydney Australia. It has taken a good few more to bring me to the north-eastern reaches of Turkey, where luscious green 2000m peaks descend into the shores of the Black Sea. Just two days of cycling lie between me and the Georgian border, and reflecting on the previous two months since I last wrote in Target (I was in Vienna) a lot has happened!

Eastern Europe greeted me with warm smiles balanced by equally cold climes. The mercury plummeted as the Siberian winds descended on Europe - remember those? Days were spent cycling immersed in -15°C, often faced with unkempt roads submerged beneath feet of freshly laid snow. I would be reduced to pushing my bike, feet wet, harbouring an inability to see the funny side of things. Whenever that was the case a friendly face would beckon me in out

of the cold, warm me up with a healthy glass of home-brew Palinka and give me a bed for the night. Equipped with a mouth full of fire from the brew, conversation came easy and soon blew away any previous preconceptions of this side of the continent.

In the midst of the bitter cold I was taken in by one such 'stranger' on a family farm in southern Hungary. Temperatures were a brisk -21°C the previous night, making me more than thankful for a place to stay. To my surprise I found another young Brit like myself taking refuge from the cold; his bike directed for India. In the most unlikely of places we shared stories over local wine, laughing about our experiences on our journeys. We rode together through the Balkans. Despite winter maintaining an icy grip over the trip for the following weeks, everything seemed easier as a pair. The packs of angry wild dogs that give chase even lost their bite.

All of a sudden we skipped a season. The snow switched to sun and I have never felt such affection for sunburnt skin. Despite my Celtic genes letting me down on this front, nothing could distract me from the novelties of this new country. For starters tea, or Çay as they call it, unlike the rest of Europe, is actually drinkable. Prayer songs boom from the minarets of mosques, waking you up in your tent even in the depths of the forests and cheap food is actually good food. Women would shout at us from their windows in what sounded like angry Turkish, only to bring down a tray of home-cooked Baclava. I had no idea what was going on, but I was loving every second of it, until it came to seeing them drive...

Let's say, cycling into Istanbul, a metropolis with a 20 million strong population is anything but boring. More than a few heated verbals were dished out as we were forced to weave through the city's notorious traffic. But a quick glance over the blue Bosphorus water revealed what would be the next adventure for the rest of the year: Asia.

If you fancy reading more details about my journey so far, you can follow the whole thing at www.pedrcharlesworth.com



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Tina lines up for Wycombe Wanderers photo



By the time this issue of *Target* is published the football season will be over and Wycombe Wanderers will be able to record an exciting year with good and great games along with the occasional blip.

For football supporters there's no doubt that certain events will remain uppermost in our memory. For Tina Davies (pictured far right) it will certainly be the day she took the game ball onto the pitch at the start of the match against Cambridge United at Adams Park.

Lining up with daughter Charlotte, team captains, officials, mascots and facing the Frank Adams Stand she loved every moment of a very special occasion. Here was one for the album.

Tina and Charlotte have been keen supporters of Wycombe Wanderers for years. Wearing another hat Tina is married to Les of Bourne End's hardware shop and a great advocate of using local shops and businesses.

"It's like the football club" she said "they need the support just as Bourne End and Wooburn need people to support and use what they have to offer."

One all draw was the result on the day.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Wycombe Wanderers on a great season, some wonderful matches, occasional dark despair to end promoted to League Division One. Let's hear it for the manager, team, supporters, club officials and everyone who rallied to the cry "Come on you Blues!"



Local
RNLI
hero:

*Peter
Smith,
model
maker*

Peter lives in Bourne End in the same house he was born 71 years ago. He makes scale models of the Royal Carriages at a scale of 1.5 inches to 1 foot.

All measurements are in imperial not metric as the carriages themselves are all built to imperial specification, in intricate and precise detail.

The models are built in the same materials as the originals; the paints he uses come from Buckingham Palace and the silks are sourced from local, mostly Indian, shops.

He has been making the models since 1977 and they are exact replicas, right down to the number of buttons on leather seats and coats of arms. Coach ceilings are in silk and the Irish State Carriage has an Indian sunburst pattern that you can only see by opening the working door and shining a torch inside. Each coach takes close to a year to build and he has made more than a dozen.

Peter travels all over the country giving talks on the history and use of the carriages and uses his models to illustrate. His skill has been recognised by the Royal family. He has met the Queen, Prince Philip and Princess Anne and is a regular visitor to the Royal Mews in London and Windsor to measure and check details of the original carriages.

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Ann and Rod Taylor RIP

Settling in Bourne End the young Ann and Rod Taylor spent more than 50 years living in the house called Little Mell on the Abbotsbrook estate. They watched their family grow, later held compulsory family parties and each became familiar individuals in the Bourne End community. Eventually the need for more care saw them leave the home they had known since 1966.

Rod was born in Newcastle and from the outset he had an interest in chemistry going on to study at UCL and then working for a number of engineering companies. He enjoyed writing scientific papers, especially on the subject of global warming, which he vehemently challenged. His writings interested Sir Patrick Moore who phoned to say "It's purely due to the sun Mr Taylor, purely the sun."

Ann was born near Eastbourne in 1930 and she was evacuated to Hertfordshire in 1942 where she won a scholarship to attend St Albans High. Ancient Greek was one of her subjects which she took up again in later life. In 1948 she moved to St Bartholomew's Hospital in London to study nursing. She would have loved to do medicine, but the country needed good nurses.

After engineering a date with Rod the couple eventually married in 1953 and their four children were born over the next 12 years. The couple moved around the country depending on whichever engineering project employed Rod's special talents.

After they moved to Bourne End and their youngest child had started junior school, Ann was recruited by the Hawthornden Surgery to join them as practice nurse, a position she held for 17 years and was highly regarded by both doctors and patients alike.

They joined St Mark's Church where they sang in the choir and Rod became church warden for many years. Ann loved gardening, grew fruit and vegetables and continued to use her expertise at calligraphy. She also played tennis, was a great cook and active fundraiser for the Red Cross. Rod continued to be involved in scientific matters and was a keen astronomer. Together they were members of the St Mark's team in the On Target Quiz at the community centre – and did very well!

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Rod and Ann Taylor

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Down on the river, in the grounds of a beautiful home, Hedsor Fair on June 30 will have all the familiar features including boat trips, music, stalls, strawberries, tea and cakes. In addition there will be games to challenge the throwing arm and sense of direction.

Wooburn Green hosts its own fair on June 16 with all the traditional stalls, country dancing, a variety of food and the united voices of Sappers Singers. Not to be missed and comfortably safe on its green island in the middle of the village.

Claytons School will try something different this year on June 30 (from 1pm to 9pm) with their own festival style fair called Claytonbury.

All day music with food and a host of tantalising entertainments – then there are craft stalls, face painting, circus skills and a DJ workshop.

Everywhere you look there are fairs, whether at churches or schools, nurseries and residential homes – you cannot miss the Summer fun of the fair.

Check out dates and posters on this page, on noticeboards or social media.

Fairs are all part of Summer.

Wooburn Residents' Association
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She sees clients who are suffering from fatigue, weight gain or bloating: "or are just sick and tired of feeling sick and tired." And says nutritional therapy can help by addressing the root cause of symptoms. "Often the smallest dietary modifications can give the greatest results when they are realistic and achievable."

As well as an initial consultation, she offers functional testing to help get to the bottom of a health problem.

"The advice I give is backed by scientific evidence and I take pride in keeping myself updated through my research and application," she says.

Therapy sessions take place at her private space in Bourne End and she also runs workshops and events in and around the area for groups including staff wellness days and giving advice on choosing the right foods for you and your family.

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National Trust celebrates an inspirational Soroptimist: Rose Simbo

As part of this year's celebration to mark the centenary of women first achieving the vote in Britain, the National Trust is not only commemorating the lives of powerful historical women, but also telling the story of inspirational women working in the community today.

SI Thames Valley nominated their member Rose Simbo for her work setting up the Kori Charity in Sierra Leone, to which many Soroptimists throughout the country have sent contributions or donations of all kinds.

At a special meeting in the Orangery at the National Trust's Cliveden in Taplow, the nominees were invited to speak about their achievements.

These nominees were very varied; from founders of new charities, of mental health groups, from marathon runners to one woman who had rowed around England for charity. Each gave a short speech on her work and members of SI Thames Valley, who were there to support Rose, were delighted to have a special publicity spot in Rose's speech as she highlighted how Soroptimists rally round to support her whenever they can.

The meeting ended with a torchlight walk through the grounds to see an exhibition which will be open to the general public featuring all the nominees involved and will run from now until July 13. It was indeed an inspirational evening.



Award winning Wooburn tennis club

Wooburn Park Lawn Tennis Club was delighted to hear from the Lawn Tennis Association, that they were the regional winner of a British Tennis Award for the Eastern Region, which comprises the 10 counties of Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Cambridgeshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire and Suffolk.

The award for Community Venue of the Year was competed for by several hundred clubs across the 10 counties and is judged against the following criteria:-

- Has seen a growth in people playing tennis over the past year, and provides excellent customer service to its participants
- Has strong leadership or leadership team with a strong focus on financial sustainability
- Has a strong presence in the local community and is inclusive of all ages, abilities and backgrounds
- Uses innovation and technology for running a successful venue

Wooburn Park Lawn Tennis Club has seen a

significant increase in membership (to more than 300 including more than 100 juniors) over the past three years since the rebuilding of the clubhouse and the installation of a new fourth court in 2015.

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Annual Parish Meeting

We were delighted to see so many residents at our recent Annual Parish Meeting. It gave us an opportunity to meet with our parishioners and review the previous year's successes. The council is justifiably proud of what has been achieved in the past year. We now have set ourselves tough targets for 2018/19.

