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Welcome to Coopers

Not too long to wait now until Bourne End's riverside dining venue is transformed into a brand new restaurant and bar. The Marina venue, previously On The Thames, or OTT, has been empty for more than a year, but is now in the capable and creative hands of business partners James Patch (pictured) and Adrian Thomas.

The partners, who already run a successful coffee shop in Marlow, will open their new restaurant in November. It's provisionally called Coopers, but there are

some more branding ideas still on the table.

Target met up with James and his black labrador - also called Cooper - for a guided tour of the site to discuss his plans.

He explained that Coopers will be open from early morning for breakfasts, through morning coffees, lunches, afternoon teas, evening drinks and dinner. In between meal times an expanded bar area will welcome visitors who just want to enjoy a drink and bar snack at this idyllic site.

Dog-lover James will most likely allocate an area of the balcony for four-legged visitors making it a perfect stop-off point for walkers.

James, who is originally from Bristol, but stayed in Bourne End after taking his degree in design and advertising because he loved living here so much, explained: "We intend to make the most of this incredible venue. We hope to be a must-visit location for passing boats as well as a popular place for locals to enjoy everything from breakfast to a great dinner. We will source good local produce where possible and serve great food and wine, which is good value-for-money, to keep clients coming back time and again!"

The new chef, who starts this month, will devise menus with James and which will include treats like pork cooked three ways and signature burgers with a unique twist. We'll keep you posted on developments.

Locals say "No" but Slate Meadow housing moves on



Development on part of Slate Meadow seems likely if the latest proposals from Wycombe District Council go ahead. Protestors who put strong objections to any development on Slate Meadow, which divides Bourne End and Wooburn Green, were surprised by WDC's sudden decision as part of the New Local Plan.

At two meetings in August planning officers explained that the council's lack of a current local plan meant they would be unable to fight piecemeal development proposals. "We need a strong plan to fulfil our vision of how many houses are built in keeping with our need to protect the rural nature of High Wycombe, surrounding towns and villages,"

Chief Planning Officer Penelope Tollitt explained.

Originally it had been hoped to move forward with plans for



Children making Save Slate Meadow posters

a Green Belt Review, which might have seen Slate Meadow returned there to be fully protected. This has now been delayed as housing demands from central government put huge demands to bring land forward to meet housing needs.

In spite of a petition, a huge number of individual letters as well as representations from action groups and residents associations the pressures seemed to have been too intense. The decision was made to bring forward all the reserved sites in the present local plan. **CONTINUED ON PAGE 9**

50th
ANNIVERSARY

Celebrating 50 years of
Target Magazine.
See the photos from our
Rather Splendid Afternoon
Tea Party pages 13 and 40



Plus... Wise Owl Montessori Nursery celebrates a special birthday. Page 18
And see who won prizes at Target's first ever awards ceremony. Page 13



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BULL'S EYE

I sincerely hope that everyone who attended our Rather Splendid Afternoon Tea on September 6, to celebrate 50 years of *Target* magazine, enjoyed it as much as we did!

Managing Editor Barrie Penfold and I would like to thank the ladies who helped out on the day – in particular those in the photo with us, (l-r) Barrie, Kate Haven, Rebecca Trigg, me and Daska Emery. And also Sheila Roberts, Lesley Davis and Kathy Jackson who did a sterling job with the washing up and clearing up. Check out photos of our award winners and tea drinkers on pages 13 and 40.



Target Cake

Eleven years ago Lisa Slatter made a cake when the community centre celebrated the completion of its Access Project. The cake was a highlight of the opening ceremony with actress Wendy Craig as guest of honour. Since then Lisa has carved out a career for



herself appearing on television, running classes here and around the world and writing guides on cake decorating.

When it was suggested that Lisa should make a cake for *Target's* 50th anniversary she said "no problem" even though the party was just a couple of days after her return from holiday. The result was magnificent and it took pride of place as guests arrived for the tea party... then it was cut and distributed at the end.

It was suggested that Lisa should have a workshop session at the community centre to pass on her cake decorating skills and she was happy to agree so watch this space for details of this future event.

Debra Aspinall, Editor



Tesco store saga

May I first congratulate you on the quality of *Target*. We have owned a house in the village for 35 years. But work took us in and out overseas for periods and now as OAPs we travel a great deal. So your fine magazine is necessary for us to stay in touch with village life.

You reported that Tesco have the "green light" for their village store. This is good news. It has shocked us to see the waste of our national resources tied up for so long in this non-productive investment. We know that there is a great deal of "Tesco-phobia" in the village (and indeed nationally). But nobody is obliged to shop in their stores. Indeed they have recently been losing market share.

However, judging by the Loudwater store

they do have many enthusiastic customers in the area.

The "local" food shops in the village continue to serve us well. And if the Bourne End Tesco store is not popular with shoppers then it will disappear and the company will have learnt a lesson. Then the site will come free for a more productive enterprise.

John N Turnbull FRSA, FREng
Vineyard Drive, Bourne End

Hopes for OTT site

I am writing to encourage other Bourne Endians to support the new business when it opens at Bourne End Marina.

I was very sad to see OTT close as it was a favourite restaurant for me and my wife. But I wasn't totally surprised as it only seemed to be busy on sunny days when people suddenly remembered we had a river nearby.

Now it looks like we are to get another eatery but, without local support, this too could fail.

So please don't be fair weather friends.

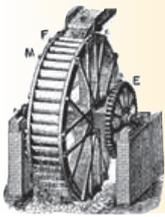
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ABOUT TARGET

Target magazine was launched in 1964 to provide information about the new Bourne End Community Association, with the name referring to the money required to build a new community centre. Over the years the magazine has grown, and its distribution area has been extended as the population has expanded through Bourne End, Wooburn Green and the surrounding villages.

Bourne End Community Association was formed in 1962 by local people who wanted a social centre to meet the needs of a growing community. Fund raising and determination saw the community centre open in Wakeman Road on October 28, 1967. Another hall was added a few years later and constant improvements have been made over the years.

See pages 36-39 for more information on the facilities and activities available at the community centre.



WOOBURN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

By Chris Baker, President

The Future of the Wooburns

You have had your say, it's now time for action!

As mentioned briefly in the last *Target*, a summary of the Plan was distributed to homes in The Wooburns in July. The full Plan with a suggested action plan is available on our website and in Bourne End Library. The Plan was distributed to community groups and organisations with which we hope to partner in order to deliver the actions. Representatives of our community groups met on September 4 to see how we can move forward with the actions on such subjects as traffic and roads, the community, housing and development and access and the environment

If you have a little time to spare, and feel that you could help us with these actions, please contact us through our website.

At the last Wooburn Residents' meeting, as is customary under Any Other Business, I asked those present if they had any additional topic they would like to raise.

One member said "Yes please, I would like to say how lovely Wooburn

Green is looking with the colourful hanging baskets; I am feeling proud to say I live in Wooburn". I mention this as it is always good to receive positive comments. Our thanks go to Wooburn and Bourne End Parish Council which arranges and pays for the hanging baskets.



The Red Lion Pub

The cottage (no 40 The Green – attached to The Red Lion Pub) has had its broken windows replaced and new tarmac laid at the front (which was originally the cottage garden). The whole pub has had a complete refurbishment and is looking very smart, with very attractive hanging baskets. We would like to convey our best wishes to Kay, the new landlady.

The Old Bell, Wooburn Town

We must mention that following Wooburn Fête in June, Helen in the Old Bell hosted a delicious supper for the organising committee and helpers. The message is, that we are privileged

to have three excellent pubs in Wooburn Green at the moment. Remember the old adage, if you don't use them we lose them! And not forgetting Dolce Restaurant on The Green where you are always guaranteed an authentic Italian meal and a warm welcome by Pasquali and family.

Possible Development of Slate Meadow

Members of the association attended WDC's workshop meetings held in August to discuss the planning department's proposal to release the reserve sites, which include Slate Meadow, for development. A decision by the district council as to whether or not to 'release' the sites is scheduled for October 20. For more information go to <http://www.wycombe.gov.uk/council-services/planning-and-buildings/planning-policy/new-local-plan/events.aspx>

Cycle Path Between Bourne End and Wooburn

There is an outline planning application for the construction of 22 homes, and the creation of a public footpath and cycle-way, on the land at the rear of Mount Pleasant cottages, Trees Road and Cores End Road.

Opinion will have to be sought as to whether residents want a formal path and 22 homes. For more information go to <http://www.wycombe.gov.uk/council-services/planning-and-buildings/planning-applications/view.aspx>

Wooburn Residents' Association: Meetings take place on alternate months on the second Monday of the month, at 8pm. The next meeting is on Monday November 10. Please look at our website to confirm venue.

The Queen & Albert

Wooburn's Christmas Lights Celebration 2014 Saturday November 29 at 4.45 pm

It is a pity that we have to speak about colourful summer plants and Christmas Lights in the same article – but we must, as the next *Target* comes out on the day of our lighting up event.

Gary and Linda in the Queen and Albert are hosting our Christmas Lights Celebration this year. The outline plan of the event (discussed in August) is that there will be a choir singing Christmas music, Father Christmas visiting and a band playing. Mulled wine and mince pies will be on sale. Money raised by Wooburn Residents' Association will be used for the maintenance of the lights. All are very welcome!

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So much is happening with regard to planning, which could affect both Bourne End and Wooburn Green, that the editor of *Target* feels there should be reports from both the Bourne End and Wooburn residents' associations in every issue. No quips needed about being on page 3. We will be alternating that position.

The two issues we would like to deal with are the planning application for a development of 22 homes on the old railway line from Cores End Road and a

possible future application by Wycombe District Council, Bucks County Council and Sustrans, for a bridleway along the whole length of the old railway line from Cores End Road to Wooburn, coming out by Spade Oak Construction and also along the track leading to Manor Farm.

The fact that these two applications have appeared together, certainly from the council's view, is purely coincidental.

Dealing with the application for houses 14/06823/OUT first, our committee has viewed the plans and commented on them. While agreeing that more, and affordable housing, is required in the area we are at a total loss to find anything positive to say about this application. Furthermore we feel its chance of approval is nil. And we do wonder why this application has been submitted.

This thought brings us onto the possibility of an Order to create a bridleway along the length of the old rail track. Let us be clear that a bridleway is not just for horses, but is distinct from a dedicated footpath.

On a bridleway the public have a right to walk, ride cycles or horses. It will not, and I stress not, be something like the Newmarket gallops.

Both Wycombe District and Bucks County councils have been in discussion with the landowner, Charles Pitcher, for several years attempting to get approval for a bridleway/cycle track on this route. Joining them in this has been Sustrans which is a national body dedicated to providing sustainable means of transport. They help Local Authorities and transport bodies to develop strategy and vision for the delivery of ambitious, but achievable, cycling, walking and sustainable travel change.

All the discussions with the landowner have come to nothing, which has led the

councils to consider an Order for this track to be dedicated. An Order, if it is made, has to be in the public interest and would have to be confirmed by the Secretary of State for the Environment.

