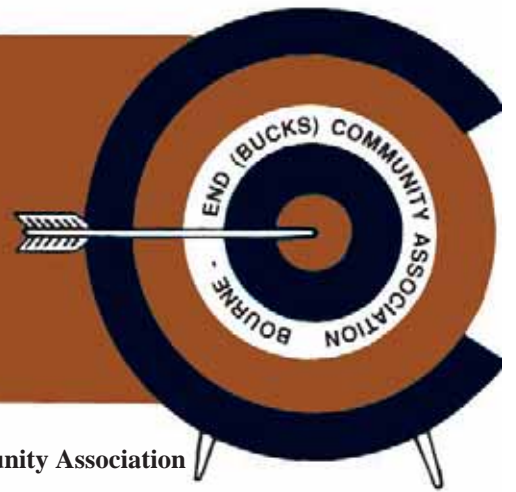


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Throughout our summer issues *Target* reported on the happy celebrations enjoyed by our readers to mark Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee.

These past few weeks have been sad and reflective as we all came to grips with her death. For more than 70 years she dedicated her life to service for her country and the Commonwealth, leading us with a quiet determination and selfless devotion, and being our nation's strength and stay.

As we enter a new era with His Majesty King Charles III we offer our thanks to the royal family for the past and our support for the future.

God Save The King!

## Golden girl Hollie...

Wooburn Green resident, Hollie Pearne-Webb, captained the amazing England Women's hockey team who won gold in the recent Commonwealth Games.

Olympian Hollie, who has previously won an Olympic gold medal in Rio de Janeiro and a bronze in Tokyo, started playing hockey aged eight and 'loved it'. As a youngster she watched the hockey ladies at the Olympics and imagined what it would be like to win a medal. Now, aged 32, her sights are set on Paris in 2024 and the possibility of a third Olympic medal.



The team's sweet victory in the Commonwealth Games against Australia came after the England team's 24 years of trying, having previously played Australia in three finals and losing each time.

Sweet victory came with goals from Hollie's teammates Holly Hunt and Tess Howard, clinching a 2-1 win.

"Australia are so good that we knew we had to come out fighting," said England's Lily Owsley. "Our coach told us to take the first swing and keep swinging, and we did, because if you sit off a team like Australia they will just keep coming at you."

The memory of a 2014 defeat, when the Aussies equalised with 11 seconds to play and then went on to defeat the England team in a shootout, still haunts Hollie.

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Euan (far right) with his lead actors



## Film premiere in Bourne End...

Film premiere nights are exciting. The glamorous first public screening of a new movie marks the culmination of months, sometimes years, of hard work behind the scenes. And while this may not have been a Hollywood blockbuster, the same excitement was in the air at the Bourne End world premiere of Euan Emery's film *Clear Skies*.



It was an evening of well-deserved applause and congratulatory hugs for the teenage movie maker.

Faced with huge restrictions to his university education 19-year-old Euan channelled his energies and passion for the art of film making into the 30minute movie which you can see in full on YouTube.

He wrote the story, then screenplay, filmed the story, caught the drama and laboured for hours editing the film and linking the action to make the finished version. Location shots in exotic places were out, so he turned to the fields, footpaths and roads around his Bourne End home.

Staying local his choice of the community centre for the world premiere was perfect. On Saturday August 13 his cast of stars and extras walked along a red carpet. Then the production crew together with family and friends all watched the movie.

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Sixty years ago local people joined together in their need for a community meeting place where everyone could get together and socialise. Their determination resulted in the formation of Bourne End (Bucks) Community Association. To raise funds for that purpose a charity was formed.

From then on it became a major Bourne End charity with the objective of raising funds to build a community centre for local people. Times have changed but the purpose of that community association has remained constant. People and their needs might have changed, but in Bourne End the association and the community centre are still the living heart of the village.

Through six decades of achievements, and occasional disappointments, the community centre has seen countless events packed with smiles and ringing with the sound of applause. Many, many people have memories of events and even now there are those planning events in the future. Celebrating this anniversary is a definite way to say that the charity is still Bourne End (Bucks) Community Association – with plans for more future anniversaries.



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## UPDATE by Stuart Wilson

It is with great disappointment, though not entirely unexpected, that the planning application for Slate Meadow Reserved Matters was approved by the West Bucks Area planning committee on August 24. This was a deferred decision from June when a number of important issues were raised by Planning Committee members after strong speeches against the development from Buckinghamshire Cllrs Drayton, Kayani and Wilson and Cllr Mortimer on behalf of Wooburn & Bourne End Parish Council.

It still came down to a split decision 4-4 with the chairman providing the casting vote in favour of the application.

Cllrs Drayton and Wilson met with the developer and their agent to discuss the application after the first meeting and were able to secure a number of concessions

to elements of the development. These were in regard to funding and certain planning conditions to protect public access rights, the ecology of the Wye and funding towards improvements at Little Marlow Lakes Country Park to offset recreational impact at Burnham Beeches. The agent also attended a meeting with the Parish Council Planning, Highways & Lighting Committee.

Final planning consent for Slate Meadow is still contingent upon approval from the Environment Agency on flood plain modelling and an updated s106 agreement with the developer.

The planning application is also still potentially subject to a call-in from the Secretary of State for Housing, but it is not anticipated that this is likely to change the overall decision. Development for 146 proposed dwellings can commence once all these conditions and provisions have been met.

There has been little new news on Hollands Farm over the last couple of months. We are still waiting to see who purchased Millboard Road, but otherwise there are few specific developments. Cllrs Drayton, Kayani and Wilson have met with the Planning and Highways Development Officers at Buckinghamshire Council to discuss outstanding issues raised by statutory consultees and next steps. They have requested a further meeting to understand progress, if any, and a likely timeline to the Strategic Sites Committee.

Fundamentally, there is still only one application for a site under dual land ownership. This precludes delivery of all elements of the Policy BE2 which covers Hollands Farm, in particular the delivery of the link road which was deemed mission critical by Wycombe District Council during the formation and adoption of the Local Plan.