Improvements to community facilities

It is great to see that improvements at Abbotsbrook Hall have been favourably received and we look forward to moving forward with the refurbishment of The Pavilion.

The Pavilion is a lovely old cricket pavilion, but is now in a desperate need of some TLC. As home to the council offices, Little Marlow Cricket Club, Little Marlow Preschool and Little Marlow and Well End WI along with a number of other organisations – this building gets a lot of wear and tear and storage is at a premium.

We hope to decorate inside and out, improve the storage for users of The Pavilion, improve access to the loft and improve the kitchen – but we can't do all this work with the precept we currently have.

The council resolved to apply to the Public Works Loan Board for the sum of £20,000. As part of our loan application we need to undertake a public

consultation. We have created a short survey and we would be delighted if parishioners would spare five minutes to complete it.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BHLF5VJ>

Fern Lane Cemetery

The cemetery looks beautiful at this time of year with the bluebells being in full bloom. The Spring flowers were late this year and still looked stunning in late May.

It is important that the cemetery is a safe place to visit and work in and the council undertook its annual topple test and we found a number of memorials which weren't fixed properly and needed to be laid down to be safe.

Should you visit your relative's grave and your memorial has been moved, please contact the council on 01628 890301 and we can discuss the relevant repairs.

Please remember that the chapel is available to hire for services prior to internments. It is a small chapel, but perfectly formed, and can hold up to 25 people.

Permissive Path by Spade Oak Lake

Spade Oak Lake and the neighbouring field have been sold by Tarmac. We had a Permissive Path Agreement with Tarmac and the previous owners,

La Farge, to access this land. We are in correspondence with the new owner and we hope that this Permissive Path Agreement can be re-instigated and this lovely piece of land will remain accessible for our parishioners to enjoy.

Allotments

We still have a number of vacant plots at our allotment site in Chapman Lane, Well End. There are a variety of different plot sizes in varying degrees of cultivation. Should you be interested, please contact the clerk for further information 01628 890301.

Notice of Meetings:

All held at The Pavilion.

Annual Council Meeting May 29 at 7.30pm

Full Council Meetings: May 29, July 10 at 8pm

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Parish councillor Katie Lamb's environmental update



Summer Days and the Village Show

With all this sunshine, and then rain, everything seems to have woken up and started to grow like crazy. So the rangers have not only been working on big projects like the extension to the upper garden of remembrance and the cemetery, but have also started grass cutting, and grass cutting, and yes a bit more grass cutting, as well as keeping on top of all the other jobs that need doing in this busy Summer season.

Talking about things growing I'm sure all you allotment holders and gardeners have been planting out all your seeds, which if you are anything like me have taken over every windowsill for weeks now. If you have planted runner beans maybe you could enter your longest one into the Village Show.

This year the Village Show will be held on Sunday September 9 and plans are already afoot. We'll have all the normal traditional games like splat the rat, and a coconut shy.

We have a pony and trap booked to give everyone rides around the park as well as Morris Dancers and a brass band. We are looking for more stall holders to join the craft area and vintage car or bike owners to drive out and park up in our vintage car area. You may win and go home with the cup for 'Car I would most like to take home'.

If you are a local charity or organisation why not get in touch and run one of our games to raise money for your cause as well as telling people what you do.

Rebellion Beer are running a beer tent and we have a barbecue planned and an ice cream van booked as well as lots of stalls selling cakes and goodies to tempt you.

As well as the longest runner bean we have prizes for the funniest shaped fruit or vegetable. If flowers are more your thing you could enter your best bloom in the perfect dahlia class or the biggest sunflower head. We also have a class for a vase of home grown flowers. If you are a baker or chutney maker we have categories for the best jam or chutney, or how about the British favourite; best Victoria sponge cake or biscuits of your choosing.

For the under 12-year-olds the best biscuit baked or six matching cup cakes for the bakers or, if art and craft is more their thing, how about a garden in a shoe box or best picture made out of pasta? For the adult art and craft lovers we have best picture in any medium of a parish scene.

Let's hope the sun stays shining and we have lots of bright and sunny days to enjoy our gardens and open spaces; don't forget the sun cream.

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NEWSLETTER

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TABLE TENNIS

Table tennis group coaching is now available for juniors aged 8 to 14 years. Beginners and intermediates are all welcome.

It is held at Flackwell Heath Community Centre on Tuesday from 4pm to 5pm and 5pm to 6pm, and Saturday 4pm to 5pm.

Coaching will be provided by Tony Jackson, an England Table Tennis Association Level 1 Qualified Coach.

The one hour sessions cost £5 per session based on a six week course (6 x £5 = £30) payable in advance to the club.

To enrol or for further details contact Tony 07900 927 909 or email: tonyj_jackson@yahoo.co.uk

SPORTSFEST'25

Sportsfest'25 our annual football tournament is on Saturday June 9.

Sportsfest is run by our football section and was created 25 years ago to bring the community together through sport and give young people leadership opportunities.

Up to 150 teams from under 7s through to under 15s will be playing, and there is a structured training session for our junior kickers and guest teams from across Europe will be taking part.

Follow this link to find all the details: <http://sportsfest-bejsc.co.uk>

If some of your family are not into football there are various other stalls and plenty of choice for food and drink.

ANNUAL PRIZEGIVING

Our annual prizegiving event is on Friday June 29.

This special event recognises the sporting achievements of our club members and encourages those who try their very best to improve their skills in their chosen sport.

It also gives us an opportunity to thank our wonderful volunteers.

We look forward to welcoming our

guest this year Brendan Creed, GB Hockey Player and bronze medal winner 2018 Commonwealth Games.

It takes place at Hedsor Social Club, Hedsor Road, Bourne End at 7pm so do come along and learn more about what we do.

It is an opportunity for all members to see and hear about all the sports we offer. Our club is quite unique and offers so much for children and young people.

DIRECTOR/TRUSTEE WANTED

We still need a director/trustee. If you could spare a little time to meet four times a year to continue the success of this club then please get in touch. Or just to call and find out what is involved.



NEW WEBSITE

Our new website is under construction. Please be patient while the work goes on. Remember we are all volunteers with limited experience and time.

Perhaps YOU can help us with this? Please get in touch if you can.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT IN AID OF ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY

Following on the success of his last fundraising tournament (see page 25) Oli Lawrie is staging another event on

Saturday June 9 from 4.30pm at the sports hall raising money for a worthy cause, the Alzheimer's Society.

Oli says: "Before I head up to university in September I'm holding another event to raise some much needed funds for the Alzheimer's Society, however this time the main focus is on increasing awareness about the disease and its consequences.

"Along with three teams playing in a much more elite-style tournament, I will also be running a few information sessions for anyone coming down to become what's called a Dementia Friend."

More information about the dementia friends initiative can be found here:

<https://www.dementiafriends.org.uk/>

If you would like to donate to this event go to:

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Sports on offer to club members

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**For information on clubs using our premises please contact the sports hall www.bejsc.co.uk
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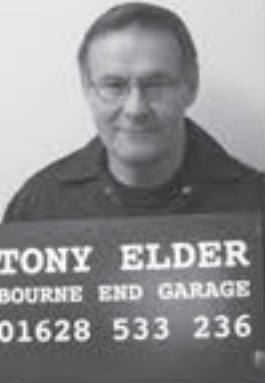
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Focus on sport at academy's Evening of Excellence

Headteacher Andrea Jacobson opened the Evening of Excellence at Bourne End Academy with an admission that her football loyalty was with Premier League side Tottenham. She then went on to admit that the school's U12 footballers had given her a chance to attend a cup final – something Spurs had failed to do – so far.

Then it was time for the young sporting stars to shine as they were presented with certificates while there was continuous applause from a hall packed with parents and friends. Year by Year they came up to the stage to accept gold, silver or bronze awards followed by the team manager's Player of the Season.

Sports started with dance, in which Bourne End Academy excels. Then badminton, basketball, trampolining, athletics, cricket, tennis, netball and football.

As usual the students took their audience through special events. This time it was Global Rock 2018 where the dance team won a variety of awards. Then for the footballers it was being a Bucks County Cup Finalist.

Special guest was Alistair Patrick-Heselton whose football career has been a rollercoaster ride of high achievement, coping with injury and personal tragedy to winning a silver medal in paralympic seven-a-side football at the London event in 2012. Here was a football achiever with a message for the students.

As a schoolboy he played at Wycombe Wanderers then joined Queens Park Rangers and Oldham where he suffered a cruciate ligament injury. Better, but now out of contract, he played non-league football for two years before he suffered major head

injuries following an accident that killed his best friend.

After a miraculous recovery he decided to give up football and trained to be a quantity surveyor. But football was his passion and he was delighted to hear that he could play for England's Cerebral Palsy football team at the Paralympics. Just don't head the ball was the medical advice.

Today he plays regularly wearing protective headwear. While he admits to having a good touch he knows he's not the greatest player in a team. His achievements come from mentoring young footballers and being happy to explain how you need to realise your potential. That was his message to the students.

Alistair's easy manner and constant smile were his endearing qualities. He presented leadership and community awards then for county, national and international representation.

Finally there were dedicated sports person awards. After the pictures he was happy to chat with the students.

Our pictures show: (back row l-r) Michael Croker, Ben McKenzie, Alistair Patrick-Heselton and Nyle Goldston. Front row l-r: Chloe Dodge, Anya Gvero, Rebecca Campbell

Right: Michael Croker, an all-round sports student having won certificates in badminton, football, athletics and tennis with Alistair Patrick-Heselton



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Emerald celebration

Anniversaries are made for celebrating – that's the view of Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society – and so tables were decorated in emerald green, helpers found green tops and green bunting hung along white cloths on the table with the beautifully decorated cake saying that this was for 55 years.