The first step is for the full county council committee to approve this application for an Order. After that full local consultation will take place and then, if the public are in favour, the legal application will be made to the Secretary of State.

We could speculate that if the old railway line had outline permission for housing this would clearly increase the value of the land. That would considerably increase any compensation that may have to be paid to the landowner. Just a thought.

So to sum up. Now is the time to make your views known on the proposed housing application and watch this space and the local press for news on the bridleway.

In our view one application may be just a cunning plan while the other could open up a safe and environmentally friendly route between our two villages.

Thank you for taking the time to read this article and if you have any thoughts or questions feel free to give me a call.

Jim Penfold
Chairman
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At the last minute – just as Target was going to press – we have been advised of a Tree Preservation Order submitted by WDC stating that “The proposed outline development of 22 houses would have a significant impact on the existing vegetation which provides public amenity currently viewed within the discussed railway line.” Comments on this TPO No 15/2014 can be made to Liz Hornby, Democratic Services at WDC, Queen Victoria Road, High Wycombe, Bucks HP11 1BB. With all the trees preserved houses cannot be built, so get writing!

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Marina Life with Peter Osborne



The river picked up this summer after a comparatively slow start. No one is sure why it was sluggish during the first half of the season as the weather was quite good. One theory suggests that there is a correlation between river usage and the work rate of Matty and Chaos. I wasn't necessarily a supporter of this view until I noticed their work rate improved in the second half of the season, so maybe it's true.

We are always confused about the habits of river people; there's been less boat movement on the river this year even when sunny yet we are turning down requests for moorings virtually every day. We just don't understand why there is a huge demand for moorings when people don't use their boats very often. Maybe it's the charisma of Bourne End and the marina?

It has been a good season for us although we did not have the Railway Bridge works to entertain us this year, but we were kept fully employed and probably had more work from the tug in respect of towing broken down boats etc.

Although I cannot spell mechanic (without the

use of spell check) let alone comprehend what they do, I have concluded that engines are designed to work and that for the boats that are seldom used the odds on the number of breakdowns are greatly increased. The boats that have high usage tend not to have as many problems.

It seems that we are in a win-win situation. Use the boat a lot and we get income from the consumables; fuel, gas, sewage pump out etc. Use your boat only once or twice a year and we get to be called when it breaks down and get to carry out the repair work!

It's that time of year again where we start changing our 'modus operandi'. I close the office door, turn on the heater and pretend to do 'office stuff' while I tell the boys, through the double glazing of course, that they have to work outside carrying out maintenance checks on all our equipment and pontoons etc.

There is always much to do around the marina at all times of the year. Currently we have less to do with people and more to do on maintenance.

Unfortunately we had to say a sad farewell to Alex the Saturday Lad and Steve 'the Car Park' until next April. We are hoping Alex enjoyed his summer with us and will want to come back next year. To be honest he put the boys to shame with his work rate; still I suppose that's not difficult. Likewise Steve did a great job on the gate and we really want him back next year. He is an actor and is appearing in, among other things, Downton Abbey as the gamekeeper this autumn, I am hoping he doesn't get too much work next year. Only joking Steve (or am I?).

As people are aware the restaurant at the marina closed last year, but we are very pleased that it is expected to reopen again this November.

We have noticed a difference this season without the restaurant; it has been quieter in terms of people activity and may have contributed to fewer overnight moorings. Many boats would stay with us overnight having booked a table upstairs.

Once reopened it will enhance the ambience of the marina and be an asset to the boat owners who have had to wander further afield for their

tea, let alone the marina staff who have never been so fit as this year. I have informed the new restaurant owners that they have to respect the age-old tradition that dictates marina staff have to sample all their dishes before they are allowed on the menu. I am sure they said that wouldn't be a problem as they acknowledge our expertise in these matters.

Congratulations are due to Matty Starr who this September has served the marina for 15 years. Well done Matty you should be proud of your achievement. Why is he still here? We drop quite a few hints about how he might enjoy doing something else, but he doesn't seem to acknowledge them, maybe I should try again when he is awake, usually when he's at the bar?

I was greatly honoured to receive a Special Target 50th Anniversary award at the Tea Party and I would like to thank everyone who was responsible for me being put in the frame for this award. I should really share it with Matty and Chaos. On the other hand, no why should I, what have they ever done for me? No, that's a bit unfair, I think the message should be "Well done Team Marina" - without the banter concerning the boys there would be a very different Marina Life, yes I know, probably a better one!

The Bounty will again only be open at weekends from October to March, therefore it is not very considerate of Coopers Riverside (the probable name of the new restaurant at going to press) to open in November giving us a dilemma concerning the month of October, Mark at the Black Lion - order in extra supplies, especially your pies. Do you deliver?

I am sure Matty, Chaos and I will see many of you over the winter months as you visit the new restaurant for a coffee, a beer or a meal. We give a huge welcome to Coopers and wish them much luck and a very successful venture going forward.

Peter Osborne, Marina Manager

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SECRET OPEN SPACES: Holtspur Avenue

This is a treasure of an open space created for the families living along Holtspur Avenue with two secret entrances that have to be found. There's no signpost on either which makes it special for those who live along this road on the outskirts of Wooburn Green.

It would probably have been part of the original planning permission for the line of houses built between Glory Mill and above the River Wye as it snakes along the valley before turning right to go through Wooburn Green, Wooburn Town, Cores End and then out into the River Thames.

Just after the Second World War people were attracted to the work offered by the papermills and there was a need for more family homes. Holtspur Avenue met that need although anyone moving in might have found that they had a choice of an uphill house or a downhill one. There was no escaping the slope.

You hear lots of stories about Holtspur Avenue when you ask about the open space, but finding anyone who has lived there since the houses were built has been impossible. One story suggested that the houses were only intended to be temporary but 70 years later they're still there. Although, even now, insulation improvements are scheduled. Probably a better option than knocking them down.

Were there two entrances to the open space right from the start or did the one into Glory Close come when those sheltered bungalows were built? It would be good to hear from anyone with a story to tell about this road. Towards the Holtspur Hill end there was Lower Glory Mill alongside the River Wye so did anyone find remnants from the mill when they were digging the garden?

When you're in the open space there are views up towards Flackwell Heath and thick hedges screen houses on three sides. On the other side there's a cultivated field. If you're lucky you can hear birdsong, but the prevailing background noise comes from the traffic on the M40.

Many years ago the open space had become overgrown and neglected with complaints from residents that it was a problem area. Today, thanks to a determined effort by the parish council, there's a range of play equipment to suit all ages and families are using it again.

Photographed on an August day there were blackberries for the picking in the hedges and were they mushrooms pushing through the grass? They certainly looked like it. No litter, a really quiet space to sit and enjoy the view.

But why two entrances and how do you find them? One is off Holtspur Avenue and you'll find it when you walk along and notice, suddenly, that a concrete path doesn't go into a house.

There's grass and a hedge up the slope just waiting to be explored. The other hidden pathway is off Glory Close and, again, needs to be found on foot as you notice that between two bungalows there's a green route that twists and turns into a lovely play area.



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New Grounds man

Jordan Trotman our trainee assistant grounds man has unfortunately had to leave his position due to changes in his personal circumstances. We wish him the best of luck for his future and like to think he has left us with a few new skills tucked under his belt.

As Roland only has one pair of hands, and with the grass threatening to engulf us all, we were quickly on the hunt for a suitable replacement for Jordan.

Luckily one came along in the shape of Shane Read. Some of you may remember that Shane worked here a few years ago and fortunately for us he was looking for a new position.

He started work on Monday August 18 and has settled in very well. It is a bonus for us to have him here as he already knows the area and was able to hit the ground running. We would like to welcome him back to the team.

Parish News

The parish council do not hold Committee meetings during August. The exception is the Planning, Highways & Lighting Committee which meets every three weeks throughout the year. This means that things tend to go a bit quiet over the holiday period so there isn't very much to report.

Short and Sweet

The parish council chairman met with residents of Camden Place and staff from Wycombe District Council to discuss the ongoing problem with dog walkers not picking up after their dogs along the footpath by the railway bridge in Bourne End.

It was decided that WDC would install a dog bin and the parish council would pay for it to be emptied twice a week. The bin is currently on order and should be installed in the near future.

The new car park extension at Wooburn Park is nearing completion. The bay markings are still outstanding and the gates are to be replaced with disabled access gates. The project should be completed in the very near future.

Cemetery improvements are still ongoing. The Middle Garden of Remembrance on the roundabout is in the process of being transformed. New blue slate stones have been laid and planting up of this area will begin in the autumn.

The activity trail play equipment in the Holtspur Avenue play area was vandalised on Friday August 29. We called Tony White at Playground Facilities who arranged for its repair on Monday September 1. By Thursday September 4 the repair was completed and the equipment was back in use. Our thanks go to Tony and his team for their prompt action.

The remaining 11 Lime trees on Wooburn Green are due to be pollarded on October 1

& 2. This work completes the schedule started in 2012 when the first 12 were pollarded. They will no doubt look a bit sorry for themselves after the work has been done but they will benefit in the long run as the others have done.

Remedial work was undertaken on the Horse Chestnut tree on Wooburn Green after a large branch broke off in the winter storms at the beginning of the year.

Planning permission was sought as the tree is in a Conservation Area and when it was granted the work was booked in to be done. There is a bit more remedial work still outstanding on the tree and this will be carried out at the same time as the Lime trees are pollarded.

Wooburn Lawn Tennis Club is currently rebuilding its clubhouse in a different location so that they can install another tennis court. Building of the new clubhouse is well underway and completion is expected by the end of October.

Meeting Dates 2014:

Full Council: October 28, November 25

**Open Spaces, Allotments and Burials
October 7, November 4**

**Planning, Highways & Lighting:
October 15, November 5 and 26**

F&GP: November 11

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These include Slate Meadow as well as Gomm Valley, Abbey Barn, (north and south) Terriers Farm and Ashwells in Tylers Green.

Issues relating to flooding on Cores End Road and along Stratford Drive as well as Slate Meadow's drainage ditch, which turned into a water course in the early part of this year, combined with the pressure on local services and roads, were not considered sufficiently strong to combat the council's latest proposals. These issues will be dealt with when the reserved sites policy is put before the WDC Cabinet before going to their full committee in October.

'Never give up' has always been the local view on Slate Meadow and there is still time to put objections to all district councillors before decision day.

Even if you cannot do that then please petition your own district councillors. Keep the message simple: Slate Meadow has a vital role to play in preserving the individuality of our villages.

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BOURNE END FUN NIGHT

**Friday December 5
5pm until 8pm.**

Once again Bourne End Community Association, the Rotary Club of Cookham Bridge and local businesses are organising this annual event for all the family in the village centre.

The event will start at 5pm when the winning 2014 Children's Christmas Light will be switched on by its young designer.

Bourne End shops will be opening late and full of Christmas cheer and produce. Local secondary school students from Young Enterprise companies will be promoting their businesses and selling Christmas themed goodies.