It also means there is only one access point via Upper Hedsor Road (a 20mph road within a Conservation Area) towards the highly dangerous junction with Ferry Lane. Emergency access is only available onto Heavens Lea which anyone in their right mind would know to be entirely unsuitable in an emergency situation. These have previously been grounds for objection for Highways Development Management and it is inconceivable they would even consider approving the application - but stranger things happen as they say.

Finally, Cllr Wilson has continued in his pursuit of an answer regarding Buckinghamshire Council's intent for Little Marlow Lakes Country Park. The

development of the country park is a critical component of both Hollands Farm and now, thanks to councillors' intervention, Slate Meadow.

Buckinghamshire Council is progressing a report on this matter and Cllr Wilson persistently tries to ensure that the interests of this community are fully represented.

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## Avian Flu... is it birds' COVID?

Are you aware of the devastation caused to the wild bird population by

Avian Flu this year? Whole colonies have been wiped out in some areas. Here at Swan Lifeline we were worried as we are a swan rescue charity on Cuckoo Weir Island in Eton and we were hit by Avian Flu for the first time since opening 30 years ago.

We had not been rescuing sick swans due to the threat of Avian Flu, although we were rescuing injured swans. We followed all security measures, but we are on an island and have outdoor pens as they are much better for rescued wild swans. Our only indoor facility is our hospital. We are licenced for up to 180 swans at any one time. When Avian Flu hit us we had 31 in our care recovering from injury, territorial battles, landing on roads and railway lines.

There is a strict DEFRA protocol that any captive wild birds must be reported by law. The Avian Flu symptoms are horrible and the swans become distressed. Some swans can have immunity and survive, but the very strict protocol meant that all 31 birds on our site had to be euthanised, to limit the spread of the virus and protect the general wildlife population.

The DEFRA protocol is really aimed at commercial bird farms to protect the food chain. Swan Lifeline is now working to change this and need a different protocol for open air wildlife charities. An MP is involved and we have a lot of support. What we had to do and the cost could easily have closed us down, but it didn't.

We had to close for four months, follow a very scientific clean-up process and luckily we have some qualified staff who understood the technical information and a chairman who understands the river having worked on it for over 30 years, so we were fortunate to be well prepared skill wise.

Our query, when told to re-stock, was astonishment that we should take some wild swans off the River Thames as they belong to the Queen, the Vintners and the Dyers. In the end we negotiated chickens. We had to have 20 birds on site for a month before we could reopen and we clearly couldn't steal swans. We were 100% confident that our site was clean so we decided to give some older chickens an outdoor life.

So, the chickens arrived and they settled in well. All the ponds had to be emptied as chickens don't swim.

Having said we wouldn't get attached they were all named within a day, were real



characters and thrived. We had proper free-range eggs and wow did they lay.

After the month was up we found caring homes for each one.

Thanks to those chickens we were allowed to re-open and continue to rescue swans. We hoped the season for Avian Flu was pretty much over as it was the end of April 2022.

But it wasn't. It's believed that migrating birds bring Avian Flu, but please don't blame the birds. No one yet knows the real incubation period. Should we let Avian Flu run its course? Is it like COVID and we just need to live with it?

There is a vaccine but it's only available for rare birds in zoos and you cannot vaccinate the entire wild bird population.

The rest of the year has been much better. After a slow start we are now doing what we love and helping to look after the river wildlife.

It's good to be able to inform *Target* readers how Swan Lifeline coped with Avian Flu. If you want more information or feel you can help us change things please get in touch.

By Cindy Smulders, Trustee, Swan Lifeline  
Tel 01753 859397  
[www.swanlifeline.uk](http://www.swanlifeline.uk)

*Our photos show Nelly, our first cygnet who arrived after we re-opened.*

## DIABETES UK FUNDRAISER

Carol Bailey's annual Christmas Fayre in aid of Diabetes UK will be held at The Green Dragon Pub, Flackwell Heath on Saturday November 26 from noon until close and on Sunday November 27 from noon until 4pm.

There will be gifts, decorations, stocking fillers and of course a tombola.

If you would like to help Carol with her fundraising in any way (donations of time, money, prizes or sellable goods) call her on 07851 402764.

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A Big 'Thank you' to everyone who helped Parkfest 22 be a fantastic event.

In collaboration with The Community Church and Wooburn Residents' Association, we had more than 45 stalls selling various items including children's clothing, handmade wax melts, gorgeous fudge, jewellery, ceramics and much more.

The traditional Punch & Judy show was very popular with the kids (and grown-ups), and the deck chairs provided were well utilised for both the brass band and the evening music stage.

In addition to the fabulous musical entertainment, there was lots for our four legged furry friends too. Have-a-go dog agility was really popular, as well as our very own fun dog show – which saw lots of gorgeous dogs compete across seven categories for their colourful rosettes. While all this was going on,

the smell of burgers and chips wafted across the park, enticing the crowds over to the refreshment vendors – serving local craft beer and ales, vegan street food, traditional samosas, locally distilled gin and classic Mr Whippy ice cream.

As the car park filled up steadily throughout the day, organisers looked on at the hundreds of attendee's cars lined up across the park. What a proud moment.

We pledged to support four local charities by donating our proceeds equally between them, so keep an eye on our Facebook page for the final tally.

Thank you to everyone who got involved in the organisation, pre-event set up and on the day.

We'd love to hear from you – if you have any suggestions, compliments or comments on how the event turned out/what could be done differently next year, please email [reception@wooburnparish.gov.uk](mailto:reception@wooburnparish.gov.uk) – we welcome residents' feedback as we get the wheels in motion for next year's event... See more pictures page 24.

Our phone box book exchange is still looking fabulous and now has a new shelf for little hands to reach. The adult books seem to be overflowing at the moment but could use a few more children's titles, so please drop any donations into the parish council office and we can get them added to the collection.