Outside in the car park it was grey and rainy while in the Eghams Room at the community centre it was all sunshine and flowers, with a little magic thrown in. The magician Simon Alexander toured the tables making rings and watches disappear then reappear. While everyone enjoyed high tea his short session of magic roped in helpers from the flower club.

Cake cutting time had president, Iris Butterfield, slicing through the icing like this was a regular event. Then it was handed over to Pat for the portion control which meant everyone had a slice. Time then to introduce Brenda Copas and her take on traditional and contemporary flower arranging.

While cutting and placing the greens from her garden Brenda gave everyone a potted history of the club. She remembered outside competitions, arriving with three youngsters and telling them to 'stay' while mummy did this arrangement – and won first prize. She spoke about the



annual show which took place every year and the honour of being selected to create flower arrangements in Westminster Abbey.

Brenda's displays were the top raffle prizes followed by the table decorations and



then it was time to find macs and brollies to depart for home. Before that there was time to read out congratulations from the national association, tell everyone about the next monthly demonstration at the community centre along with the September outing to Dorchester Abbey.

Our pictures show: The anniversary cake, Brenda Copas with her traditional display and magician Simon with an emerald-clad helper.

Cores End church 250th celebrations

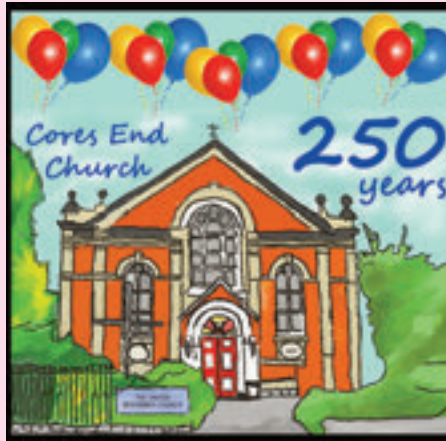
The church began its 250th anniversary celebrations on Sunday May 6, when worship was led by one of the church's previous ministers, Julian Macro. Afterwards there was a shared lunch, giving everyone time to chat to friends old and new.

Julian was ordained at Cores End in 1968 and is celebrating his 50th anniversary of ordination later this year.

The weekend continued with a community Fun Day on the Bank Holiday Monday.

There will be a series of special services (starting at 10.30am) followed by lunch on the first Sundays of the month during the year. Worship on June 6 will be led by Leslie Husselbee (who was minister from 1988 to 1992). All are very warmly welcome.

As part of the anniversary celebrations, the church hopes to produce a booklet of people's memories of events at Cores End. If you or a family member have memories to share (recent or



long ago) we would be very glad to hear from you. Contributions should be sent to the church by mid August. We hope to have a booklet available by mid October.

Looking ahead to Cookham Regatta 2018

Cookham Regatta is organised by the Rotary clubs of Cookham Bridge and Marlow Thames. It is a great family day out with all profits to Rotary-designated charities.

In 2017 the regatta raised nearly £14,000 and the proceeds will be distributed to a range of local and international charities, such as the Alzheimers & Dementia Support Group, Thames Valley Adventure playground, Wye Valley Volunteers, People to Places etc.

This year the regatta will be held on Saturday September 1.

It will be the 30th anniversary of the new series of regattas launched by Cookham Bridge Rotary Club and local river enthusiasts in 1988. The regatta dates back well over a hundred years before 1888 to the late Victorian period, when ladies dressed in long skirts demonstrated their skills in punts

Races are in dragon-boats team of 11, Canoe-cats, team of seven. In addition there is the unique Cookham Challenge, a competition for a mixed team of 16, involving dragon-boat and canoe-cat races, plus landside competitions; volleyball, funny walk and tug-of-war. Competitors range from the fit and experienced to the local pub, club teams or just friends out for a bit of fun. The entry form is available on the website www.cookhamregatta.org.uk.

Alternatively, why not just picnic by the River Thames and relax with family entertainments; children's rides, bouncy castles, slides, water ball, bungee, sumo suits, brass band, stalls, silent auction and classic cars. Enjoy the beer, Pimms, Scout burger bar, Thai and other delicacies. Also you can enter your dog in the fun family dog show.

Techno 90-year-old

Mavis Hartshorn was taken to see *Viceroy's House* at the New Royalty Cinema in the community centre. It was just one of the many events in celebration of her 90th birthday.

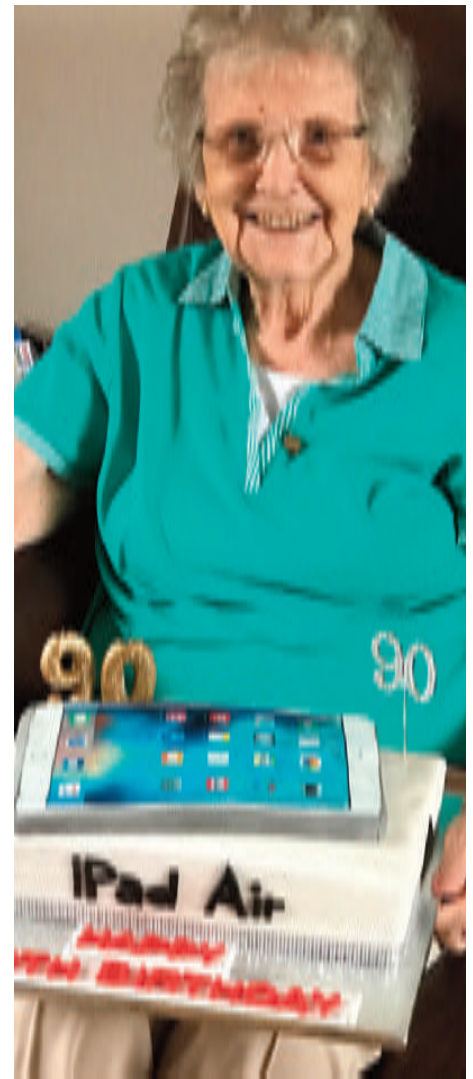
Daughter Jane Cotterill of Blind Lane said it had brought back memories for her mum as husband Les was coxswain of a RAF marine craft and had the honour of taking Lord Louis Mountbatten out on his launch.

One special present for Mavis was a new Apple iPad – it seems she wore out her old one.

Jane explained that her mum was great with modern technology and wouldn't be without her means of emailing, taking pictures and generally staying in contact with the family and her friends.

"So you have to believe her when she says that she has been emailing one of her many grandchildren," Jane laughed.

The birthday cake featured an iPad for the lively 90-year-old and there was enough for



everyone as there were celebrations over the weekend and into the next week.

Mavis and Les moved out to Holtspur in 1966 when Jane was young.

Now it's a case of living close to Jane and her family. "She doesn't look her age," Jane admits, "and we have fun on shopping trips.

She enjoys events like this new cinema experience at the community centre."

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Thousands raised by basketball tournament

An 18-year-old from Bourne End raised nearly three times his fundraising target for Alzheimer's Society. Oliver Lawrie organised and hosted a basketball tournament in the sports club and managed to raise £2,300 for the charity.

The event saw 40 players between the ages of 12 and 35 compete in a round-robin style tournament. Four teams came together, two from the junior sports club senior basketball section and two from Sir William Borlase's Grammar School in Marlow, with both Bourne End teams finishing on top.

Oliver said: "Alzheimer's is perceived to be a disease that is only the concern of elderly people. This event shows that younger generations can engage with the issues surrounding dementia, especially if presented in an appropriate way.



"Becoming more dementia aware is something all of us can realistically do to make just a small difference to the communities we're living in. I hope this event will inspire people to get involved with the Alzheimer's Society in the future and to continue to raise awareness of dementia.

"The event was an unbelievable success however you look at it. The event started off with a cheque presentation thanks to a very kind donation of £500 from Hallmark Care Homes (see photo right). That, along with other generous corporate donors, such as Hoopsfix, Hawkinsport & Son and Jack's Flight Club helped raise a huge amount of money.

"That is excluding all of unbelievably generous personal fundraisers who did amazing work asking around friends and family for donations. Special mentions must go to Ben Rowntree, Will Knapmann and Toby Aldred for raising such an inspiring amount for the society. Overall, we very nearly quadrupled our target by raising £2,300.

"I personally want to thank everyone who got involved for their unbelievable generosity, as well as everyone at the Alzheimer's Society, for supporting the event and making it such a success."

There were two representatives from the Alzheimer's Society on hand at the fundraising

event to offer guidance on where to find more information about the society, as well as literature to read and plenty of merchandise on sale to try and boost the amount of money raised.

Tim Waters, Alzheimer's Society Community Fundraiser for Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire, said: "It's fantastic to see Oliver give his time to support Alzheimer's Society. Dementia can happen to anyone and there is currently no cure. But with the right support, people can live well with dementia.

"As a charity, we rely on the generosity of organisations and individuals like Oliver to help us continue our vital work so that Alzheimer's Society can continue leading the fight against dementia."

Oliver has organised a follow-up fundraising tournament for June 9. This one will have an emphasis on raising awareness of dementia within the community by running dementia friends sessions before the basketball gets going.

More information about the dementia friends initiative can be found at www.dementiafriends.org.uk

If you would like to donate to Oliver's event go to: <https://mydonate.bt.com/fundraisers/oliverlawrie>

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Upper Thames Sailing Club news by Debbie Kite

The weather hasn't been kind to us for the start of the sailing season, but we were very lucky to have fantastic conditions for our Open Day; sunshine and enough wind to sail with the stream still a little faster than usual.