At 5.15pm Santa will be in his grotto at Bourne End Motor Company's showroom along with a huge Tombola for adults and children. Brook House Vets will have a display of snakes inside the surgery and (following last year's successful debut) Pooh Corner (complete with donkey and pony) will be outside the library. Inside the library there will be lots of events including face painting, a treasure hunt and hot mulled wine.

There will be a children's funfair, a bouncy castle and games at Hawkinsport on The Parade. The festive atmosphere will be enhanced by music from a steam organ and by carol singers from local schools and St Mark's church. In addition the saxophone group Bass-ically Saxes will be playing Christmas favourites.

Street food will be available throughout the village - scouts will be roasting chestnuts, hot dogs will be sizzling and soup simmering. There will be free beer tasting courtesy of Marlow's Rebellion Brewery and the community centre bar will be open.

Thanks to our local councils there will be free parking in Wakeman Road Car Park. Hopefully there will be some bright, shiny new Christmas lights on the trees. So come along to The Parade and Wakeman Road, Bourne End 5pm and enjoy yourselves.



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Wye Valley Volunteers celebrate the delivery of their new vehicle and thank all those who helped make it possible...

Less than a year after Wye Valley Volunteers launched an appeal for a new minibus they took delivery of a very smart new Pacific blue vehicle complete with Queen's Award logo.

The target amount for the new minibus, fully equipped to carry disabled people, had been £35,000 and the committee agreed to support this from reserves up to a value of £10,000. The magnificent total of £28,900 has been thanks to the extraordinary generosity of local people, organisations and companies. The group gives their most sincere thanks to all of them.

At a launch party on September 11 lunch club member Jean Jones, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday, cut the ribbon and had the first ride on the tail lift (although Jean is far too agile to actually need it).

The new minibus will be a tremendous asset to our close knit community, particularly in offering transport and social contact to the elderly and those with mobility problems. While supporting our own services of coffee mornings, luncheon club, shopping trips and the occasional outings to gardens, it will also be available for hire by other local groups at competitive rates.

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Boden at Claytons

Following on from the success of their Boden event in March, Claytons

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A serious cause boosted by English summer garden party

Baroness Shreeela Flather hosted a garden party at her home in Maidenhead in September to help raise funds for the Kori Women's Development Project.

This project, started by Rose Simbo Moriba and Soroptimist International of Thames Valley, aims to empower and educate women in Sierra Leone.

Women are given farming tools to work the fields, raise crops and with the profits educate their daughters and help each other by giving micro loans.

Female Genital Mutilation is one of the local practices and The Kori Project also seeks to educate village women and men about the dangers of this.

At the garden party Diaspora, a theatre group, performed a short play to show how FGM can devastate women's and girls' lives.

The bright traditional African costumes of some of the guests and the sparkling glasses of English Pimms were enhanced by the late summer sun and the event illustrated the partnership which is empowering many previously deprived women.

Soroptimist International of Thames Valley meets every third Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm in the Target Room at Bourne End Community Centre. For more information go to www.sitv.org.uk

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By Gloria Barclay, parish clerk

Change of Clerk

Gloria Barclay, who has been Little Marlow Parish Council's clerk since 1997, is retiring at the end of September. At the time of writing her replacement has not been named.

New Councillor

At our August Parish Council meeting, we co-opted a new councillor to replace Harry Midgley who has moved away from the area. Jason Downes has been duly elected. Jason lives at The Manor House in Little Marlow and has been very active on the Residents' Committee, the Little Marlow Lakes Country Park Committee and in the village, undertaking various projects. He has been appointed to the Cemetery Committee and the Budget Committee of the parish council.

Defibrillators

We have installed a defibrillator inside Abbotsbrook Hall and one outside Little Marlow Pavilion. We hope that these may help to save a life. We had a visit from South Central Ambulance who gave a talk at our council meeting in July and we realise how important these kits are to the survival rates of heart attack victims.

Allotments

Although it has been a bumper year for crops, some of our allotment holders have had to give up their plots for various reasons. We therefore have a few vacant plots at our site in Chapman Lane. Some do need extra hard work, but if you are up to the challenge, and would like to take on a plot, please contact the clerk.

Remembering WW1

Members of the parish council placed commemorative wreaths on the Commonwealth War Graves in Little Marlow cemetery on August 4. There are many buried there who died during or because of conflicts. Three wreaths were laid – two on the CWG headstones and one placed on the chapel door.

Next Council Meeting

The parish council meeting will be held at the Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Little Marlow at October 28 at 8pm. The public are welcome to attend.

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Little Marlow Village Fête, Bank Holiday Monday

Last year the Little Marlow Village Fête set a record in terms of the amount of money taken on the day. This year the fete set a new record: it was the soggiest, wettest fete local residents could recall in its 30 or so years history. Thankfully the residents of Little Marlow are made of stern stuff and refused to be put off by the heavy rain. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who turned up on the morning to put up and later dismantle what seemed like an endless number of gazebos; all the stall holders who spent the afternoon huddled under those gazebos selling their wares and, of course, the visitors who braved the elements to come out and support the event. Thanks to all of you, we took in an amazing £2,800.

The tea pavilion provided some welcome respite from the rain and had a steady stream of customers, as did the home baking stall which was relocated to the Pavilion. We felt that cakes and heavy rain were not a good combination. We are most grateful to the local residents and the members of the Little Marlow and Well End WI who kindly donated such a fantastic selection of home baking and all those who helped serve the teas.

Although we had to cancel some outdoor children's activities, Bourne End and Cookham Rotary Club gamely turned up with their mini-train. Most children also seemed quite happy to take part in some very wet races. For those who preferred to be in the dry, the Little Marlow School PTA organised artistic competitions in the Pavilion.

We went ahead with the dog show, but quite a few of the dogs looked as if they would rather not have been there this year. The tombola proved as popular as ever. We are extremely grateful to all the local residents and businesses in Little Marlow, Marlow and Bourne End who donated prizes.

The atmosphere at the fete was greatly helped by some lively music provided throughout the afternoon by Acoustic Jass, a local jazz quartet.

The proceeds from the fete will go towards local good causes as well as to projects and activities which benefit the residents of Little Marlow.

Next year's fete will again be held on Bank Holiday Monday which in 2015 falls on August 24. So please put the date in your diary now!

Valerie Brownridge Chairman, Little Marlow Village Amenities Committee



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Appreciation of World War 1 Exhibition

A World War 1 Exhibition was held in July and August at Bourne End Library to commemorate 100 years since the outbreak of World War 1 on August 4, 1914.

The aim was to show a glimpse of what Bourne End was like before the war started and how the outbreak of war affected people in its early stages.

While most images of Bourne End on pre-war postcards show scenes associated with the river, the village was, inevitably, a mixture of people from many different backgrounds. When war broke out, initial activities saw the call up of the Territorials as well as a flurry of predictions and poems about the future of the war.

On August 25 an advert appeared in the (South) Bucks Free Press asking men between the ages of 19 and 30 to volunteer for Lord Kitchener's Army.

During September and October reports concerning Belgian refugees regularly appeared. One of the reports mentions some refugees being housed in Furlong Road. By December reports from men at the front were also appearing. One of these was from William Howard who lived at No 5 Beaconsfield Cottages in Upper Bourne End, in which he reports having a narrow escape when a piece of shrapnel hit some coins in his pocket and grazed his head.

Over 150 people visited the exhibition, with some providing stories of their own. One of the most interesting was about a soldier who was killed in the



Battle of the Somme in 1916. His wife, who was pregnant at the time named her daughter Somnia in commemoration of her father.

The exhibition organiser, Brian Pollock (pictured above), said that he was delighted with the response and that many people had asked whether there would be equivalent exhibitions for other years of the war. This may be possible but it is worthwhile remembering that 2015 sees the 70th anniversary of the end of World War 2 so perhaps that might be something for the future.

Kate Frye

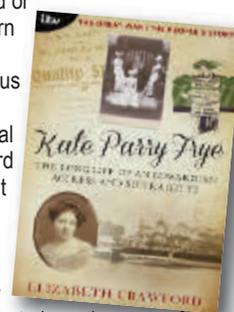
One particularly interesting local person was Kate Frye, who lived with her family at The Plat. Due to domestic circumstances Kate had to find work. She did so with the suffragette movement, and set up its first meeting in Bourne End on July 12, 1911.

On her birthday – 9 January 1915 – Kate Frye at last married her long-term fiancé, John Collins. Two years later he was fighting in France and she was living with her mother and sister in a house at Berghers Hill, courtesy of her mother's sister, the wealthy Mrs Agnes Gilbey.

A small cluster of cottages on a ridge at the top of a steep hill above Wooburn Green, Berghers Hill lay exposed to the elements. The wind whipped through Kate's cottage;

bedrooms were icy, the pipes froze – and burst. The walk down the hill to Wooburn Green and Cores End, whether by the road or the path through Wooburn Manor Park (the Gilbey property), was treacherous in winter.

During Wooburn Festival author Elizabeth Crawford talked about Kate Frye at an event held in the library. Elizabeth's biography of Kate is available from the library for anyone who would like to hear the story of someone who was very much a part of local life during wartime in England as well as a lady who fought to improve the rights of women.



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The Walnut Tree Pumpkin Carving Competition is open to adults and children of all ages and Chris is looking forward to "being amazed by your imagination and artistic talent".

To enter bring your carved pumpkin with a completed entry form to The Walnut Tree anytime from October 28 until the morning of October 31 - Halloween.

Judging will take place on October 31 from 5pm. The judging panel, including Target's own Barrie Penfold, will announce the winners at 5.30pm.

Prizes are dining vouchers for The Walnut Tree and will be £75 for the first prize, £50 for the second and £30 for the third.

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Children "make their mark" on the canvas

Interactive art at Bygillian Gallery

Bygillian Gallery in Station Road invited artist Este MacLeod to inspire people to paint. She challenged everyone to "make a mark on the canvas" then she would do the rest. It was a fun day, full of smiles as everyone jostled to put their paint mark on the canvas while Este talked about interactive painting.

At the gallery they waited to hear word from Este that the painting was complete. When proprietor Gillian Cumming saw the riot of colour and the way nature in its many forms appeared on the canvas she was

delighted. "It was been well worth the wait" she commented on the painting which was now called *Summer Haze* (picture left).

As part of Big Draw 2014 Este has created the Question Mark Challenge with three categories where children can create around the question mark doodle with pictures from the natural world, small world and imaginary world.

During October the Bygillian Gallery will be featuring the work of local artist Frances Ackland Snow with a private view on Friday October 17. Frances has a new series of pictures featuring Bourne End and the surrounding areas.

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Deathwatch beetle at St Paul's

The Wooburn church reports on the launch of their roof repair fundraising drive with a £350,000 target...

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St Paul's Parish Church has been the focal point of Wooburn village for many centuries and is one of only a few historical buildings left. It was important that we found the best way to repair this damage before it was too late.

After discussions with our architect and with English Heritage we approached The Heritage Lottery Fund with an initial plan to repair the church – this application was successful and in April 2014 we carried out a full and detailed investigation into the problem.