The Parish Council is actively pursuing a Public Right of Way over the grassland between the River Wye and the road at Brookbank. Thank you to all who participated by filling in user evidence statements. These have now been hand delivered along with other relevant paperwork to Buckinghamshire Council, so we will keep you updated on the progress of this via our Facebook page and website.

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## Wellbeing Hub used in support of Ukrainian guests

The Community Well-Being Hub at the market took on a very different look and feel this August.

Swathed in Ukrainian flags and adorned with symbolic sunflowers and bunting; the gazebo, normally manned by local charities, was taken over by our growing population of Ukrainian guests for a fundraising event.



The morning was a huge success, raising money from the sale of Ukrainian-themed handmade crafts and goodies.

Many of the items were painstakingly made by our guests or had been specifically crafted in Ukrainian colours and then generously donated by some of the market's regular stall holders.

A poignant rendition by talented 13-year-old Stanislav Gerasimov (inset) of two Ukrainian songs, one written two weeks after the start of the war in Ukraine, moved many onlookers to tears.

We are delighted to report that together with kind visitor donations, a generous plant stall holder's entire takings, and a donation by St Paul's Church cake sale, we raised more than £500 for the Marlow Ukraine Collective.

The MUC ([ukrainecollective.co.uk](http://ukrainecollective.co.uk)) is a group of local volunteers who work tirelessly to match, and subsequently settle, many displaced families with hosts in this area. They have been an invaluable support and source of information to those hosting.

Funds go to such things as school shoes and language lessons and many of our guests are now filling vacancies in local businesses

thanks to improved language skills.

To date we have 67 families in the South West Chilterns area, hosting 143 individuals via the Homes for Ukraine Scheme.

We have a wealth of charities and organisations coming to the Hub in the coming months.

If anybody is interested in participating in one of our future markets and think their organisation/charity/wellness service would be appropriate, then please do get in touch with Heather Wilde at [H.wilde@btinternet.com](mailto:H.wilde@btinternet.com)

Come along 10-1pm on October 8 or November 12 to see for yourself.

For general market enquiries, email [rosieohagan@me.com](mailto:rosieohagan@me.com) or call 07989 716635. Check out our new website [www.becmarket.com](http://www.becmarket.com) and [BourneEndCommunityCraftMarket](https://www.facebook.com/BourneEndCommunityCraftMarket) on Facebook.

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Friends from Orchard House and Brent Road in Bourne End took their copy of Target on a short holiday to Weymouth. Thrilled to see an almost familiar name they decided it was the perfect spot for a photo.

Roger, on the left, had organised the springtime holiday to set everyone on course for a good summer.

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**Julian Pottage,**  
*English Bridge is published by the English Bridge Union.*

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# UPPER THAMES SAILING CLUB

By Tony Ketley

At Upper Thames Sailing Club there is sailing for everyone. There is an old adage that goes something like this: 'a picture's worth a thousand words'. The following images will support that saying, and they were all taken at our club. See more images at the gallery on the club website [www.utsc.org.uk/galleries](http://www.utsc.org.uk/galleries)



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We're making the event free to come along to, but any donations will be welcome to help cover costs and support the club.



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Yes, if you pop along to Huntswood Golf Club on a Friday morning expecting to see a bunch of serious, ultra-competitive, handicap-obsessed golfers from the local U3A, you might well be surprised because, unlike many golf societies, the BE U3A golfers are much more about improvement, camaraderie and participation (learn, laugh, live - to use the U3A mantra) than competition and winning. And, yes, you'll probably hear plenty of cries

of 'fore' (among other expletives) as another wayward drive threatens a bunch of golfers on an adjoining fairway.

The group always recognises any member who beats a previous personal best, but there is no prize for each weekly 'winner' - save for a mark with a yellow highlighter pen on a spreadsheet - indeed, the famed 'yellow highlighter' has apparently become one of golf's most sought-after prizes.

However, there are some annual awards plus some recent ad hoc competitions:

- Most improved player - won last year by Andy Clark
- The 'Captain's Cup' - won by Brian Jones last year and Andy Low in 2019



by Graham Trimming.

The theme of this article should probably be 'How to spoil a good walk' - because, as many of you will have heard said, the old adage is that golf is simply a good walk spoiled. But, of course - as the BE U3A golfers will tell you - it's much more fun than that - as some of the photos show.

So - if you're 60-plus (your age, not your golf handicap) and want to play the game more regularly post-retirement - or simply want to play each week with a bunch of like-minded individuals who don't take the game too seriously - the BE U3A golf group could be for you.

*Report and photos by Bob Woodmansee*

*Group photo (left) shows: back row (l to r) Graham Trimming, Andy Clark, Frank Toombs, Colin Clarkson, Mike Bellamy, Tony Pasquale, Brian Jones; Front row Andy Low, Tony Mahood, Bob Snellgrove, Bob Woodmansee, Mike Toms*



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# Little Marlow Parish Council

By Jo Murray, parish clerk

The Little Marlow Village Fête, held on August Bank Holiday Monday, was a fantastic success. Thanks to all involved in the organisation of the event and to those who came along and enjoyed the afternoon.

Visitors enjoyed an afternoon of traditional family fun with a classic car show, coconut shy, bouncy castle, face painting, barbecue and kid's sports games. The dog show drew a huge crowd and entrants of all leg lengths. Don't forget to put the August Bank Holiday date in your diary for next year.

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View the parish council meeting calendar and access meeting agendas via the website. Sign up for our news alerts and hear about what's happening in the parish. Next parish council meetings: November 8 and December 13. To keep up with parish council news please visit our website:  
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## SMILES AND THANKS

When George Parker's memorial bench was stolen from outside the community centre in Bourne End it sparked fury among the many volunteers who had contributed. Not only was George a lifelong volunteer at the community centre, you could fill a book with what he achieved there, but he also supported other charitable organisations.