We welcomed more than 200 visitors, and 180 people took trips in sailing dinghies or the club workboat 'Tigris V' (the boat that's moored in front of the clubhouse).

Our 'Tea by the Thames' raised £400 for the Sail4Cancer charity and was enjoyed by all.

Thanks to everyone who made it possible and a warm welcome to the 34 new members who joined the club.

We have just invested in more club boats, and on the day we invited suggestions for the names of the two latest additions. 'Maid Marian' will partner 'Little John' in

the RS Feva fleet of youth training dinghies.

'Bourne Again' is the name of the new Wayfarer (adult training dinghy), chosen by Phil Warner who is an honorary member and our ex-training principal.

We were delighted to welcome him back to the club on Open Day, with his daughter (ex cadet captain) and grandson.

By the time this is published, our annual regatta, Bourne End Week, will be in full swing over the end of May Bank Holiday weekend. The Queens Cup will this year be held on Tuesday May 29, but the Thames A Raters will be sailing every day for anyone who wants to see these tall and graceful traditional boats.

Junior Bourne End Week follows (sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bourne End & Cookham) and is entirely different from the grown-up racing; the aim is to have fun on the water, with a mixture of racing, relaxed coaching and games. New members are always welcome. Go to www.utsc.org.uk or call in.



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Give them a copy date and you get a report, sometimes a photo and a name to contact if you have any queries. In each issue there are around 25 reports relating to so many subjects, but each one involves great people, doing spectacular things and usually to raise money for the disadvantaged, the needy overseas and to support medical projects.

What's good is the fact that they use our community magazine to get their message out to people throughout our villages. Contributing a report to *Target* is part of their group's activities and, when one person steps down from the role, someone else steps into it – sometimes with trepidation.

Editorially it is comforting to know that these regular reports will appear from issue to issue. Sometimes a report will bring a treasure and produce a story that can appear, on a grander scale, in the early pages of *Target*. It's the regularity that means you can rely on a report for each issue and allocate space accordingly.

In the same way there are other regular contributors who use the magazine to get their message out into the community. Our residents associations, sports club, library, day centre and parish councils. These reports are so useful as they also provide a contact email or telephone number along with details about important meetings.

It's so easy to take things for granted, especially if you have lived locally for years. But for people who are new to the area *Target* provides them with what they want to know about life in South Bucks. Then there's the range of advertisers, with a variety of skills, and all with contact numbers that are close to home.

Once *Target* has been put together and sent off to the printer – another regular – it is returned in a huge number of boxes on the date of publication. *Target* is known for always meeting its publication date – and there is a great deal to be said for appearing on the date decided way back at the end of the previous year.

Then its journey into your home is via more regulars, volunteers who receive their bundle of magazines and get out and deliver them. Sometimes there might be a slight delay, but it is rare. All the regulars help to keep production of *Target* a smooth easy process.

We won't burden you with details about the sudden changes to stories, the 'hold the front page' moments, the drama when a story just doesn't work out and the decision made to cancel it. The need to find room for a story or last minute advertisement. An obituary that must be included – a national award to someone special – an appeal for funds – demand for action – all part of the pattern you find in each issue in your community magazine.

And we mustn't forget to mention the regular report from the riverside. *Marina Life* has given us characters, laughs and a close affinity with the River Thames. Never on time – well rarely – it is the first story that many readers seek as they open the magazine.

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Bad weather halts paddlers

Nick Pink reports on the Devizes to Westminster canoe race which took place over the Easter weekend

I, my son Tom, and other former members of Thames Valley Police trained for six months through unbelievably bad weather in preparation for this race. I could go on endlessly about the cold, icy, snowy and wet conditions on the River Thames. Also my thanks for the use of indoor training facilities.

Taking into consideration the fact that I am almost 40 years older than I was when I last did the race, unfortunately I had to succumb to the fact that I was not going to make the new cut off times which had been reduced by an hour every day this year.



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From our original team of seven, only four made it onto the start line at Devizes on Good Friday.

The weather the day before had once again been awful and it had not stopped raining for 24 hours. Start day saw more rain and the towpaths were very slippery with thick mud.

Unfortunately, one of the team slipped and badly jarred his back just eight miles in and had to retire. With rain and cold all day the remaining three, which included my son Tom, battled onto Newbury for the end of the first day and we did all we could to warm up and dry wet clothing.

Saturday saw an improvement in the weather and the three set off in good spirits with Tom's age proving an advantage as he was encouraged to pull away from the other two 56 year olds. Little did any of us know what lay ahead as the previous two days of rain worked its way down the River Thames from its source.

The Oracle Shopping Centre at Reading looked more like a white water centre. There was an unbelievable amount of water with more to come.

By now the organisers had liaised with the Environment Agency who had instigated Red Boards* on pretty much all the remaining River Thames sections from Reading to Teddington. With the river still rising they took the decision to halt the race at Wokingham Canoe Club.

For the hundreds competing it was disappointing, but when we later saw the state of play at the bigger weirs such as Hambleden, Boulton and Bell Weir at Staines, it was without doubt the correct decision. For only the third time in the race history it was cut short.

However, the good news was that the original seven paddlers continued to promote themselves and the quest of the four race entrants helped raise over £8,000 for My Cancer My Choices. It is still not too late if you wanted to donate.

Tom and I would like to thank all Bourne End people who took the time to send good luck messages and especially to those who made a donation.

As for next year? Tom is keen to do it again and has a couple of options either in a K1 again or pairing up in a K2. As for me I'm not sure if I could endure some of the cold training again which included a few swimming lessons. But I'll be there, even jogging along the towpath to show my support when, to be honest, I am not a natural jogger.

* Severe river conditions

Nick's photo shows (l-r) his son Tom, who lives in Wooburn Green, Simon Howells from Maidenhead, Paul Cook from Bracknell and Terry Paxton from Barkley.

Rotary Club of Cookham Bridge By Nancy Ovstedal

The Wheel of Fortune had its first outing at Maidenhead Bridge Rotary Club's Easter Saturday fair. Chances to win at lucky dip for the children and beer and prosecco prizes for adults meant a steady stream of customers all day.

As a break from fundraising the club enjoyed a day out at The Commandant's Parade and Tour at Sandhurst in April. The opportunity to watch a full dress rehearsal at The Royal Military Academy was very interesting, and the guided tour of the museum and chapels was thought-provoking, with thousands of names inscribed in the Memorial Chapel of those remembered for their bravery over the last 100 years.

The 'Purple for Polio' project has been supported by Rotary for many years and last Autumn we worked with three Cookham schools, planting purple crocuses in the school grounds with the help of the children.

These produced wonderful displays earlier this year, reminding us all that polio has been almost eradicated throughout the world.

Our club has now set up a Rota Kids Club at Cookham Dean primary school. One of its objectives is to introduce the children to the concept of citizenship, developing their own ideas, and one is to work with elderly people who might sometimes feel lonely. The children visited Elizabeth House Day Centre recently, joining members for lunch. The room buzzed with conversation with old and young having much to share. The experience is one the children would like to repeat.

Little Marlow & Well End WI By Pauline Clitheroe

Members experienced a truly wonderful couple of months in which they were able to improve their skills in a variety of crafts. In March June Baxter organised a Sugarcraft Workshop, helping members to make their very own sugarpaste red-nosed clown.

When illness prevented our April speaker from coming, Jane Statham stepped in for a 'show and tell' about kimonos. She gave us a demonstration on how to wear a kimono, and also displayed a lovely collection of Japanese bowls, chopsticks, fans and dolls.

Jane and Marion also organised a 'Peg Dollie' workshop in April with Mavis Free where members were provided with materials to decorate their 'peg'.

At the end of April members headed for Denman College for a 'Designer Day', choosing workshops including garden design, patchwork and wirework. Hopefully, members will be inspired to enter a variety of sections in the Summer Show.

Inner Wheel of Bourne End & Cookham By Elaine Morris

The April showers brought out the flowers - mainly the tulips - and we all enjoyed a visit to the Pinkneys Green garden of St Timothees under the National Garden Scheme.

The following week we held our Charity Colours Fashion Show in the community centre which was hugely successful. Very many thanks to local friends who supported us. Our main charity this year, the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice, is due to open soon.

Rotarian Nick Teale's talk in April about *The Silk Road* was a fascinating evening complete with a toy train delivering chocolates to each member who attended throughout his slide presentation.

In May we enjoyed our District Overseas charity tea and our own AGM when we looked back over the Inner Wheel year with a slide presentation.

In July we have a group travelling to the London Palladium to see *The King and I* and then on August 23 we hold our annual afternoon tea party at Flackwell Golf Club for charity. Roger Shaw will talk about the Oregon Trail. Tickets sell quickly so email stuartdhyde@googlemail.com or merciahailstone@hotmail.co.uk and book yours now. Visit www.innerwheeldistrict9.org.uk.

Bourne End & Cookham Probus Club By John Daymond & Roger Emery

Our March speaker, Bob Sacco, presented the *The Story of Punch and Judy*, tracing its history back to Roman times. Samuel Pepys recorded May 9 as Punch's birthday, which is universally recognised today by the many Punch and Judy societies worldwide. Bob showed several of the dolls used and demonstrated the use of the 'Swazzle', a small device placed in the mouth to produce Punch's squeaky voice.

In April an excellent talk was given by Richard Poad on *The Dunkirk Little Ships* and their critical role in rescuing soldiers from the Dunkirk beaches in 1940. He identified ships that came from the River Thames locally that have been carefully maintained and can still be seen afloat today.

Anyone who would like to join our Probus Club should contact Terry Scott on 01628 626047.