This investigation gave us both good news and bad news. The good news was that the deathwatch beetle attack was not as bad as we had originally thought; the bad news was that we would need to replace the roof to stop water getting into the timbers – this was the main cause of the problem.



So, where are we now? We are starting to get quotes to replace the roof and treat the deathwatch beetle. Early estimates are that this will cost over £350,000, and we are looking at how we will raise this money. We have applied to The Heritage Lottery Fund to increase the amount of our original grant; we have also applied to several other grant making bodies, with some success, and we are holding events within the church to raise funds.

The plan is to undertake the repair work between April and June next year and the church will be closed while this is completed - we will however continue to hold services in the church hall.

To keep the local community up to date on this we will be setting up a 'Roof Repair' page on our website (www.stpaulswooburn.org) and are launching The Friends of Wooburn Parish Church. If you would like further information on this please e-mail us at stpaulswooburnparishoffice@gmail.com or phone our parish office 01628 525512.

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The nursery is also celebrating a fantastic Ofsted report which saw them achieve a high rating for all aspects of the nursery and a coveted 'outstanding' for their interaction with parents and for the children in their care making a 'positive contribution'.

Larissa is one of three staff who work each morning at the nursery (the others being long-term employees Alison Crane and Lizzy Heywood). She told *Target*: "We have some lovely children here and the staff are passionate about their jobs so together that makes for a very happy nursery with a great atmosphere."



Afternoon coffee morning success

Andrews Reach held their Macmillan coffee morning on a September afternoon with the intention of raising as much money as possible for the charity. Friends baked cakes, organised competitions and offered boat trips. Local businesses were generous and donated fabulous prizes for the raffle. Visitors enjoyed a lovely afternoon in a riverside location



and the weather was kind. Special thanks to the Andrews Reach organising team pictured here: left to right Edward Roads, John Herring, Louise Wilson, Louise Barker, Diana Roads and Doctor Peter Barker.

The event was

opened and the ribbon was cut by Alan Black who played rugby for Wasps and was a former RFU official until his retirement.

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Star performances during the summer

While most of us at the club enjoy a break from our volunteering, a few have kept going and done great things.

Wendy Chaplin, Club Treasurer, volunteered as a Games Maker at the Olympics and Paralympics. To complete the triple she volunteered again for the Commonwealth Games in Glasgow. She was based at Hampden Park with the track and field events and was again doing sports massage. The photo shows her by the timer.



Former club member Chris Lawrie has spent his summer rowing for the GB Rowing Team. Chris, who joined the club as a member of both the Judo and the Climbing Sections while at primary school, began rowing in 2010 for Sir William Borlase's Grammar School in Marlow and quickly realised he had found his sport.

After success in various regional and national regattas for his school, he was selected to represent GB for the first time at

the World Rowing Junior Championships in 2013.

This summer Chris was again selected to row for GB: at the 2014 World Rowing Junior Championships, where he won a Silver medal in the Quadruple Sculls event (the best ever result in this event by a TeamGB boat), and then at the 2nd Summer Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing, China. Here he raced in the Junior Men's Single Sculls to a creditable fourth place – an excellent achievement at such a high level, and a result that led GB Rowing to declare that in their view Chris is "one of the finest

young scullers in the world today". Congratulations Chris and good luck for the future – hope to see you at the Rio Olympics!



Football section

The 2014-15 season has kicked-off for the football section. Our development squads (U7s to U12s age groups) will continue to play a mixture of non-competitive and competitive matches, while our U13s to U18s age groups will play

competitive league and cup matches.

In addition we will be holding our very popular "Junior Kickers" sessions at the sports hall on Saturday mornings for U5s and U6s, which is a great way for children to be introduced to football and offers them a structured pathway within the club to develop their football skills (these sessions cost less than £3 per session over the season).

We are always looking for new players to join any of our age groups, especially our U7s, U8s, U13s and U16s age groups.

If you are interested in joining please call Ken Murphy on 01628 525359 or e-mail info@bejsc-football.co.uk. Also, if you have some free time on a Sunday morning, why not walk down (good exercise!!) to Bourne End Recreation Ground or Wooburn Park to watch the enthusiastic children play football and support your local club.



Finally, we are looking for a chairman for the football section to work with an experienced group of committee members. Knowledge of football is not a prerequisite. If you are interested or require more information, please call Ken on the telephone number above.

Sports available

In case you are reading about BEJSC for the first time you might like to know what sports we offer – Badminton, Basketball, Canoeing, Climbing, Inline Hockey, Judo, and Swimming. If you would like more information about any of these activities please leave a message on our answerphone or email us as detailed below and we will get back to you.

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Carolyn has a passion for painting in watercolour, but is always looking for new directions. Recently painting in acrylics and mixed media has extended her horizons and she is now exploring the exciting possibilities and challenges offered by printmaking.

Rosemary studied at art college in the 1970s and has since pursued a

career in graphic design. She returned to painting in watercolours a few years ago and is also experimenting in different printmaking techniques including lino, collagraph and monoprinting.

Looking at the two pictures below, the exhibition will offer a colourful display that will transport visitors to the wonderful world of nature in all its glory. Don't miss it.



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Photos: Far left Carolyn's print and left, Rosemary's painting.

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Asked how he came to writing Gerald admitted that it was in his genes. He remembered his mother writing in longhand on foolscap paper.

Gerald Seymour was a household name long before the writing when he travelled to trouble spots all over the world and reported, on-the-spot, for ITN. He has strong feelings on conflict reminding his audience that war has not gone away. "It is a virulent disease" he warned everyone.

Quentin was keen to know, given Gerald's knowledge of international trouble hot spots, what prompted him to sit down and start writing.

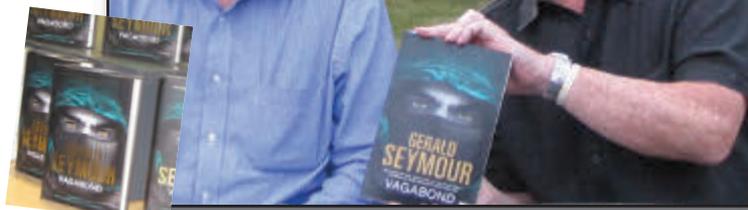
"During the Yom Kippur War in 1973 I had a three week layoff so I sat down at a pine table with the idea that I would try and write a book" he explained. It was a case of writing a story on spec and, in Gerald's words, taking a punt on how it would be received.

That book was Harry's Game, set in Belfast, and it was eventually published in 1975. When it was well received the idea of writing full time offered Gerald a change of direction and a new challenge that came without the need to wear a stab-proof vest or, if necessary, turn around and leg it.

In his 29 books to date Gerald Seymour has covered a huge range of warfare challenges, criminal factions and the question of loyalties to a cause. Responding to a question about deciding on a storyline he smiled and said "Take Naples in the

toenail of Italy. Consider that the value of the drugs business is in the region of 42 billion euros a year. If you cannot make a story about southern Italy you might as well go back to accountancy!"

There's no possibility of Gerald going back to accountancy. He's a storyteller and he entertained a packed library before signing copies of his new book *Vagabond*, which goes back to Northern Ireland for its storyline.



Gerald Seymour (left) and Quentin Falk

Quentin goes Greene again for his latest book...

After serving up *The Musical Milkman Murder*, a gruesome real-life 1920s True Crime tale, which took place in the cottage where he lived for more than 40 years, Little Marlow author and film critic Quentin Falk has returned to more familiar ground with his latest publication.

It's a revised and updated 4th edition of his first-ever book, *Travels in Greenland: The Cinema of Graham Greene*, which was published in 1984 when it was also short-listed for the Mobil/British Film Institute Book of the Year award.

Written with the co-operation of Greene, arguably one of the greatest novelists of the 20th Century, it deals with the very many film adaptations of Greene's work not only by the original author (*The Third Man*, *Brighton Rock*, *The Fallen Idol*, *Our Man in Havana*, *The Comedians*) but also by many other screenwriters (*The End of the Affair*, *The Quiet American*, *The Heart of the Matter*, *The Honorary Consul*) in Britain and in Hollywood.

The latest edition of Quentin's acclaimed book comes courtesy of an American publisher affiliated to the recently consolidated University of North Georgia, where Quentin was its first visiting author last year. The picture on the right shows Quentin in front of the main admin building at the university whose iconic gold steeple forms the logo of University Press. The book will be available here at the end of September.

On Thursday October 30 Quentin will be giving an illustrated talk in the library called The Cinema of Graham Greene. Tickets are £10 and the reception starts at 7pm for the talk at 7.30pm.



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Aggie (on the right in the fox mask) with her actor pals

Family and friends of Aggie Wildgoose probably won't be surprised if she ends up on the stage or directing in the theatre.

This summer the talented 12-year-old put together a show to perform to the elderly visitors of the day care centre in Wakeman Road, Bourne End.

Aggie, who lives in Wharf Lane, decided back in January that she would like to produce a play and try and get a group of friends together to work with her on the idea. Her parents bought a script of a musical production of Aesop's Fables she had chosen on line. She then worked with a group of school friends over the next few months putting it all together.

They met every Thursday lunchtime and rehearsed whenever they could. They also put together their own costumes.

Aggie's friends in the play were Meg Leigh from Furlong Road (in the photo with Aggie below) Kristy, Erin, Eleanor, Kitty, Sarah, Tieran, Ava, Eesha and Zhane. The girls had a lot of fun taking part and they did a great job putting it all together without any adult supervision. And their audience was very appreciative.



Aggie (left) and Meg

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Smart new branding for Bourne End school

It's a new year and a new name for Bourne End Academy.

The school, formerly Wye Valley, was put into 'Special Measures' after both the school, and its management, were classified as 'Inadequate' by Ofsted in January 2013. Following that report the school's governing body was disbanded, and an Interim Executive Board (IEB) was imposed.

A new head teacher, Andrea Jacobsen, was appointed in March 2014. At its last visit to Wye Valley that same month Ofsted stated the school was making reasonable progress towards exiting special measures. Plans were then launched to re-brand the school as Bourne End Academy at the start of the September term when the now fully staffed school reopened with smart new signage, new uniforms and a new sense of purpose.

The academy got an early boost for its new phase with improved exam results this summer.

Their website states: "We are delighted to report a significant improvement in the percentage of our students achieving 5 A*-C [GCSE] including English and Maths this year.

"There are many success stories of students who have achieved excellent results and huge congratulations to all those students."

The school also reported they were: "delighted to announce an excellent set of [A Level] results achieved by our Sixth Form students."

They had improvements in the percentage of students achieving A*-A, A* - B - and the best overall percentages in the school's recent history.

Bourne End Academy will be run as part of a multi-academy trust with Wycombe High School and will continue to have



its own governing body that will be guided and supported by a Trust Board made up of Wycombe High School Governors and will be responsible for strategic financial and personnel matters.

Sharon Cromie, headteacher of Wycombe High School, will be the Executive Headteacher for the Trust and day-to-day Headteacher of Wycombe High School. Andrea Jacobson (formerly an assistant headteacher at Wycombe High School) will remain as the headteacher of Bourne End Academy. The schools will work collaboratively.