A posting on social media had the required effect. When a dog walker saw the bench in woodland off the old railway track he contacted the community centre. Now the bench has been returned to its rightful place, but it won't go outside until security has been beefed up.

So 'thank you, thank you and thank you' to everyone involved in the rescue.

## TAKE YOUR TARGET



Carol and Joe Flynn sent in this photo of them on a summer trip to Hawaii. Carol says: "We had a great holiday on Big Island with our son and his family, who live on the west coast of the USA. Pearl Harbor was fascinating and we were so glad we did the trip."

The couple have lived in Bourne End since 1983. Carol was the pharmacist at Lloyd's for about 13 years and now works part time as a locum pharmacist for the chemists and Joe has stood in as a back-up Target delivery helper when necessary.

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## Lace Day was a winner...

Once again it was a favourite day for lace makers. Some lived locally while others were happy to travel from lace villages in Berkshire and Buckinghamshire to be part of the occasion. As always there were some new faces, who were warmly welcomed with their lace becoming part of a lovely traditional day at the community centre in August.

And it's not only lace that makes the day interesting. After knitting all the parts Heather was sewing up a brown and yellow giraffe to be a child's toy. Stitching needlework pictures while chatting and sharing a coffee was another craft. And there was tapestry ready to be done later. It was a lively and productive craft scene.

Some years ago lace maker, Myra Hurley, suggested a Lace Day to find out whether lace makers and other crafters would like to come to Bourne End. She was astounded by the response and it has become a regular feature of the summer at the community centre. So, lace makers and crafters, Saturday August 4, 2023 is the date to put in your diary.



## Cinema needs volunteers

The New Royalty Cinema started at the community centre in 2018 and was an immediate success.

Films such as *The Greatest Showman* and *Fishermen's Friends* attracted large audiences, and the Sunday afternoon screenings, with tea and cake included, became a huge hit.

After a lengthy gap because of Covid and a slow recovery, audiences are now growing again but they need more volunteers both for that reason and to allow them to screen two films a month in the future.

At each screening volunteers carry out a range of roles including: setting up the cinema, checking tickets, helping to seat people, selling local ice cream or serving afternoon tea.

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## Evening Concert

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# vineyard secrets

By Penny Heyes

## How to choose wine in a restaurant

I always prefer a short wine list when in a restaurant or gastro pub. Wading through pages of unpronounceable names has no appeal. And it is unlikely that a restaurant will be keeping stock of hundreds of different wines.

Firstly, where would they keep them? And secondly, if they buy a case of six or 12 bottles the cash outlay needs assured good sales. So the honest wine list is, frankly, the short, well selected one...in my opinion.

A frequently asked question is should we choose the second cheapest on the list – to keep up appearances. Not necessarily.

If the wine sommelier or the restaurant owner is good, his or her choice for House Wine should reflect good taste, knowledge, the values of the restaurant, and ensure customer satisfaction.

So I will frequently choose the House Wine as I expect it to be the best value for money and carefully selected. I do usually know which type of wine I want – grape variety at least, but of course that will vary depending on what I am eating and sometimes the time of day or time of year.

When putting a wine list together, the restaurateur will need to include a few staples like Pinot Grigio, New Zealand Sauvignon – the popular ones.

But now, as customers have attended wine tastings online in the last couple of years, they have tried different wines and extended their own preference, so they are more knowledgeable and discerning. The sommelier may well have met his or her match.

One great piece of advice is to order a glass of fizz or a G&T to sip while you are looking at the menu and wine list. Then you can take your time.

Or, prior to going to the restaurant these days, you can often check the wine list on the website. So do a bit of research before you go and see what they are listing. Often a good menu will advise which wine to drink with a course, but it may not be a wine you like – or may be too expensive.

So follow the rules: consider what you like – consider the House Wine as an option – consider what everyone is eating so you can complement the wine and food – try the wine by the glass first if you can and you are unsure – ask for guidance.

Also don't be afraid to send the wine back if it is too cold – often a chilled bottle of white is served too cold to taste properly, and then by putting it into an ice bucket it will make it even colder and the flavours cannot develop. So ditch the wine bucket.

If the wine is corked – with an unpleasant smell of cabbage or damp newspapers – or oxidised (smells like dried fruit) – don't drink it. If red wine is too warm or too cold.

If you are still a bit unsure, ask the sommelier for advice, making sure you explain what you like, what you are planning to eat and your price range.

If they start using wine words, ask them what they mean. A good sommelier is there to help you, the customer, not to show off how much more he or she knows than you.

If the waiting staff are not well trained enough to help, then ask the restaurant owner or manager.

Many of our customers, and I am sure the wider public, have been more adventurous in the last couple of years, as they have been cooking more gourmet meals at home.

They have been choosing good wines to accompany these meals, spending a little more per bottle than, perhaps, they had before.

I envisage that this habit of eating in and entertaining at home will increase this autumn and winter as we all have to cut back on our eating out.

We want to stay at home, nice and warm, but with the excitement and thrill of dining out.

Great Wines On-line will be putting together some dinner party plans so watch out on the website.



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# ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

By Katie Lamb

The other week I spotted a Herring Gull just standing in a car park. A magnificent, large bird, and bigger than I remembered them being.

With a pure white head, chest and underbelly like a dull day sky, grey wings highlighted at the end by black tips. It is as if some child had a marker pen and drawn the outline. It had a strong and fierce looking yellow bill with a red spot on the underside.

It's no wonder that these birds can take and eat a crab with no issues.

The seaside town girl in me couldn't resist a closer look. They always remind me of home. Every time I hear one I think of long walks on the beach and sunny days of rock pooling in my favourite childhood attire of a bikini and welly boots (not such a great look) to find crabs and a whole host of miniature creatures.

One remarkable thing my grandmother told me was that gulls could, unlike practically any other animal, drink seawater.