Bourne End & Wooburn WI By Janet Spill

In March Denise Beddows gave a fascinating talk based on her book *Buckinghamshire Spies and Subversives*. We heard of the 600-year history of espionage associated with the county starting with the Amersham Martyrs, through the Gunpowder Plot, both World Wars and right up to the modern day.

In April Deborah Brady entertained us with an illustrated talk on the subject of *A Female in Fleet Street*. On her first day in Fleet Street she captured the only image of Michael Jackson arriving at Heathrow airport, thereby launching her career.

Deborah went on to give us an insight into her work as a press photographer with many amusing anecdotes as well as covering the more serious side. Finally, she demonstrated how much equipment photographers had to carry with them, loading a member with cameras and a variety of other items, including even a stepladder.

On June 11 we look forward to a talk by Cally Foster entitled *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Retirement*.

Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month in St Dunstan's Church hall, starting at 2pm. Visitors always welcome.

Bourne End WI By Kath Acres

In April Julia Freeman enlightened us on the joys and tribulations of *Life as a Wimbledon Umpire*. Julia has been an umpire for 25 years and has ruled over many final matches at Wimbledon. Her all-time favourite player is Roger Federer who she said was always polite and friendly. She did not speak so well of John McEnroe!

At our May meeting we enjoyed a talk from Patricia Pearce MBE, co-founder of Dreamflight, a charity based in Amersham that for the last 25 years has taken children with serious illness or disabilities on the holiday of a lifetime to Orlando.

The daffodils we made from discarded drink cans and planted round Bourne End for Easter received many positive comments and we have collected them in so they can flower again next year (see picture below).

While collecting the daffs that were outside the library we found this interesting pink painted pebble with a sad face left by Marlow Rocks UK. We would love to know more about its journey.



We have started to think about what we could make from cans for a Christmas display and we plan to display the many knitted hearts that lots of people have made to support the Princes Day Care Centre soon.

The Mikron Theatre Company will be performing *Get Well Soon* - a humorous look at the issues affecting the NHS on its 70th birthday on Tuesday July 17 outside at Spade Oak Farm (weather permitting, fall back the community centre).

This has been a sell out show for the last three years. To reserve your tickets at £12 please email us.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday June 7 at St Dunstan's Church hall at 7.30pm when Cherry Warren will talk about the history, value and manufacture of jewellery. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings and we have a short waiting list for new members that you are welcome to join.

All enquiries to bourneendwi@yahoo.com or call 01628 531521.



(l to r) Rosemary Stops, Lynne Nicholl, Margaret Mills, Lorna Hopper, Kath Acres, Beryl Chapman, Wendy Farmer, Chris Pettigrew, Chris Feldon.



When *Target* asked former Orchard House warden, Michele Smith, about her 60th birthday party at the centre here was her reply: "It was a wonderful party. So many people know me and I had friends old and new there, lovely neighbours and many from the Bourne End community and some from Orchard House.

"As I no longer have any living relatives I consider my friends the family I choose and they mean so much to me. I decided as I am becoming an 'old girl', although don't feel it, to have a themed party.

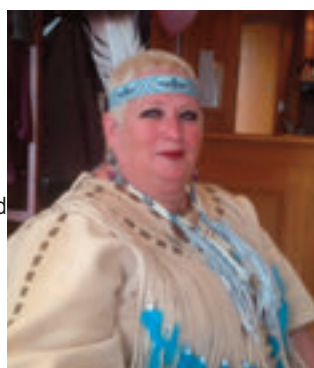
I called it 'Walking through the Ages'. I was so thrilled so many people were dressed up. We had most eras covered too; Roman, Egyptian, medieval, Tudor, western, hillbillies, roaring 20s, the forties, fifties and the sixties. Even Where's Wally who I understand is a time traveller.

"My lovely husband Robert wore a Home Guard uniform and I was a fourth generation Cherokee (a dear friend made my costume).

Since retiring as warden at Orchard House I have been more than busy. I go fishing, travel and to do something a bit different Bob and I do US Civil War re-enactment.

"This hobby has taken us to re-enactments all over the country and in the USA. I have made some wonderful friends some of who were also at the party. We will be doing a show in June at Bloxham Steam Fair. I do a display of 1860s medicine and Bob will be soldiering with his regiment.

"I love my life; I have had some tragedy in it. No one escapes life's dramas, but it has come good again. I had a fab time and I want to thank the community centre, John Randall and the bar staff for allowing me to make such a special memory on a milestone birthday."



Bourne End & District



The Bourne End and District U3A has got off to a flying start. Since its inaugural meeting in late March the membership has exceeded 330 and is still growing.

Around 40 interest groups, based on subjects chosen by the members, are up and running.

The groups cover a variety of interests from art appreciation to walking and could be listed under the following categories: The Arts, Science and Technology, Languages, Crafts, Games and Sports, Exercise, Home Crafts, Debate and Discussion (visit our website for a list of individual groups).

The outings section has already arranged its first trip which is a visit to Blenheim Palace and Flower Show on June 22.

It has been a period of intense activity for all concerned as groups have worked out what they plan to do and when they plan to do it.

For instance, some groups have found the need to split into two or more to make them more manageable. More groups are in the pipeline waiting to be finalised.

Anyone can put forward an idea for a new group by contacting a committee member.

To set up a group, the first thing needed is a convenor to organise and administer it; they do not necessarily need to have expertise in the subject. The second thing is having enough people to join it. The monthly general meetings have been very well attended. At the April event Tom Way, using stunning photographs, encouraged us to discover our beautiful British wildlife.

Future talks are planned: June 26, Women in WW1 (Dan Allen), July 24, The History of Fairy Tales (Charlotte Russell), August 28, Dickens as a Conjuror (Ian Keeble).

Afterwards there are refreshments and time to socialise and meet the committee. People may come to these meetings to join or sign in as guests for one meeting.

Finally, the steering committee have been gratified by the enthusiastic community support for the venture and positive response from members who are finding their activities very enjoyable.

Anyone wishing to find out more please visit our website at www.bourneendu3a.org.uk or phone Roger Carter on 01628 520557.

Report by Brian and Hilary Jackson



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Painting and drawing classes in Bourne End



A short course in drawing and painting starts in June at Bourne End Community Centre.

It is for beginners, or those who have a little previous experience and would like to refresh or develop their skills.

The course is run by local artist Susan Cunningham, who has 10 years experience of teaching art and making art.

During the course participants will be given the opportunity to experiment in various media: pencil, charcoal, watercolour or acrylic.

This course aims to provide a supportive place in which you can learn drawing and painting skills.

Susan will provide group demonstrations and individual support to ensure that everyone can work at their own level and at their own pace.

The course consists of a series of projects which are structured to take everyone step by step through various drawing systems and painting techniques from linear drawing and perspective, tonal drawing as a preparation for painting, basic colour theory and to simply enjoying mixing and using paint.

There will be reference to other artist's work to inspire and encourage ideas.

Course Information

Dates: Wednesday, June 6, 13, 20, July 4 and 11 from 10am to midday.

Cost: £55 for 5 weeks, payable at the first lesson

Venue: Bourne End Community Centre

Please Note

You will need to provide your own materials. For the first class please bring: An A4 or A3 pad of drawing paper, H, B, 2B pencils and an eraser. Susan will advise what to bring for subsequent lessons. Please allow approximately £10 - £20 to buy drawing and painting materials.

To reserve a place on the course, please text or call Susan on 07734 626488.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you enjoy Bourne End's annual late night shopping and Fun Night in December? More volunteers are needed to help continue with what's become an enjoyable tradition for the village. If you think you can help please contact kath.acres@spadeoakfarm.com

Bourne End Community Library

by Inka D'Agostino, library manager

*The seasons alter: hoary-headed frosts
Fall in the fresh lap of the crimson rose;
And on old Hiems' thin and icy crown
An odorous chaplet of sweet summer buds
Is, as in mockery, set. The spring, the summer,
The chiding autumn, angry winter, change
Their wonted liveries; and the mazed world,
By their increase, now knows not which is which.*
William Shakespeare A Midsummer Night's Dream

Searching for suitable quotes for library news I stumbled across this extract from a Midsummer Night's Dream. Well, all I can say is that Shakespeare must have been experiencing a Winter of discontent during a Spring similar to ours this year.

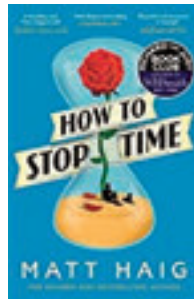
As I am writing this at the beginning of May, shivering in the library, tomorrow will probably bring Summer dress weather, but at this moment it is difficult to imagine.

Let's hope that when this *Target* copy is published we shall be enjoying Summer with all its glories.

Shakespeare also pops up in a novel which I recently read and loved and can highly recommend for your summer reading. It is Matt Haig's *How to Stop Time*.

Tom Hazard has a secret, he looks 41 but he has been alive for centuries. Please note this is not a

vampire novel. Tom has a rare condition of ageing extremely slowly. From Elizabethan London to Jazz Age Paris, from New York to the South Seas, Tom has seen a lot over the centuries and now as a history teacher in East London he craves a normal life and love. So far this has been my favourite novel of 2018. Enjoy.



Lifestyle Events: monthly talks in a sociable atmosphere.
Friday June 29 *Blessed are the Cheesemakers*. Our guest speaker, John Pearson 2011 Cheese Personality of the Year (British Cheese Board), will describe some of his encounters with suppliers, impossible customers and will conclude with a short tutored cheese tasting. Tickets £3.



Friday July 20 Liberty: *The Bucks Man, the London Shop, the Global Style*. Our guest speaker in July will be Will Phillips, Keeper of Social History, Bucks County Museum.