Mrs Cromie believes the relationship will make both schools attractive to new teachers, will strengthen commissioning power and enable the schools to share expertise for centralised services such as HR advice, site maintenance strategy and IT infrastructure development.

Teachers in both schools will remain a separate and dedicated resource for the school they are employed by and will share best practice.

Mrs Cromie told *Target*: "I am confident that a local sponsorship solution is the right way forward and the best option for parents and children in Buckinghamshire. The Trust Board, supported by Mrs Jacobson, is committed to the future success of Bourne End Academy. Our aim is to make the school one of the very best in the local area."

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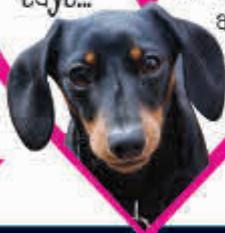
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Inner Wheel Club By Elaine Morris

In July we were given a walking tour of the less well known old streets of Marlow guided by two members of Marlow History Society, who told us about various buildings with a fascinating past. As our evening coincided with the Swan Upping, we enjoyed the colourful uniforms and banter from the Swan Uppers as they supped their evening pints at the same hostelry where our two Inner Wheel groups met up for dinner.

In August a boating trip took us from Maidenhead to Windsor, with lunch in Windsor (see photo below). On the return boat trip we witnessed a magnificent flypast low over the water of a lone swan.

In September our guest speaker Sue Pomeroy, a teacher from Wye Valley School, will talk about the



help and support needed for a school charity and in November we have an evening of Irish Bingo! Despite a growing membership the Inner Wheel Club is happy to welcome visitors interested in joining us for friendship, fun and service to the local community. Ring 01628 620759 for more details.

Probus By Howard Fitzer

Lunch on July 16 was followed by a presentation on 'My Wartime Education in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales' by Margaret Gilson. It is a familiar story of her era (born 1932): a good education despite the distraction of wartime evacuation under fire. She obtained a degree in zoology and became a sixth-form teacher. Following lunch on August 20, Leslie Grout (a former contestant winner) outlined aspects of what is widely regarded as the most testing intellectual quiz show in Britain – Mastermind.

The brainchild of Bill Wright (a former RAF prisoner in Germany), it reflects the concept of rigorous questioning beginning with name, occupation and specialist subject in substitution for the original wartime name, rank and number.

Cookham Bridge Rotary Club By Roger Gould

On September 6 the Rotary clubs of Cookham Bridge and Marlow Thames organised the annual Cookham Regatta. More than 2,000 visitors made their way to Cookham Marsh for fun, food and games. Families and friends enjoyed the chance to wander among the many stalls and displays and

then relax with a picnic.

During the day 320 competitors from organisations, clubs and groups of friends entered one or more of the 50 river races. There was a selection of challenges to win which produced some dramatic 'photo' finishes. For the third time Magnificent 7 from Sheephouse Manor won the overall Cookham Challenge Cup.

Congratulations also go to the following teams: Starboard Strikers (Dragonboat Final), Herries Hammers (Dragonboat Plate), Deliverables (CanoeCat Final), Eyot (CanoeCat Plate), Daring Loonies (Family Boat Final), Rocking Powers (Family Boat Plate).

Our thanks go to all who attended, advertised, donated gifts for the silent auction or generally supported the regatta and helped raise over £14,000 for local, national and international charities and good causes.

Little Marlow & Well End WI By Judy Wilson

August saw us enjoying our annual Show, with keen competition for the 'grow a seed potato in a bucket' competition.

The winner was Val Bennett with a bumper crop, while the various classes of crafts and produce brought joint overall winners Kathleen Radford and June Baxter.

There was also the opportunity to see the many pullovers (non-competitive) which members have produced as part of our continuing support for the Queen Mother's Clothing Guild which we are proud to contribute towards on a regular basis.

Some members have discussed forming a theatre group, while many of us enjoyed a day's visit to Bournemouth.

Our September meeting held us both enthralled and amused by our speaker, Mrs Gilson, with her talk on the Raj. At our next meeting Colin Lomax will talk about Charles Rennie Mackintosh, while a group visit to 'secret London' is planned. This day includes a visit to the home of Frederick, Lord Leighton, the fashionable Victorian artist, followed by a visit to the London Silver Vaults (we have been warned to leave our credit cards at home).

Visitors always welcome, contact 01628 481343.

Bourne End WI By Jean Roche

To us this is a nursery rhyme: Jack be nimble, Jack be quick, Jack jump over the candlestick. To young children in Buckinghamshire in the early 1800s this was a Tell. A Tell is a rhyme taught to children in lace schools to make them faster at their work.

Apparently there was a lace school on the road between Wooburn and Bourne End but nobody knows where.

We heard about this at Bourne End WI's September meeting from a fascinating talk by Elizabeth Dare on the History of Lace Making, which was big business in Buckinghamshire

villages during the first half of the 19th century prior to the Industrial Revolution.

Our speaker booked for October is Jean Purdy who will be enlightening us on 'The Magic Circle experience'.

We have some tickets available (on a first come, first served basis) for a coach trip to John Rutter's Christmas Concert in the Royal Albert Hall on Thursday December 11, cost £36.50. The coach will leave at 12.30pm, returning by 7.30pm.

We meet on the first Thursday of the month at St Dunstan's Church Hall at 7.30pm and visitors are welcome. Our Craft and Chat group meets in the library on the third Tuesday of the month (next meeting will be October 21) and visitors are welcome here too.

For information on activities email bourneendwi@yahoo.com.

Bourne End (Afternoon) WI By Julie Wardell

Our September meeting opened with Laura Clifford introducing us to Mary Kay beauty products with a chance to both try and buy.

Our first AGM in October will be followed by a jewellery demonstration after which we can try our hand at making our own. We expect this to be strongly attended but there is always room to bring along a friend – a great way to introduce someone new to the WI.

Also in October visitors to our group will be given the opportunity to join as full members and receive the benefits of 15 months membership for the price of 12.

The end of October brings us to our visit to the Wycombe Swan for the 'Beyond the Barricade' evening; the performers from 'Les Miserables' will be recreating West End and Broadway hit songs.

To find out more ring 07776 713701 or email bewiafternoon@gmail.com. Our group meets on the second Monday of each month at 2pm in St Dunstan's church hall and all visitors are warmly welcomed.

Glory Mills Bowls Club By John Palfreyman

As regular readers are aware we are a small club with a historical connection with the rise and fall of the paper making industry within this area.

It serves as a reminder that large industrial companies used to provide their workers with sports facilities to ensure their workers enjoyed their leisure time and so help to make it a more cohesive workforce. Our club is the last active remnant of those sporting facilities.

The club has had a relatively successful season and has not had to cancel any games through lack of players. However it still needs more new players, both male and female.

The outdoor season finished at the end of September and members then started playing indoor bowls in High Wycombe.

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The Rotary Clubs of Marlow and Marlow Thames have again joined forces to stage their popular Santa Fun Run through the streets of the town. This will be the event's 10th anniversary and around 2,250 Santas are expected to run or walk the 5km (3 miles) course providing a glorious spectacle which kicks off the festive season.

There'll be people dressed as Santa Claus, Mrs Claus or Santa's little helpers. Dogs are welcome as are pushchairs, wheelchairs, able bodied or disabled people, young or old. This is a run for everyone.

Olympic gold medallists Sir Steve Redgrave and Naomi Richies have already reserved their places to run. Sir Steve will start the run and Naomi will be leading a very special pre-run warm up in Higginson Park.

It will take place on Sunday December 7 with the Santas leaving Higginson Park, Marlow, at 9.30am.

The event has been sold out over the past few years so if you want to take part this year, you are advised to sign up as soon as possible. You can do this and find out all you need to know by visiting the web site www.santasfunrun.org or by calling 01628 476610.

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Twinkles - a little star of an idea...

It wasn't until marketing executive Aimee Owen became a mum that she realised there was a gap in the market in Bourne End. A coffee shop.

But her dream was to open a coffee shop where not only could adults enjoy a break, but where young children would enjoy themselves too.

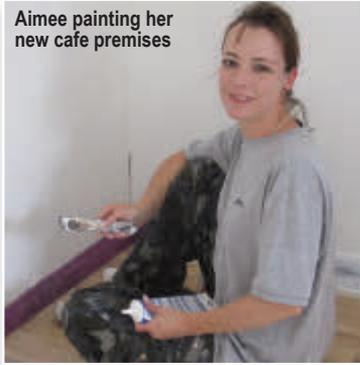
At the end of September her dream came true when she opened Twinkles, a stay and play activity cafe in Oakfield Road, just off The Parade in Bourne End.

Tots are not only welcome here, but positively encouraged to come with their parents and play with the provided toys or arts and crafts in the "Create It" corner. There's a baby changing area in the toilets and lots of other mum and baby/toddler friendly touches too. It's a fun, safe and friendly atmosphere for families.

"It's all about providing an opportunity for children to learn and play while parents relax and enjoy coffee and a cake or a bite to eat," explains Aimee. "We'll have fresh homemade cakes, baby and children's food and paninis and other lunch snacks available. We will sell organic healthy food like Green & Black's chocolate and Rachel's yoghurts. And we'll have great Artisan coffee."

Twinkles will be open daily except Sundays and you don't have to have a child with you to visit.

Aimee painting her new cafe premises



Autumn events at Cliveden

There is lots going on for the whole family at Cliveden this autumn. For a family day out, pick up the free trail, add a visit to the giant Cliveden Maze and leave plenty of time to let imaginations run wild amongst characters in the storybook themed play area.

October

Tuesday Garden Tours:

Every Tuesday in October, 2 – 3pm

Explore the unfolding delights of the magnificent gardens in autumn. Enjoy a free guided tour led by enthusiastic staff and volunteers. Arrive early to secure a place. Free after normal admission charges.

Apple Days: Saturday 18 October and Sunday 19 October, 11am - 4pm

Autumnal fun in the Round Garden. Find out about their historic fruit garden, have a go at apple pressing, follow the trail, taste some of the delicious apples and join in apple-themed games. Free after usual admission charges. No booking required.

Cliveden's Halloween Trail: Saturday 25 October and Sunday 26 October, 10am – 5pm

Monday 27 October to Sunday 2 November, 10am – 3.30pm
Follow the scary Halloween themed trail around the gardens and complete the challenges along the way, to win a chocolate prize. Price: Child £1 plus usual admission charges. No booking required.

Wild Wednesday: Wednesday 29 October, 11am - 3pm

Get stuck into some fun outdoor adventures in the local school holidays. Ideal for children aged 4-11.

The theme is all about the nuts and seeds that have been produced at Cliveden over the year.

Price: Child £2 (plus normal admission charges). No booking required.