Evolution has been good to the gull and it has evolved a special gland just above the eye to filter out the salt in seawater through their bills.

So, I walked up to Jonathan (what else do you call a brave gull?) and instead of flying off he just sat there. As I reached out to touch him, he just walked off a little, stopped, looked at me and stood again. Looking around as if he had never had wings and walking was the accepted mode of transport for a gull.

But what do you do with a walking gull who doesn't want to fly? He looked ok, not a plume out of place, no marks, no limp, nothing.

So out came a towel and the biggest box we could find. With the towel totally over Jonathan, we picked him up and popped him in a box and off he went to Tiggywinkles.

Tiggywinkles was set up by Les and Sue Stocker back in 1978 when they started to take in and care for injured wildlife. Today they are a registered charity with a team of veterinary nurses, a specialist, consultant veterinary surgeons who have all led the way in techniques and treatments for wildlife.

They all have a common passion to respectfully help and then re-release any wild animal no matter how big or small they are. It is truly an amazing place and well worth a visit if you can.

Now, two weeks later, Jonathan has been assessed, x-rayed, and is making good progress. He is living in one of their aviaries, being fed and cared for in five-star accommodation, and hopefully he will be released soon to fly free.

Why Jonathan? After Jonathan Livingston's 'Seagull' — a book about a little gull. Like lots of us he is fed up with the daily routine and squabbles within the flock, so he becomes fascinated with flight, and practices and practices at his newfound passion, refusing to conform. In the end the rest of the flock throw him out and he flies away high up into the sky and never looks back. He had found his passion in life. Maybe something for all of us to remember.

If you trust your head to follow your heart, happiness will follow close behind. All I can say is — it has worked for me.



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## Movie magic at The New Royalty

Fans of Downton Abbey will not be disappointed with this second movie offshoot from the wonderful TV series.

*Downton Abbey A New Era* starts in 1928. Tom Branson, the Earl of Grantham's widowed son-in-law, marries Lucy Smith, the illegitimate daughter of and sole heir to Lady Maud Bagshaw, Queen Mary's lady-in-waiting.

Violet Crawley, the Dowager Countess of Grantham, reveals to her family that long ago she was gifted a villa in the South of France by the Marquis de Montmirail, who has recently died.

Coinciding with this a film production company

wants to use Downton to shoot a silent movie and Lady Mary convinces her father that the fee would be enough to replace Downton's leaking roof. Half the cast head off to France while the remaining staff and family remain to get caught up in the movie action.

Comedy drama *The Way* stars Martin Sheen as a father who heads overseas to recover the body of his estranged son who died while travelling the "El camino de Santiago," and decides to take the pilgrimage himself.

Described by Rotten Tomatoes as "a serene experience that prefers to take you by the hand rather than drag you by the foot."

Turn over for more Community Centre News

**Sunday 16 Oct**  
Doors open 15:20  
for tea & cakes  
Starts at 16:00  
TheNewRoyalty.org.uk  
screened at Bourne End Community Centre

The New Royalty Cinema is a not-for-profit organisation for the benefit of the Bourne End Community Association

**Sunday 20 Nov**  
Doors open 13:50  
for tea & cakes  
Starts at 14:30  
TheNewRoyalty.org.uk  
screened at Bourne End Community Centre

The New Royalty Cinema is a not-for-profit organisation for the benefit of the Bourne End Community Association

**The New Royalty cinema needs volunteers!**

Do you love film and would enjoy enhancing the cinema experience for others?

At each screening volunteers carry out a range of roles including: setting up the cinema, checking tickets, helping to seat people, selling local ice cream or serving afternoon tea.

If you have any technical experience, we would welcome help with film projection and sound.

Please contact us at [cinemahelp@thenewroyalty.org.uk](mailto:cinemahelp@thenewroyalty.org.uk) or pop your contact details in to the community centre office.

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Saturday 29th October - 7.30 pm - 11pm

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## Bourne End Community Centre

## Open Day

Saturday 15 October 9.30am-1.00pm

Bourne End Community Centre invites all residents and businesses.



Activities and information booths include:



Angling Club – The New Royalty Cinema  
Wedmorn Badminton – Cookham Bridge Rotary – Wye Valley Volunteers  
Bourne End Flower Arranging Society – Bourne End Short Mat Bowls  
Target Magazine – Forum Players – The Trefoil Guild – St Mark's Church  
B.E.J.S.C. – Headway South Bucks – U3A  
centreBar – centreJazz – Quiz

The Community Association is always looking for new volunteers to help us run events for the community. Please come along to see what volunteering with us involves.



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Egypt Rising from the Sands



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centreTalks are a fund raising activity for Bourne End Community Association



## Find hidden treasures

When Neil Payne launched Hidden Treasures Antiques Fairs in September 2019 he hadn't bargained for two years of restrictions.

Now his project is back on course and he is running a number of antiques fairs around local towns and villages.

His plan is to provide a welcoming and entertaining environment to encourage customers to return regularly. Specialist dealers will offer unusual antiques, vintage and collectable items.

So go along to the community centre on Sunday October 2 between 10am and 4pm, browse, chat with the dealers, enjoy refreshments and make friends with the new antiques man and his Hidden Treasures. Then return in November, December and make it a regular feature of your 2023 diary.

Neil has a wide knowledge of antiques and collectibles developed over years while running an antiques warehouse and doing house clearances. He also knows specialist dealers and can match an item to the right person who deals in that period or particular item. He himself has a special interest in wooden boxes and anything from the Art Deco period.

See all the dates for the rest of 2022 in the Hidden Treasures advertisement (right) along with the one for February 2023. Make it a regular date with Hidden Treasures on the first Sunday in the month at Bourne End Community Centre.

Above: Neil (right) shows centre manager Steve Burton a signed bronze Bulldog from 1910 while Neil is holding a beautiful wooden carving set

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## Nostalgia 60 on Saturday October 29

The community association celebrate its 60th anniversary and up with others involved over those years. This day is for you with anyone interested in those early days and the six decades of running a popular community centre at the heart of Bourne End. Many still live locally, others have moved away but this day is for you all.