Junior Events:

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018 will be called *Mischief Makers* inspired by the Beano comic which celebrates its 80th anniversary.

Join Dennis, Gnasher and friends exploring a map of Beanotown, solve clues, collect stickers to find a mysterious buried treasure and become ultimate mischief makers.

The challenge starts on Saturday July 14, so please encourage your children to enrol. Apart from solving the clues to find the buried treasure they will have to read six books over the summer holiday.

Finally a gentle reminder; because of the change in the Data Protection Act, it is essential to bring your library card on every visit. We will not be able to issue books or update your account without it.

For further information on any of the above events or to hire our community rooms please contact us on lib-boe@buckscc.gov.uk or phone 01296 382415

ART EXHIBITION

There will be an exhibition of Marian Hyland's paintings in Bourne End Library From June 5 to 30.

Marian is an abstract painter working from a studio based in High Wycombe. She has been a member of Bucks Art Society for a number of years and also takes part in Bucks Open Studios. Other exhibitions have been in London (Mall Galleries and Llewellyn Alexander Gallery), Bath, Chichester, Great Missenden, Stoke Mandeville, Thame, Aylesbury and Tring.

Her work has been published in Artists & Illustrators magazine and shortlisted several times for both the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition and National Open Art (prize winner in 2015).

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Past times...by Barrie Penfold



So the mystery of Church View and who built two substantial semi detached houses in a hamlet of cottages remains unanswered.

We have found that 'town' comes from the Anglo Saxon 'tun' for a collection of ten homesteads. In the same way that Slate Meadow is from the Anglo Saxon meaning 'water meadow'.

Wooburn Town might be small, but it is an historical gem worth exploring either before or after a drink at the Old Bell public house. And remember...

Wooburn Town was built around its church which has features from the 12th and 14th century, although there is evidence from before 1066 that a church stood on the site. On occasion its roof is open to the public so go up through the bell chamber and it provides an amazing view of the immediate village and the surrounding hills. Graveyard, headstones, old walling, wrought iron gates and hedging – all combine to give it a Grade II listed status.

With a centuries-old church there has to be a Manor House. It was the manor of Wooburn Deyncourt with family ownership back to the Norman Conquest until the 15th century. Nothing remains of their manor house apart from a small section of wall in what is now D'Eyncourt Cottage.

Over centuries their manor house and the church were alongside each other on the main route through to Wooburn Green.

In 1922 the road was moved to the other side of the church – slicing through what was left of the manor lands.

Cottages along Wooburn Town can be dated back through the centuries. At times you would find them used as the village post office, bakery, tea rooms and undertakers. Glance at the pictures here and relate them to the cottages of today. Some features are

easy to recognise.

The Royal Oak is now Boscabel – with the wooden figures on the wall – and it has a history going back more than 700 years and was an inn named Royal Oak when Charles II fled to France.

The old vicarage was divided to make two and includes timbers from the 15th century. It's possibly one of the oldest dwellings in South Bucks.

While Wooburn Town might be the same as countless other villages there was a difference. Soho Mill used the power of the River Wye and was a watermill mentioned in the Domesday Book. It belonged to Deyncourt Manor until the 17th century then it achieved recognition as a major producer of coloured paper. Its chimney, machinery and constant stream of workers meant growth and industry.

Maybe one of the reasons why Thomas Williams, and later his son Aaron, decided to start a brewery close by on land opposite the church directly on the road into Wooburn Green was that there were countless hostleries.

So came more chimneys, more growth, and Prospect Cottages alongside built for brewery workers in 1877.

The Royal Stag Brewery continued until it was eventually lost to the Marlow Brewery.

With growth came a need for education and so a school was an essential requirement. Today the school has become private homes, but its distinctive brick and flint design is matched with two houses given as accommodation for teachers.

While there might have been frequent days off – harvest, baby minding, work for little fingers etc, the process of the Education Bill made learning compulsory and for Wooburn Town its children could be educated close to where they lived.

Wash Hill is the road going up to Wooburn Common and beyond. Records show a quarry or pit with a lane access to the village of Wooburn Green. Dell House is dated 1708. Dell Cottage was built in the mid 19th century

It was a clergyman who made a difference at a time of change in the middle 1800s. He had the confidence and determination along with an ability to understand and find other ways to effect change.

The Reverend Francis Busted Ashley wasn't ordained until after an army career. Poor health forced him back to England and in 1846 he became Vicar of Wooburn, staying for almost 40 years. He wrote his memoirs and this book provides a fascinating insight into life in the village.

As vicar he had to cope with rival Anglicans and non-conformists. Not easily daunted he raised the money to build the school in 1852, restored the interior of the church in 1857, opened a new churchyard on the other side of the River Wye in 1862 and the list goes on.

He was also very concerned about the welfare of his parishioners. He guided them on standards of hygiene, encouraged sporting activities, and was the driving force behind the Wooburn Improvement Association which was dedicated to improving dwellings, promoting thrift, cleanliness and the cultivation of gardens and a love of flowers.

His memoirs recall "when I came to Wooburn the scrub common money (produced by letting out land assigned to the poor at the time of Wooburn's enclosure) was a problem. It consisted of about £20 which used to be given, in single shillings, to everyone who had a claim. It was a painful sight on the day of distribution for the people noisily crowded into the church, climbing over the pews eager to get their dole.

Little of the money reached their homes, for it was a great day for the public houses."

Ashley studied the paperwork and decided that the original intentions were not being carried out. He made changes and ultimately the dole was given out to poor families in donations of coal.

There was great resentment at his changes but, as he said, "the plan was reasonable and just as well as legal."

Using the lovely gardens at the vicarage he held public teas in an endeavour to get parishioners, from all levels, to mix together. He was an amazing man with a range of skills who has left an excellent record of village life through that period. He died in 1885.

*Pictures: Top, Mr and Mrs Howard owned the Royal Oak public house. Mr Howard also ran a woodworking business
Left: A view of Wooburn Town from the roof of Soho Mill, the procession may have been to celebrate the knighthood of John Thomas in 1907*



OUR LOCAL CHURCHES KEEP IN TOUCH

St Nicholas' Church, Hedsor

After the success of the Beating of the Bounds in May we look to Saturday June 30 for the popular annual Hedsor Riverside Fair with its boat rides, cream teas and games, at Orchard Dene in Riversdale, midday to 4.30pm (see page 15).

A service of Holy Communion is held every Sunday at 9am except on the second Sunday of each month when Pathway, our family service, takes place.

Pebbles our young church group now meets every Sunday. Do join us also each fourth Sunday for our sung Communion service with the choir.

The church is open on Sundays from June to September, 2.30 to 4.30pm, so all can appreciate its beautiful setting. We have a weekly meditation each Wednesday at 1.20pm for 1.30pm until 2pm. Do come along.



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

St Paul's Church is holding a memorial Bell Ringing Event on June 24. People can sign up for a time at which the church bells will be rung in memory of their loved one. They can also look round the church and have refreshments. The event will be in support of Women v Cancer.

St Paul's will be open for visitors to look around the church and enjoy afternoon tea on Sunday Summer Open Afternoons from July 1, 2pm-4pm.

Children (and adults!) are invited to give their cuddly toys a trip of a lifetime from the top of St Paul's Church Tower at the Teddy Bear Parachute on Sunday July 15 from 12.30pm.

Our family breakfast is on Saturday June 2 and July 14 at 9.15am, with a collection. For details contact wstangowilson@yahoo.co.uk.

The Revive Service, a time of quiet meditative prayer and music as well as individual prayer, will be held at St Paul's on Sunday June 3 and July 1 at 6pm.

Sunday Club meets every Sunday at 9.30am at St Paul's hall for primary aged children.

Friday Communion Service and lunch is held at St Mary's at midday during term time. Toddlers Group meets on Tuesdays at 9.30am and Tots Praise on Fridays at 9.45am, both at St Paul's Church Hall.

To hire our church halls contact stpaulswooburnparishoffice@gmail.com, or call 01628 525512. For more information email events-stpauls@mail.com, or call 01628 521209, Facebook St-Pauls Wooburn, or visit www.stpaulswooburn.org



Cores End United Reformed Church

Our Water Aid collection - Jars for Change - raised £435.

In recent weeks we have been tidying up the church and churchyard in readiness for our anniversary celebrations. As well as the colourful

yarn bombing, our old red front door has been repainted a smart modern sage green.

Link Up Club visited Toad Hall for a Spring outing on a perfect sunny day. Link Up on alternate Tuesday mornings is hugely popular with a full programme of speakers, musical entertainment and outings. New members are always welcome.

Our Sunday service is at 10.30am, with a crèche for babies and Junior Church for the children with refreshments afterwards.



St Mark's Church

At our St George's Quiz Night in April, teams from Seer Green, Uxbridge, High Wycombe as well as Bourne End had a really fun evening with some real brain teasing questions. (Do you know which famous Hollywood star wore the same coat in all his films?).

We join with St Nicholas, Hedsor, for our Benefice Summer Fair by the river on Saturday June 30. On July 21 the Rev Janet and Glen will be hosting a barbecue at the rectory and on September 23 the fabulous Blend Choir will entertain guests at our afternoon tea.

We are in urgent need of a pianist and/or organist to play at our services. If you can help, please contact Rev Janet Binns on 01628 523046.

Regular Sunday worship with Holy Communion is at 10.30am (except the second Sunday of the month at 8am).

We then have our family-friendly all age Pathway service at 10.30am.

Every Thursday at 12.30pm a short Holy Communion service is followed by lunch.

Our popular Monday Café is open 10am-midday every week in the hall; do drop in.

Puffins, the baby and toddler group, takes place every Wednesday, 10-11.30am. Join us for conversation and refreshments while the children play.