November

Exclusive Cliveden House Tour & National Trust

Lunch: Monday 3, 10, 17 and 24 November, 10.45am - 2.15pm. Enjoy a special 'behind-the-scenes' guided tour of Cliveden House followed by a two course lunch in the National Trust Orangery Café. Price: Adult £35. Advance booking essential on 0844 249 1895

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Bourne End Library

By Inka D'Agostino, library manager

Following two very successful events in July when the library hosted authors Lindsey Davis and Gerald Seymour, we are delighted to announce further literary treats in store for you in October.

On Wednesday October 8 Rhidian Brook, bestselling author, scriptwriter and broadcaster (www.rhidianbrook.com) will be in conversation with Quentin Falk. Join us for a very interesting and enjoyable evening, which begins at 7pm with a drinks reception and canapés, followed by the talk at 7.30pm about his international bestseller "The Aftermath"

At the end of the month on Thursday October 30 we are delighted to welcome author and film critic Quentin Falk back to Bourne End Library for an illustrated talk based on his latest book "Travels in Greenland" about one of our most cinematic authors Graham Greene.

The event begins at 7pm with a drinks reception followed by the talk at 7.30pm. Tickets for each event cost £10 and can be obtained from the library.

Lifestyle Club on Friday October 24 at 10.30am welcomes Dr Nick Slope who will give a talk on "Rescuing Nelson's Heroes."

An Italian Egyptologist working in Aboukir Bay, Egypt stumbled upon the graves of some of Nelson's sailors from his victory over the French at

the Battle of the Nile in 1798.

The island is rapidly eroding away and so a rescue excavation was mounted headed up by our speaker Nick Slope, a local archaeologist.

This talk will look at how the speaker rescued and identified many of the remains. The excavation, which is still ongoing, was featured on the BBC2 programme Ancestors: Rescuing Nelson's Heroes.

Children's events

We have not forgotten the children this autumn. At the beginning of the month on Saturday October 4 Bourne End Library is hosting the second Junior Craft Show from 10am to 2pm.

On Sunday October 12 from 2pm to 5pm, as part of the Wooburn Festival, there will be a children's art and music event - Prokofiev's Peter and the Wolf. This is for 4-8 year olds; they will have the opportunity to make masks of the characters, and act out the parts to the music: Peter, Grandfather, Bird, Cat, Duck and of course The Wolf.

Tickets cost £4 and cover art materials, snacks and drinks. They can be purchased from the Wooburn Festival Box Office at Bourne End Library.

For further information on any of the above events or library matters and room hire please contact us on lib-boe@buckscc.gov.uk or telephone 0845 2303232. For up to date information and news find us on Facebook, Friends of Bourne End Library.

Bourne End Community Market

Sing Your Pain Away at the Community Market

You may have seen Jane Gatfield at the community market over the summer, promoting "Sing Your Pain Away", a fun group singing class starting soon for this community.

The weekly class will provide an hour of uplifting fun singing in simple harmonies, incorporating breathing techniques and is aimed at those who have any form of aches or pain

or indeed those who would just like to ensure that they stay pain-free.

There has been a lot of research recently into the health benefits of singing. As well as promoting good breathing and posture in a similar way to yoga, singing releases pain-relieving endorphins – the same ones that give us that "buzz" after a going for a five mile run or eating a bar of chocolate. The other benefits of a choir are that you get a great social atmosphere and meet like-minded people.

Jane, who is setting up the group, suffers from a chronic joint condition which gives much pain and she has found singing to be very beneficial in helping to manage the pain.

She will organise simple choir arrangements of popular songs, rounds, spirituals, rock and roll, Christmas carols and lots more. The singing group is based on a pay-as-you-go model of £5 per week so you don't have to make a long-term commitment to joining. The group is not looking to perform, this is just singing for pleasure and everyone is welcome to join in regardless of whether they have any musical experience or not.

Once the group has enough people expressing an interest in joining they will take a poll to find a day and time that best suits the majority and the group will meet at either the library or St Dunstan's church hall. So if it is something you would like to see locally then please do get in touch.

To register your interest you can visit the website www.singyourpainaway.co.uk or contact Jane on 07788 227654 or jane@singyourpainway.co.uk. Jane will also be at the community market in the library from 10am-1pm on Saturday October 11 if you'd like to find out more.

For more information about the community market which takes place on the second Saturday of every month, contact Rosie on 07989 716635 or email rosieohagan@me.com. Do get in touch if you represent a new or less well known local charity or community group and we may be able to help raise your profile and some funds through our charity tombola.



Don't forget to get crafty for the children's craft event

There's still time to prepare your entries for Bourne End Junior Craft Show on Saturday October 4. There are classes for all ages from four to 18 and entry is free of charge with some great arty/crafty prizes on offer kindly donated by local businesses.

Just bring your entries to Bourne End Library between 9.30am and 11am on the morning of Saturday October 4. Your entry will be placed on the appropriate table for its class.

Judging will take place in private (although of course the library itself will still be open as usual) between 11am and midday. Then from midday until the library closes at 2pm the show will be open for the public to view all the wonderful entries. During this time refreshments will be available in return for a small donation to library funds and the grand prizegiving will take place at 1.30pm. All entrants and their families are invited to attend this and then to take their entries home with them afterwards.

Classes will each be split into four age groups (4-7, 8-11, 12-14, 15-18) and over: any picture (not photo); collage; any junk model; any clay/plasticine model; photography (any subject); needlework. We know there are many creative young people in our villages and it would be lovely to see them showing off their talents at this event. Please encourage the youngsters you know to enter and help us make this event a big success.





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New look for Lloydspharmacy

Lloydspharmacy in Bourne End has been undergoing a complete refurbishment. The work is due to be finished by the time Target comes out at the end of September and there will be a re-opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony on Tuesday October 14. Call in on the day.

Carol Flynn, pharmacy manager and pharmacist, said: "We have continued to trade during the rebuilding work, and would like to thank all our customers for their patience, understanding and continued loyalty during this difficult time.

"We are really excited about our new-look shop and hope our customers will be too!"

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Past times...by Barrie Penfold



illustrates both the triumphs and the tragedies associated with the new form of mechanised warfare. After five days of the Messines Battle of 1917 he found himself in charge of 137 men, not because he was good at his job but because he was the only one alive. In fact his wartime participation came

through his teenage hobby associated with the internal combustion engine and which later became his lifetime interest.

He wrote 'Motoring for Mars' during the 1970s as he recalled what life was like and how easily life could be ended by a lack of knowledge or insufficient attention to detail. Today the document is housed in the Imperial War Museum.

But one memory shows how a young man, looking to do his job but conscious of the lives of his men, devised methods outside the manual...*I was moving six tractors and a like number of 8inch Howitzers, and was asked by a major what we had on the tractors' roofs. I told him they were exhaust flame traps to prevent observation balloon pilots spotting us. He asked who authorised their construction and I told him I ordered the job. Then he wanted to know who authorised the crane jibs at the backs of the tractors. I told him that I designed and had them made to handle gun platforms and that they had already saved several lives. In making these improvements we used waste material plus some truly comic engineering processes, as we had no proper workshop facilities...*

Back in the world of work Bill spent some time in the test shop of a motor car factory then he joined a publisher of engineering journals.

Extending his interest into Spark Ignition Engines he joined the Oil Engine in 1933 and eventually became its editor until his retirement in 1962. Bill continued to provide technical articles during his retirement.

Target was his way of giving something back to the community he loved following the family move to Bourne End in 1966. He died in 1986 aged 90.

TARGET'S HERO

Target's own WWI hero was Bill Williams who, in his retirement, volunteered to help with the community magazine and brought both his writing skills and his common sense to the role.

Talking to him about his war service made you aware of his outstanding bravery and, more importantly, that same common sense which saved countless lives.

He enlisted in 1916 aged 18, was a 2nd Lieutenant a year later, Lieutenant in 1918, then released in 1919.

A record of his service in Mechanical Transport and attached to the Garrison Artillery as a gun shifting officer

Where is the mystery farm?

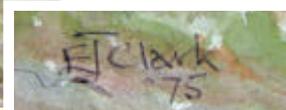


Ed Clark's drawings and paintings appeared regularly in *Target* and featured in local exhibitions. Ed loved the local landscape and it inspired him over many years. Somewhere along the line Ed painted this farm but, unusually, he didn't write its name and location on the back.

When Edna Clark died the family decided to pass on Ed's work to local friends. That's how Brenda and Keith from Wharf Lane came to have this picture to add to their views from local villages. "But where is it?" Keith asks. "Perhaps *Target* readers could help."

Keith has already gone round and photographed local farms to see if they could identify the chimneys and the buildings in the picture. "So far no luck" he admits. Ed liked to paint close to his home so this really could be a local farm – but where?

If you think you know where it is contact the editor on 07881 558027 or email editor@targetmagazine.org.uk



OUR LOCAL CHURCHES KEEP IN TOUCH

St Paul's and St Mary's Church Wooburn
'Theatre in the Villages' is returning to St Paul's Church Hall on Saturday November 29. Acclaimed West End singers Jayne O'Mahony (Les Miserables, Evita) and John Langley (Phantom, Mamma Mia, Whistle down the wind) are returning to kick-start the Christmas season. 'Movies and Musicals Sings Christmas' will be an evening of wonderful songs from Hollywood and Broadway. Contact Val Berry at the church office on 01628 525512 Monday mornings or weekday evenings on 01628 532394 for tickets.

As a church family we support The Walk Centre in Nakuru, Kenya. We are still making 'pillow-case' dresses and shorts for the children at the centre – if readers would like to help contact Sam through dressesmadewithlove@aol.co.uk.

Our Friday Communion service and lunch at St Mary's in Glory Mill Lane at midday continues to be very popular. Tots Praise on Fridays in St Paul's Church Hall is at 9.45am. There are details of all services, bookings and events on www.stpaulswooburn.org.

St John the Baptist, Little Marlow

Despite the weather the church stall at the Little Marlow Fete was well supported, but if you failed to get your supply of jams, marmalades etc and would like to stock up please ring 01628 522589.

By the time this edition goes to press we will have officially welcomed our new Team

Vicars, Graham and Sami Watts. Our Harvest Festival is on Sunday October 12 at 11am. All offerings are to be donated to

the One Can Trust. This will be followed by a Harvest Lunch, tickets £8 from 01628 482026. Please bring your own drinks.

Remembrance Sunday service will start at 10.45am, Matins to include an Act of Remembrance. Our family All Together Service is at 4pm on the fourth Sunday of the month. The November service at 4pm will be our Christingle service which is always a special event, so do come and join us.

The Community Church

During summer we held family 'FunDays' which around 60 people (parents plus children) enjoyed, and we have decided to run them during term time too. These are great Sunday afternoon events full of fun, crafts, Bible stories, songs, and a sandwich tea and are for all families with primary school aged children. FunDay Sundays take place at the Community Church on Wooburn Green between 3.30pm and 5pm and the first two are on October 5 and November 30. All are welcome and you can get more information on 07960 228837 or

joanne.maynard2@btinternet.com.

We're also continuing to run 'Dad's Little Steps' on the first Saturday of every month, from 10am to 11.30am. The next dates are October 4 and November 1. This is like a weekday toddler group but specifically for Dads and their babies or toddlers... with excellent bacon butties and great banter.