Back in 1962 there was a local need for a place to meet, socialise, play indoor sports like badminton and where clubs would have a permanent home. It provided an amenity for the new influx of young owners as well as those who had been born and raised in the area.

Someone involved back then, but has moved away, can, with the advances of technology, send greetings with a current photo for a video screening on the day. Better still, you can do that and come along to celebrate and bring along any memorabilia you might have. This is all about memories.

Share the memories that bring smiles as you spot a former Miss Bourne End or a contestant in On Target Quiz. Someone you recognise from a panto or an opera. The morning is for memories we want lots of people to come along with their memories. Refreshments are free and there will be refreshments.

Save the date, Saturday October 29 and be there from 10am onwards.

In the evening there will be a music event (see poster far left) to end off the day with some upbeat nostalgia and a blast of music from the 70s and 80s...so bring your dancing shoes!

## TARGET BUNDLES DISTRIBUTION

A volunteer is needed to do a Friday afternoon delivery of Target bundles every two months. At the moment a small and very loyal band of volunteers take bundles to addresses around Bourne End and Wooburn for distribution. Another volunteer is required to cover any one of the routes in an emergency. Could you help the vital job of getting the zine bundles out to volunteers who do the distribution? If so please contact 01628 525415 and leave your details.

## Centre Bar Quiz

The next three dates for the bar quiz are September 1, October 6 and November 3 in the May Woollerton Hall. Doors open at 7.30; please arrive by 7.45 for an 8pm start.

For more information call Diane on 07521 656413.



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Tuesday October 4

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Tuesday November 1

**The Power House Band**

Tuesday December 6

**The Dixieland Swing Kings**

Music starts at 8pm in the bar. Entrance is £7 at the door or buy tickets online at [www.bourneendcommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.bourneendcommunitycentre.org.uk)

## ANGLING CLUB FROM THE WATER'S EDGE

Firstly where has this year gone? And it is now racing away towards 2023. Before my usual write up I just want you to know that Bourne End Anglers will be present at the community centre's Open Day on Saturday October 15. We will have a stand and look forward to meeting you. If you are interested in our club it will be a good opportunity to meet us and if you have any questions, our chairman and yours truly will be there.

Our match in August was postponed due to the hot weather. We had hoped to return to Wood Lane, Iver, but because it was such a hot day the fishery didn't allow keep-nets to protect the health of the fish. So we have rescheduled the match to another date.

We returned to Iver for our September match. First was Henry Rimmer with 155lb 8oz second Jim West with 83lb and third was Neil Townsend with 57lb 8oz. Twelve anglers caught 457lb 14oz on the day and it was good to welcome Sophie Perfect and Geoff Hunt as new members at the match.

Sophie is new to fishing and has learned the hobby very quickly and I have to say that I enjoy having some girl power forming in our club. We now have three ladies as members. Geoff hasn't fished for a while and was so pleased he decided to join us.

Although not placed myself I did catch the largest carp again at 13lb 4oz. Did I mention that huge monster I caught last time? You just know I am gloating as it is such a rare occasion when I catch monsters, you can't blame me for getting excited about it

Until next time. Before our next report we are looking forward to seeing people at the Open Day. If you are interested in joining our friendly angling club, please contact me on the number below. We are always pleased to have new members.

Michele Smith, Secretary Bourne End Anglers

07802 711141

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## Forum Players... the panto is coming (oh yes it is!)

Good news and only a year later than originally intended. 'Dick Whittington' will grace the boards at the community centre in Bourne End in January 2023. Rehearsals start in the middle of October and there are roles to be filled so come along on Wednesday October 12 to the May Woollerton Hall from 8pm. It's a friendly and welcoming group and you will be made to feel at home from the outset.

Should you feel you might be happier backstage then, again, you will be welcome and it's fun making sure that everything is in the right place at the right time. You can also sing along backstage to swell the voices on stage. Amateur drama is now alive, well and making a return to the stage after an enforced absence imposed by a situation that affected so many.

David Hooper is our new musical director following Graham Hyde who has moved away. David is a very accomplished musician and supported Forum Players through rehearsals last year. Living locally he is well connected with all of the local musician networks and is putting together a new band for Forum Players. We are very excited.

Now we are looking to create a new website due to a serious data loss on the old site. If anyone would be interested in taking this on, please get in touch. There are plenty of photos and material available – it just needs a knowledgeable hand to make it all fit together.

For more information call chairman, Kerry Hudson, on 07904 298036 or you can email on [kerryhudson1@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kerryhudson1@yahoo.co.uk)

DATES FOR YOUR 2023 DIARY: Forum Players panto Dick Whittington will be on stage starting with the special showing for seniors on Wednesday January 18 at 8pm. Then matinee performances on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 January at 2.30pm. Matinee and evening performances at 2.30pm and 6.30pm on Saturday January 28 2023. All booking details will be on the community centre website. Make it a date!



## IN REMEMBRANCE

### Libby Evans 1938 – 2022

Libby was born in the East Riding of Yorkshire at Hornsea; described as a quintessential British seaside resort.

Her grandpa was posted to Coventry during the war so Libby's mum and grandma went too. Libby went to school in Bridlington and studied for her art degree in Hull. Art had always been Libby's passion and after art college she got a job with Goya in Old Amersham where she was employed in illustrating and design.

Fate stepped in when she met Bryn Evans who was running a market garden on one side of Hedsor Road.

They married and she found herself involved in the business doing everything from deliveries to creating flower arrangements. When necessary her artistic talent was called in to design something eye-catching.

Expansion to the other side of Hedsor Road created what everyone knows as Bourne End Garden Centre and Libby found little time for painting as the family grew with the arrival of two boys and a girl.

In recent years she has found more time and enjoyed painting and sculpture – while capturing life's funny moments through her collection of caricatures.