We would like to thank the ladies of Bourne End WI who have kindly agreed to help us with floral arrangements throughout the year. More help is always welcome and experience is not essential. Please call Jane Cottrell on 01628 810590 or email cottrelljane@hotmail.com.

For more information visit parishesofhedsorandbourneend.co.uk or our Facebook page (St Marks Church Bourne End).



Community Church

Our Sunday morning services at The Meadows School, Wooburn Green, start at 10.30am (refreshments from 10am). Visitors welcome.

Dads' Little Steps will be on Saturday June 2 and July 7, 10-11.30am at the Chapel on the Green. Enjoy a cuppa and a bacon roll with other dads while the little ones play (cost £2 per family).

Tuesday Lunch Club meets weekly at 12.30pm in the hall at the Chapel on the Green. For more information contact Dave Bitcheno on 07894 143925 or d.bitcheno@sky.com

Our toddler group, Little Steps, meets on Thursdays in the hall at the Chapel on the Green, 10am-midday. The last meeting for this term will be on July 19 but check our website for summer holiday events.

We are delighted to help serve refreshments at Wooburn Fête again this year and also to offer prayer (including prayer for healing) in our prayer tent, plus share our work with kids and orphans in India through 'Heart for India'. Information on all activities is at www.wooburngreen.org.



St Dunstan's Church

May has been a month of celebrations for us including our very successful parish barbecue.

First Holy Communion was a joyful occasion and we look forward to our young people being confirmed by Bishop Peter at St Teresa's church in Beaconsfield next month.

We are excited about the forthcoming Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of Brent Adonis, one of our parishioners. This will be the culmination of several years of study for Brent and we look forward to his starting his ministry with us.

For Father Sean it will be an even busier Summer, as this year he will be leading the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in France.

Our next monthly charity sale will be held on Saturday June 2, 10am to midday in St Dunstan's Hall, in aid of the Cheshire Children's Home in Kaoma, Zambia. Please stop by if you have time.



St John the Baptist, Little Marlow

John Smith left us at the end of May to join the diocese of Marseilles and we wish him well in his new calling.

Our biannual Patronal Flower Festival on June 23 and 24 will have the theme *Whatsoever Things are Lovely*. The church will be open on both days between 12.30pm and 5pm with teas served (2pm to 4.30pm) and stalls selling preserves, cakes and plants. On the Saturday there will be an organ recital at 7.30pm by Malcolm Rudland FRCO - tickets (£12.50 including a glass of wine) from the church wardens.

On Sunday June 3 there will be a nature walk around the Spade Oak Nature Reserve and river, 2pm to 4pm. Children must be accompanied and dogs kept on a lead. Members of the Wycombe Wildlife Society will be on hand to answer queries, and tea available in the church.

On Sunday July 8 we hold a Pets and Picnic service and blessing at 3pm. Bring a picnic and enjoy the fun. Tea and squash provided.

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Welcome to the movies

'Sold Out' was the message for the first night of the New Royalty Cinema at the community centre. One hundred tickets had been sold and expectant filmgoers were not disappointed as they walked around the red ropes to be shown to their seats. Art deco lamps shed gentle light and then there was a total blackout for the main feature.

'Victoria and Abdul' was a great choice with Dame Judy Dench, the grand dame of British theatre, in the role of Queen Victoria. Transport was provided courtesy of the Wye Valley Volunteers minibus and there was plenty of room in the car park. Some, who could remember the old cinema in what is now the carpet shop, remarked that it was good to go to the movies so close to home.

Changing the day and the offer to a Sunday afternoon tea party was the approach for the second screening in April. 'Viceroy's House' was the film and it delighted the audience who had enjoyed tea and cakes beforehand. The aim was to try different ideas and ask the audience what had appealed to them. Finally it was back to an evening performance in May with the war film 'Dunkirk'.

As usual there was a team of helpers to show people to their seats and, for the tea party, hand out the cuppas, and tidy up. A boom for the cinema was that seats could be booked and paid for via the community centre's website as well as through the usual procedure of calling into the office.

"After this trial over three months we have been encouraged by comments and the next films will be in September, October and November" chairman David Foster told *Target*. "Along with familiar faces we have seen many new people coming to the centre and it's great that the New Royalty Cinema is attracting them."

Nostalgically David has great childhood memories of the cinema on Royalty Parade and is delighted to see it back as a local attraction.

FORUM PLAYERS

Our best-laid plans for a Summer Festival proved difficult to cast and eventually we had to look further into the year for a celebration of our 50 years. Now dates have been agreed and our producers are planning a review that will delight our audiences and remember some of our glorious occasions as a golden celebration.

Put the dates in your diary now! It will be on Friday 21 and Saturday 22 September. We'd love to hear from former members with their thoughts on what we did well, what we could do again and still make audiences smile, as well as anyone with great memories of our past performances. Get in touch with Jill Hyde at jillhyde@ntlworld.com

While that is all in the future we held a murder/mystery evening with supper that was called *Downton Crabbey*. So who was the murderer out of Murphy Crawley, Meryl Patmore, Maisy Robinson and Roberta Crawley, Dowager Countess of Gravenhurst? With a two course hot supper by Wendy Keeble and her team there was time to mull over the suspects (they all looked pretty shifty to me). With such a small cast they were all true to their characters and the action unfolded well.

In the end it was all down to the Dowager being the villain of the piece and the No 1 Ladies Detective Agency made her link with the past and the love of her life. Our picture shows the cast of *Downton Crabbey* (l to r) Jill Hyde as Maisy,

Sally Hayter as Mrs Patmore, Sue Tunnacliffe as Roberta Crawley and Craig Duffield as Murphy Crawley



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Above a merry group of helpers and left, enjoying tea before the film



NG CLUB *Tales from the waters edge*

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centreJAZZ in the bar

Make a date with our regular jazz evenings in the community centre on the first Tuesday of each month. We provide a warm, welcoming atmosphere for jazz enthusiasts and lovers of live music.

Music starts at 8pm. The £5 entrance includes raffle ticket with great prizes. It's unmissable!

***Dixieland Swing Kings
Tuesday June 5th
The Fabulous Shirtlifters
Tuesday July 3rd***

Summer Band Night

Live music from the 1960's

Saturday 14th July 2018

@ BOURNE END COMMUNITY CENTRE



THE KEYNOTES

Dance to 1960's Music

Tickets £5

Doors open 7.30pm

Music Starts 8pm – 10.45pm

Tickets from the Centre Office

DRINKS FROM THE BAR

Optional Bring your own Food



OUR GROUP MEMBERS KEEP IN TOUCH



1st Wooburn Scout Group

To mark St George's Day on April 22, 1st Wooburn Scouts joined other local scout groups in a parade down Marlow High Street on a beautiful, sunny day.

Molly Finn, Tom Sullivan, Harry Anyon and Brooke Sanders (pictured here l to r) completed the Endurance 40 Walk and were the first EVER un-shadowed team to complete the hike and did it in 11 hours and four minutes. What an astounding achievement by all four.

We could not do all our activities without help from adult volunteers and we are always looking for more. Can you spare some time? You may have a former scouting background? We invite you to join the scouting journey in any one of a number of rewarding roles: uniformed leaders, social secretary, hall maintenance co-ordinator/assistant, camp set-up/strikers assistant to name a few. Our group fulfils a full, varied and exciting programme for around 100 young people. To find out more, please contact Lesley at wooburngreengsl@gmail.com.

Bourne End Film Makers

An internal club competition tasks members to produce a short film which must include a given object, a given theme and a given line of dialogue. Three teams are competing to produce the best film that includes a bag of onions, the line 'How far away are they' on the theme of 'passion' within a timescale. Work is also in progress on the latest club film about a stressed nurse in an NHS hospital.

We meet in the *Target* Room on the first and third Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm to 10pm. There is no obligation to join and you are guaranteed a warm welcome.

Bourne End Twinning Association

Our popular quiz and supper takes place on Saturday June 23 at St Dunstan's hall. All welcome! Come solo or bring friends. Contact Wendy Langford, details below.

Our snow-delayed AGM took place a fortnight late, with about 40 members enjoying a good supper after the official business. Our new parish council representative, Mike Balbini, commented on

the warm family atmosphere of the meeting. Estelle Huxley received flowers as a thank you for her wonderful desserts; and thanks, cards and gifts were presented to David Langford who retired after 13 years as treasurer.

We are delighted that Mike Hill has agreed to take over this important role.

On March 23, Wendy and David Langford attended the CJO's AGM in Octeville. We loved the six-foot models of a red telephone box and Big Ben (see pic) which flanked the official table.

After speeches from CJO President Alain Richard, Mayor Jean-Louis Rousselin and our chairman, out came bright tablecloths and picnic baskets for a convivial meal.

As I write, we await the visit of about 30 of our French friends. There'll be a reception, excursion, barn dance and farewell dinner; and our members are planning a real Bourne End welcome into their homes for their guests.

We have been happily twinned with Octeville sur Mer, Normandy since 2003. Our website is www.bebta.ukgo.com and theirs is www.cjo.fr.

Twinning is interesting and fun, no need to speak French. Make new friends here. We have six social events a year and will visit Oocteville in 2019 (paying only journey costs). Join for £5 single, £10 family per year. More info from Wendy Langford at langford@thamesinternet.com or 01628 520065.



Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society

We celebrated 55 years in April at an anniversary party (see pictures page 23). Over the years we have had top demonstrators among our members as well as star arrangers who have decorated cathedrals for special occasions. And we are still going strong.

On Tuesday June 5 Gill Smaggasgale will give a demonstration on the theme of *Sisters*. Then on Tuesday July 3 we welcome Claire Bryant with *That will come in handy one day!* Our demonstrations begin at 8pm in the community centre with an entry fee for non-members.