For more information, contact David Bennett on 07590 336337.

On this 100th anniversary of the start of World War 1 you might like to join us and other local churches at the Remembrance Service on Wooburn Green at 10.30am on November 9.

There are loads of other things going on at the Community Church both on Sundays and during the week; see www.wooburngreen.org.

Cores End United Reformed Church

Over the course of the summer our upper hall has been completely refurbished, with the removal of the stage and a new floor making a much larger available space for our hall users.

Our Harvest Festival on October 5 supports WorkAid and so we will be collecting tools of all sorts for this very worthwhile charity. There is also an urgent need for knitting machines. If you have any unwanted tools or an unwanted knitting machine but are unable to attend our harvest service, please drop them at the church during the preceding week.

During October we will be having a quiz and supper evening - date to be confirmed.

On November 22 we have our Christmas Crafts Fun Day, 10am to 4pm, for children aged 5 to 11. For information call 01628 523622 or 01628 526865.

November 29 is the date for our Yule Fayre from 10am until midday in the community centre. You are sure to find some inspiration for great Christmas gift ideas.

Link Up Club is held on alternate Tuesday mornings with a full programme of speakers and activities.

Table tennis is every Wednesday afternoon in the upper hall from 4pm to 5pm.

Sunday Service is 10.30am with communion on third Sunday every month. We have Junior Church for the older children and a crèche for under 3s. For details see www.coresendurc.com.

St Nicholas' Church

Our Rector, the Rev Janet Binns, has been with us now for a year and we have experienced some gentle, positive changes. Do come along to her services and meet her.

Sunday morning Communion Service is 9am. We have a service of all ages which we call Pathway on the second Sunday of each month. Our children's Pebble Group meets each week as it is so popular.

Remembrance Service is on November 9 at 9am.

We shall be with the other churches at St



Mark's for the Service of Light on November 2 at 6pm.

Do come along to witness the peace of our church and the autumnal mellowness of the views across the valley.

St Dunstan's Church

In August we welcomed Fr Francis Ezennia of the Missionary Society of St Paul, who celebrated our weekend Masses. St Paul's Missionaries are based in Nigeria and we learned of the difficulties encountered by Christians in that country.

On September 6 St Dunstan's monthly charity sales resumed and the proceeds were donated to the Leonard Cheshire Children's Home in Kaoma, Zambia.

Two choirs have been formed. A children's choir commenced in St Teresa's Parish Centre for both parishes, led by Sister Avril Foster, former Director of Music at Northampton Cathedral and meeting on wednesdays during term time. A mini-choir also began at St Dunstan's to help with congregational singing at the 10am Mass.

We look forward to the installation in early October of the two beautiful stained glass windows mentioned in the previous Target magazine.

Sacramental preparation begins on October 4 with the First Communion Mass being celebrated here on June 14 next year.

St Mark's Church

Our Harvest service will be on the first Sunday in October at 10.30am, followed by a Harvest Lunch.

We now have our Penguins children's group each Sunday morning and our All-Age service, Pathway, on the second Sunday of the month. The Mother and Toddler group, now called Puffins, meet in the church hall on Wednesdays, 10am to 11.30am, and our puppet ministry for ages eight and up meets Thursdays, 5.15pm to 6.30pm, to practise for forthcoming performances. Your children may wish to come along to these.

On November 2

at 6pm we hold our Service of Light when all are welcome from all the local churches to come along and light a candle for a

loved one who has died. Remembrance Sunday is on November 9.

Our monthly sale provides the opportunity for a coffee and a chat while browsing our stalls of nearly new clothes, gifts, books, toys etc. There is also a selection of delicious cakes to be enjoyed with a cup of coffee or tea. This is always the third Saturday of the month (October 18 and November 15) from 10am to midday in the church hall.

Please join us for our Thursday morning Communion Service at 9.45am and share a cup of coffee/tea at the end.

We begin a new Pilgrim Course on Thursday October 9 at 7.30pm to explore the Christian faith together; everyone welcome.



Annual Big Band Concert in aid of THROB

(The Heart Rehabilitation Organisation of Berkshire)

Sunday November 23
starting at 7.30pm
Tickets £12

from the community centre office
or ring 01628 671503

Once again the BBO Big Band will fill the centre with great music including seasonal classics. Ticket price includes a cuppa and mince pie served during the interval. Raffle and centre bar available.

DARTS

To save time this year the Wooburn Summer League was divided into two equal sections, with the winner of each section playing off to decide the overall winner. In our section we finished runner-up, just missing the opportunity to compete in the final. However, on a points basis over both leagues we were third overall, which was a very creditable performance. Our neighbours Black Lion B were the overall winners. Now for the Winter Leagues. The Wooburn Winter League consists of ten teams competing on a home and away basis.



Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society

Annual Workshop hosted by our Society Members.
Thursday October 16
from 9am to 4pm
Tickets £25 includes tea and coffee on arrival, all floral materials and containers for the workshop and a two course lunch with soft beverages. There will be a floral sundries table top sale.

October demonstration
At Bourne End Community Centre
Tuesday October 7 at 8pm
Bunty Stannard with the theme 'Style.'

November demonstration
At Bourne End Community Centre
Tuesday November 4 at 8pm
Annette Urquhart with the theme 'Good to Go.'

Floral arrangement raffle, tea and coffee served.
Visitors welcome £5pp

As usual we have high hopes, but nevertheless are practising regularly on Monday evenings. The Friday team are entered in the Wycombe League and at time of writing we await their fixture list. By the time you read this the league will be well underway. If you enjoy darts, or maybe only Avril's cooking, come and join us.

CHESS

The league season is just getting underway and the initial match should pitch Bourne End 1 against Bourne End 2 in the Bucks first division. Bourne End 3 will be commencing their campaign in division 2 and will be endeavouring to give playing opportunities to all eligible members.

New players are always welcome and you can contact Roger de Coverly on 01628 486676. Fred Day is also collecting names for the Bucks Individual Championship. There are currently three divisions and entries close on October 5.

FORUM PLAYERS

'Laying the Ghost' was a perfect show for the autumn. Simon Williams' theatrical writing skills are well illustrated in this play which centres around the former wife, current wife and latest mistress of an ageing actor. Leo Buchanan is being harassed by a tabloid journalist and seeks a safe haven in the nursing home where his former wife is celebrating her 70th birthday. Herald the

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About the community centre

The Bourne End Community Centre in Wakeman Road offers excellent facilities which are enjoyed by a variety of groups that meet to enjoy their chosen sport, activity or recreational hobby. There are regular music and drama events in the theatre hall, and a comfortable bar is open every day.

Sections of the community association with weekly bookings include Forum Players, Chess, Short Mat Bowls, Darts, Petanque, Wedmorn Badminton and Musical Players – you can read their latest news on these pages. And turn over to pages 38-39 for updates from the affiliated groups which meet every few weeks.

BOURNE END (BUCKS) COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Me

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Annual subscriptions are payable on or after 1 January each year. Family membership carries one vote. Associate and Junior Membership carry no vote. Area of Benefit – includes Bourne End, Cores End, Hedsor, Northern Woods, Little Marlow, Well End, Wooburn and Wooburn Green.

TRE NEWS

An evening with

John Dunsterville

Hear John play live and his stories of recording with Rick Wakeman, performing at Madison Square Gardens and playing with Val Doonican



Bourne End Community Centre
19:30 on Thursday 13th November

Tickets £4 (£3 for Association members)
Available from the Centre Office or on the door

wife number two and current mistress for a comedy with orary innuendoes and banter.

ng the play Ros Bartlett admitted that early rehearsals thtened by the cast's laughs and giggles as Leo squirmed ack from his ladies. The two sudden theatrical twists were d and added to the comedy, and the tragedy of the play. If t know what happened ask someone who came to see the

grateful to our supporters but would have liked to see more the audience to enjoy a well written comedy.

our efforts are being concentrated on our pantomime for 2015. Audition and casting has started but we're still keen om anyone who might have been a former member or who e to be involved in amateur drama. Panto is always the ayable way to start. Chorus parts are also needed so if you red, either on stage or perhaps backstage organising ke up or costumes, then we would love to hear from you. e using the stage and main hall at the community centre dnesday evening from now on with other rehearsals on venings. To find our more call 01628 523291.

Event Committee needs new members All ages welcome

We are keen to start organising some new events at the community centre and are in desperate need of new committee members to meet with us on the first Monday of each month at 8pm at the community centre. Your input and help can be as much or as little as you like, but the aim is to get a team of like-minded locals together who want to see more events in the village. As chairman I would really like to invite those interested in joining the committee to contact me and come along to one of our meetings to find out more. We are very low on committee members with only a single figure number of active members.

Ideas such as a quiz, something at Easter, a summer fete, barbecues and a summer ball were all ideas raised, but we don't have enough volunteers to get these suggestions off the ground. Please come along if you would like to help your local community. I can be contacted by email on lauragwilliam@hotmail.co.uk or via Facebook if you join the group Bourne End Community Events and Activities or please come along to a meeting.

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Target Quiz



Number 82

Fill in your answers to this quiz set by Community Association President Penny Walsh, and hand in the form at the community centre (along with your £1 entry fee) for a chance of winning Penny's special mystery prize. All money raised will go to the centre.

For this quiz give the name which precedes the question
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- 1 the Builder
- 2 the Otter
- 3 the Engine
- 4 the Sailor
- 5 the Great
- 6 the Unready
- 7 the Miller
- 8 the Obscure
- 9 the Bruce
- 10 the Terrible
- 11 the Menace
- 12 the Eagle
- 13 the Ripper
- 14 the Conqueror
- 15 the Knife
- 16 the Red
- 17 the Elephant
- 18 the Vampire Slayer
- 19 the King Maker
- 20 the Confessor

**The Closing date is Friday
November 7**

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OUR GROUP MEMBERS KEEP IN TOUCH

Upper Thames Sailing Club

Our annual regatta, Bourne End Week, went well with a mix of weather including a very windy Sunday afternoon which gave the opportunity for some spectacular photographs. The winner of the flagship historic Queen's Cup for Thames A Raters was Adventurer, helmed by Simon Blake.

The Junior regatta sponsored by the local Rotary Club was great fun for the 80 cadets who took part, although not as windy, and organisers created very wet fun activities to replace racing on the still days. Our cadet sailors have done well over the summer and many have sailed at National championships and other clubs' regattas around the country. Special congratulations to Ed Crighton who won the Junior Nationals for OK dinghies and is off to uni to study yacht design.

Upper Thames members also retained the trophy for the competitive match against Cookham Reach SC winning by three points.

Sailing at home benefitted from the fantastic weather in July with the Wednesday Evening Series breaking records, with 48 different boats taking part.

Contact our membership team on 07732 405304 or visit www.utsc.org.uk.

1st Bourne End Scouts

It is wonderful to see all our young people enjoying themselves and making the most of the camping and activities our Leaders organised over the summer. We now have 53 in our Scout Troop.