Libby also enjoyed working on private portrait commissions, freelance illustration and doing lots of advertising for the family business. Every year she was commissioned to produce the annual calendar for the undertakers organisation illustrated with her cartoons.

Libby also ran a regular art class in the garden centre café on Wednesdays and she made many friends through her love of art. She was delighted that the family are all part of the business although things are very different from those early days when she and Bryn were first married.

Libby also volunteered for the Samaritans and then trained and qualified as a community counsellor, a service that people are referred to through their GP.

Always very positive Libby was known for her vitality and ability to find a solution to a problem. She will be sadly missed by all the family and her many friends



especially those who loved to listen to her advice and helpful suggestions executed with a flick of her pencil. RIP.

*Our pictures show Libby drawing, and just a few of her delightful cartoons.*

ED: Eight years ago I commissioned Libby to do a cartoon illustration depicting a scene from my son's wedding. I was stunned by her talent. She managed to work from several photos, to include all family members in a comedic scene and the likenesses were spot on! She was a hugely talented lady.

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### Greta Peppercorn 1938 – 2020

Greta was born Margareta Christa Marschall (with a 'c') on 27 November 1938 in Manila, Philippines.

Her father travelled with his job, hence the unusual birthplace.

She met John Simon Greaves Peppercorn at a St Patrick's Day dance when she was just 19 and, following their marriage and a starter maisonette in Collier Close, Maidenhead, they moved to Bourne End in 1963.

Then they bought a house off-plan in Southbourne Drive and moved in after it was complete. Duncan was born in 1962 then a few years later they again bought a house as it was under construction in Cressington Place. It was while living there that Teresa was born in 1967.

Greta was very engaged in local issues, setting up 'The Cress Club' for residents of the road and campaigning against a very loud ice cream van which used to wake Teresa up from her afternoon nap.

While living there Greta joined Bourne End Residents' Association. She also trained to be a teacher at Newland Park College and began her teaching career. In 1977 the family moved 'up the hill' in Blind Lane and Greta continued to teach at Foxes Piece School in Marlow.

Greta helped to design and paint the residents association floats for the Bourne End Carnival each year and Teresa loved dressing up and risking life and limb standing on the back of the lorry as it progressed through the village.

Particularly memorable were the Hammer Horror theme when Teresa was 'Lady Blood and her Brood' and 'An Englishman's Home is his Castle' in a medieval outfit and tall hat.

John died on 7 March 2019 and Greta was left bereft. Following a short battle with bowel cancer, she died on the same date, one year on, 7 March 2020. Teresa and the family like to think that John swung back round on his vintage motorcycle to pick her up. RIP

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# BOURNE END JUNIOR SPORTS CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

Founded in 1970 Bourne End Junior Sports Club is a registered charity run by volunteers to provide sport and recreation for children and young people, with many being highly qualified in their own sport. The New Road Sports Hall was built in 1982 and later extended to include a climbing wall and a club room. The multi-sport centre is used extensively by club members and members of the whole community. Please visit our website for more information [www.bejsc.co.uk](http://www.bejsc.co.uk)



### DON'T FORGET TO VISIT - October 22

Come and see us at the Bourne End Community Centre from noon until 5pm on October 22 with our outstanding

memorabilia event celebrating Jenny Tipper's fantastic drama events in the village back in the 1970s and 80s, plus our amazing timeline of 50 years of



the sports club. There will be some musical entertainment, refreshments and the Centre Bar will be open.

See full size poster page 26.

### MEMBERSHIP & SECTION DETAILS

This is the time of year to sign up for your sports so hurry and book your place so that you are not disappointed. You can book and pay online.

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our members and hall users.

During the summer recess the floor in the main hall has been sanded and resealed and looks fantastic (see photo above). Walls have been painted and deep cleaning has taken place everywhere.

There are new lights being fitted in the climbing wall following our successful fundraising bid. The work will hopefully be taking place in the main hall replacing the lights during half term week. They will make a huge difference to the quality of light, but also reduce our electricity costs as they are all LED.

### THANK YOU

Thank you for helping us to light up our sports hall

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of social media, publicity, and much research and form-filling of applications and discussions by some of our directors.

A huge thank you to everyone who has played a part in that. Our aim is to complete the replacement by the end of October. Thanks to: Public Buy a Bulb donations, The Bernard Sunley Foundation, The Mobbs Memorial Trust, Garfield Weston Foundation, Bucks Masonic Centenary Fund, South West Chilterns Community Board, plus a pledge from the Biffa Award Main Grant Scheme.

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## Film premiere in Bourne End

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Talking before the screening Euan thanked everyone for their support. He thanked his parents especially and then, perhaps realising that he was about to see all his efforts screened for the very first time in public, reality hit. Were those tears, or was it just a very warm evening?

So let's leave final words to the experts. Jules Robinson, education ambassador from Marlow Film Studios was one of guests and said: "The film was put together with a micro budget of £100 and given Euan wrote, produced, edited and directed the whole thing single-handedly, it was incredibly well constructed and produced.

"I thought the cinematography was especially impressive with really well-crafted imagery and smart lighting. The clever use of movement and camera angles has resulted in a very impressive film.

"Euan is clearly a talented filmmaker of the future and it was an honour to attend his first premiere. I'm

sure the first of many. Everyone at Marlow Film Studios wishes him all the very best for his future career."

*Clear Skies* has been submitted to a number of film festivals. Euan submits a synopsis along with the film and a statement. Then they go through internal screening to choose which submitted films are shown as part of the festival and which receive awards.

For the San Francisco Film Festival, Euan got as far as the semi-finals. For the Pinewood Lift-Off sessions he was voted by the public to be a finalist, but was not chosen for the award.

At this level exposure at festivals is the most important part as if you do go on to win an award you could win money, recognition from IMDb, and be put into contact with producers for your next project.

Euan still has nine or so festivals that he is waiting to hear back regarding selection.