We have an outing in September with seats available for non-members if there's space. Look out for the posters at our meetings.

For more information ring 01628 476641 or email bourneend@bbando.org.

Bucks Family History Society

On Tuesday June 12 we welcome back Michael Gandy who will explain that, although England has lots of records, they weren't devised with family historians in mind. In his talk *How English records work* Michael will tell us how to make the best use of these records.

On Tuesday July 10 Maurice Gleeson will tell us about *Using your DNA to trace your family tree*. He will explain the three main types of DNA test and what each can do for your genealogy.

Members meet on the second Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm in the Eghams Room at the community centre and non members are welcome to hear a particular speaker. Entry is £4 (£2 for members). Visit www.bucksfhs.org.uk

RNLI South Bucks & Thames Branch

Forty-plus supporters attended the AGM on April 12. Our grateful thanks to all for their enthusiasm and willingness shown during the last year.

The branch collected the sum of £20,548 and this was a great achievement as the RNLI have now discontinued their annual house-to-house collections.

We had special collection days at all the usual places like Sainsbury, Tesco, M40 Services plus a few new ones: Homebase, Dunelm, High Wycombe train station, Eden Centre and High Wycombe town centre. Our 77 static boxes contributed £2,591. The branch is targeting to have 100 boxes in situ by the end of 2018.

There will be collections at Waitrose in Beaconsfield on June 1 and 2 then M40 Services on June 8 and 9. If you would like to be on the rota please contact us.

As we approach the holiday season our annual Respect the Water campaign is launched, primarily aimed at men aged 16 to 39. We take pride in the fact that last year the campaign helped save seven lives. With your help we want to reach even more people in 2018. The safety advice is relevant for everyone using the river or visiting the coast.

For more information contact Mike Prager mike@the-abbotsbrook.co.uk or ring 07769 932871, or Rose Start on rose.spokes@bluewater.im or call 07747 111025.

Our picture below shows John Spokes (left) at the AGM with supporter Ann Arton and Peter Smith behind



Marlow & District Railway Society

In March Ken Livermore entertained us with a presentation on the locomotives of the North British Locomotive Company, Glasgow, which built a huge number of engines for home and abroad.

April's speaker, Bill Davies, gave recollections *On and Off The Footplate*, featuring humorous anecdotes from his long career as a driver and railway manager, as well as amusing signs from all over the place. There was much laughter and we hope to have him back again soon.

On June 21 at our annual meeting held jointly with the local branch of the Railway Correspondence and Travel Society we have the third and final part of Brian Arman's magnum opus – *The Golden Age of Swindon Works*.

On July 19 Brian Ringer will conclude his history of the revolution in freight handling on British railways with *Strictly Freight Only - part 2*.

Visitors are always welcome at any of our meetings at the community centre at 7.30pm (£3 entry). Visit www.mdrs.org.uk

Wye Valley Volunteers

At our AGM on June 5 at 8pm in the library, the guest speaker is David Jannett of Alzheimer's Dementia Support.

A review of the past year indicates that demand for our services is as high as ever with more than 750 trips to hospitals and other medical centres being logged, a very full home visits service being offered and the lunch club operating at full capacity (50 guests).

The minibus has been used for a wide variety of community groups including BE Scouts, Blyton House residents and for transport to the new Royalty cinema.

We have installed a new computer and are launching a new website thanks to generous donations from Wycombe District Council.

Do please contact us if you need any help from our services or if you would be interested in volunteering.

Telephone 01628 521027; email enquiries@wyevalleyvolunteers.org.uk; or visit Community Volunteer Office, Wakeman Road, Bourne End SL8 5SX (open 10am to midday weekdays).

Bourne End Horticultural Society

We will be holding a plant sale outside the library on Saturday June 2, 10am-1pm, please come along for a huge variety of plants at most reasonable prices!

On June 21 Sally Benson will talk on *Growing British Flowers locally for cutting* and on July 19 Gwen Barton will talk on *Samba in South America*.

Visitors are welcome to our meetings every third Thursday at St Dunstan's hall at 8pm. For further details please contact Penny Hampson on 01628 521482 or pennyhampson@hotmail.com.

CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS

JUNE

- 1 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
- 2 Sat Plant sale organised by Bourne End Horticultural Society outside the library from 10am to 1pm
- 2 Sat Salsa at the centre. Salsa lessons 7.45 to 8.15pm for beginners only. Social dancing 8.15pm to midnight
- 3 Sun Magpie's Nest antiques fair 9.30am to 3.30pm
- 3 Sun Nature walk around Spade Oak Nature Reserve. See St John the Baptist Church report page 35
- 4 Mon Wooburn Pub Lunch Club, 12.30 pm, The Old Bell, Wooburn Town. A two-course lunch £8. Contact must be made for the first lunch with Margaret Amos on 01628 525033. All welcome
- 5 Tues Art exhibition starts at Bourne End Library. See page 32 for details
- 5 Tues CentreJazz: live music from 8pm in the Community Centre bar. Admission £5 includes raffle
- 7 Thurs Community Centre Bar Quiz starts at 8.30 pm. It's 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 and 8pm
- 9 Sat Sportsfest'25, the annual football event organised by Bourne End Junior Sports Club in Wooburn Park. See page 19 for more information
- 9 Sat Basketball tournament in aid of Alzheimer's Society from 4.30pm in the Bourne End Junior Sports Club sports hall. See page 19 for more information
- 9 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am – 1pm in the library
- 15 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
- 15 Fri Social dance with Barbara and David at 8pm. Good dancing in friendly company
- 16 Sat Wooburn Fete on The Green from midday to 4pm. See info page 3 and poster page 15 for more information
- 22 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
- 23 Sat and 24 Sun, Patronal Flower Festival at St John the Baptist Church, Little Marlow. See page 35 for details
- 24 Sun Classic car and bike show at Hedsor Social Club from 9am to 6pm. See poster page 14 for more information
- 29 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
- 29 Fri Bourne End Junior Sports Club hold their annual prizegiving at the Hedsor Club, Hedsor Road, Bourne End at 7pm. See page 19 for more information
- 30 Sat Hedsor Fair at Orchard Dene, Riversdale. See poster page 15 for more information
- 30 Sat Claytonbury Festival at Clayton's School with live music, entertainment, food and drink from 1pm to 9pm

JULY

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- 8 Sun Pets and Picnic service and blessing at St John the Baptist Church, Little Marlow at 3pm. See page 35
- 13 Fri Social dance with Barbara and David at 8pm. Good dancing in friendly company
- 13 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
- 14 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am – 1pm in the library
- 14 Sat Summer Band Night with live music from the 60s at the community centre. See poster page 37 for details
- 15 Sun Teddy Bear parachute jump from 12.30pm at St Paul's Church, Wooburn.
- 20 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm and 8pm
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THE FALCON QUIZ

Set and sponsored by The Falcon Pub, Wooburn Moor

The Falcon's quiz master, Steve, set this quiz and landlady, Katie Lamb, offers a meal for two at the pub as a prize for the winner. For your chance to win, send in your answers to the questions below by email to editor@targetmagazine.org.uk (with the subject line Falcon Quiz) or write down your answers and drop them in at the community centre. Don't forget to include your contact details. The winner will be picked at random from all the correct entries on the closing date Monday July 2. Have a go... if nobody gets all the answers the winner will be the person with the most correct answers. Good luck!

If you have enjoy this quiz The Falcon has a weekly pub quiz which starts at 8.30pm on Mondays £2 per person, money and prizes to win on the night plus a roll over cash jackpot.

All the questions have a Summertime link...

- 1) Which brothers wrote the song *Summer Time*?
- 2) Which actress plays the role of Dot Cotton in *EastEnders*?
- 3) Who is known as the queen of disco?
- 4) Who played the leading man to Jodie Foster's leading lady in the film *Summerby*?
- 5) Who had a hit with *Summer Holiday* in 1963?
- 6) Who said only mad dogs and English men go out in the midday sun?
- 7) Who wrote the line: "Shall I compare thee to a Summer's day"?
- 8) What was the first name of Clegg in the *Last of the Summer Wine*?
- 9) *Grainstacks* at the end of Summer is a group of paintings by which artist?
- 10) June Whitfield played the mother/grandmother in which 1988-1992 TV hit show?
- 11) Whose Summer villa is at Castel Gandolfo?
- 12) On which date is Midsummer's Day?
- 13) Oscar Wilde wrote *The Importance of being Earnest* in the Summer of 1894 while visiting which seaside town?
- 14) Who had a hit in 1961 with *Summertime Blues*?
- 15) Esther Summerson is the heroine of which Dickens novel?
- 16) The Queen of Hearts made some tarts all on a Summer's day is from which book?
- 17) Which duo had a hit with the song *Summer Nights* in 1976?
- 18) What is traditionally used as the filling in a Summer pudding?
- 19) The "Dog Days of Summer" are named after the dog star, by which other name is this star known?
- 20) By what two names is the character Puck also known by in the play *A Midsummer Night's Dream*?

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ IN THE LAST ISSUE: 1) Nick 2) Warren 3) Dean 4) Allan 5) Justin 6) Trent 7) Frank 8) Wade 9) Oscar 10) Clay 11) Victor 12) Axle 13) Mason 14) Cole 15) Basil 16) Pat 17) Rowan 18) Shaun 19) Leo 20) Jordan

The winner is Barbara Weatherill, Woodside, Flackwell Heath

EDITOR: No all-correct entries but three people, with no other incorrect answers, gave Jasper as their answer to question 10. Those three entries went into the hat to draw the winner.



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