At Summer Camp in Kent they took part in aerial trekking, zip wire, archery, hiking, abseiling, climbing and more. This term they will be concentrating on Pioneering, gaining their Global Challenge and Heritage badges. They will also be turning the Scout HQ into a WW1 trench system.

This will enable Beavers, Cubs and Scouts to understand what life was like for soldiers in the trenches while raising money for the Poppy Appeal.

Our two Cub packs have both enjoyed their camps this Summer, gaining their Backwood Cooking, Camping and Night's Away badges. They got involved in cooking, shelter building, hiking, raft building, tracking, wide games and gadget building. This term they will be completing their Safety badges with visits to the Fire Station, a place of worship and a visit from our Community Policing Team. Both Cub packs are full to capacity.

The two Beaver colonies, which are both full, will be working towards their Animal Friend badge, Promise Challenge and Safety badge, as well as enjoying a sleepover.

We would like to pass on a huge thanks from Alex Pelling, who has been selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree in Japan next year. After the article about Alex in *Target*, he has received a huge amount of support from the local community.

If any Youth Groups or Schools are interested in visiting our WW1 trenches, please let us know. Contact besg.gsl@gmail.com and for membership : besg.waitinglist@gmail.com.

1st Wooburn Scout Group

Our Scout section camped twice this year and competed in one hike competition. Scouts completed the Global Challenge badge and were awarded four Chief Scout Gold awards, a remarkable achievement. They also won the camp & cook competition and the junior night hike competition.

Scouts have an Independence Camp in October where they cook all their meals during the weekend over open fires which are then judged. They will also be competing in the Grimsdyke Hike in November which is both an endurance and navigation challenge.

The Beaver section enjoyed the district Beaver junk modelling and have a sleepover coming up at the Scout HQ. All sections will be attending Remembrance Sunday parade in Marlow on November 9.

The Scout HQ needs a new floor so fundraising will commence this term to help pay for it.

Check out our new website for more information:

wooburn.wix.com/wooburnscouts

Bourne End Video Makers

Following the making of a club film in June and the annual barbecue, our Winter/Spring programme is now underway with competitions, practical sessions, guest speakers and reviews of members' own films. We are preparing for our annual Gateway competition against Staines and Reading with Storyline, Documentary and Open categories.

We are also planning a special event next May to celebrate 50 years of film-making for the club.

We have gained three new members in the last year and would welcome others. Meetings are held in the Target Room at Bourne End Community Centre on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. For more information ring 01494 712441 or just turn up.

Future of Our Village (FoOV)

A number of matters arose at a recent meeting. The automatic number plate recognition system is being introduced in Bourne End's Octeville Place (Wakeman Road) car park. FoOV members were asked to circulate the information which has subsequently gone out under the LibDem banner. Following the meeting, the chairman has written to the Post Office about the lack of forms available at The Parade post office. A second reply is awaited at the time of writing.

The Skindles development in Maidenhead has caused some concern. While outside the remit of FoOV, there was the possibility of construction traffic crossing Cookham Bridge and passing through Bourne End.

Simon Fowke was to write to Berkeley Homes pointing out the problem. The Wycombe District Local Plan is a critical issue but it should be covered by the parish reports.

Bourne End Townswomen's Guild

We have a Games Afternoon on Wednesday October 8, then on November 12 we welcome Brian Clews to talk about 'Red Kites in the Chilterns'.

We meet on the second Wednesday in the month and visitors are always welcome. Please note we are now meeting in the Target

Room at the centre. For information call 01628 527931.

Bucks Family History Society

On Tuesday October 14 Tom Doig will talk on 'Women in the 1800s': how women coped with the stresses of everyday life, the way women's self-help societies led to the creation of the Welfare State of the 1940s, the role of women in the community and the traditions of marriage and childbirth.

On Tuesday November 11 at our computer meeting members and guests can look at the way the internet has extended family history research.

We meet on the second Tuesday in the month at 7.15pm in the small hall at the community centre, non-members welcome with a small donation. Visit www.bucksfhs.org.uk.

RNLI Bourne End and District branch

A two-day fundraising event during the August Bank Holiday weekend took place at the M40 Services and raised £1,578.14. Thanks to all the collectors and to the generous public.

The branch was at the Cookham Regatta this year with a fully operational D class inshore lifeboat on display. There are 155 in the fleet, the nearest to us at Teddington. In 2010 they were launched 2,401 times and rescued 1,639 people, saving 103 lives.

On September 10 we held our first Pub Quiz at The Old Bell in Wooburn, which was well supported and raised money to save people from drowning.

Michael Prager has now taken over as chairman of the RNLI for Bourne End & District, and his wife Linda is Media Officer. The group is always in need new volunteers, so if you can spare an hour or two in a year, tweet to [rnli0708](https://twitter.com/rnli0708) or call Mike on 0776 993 2871.

Bourne End Twinning Association

Almost 60 members of the Twinning Association gathered for our annual garden party, truly a splendid afternoon.

Our next event will be a coffee morning in the library on Friday October 17, do join us.

On October 25 our Autumn dinner will be followed by a talk from our local MP Dominic Grieve QC.

For information on our next visit to Octeville-sur-mer or tickets for our dinner in October, ring 01628 521748.

Wooburn Park Lawn Tennis Club

The summer programme is coming to an end, with mixed results in all shield teams. Club play in the evenings continues and floodlights will come into use in the near future. For junior enquiries contact mandj77@btinternet.com and for adult coaching annehartennis@hotmail.com.

Marlow and District Railway Society

We have had a successful year so far with excellent talks and visits to venues not open to the public.

These included a private collection of buses, Slough Panel (signalling centre), and a little gem of a railway in the grounds of Wotton House, owned by Sir Jeremy Sullivan the Lord Justice.

We meet at Bourne End Community Centre on the third Thursday of each month at 8pm,

visitors welcome for a small charge.

On September 18, On Parallel Lines by Ken Horam featured BR photos in monochrome contrasting with current preservation.

On October 16, Poster to Poster by Richard Furness will give an insight into the colourful world of the railway poster.

On November 20, Events from the Last 12 Months by Bob Sweet will include both the modern main line and preservation. On December 18 we have our Christmas Social with food and contributions from members. If the above sounds of interest please join us. We don't wear anoraks!

Marlow-Maidenhead Passengers' Association

It appears a change of policy by Wycombe District Council has taken place. The railway trackbed between Bourne End and High Wycombe was protected under a District Plan to permit future reinstatement of the link. An Outline Application to build 22 houses on land at the rear of Mount Pleasant Cottages and Trees Road Cores End Road, Bourne End has been submitted. We understand that there have been only a small number of individual objections to this application - nothing from the Wycombe Society, nor Campaign for Better Transport. We have advised several relevant organisations so they can make representations.

Maidenhead Station is soon to lose its unique train shed that covers platform 5 as part of upgrading for Crossrail. It is believed that the shed will move to the Didcot Railway Centre for re-erection there.

The X9 service between Maidenhead and High Wycombe operated by First Group has been withdrawn without reasons being published. This could result in increased car traffic between the two locations.

Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society

We warmly invite everyone to our Annual Workshop on Thursday October 16 from 9am to 4pm at St Paul's Church Hall, Town Lane, Wooburn Green. Tickets, £25, include all floral materials and containers for the workshop and a two-course lunch. There will be a floral sundries table top sale.

Our group meets at Bourne End Community Centre at 8pm on the first Tuesday evening of each month for floral demonstrations, plus an annual outing and occasional floral workshops. Visitors are welcome (£5). On October 7 our demonstrator is Bunty Stannard, her floral theme is 'Style'. November 4's demonstrator is Annette Urquhart, her theme is 'Good to Go'. For further information ring 01628 524689.

Bourne End Horticultural Society

On October 16 Liz Glasser from Waterperry Gardens will be sharing her knowledge about grasses, herbaceous plants and shrubs in a talk called 'Plants with Autumn Interest'.

Brenda Harold will speak about 'Flower Power, how plants control animals' on November 20. Our annual Christmas Dinner will take place at St Paul's Church Hall.

Our friendly society warmly welcomes new members so please join us for a complimentary taster session. Further details on 01628 521482.

CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 2 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.
- 3 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 5 Sun Bourne End Concert Orchestra plays Music to Treasure. This annual concert starts at 7.45pm in the community centre and will include music by Tchaikovsky, Brahms and others. Tickets 01628 522854.
- 7 Tues CentreJazz: live music from 8pm in the Community Centre bar. Admission £5 includes raffle.
- 7 Tues Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society at the community centre, 8pm. Floral arrangement raffle, tea and coffee served. Visitors welcome, £5 fee applies. Demonstrator is Bunty Stannard, with the theme Style. For further information contact Thelma Robinson 01628 524689 (see advert page 36).
- 9 Thurs Claytons PTA Boden Shopping Party to raise money for school funds from 4pm to 9pm. See more details on page 10.
- 10 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 11 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am - 1pm in the Library
- 12 Sun Magpie's Nest antiques fair 9.30am to 3.30pm.
- 16 Thurs Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society Annual Workshop hosted by members, 9am to 4pm at St Paul's Church Hall, Wooburn Green. The ticket price of £25 includes tea and coffee on arrival, all floral materials and containers for the workshop and a two course lunch served with soft beverages. Contact Thelma Robinson to book a place 01628 524689.
- 17 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 17 Fri Social dance with Barbara and David at 8pm. Good dancing in friendly company.
- 18 Sat St Mark's monthly market in the church hall 10am to 12 midday with coffee and cakes.
- 24 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 26 Sun Table top sale at the centre 9.30am to 11.30am. Call Caroline on 01628 485642 to take part.
- 31 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.

NOVEMBER

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- 8 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am - 1pm in the Library.
- 11 Tue Cards For Good Causes charity Christmas card shop at St Dunstan's Church. Open from November 11 to December 16, Monday to Saturday, 9.30am to 4pm.
- 13 Thur John Dunsterville plays the guitar and talks about his successful music career. 7.30pm in the community centre. Ticket details page 37.
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- 23 Sun THROB Big Band concert at the community centre from 7.20pm. Tickets £12. See the poster page 36.
- 28 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 2pm.
- 29 Sat Cores End United Reformed Church Yule Fayre in the community centre from 10am to midday. Browse among the stalls and enjoy tea, coffee and some delicious snacks.
- 29 Sat Wooburn's Christmas Lights Celebration from 4.45pm. Gary and Linda in the Queen and Albert pub in Wooburn Green are hosting the Christmas Lights Celebration this year. See details page 3.

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Email editor@targetmagazine.org.uk by Monday November 3 to get your event included in the calendar.

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AROUND & ABOUT



Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Rather Splendid Afternoon Tea Party on September 6. We've thanked our helpers on page 2, but a special mention must also go to David Davis our master of ceremonies for the awards presentations, Paris Moon for their delightful music, the Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society for their table posies, Nicola Ball for the photography and everyone who very kindly donated crockery for the event.

We now have a set of around 90 pretty cups, saucers and plates at the community centre which we can loan to other local groups for a small donation to the centre funds. Just ask at the centre office.



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