### *Clear Skies*...a review by Target

There's no doubting that for a first film effort Euan Emery scores highly with *Clear Skies*. It ticks more than a good few boxes on the production side; steady camera work, clear sound (certainly didn't need subtitles and that's sadly not usually the case), good lighting (even in the dark night scene you could see what was going on).

I thought the changing-coloured lights at the party were particularly effective, mirroring the angst, jealousy and other colourful emotions of the bickering teens.

Euan chose his cast well and they gave creditable performances, with a couple of the young cast relaxing and impressively hitting their stride as the movie progressed. Mark Woollett was a stand-out performer for me.

If this is what Euan can do on a minuscule budget then I look forward to seeing his future efforts when, hopefully, he'll get the backing he deserves.

### Golden girl Hollie. Continued from page 1

She told the press before the match about how she was determined not to let a similar thing happen again. And this time her team held out while the crowd counted down the final seconds.

Hollie was commended in the national press for making a point of shaking hands with every single Australian coach and player before her team dragged her away to join in with their singing and dancing. The team had not won a medal at home since the 2015 European Championship and is now looking to the Olympics in Paris.

Hollie is well known in her home village and was featured in *Target* during the Covid months for being a volunteer with the local support group SOS and delivering prescriptions from the chemists.

She said then: "I felt it was really important to do what I could to help, and people were kind, so grateful and it gave me something else to think about – and a break from training".

Hollie has worked for the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on a part-time basis throughout much of her hockey career and used lockdown to study for accountancy exams.

She says: "I am expecting a transition out of sport to be incredibly hard. I am dreading it because I love my job as an athlete. But at least there is something else there; something else in the locker."



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Dog owners turned out in force to enter their pooches in classes which included best puppy, best oldie, waggiest tail and best rescue dog.

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## **Bourne End & Cookham Probus Club** **By Bill Leftwich**

Probus is a club for retired businessmen and we meet every third Wednesday of the month for a few drinks, a very enjoyable lunch and an invited speaker at the Grovefield Hotel in Burnham.

At our July meeting the topic of our talk was *'The history of St Peter's Church in Burnham'* by lay-preacher Ian Fordyce, a member of our Probus Club. Ian informed us that the current church was built in the 12th century on remains of a previous Anglo-Saxon church and even possible Roman remains.

What then followed was a wide-ranging history of life in the realm since that time covering the many Kings and Queens, philosophers, writers, scientists and engineers that impacted on life in Burnham.

The church was rebuilt in 1856 and is a fine example of Gothic architecture with superb stained glass windows showing views of the local Industrial Revolution and also views of the local River Thames.

At our August meeting Gareth Ashington related his story of leaving a disruptive family life in 1982 at age 15 in Wycombe with three 'O' levels to eventually set up the thriving Ashington-Page Estate Agent business today in Beaconsfield.

Gareth took us on a personal journey as well as an historical reminder of the highs and lows of the financial markets during that period. Tales of potential money laundering and off-shore money were capped by tenants who converted a huge house into a 'Cannabis Castle' and then, of course, fled. Gareth received the Sunday Times Best UK Small Agency award in 2009.

If you would like to join our excellent, friendly club please contact Bill Leftwich on 01628 529647 or view our website [www.bourne-end-probus.org](http://www.bourne-end-probus.org)

## **Cookham Bridge Rotary Club** **By Paul Ovstedal**

September 3 saw us enjoying the Cookham Regatta. Once again families poured in to enjoy the fun of the dragon boat races, the car show, dog show and a host of other entertainment.

At the time of writing we have yet to count the money, but the first chunk will go to The Thames Valley Adventure Playground which does such a great job for our less advantaged children.

Now for an early shout out for our Autumn Quiz. Our quizzes are designed for everyone to have a chance and get a taste of success. Our Spring Quiz generated £2,000 for the Red Cross Ukraine Appeal.

We would love to have a crowded Pinder Hall again on November 18, so please get a team together. Maybe Bourne End versus Cookham?

## **Bourne End WI** **By Chrissy Hayes**

Our Garden Party was held on a warm evening at the beginning of July. The following week,

theatre group Mikron returned to Bourne End WI. Their play 'Red Sky at Night' ended with a beautiful (real) red sky over our heads. Perfect timing.

In September our first meeting of the autumn was devoted to games and activities, led by our Entertainment Team. These evenings are proving to be a firm favourite.

For our meeting in October we will be entertained by speaker Ginny Cheeseman with her talk *'Ginny's Jungle: My Life as a Bug Lady'*.

Following the success of our Ladies Who Lunch Club, which is continuing to eat anywhere and everywhere, we have now started a Cinema Club. My phone is running out of App space.

Craft and Chat is planning on starting Christmas Crafts at the next meeting, although, as always, members can bring their own projects to work on or just turn up to chat.

Book Club is currently reading *'The Hare with the Amber Eyes'* by Edmund de Waal.

Walking Netball is now at two venues, here in Bourne End community centre and also Beaconsfield. They are always glad to see new people — perhaps something to try for the autumn?

Our Walking Club has restarted after the summer. A terrific chance to see our lovely countryside and keep agile.

For information about our WI contact Wendy on [bourneendwi@yahoo.com](mailto:bourneendwi@yahoo.com) or call 01628 526309

## **Bourne End and Wooburn WI** **By Sally Fawell**

Traditionally there is no meeting in August, but this year we decided to meet for afternoon tea and enjoyed a delicious spread of sandwiches, scones and cakes.

The September meeting was a visit from a member of Mercy Ships, a faith-based international development organisation that deploys hospital ships to some of the poorest countries in the world, delivering vital, free healthcare to people in desperate need.

The October meeting will be our AGM. All our meetings are on the second Monday of the month in St Dunstan's Church Hall at 2pm. Do come and join us. To find out more email [beandw.wi@gmail.com](mailto:beandw.wi@gmail.com)

## **Bourne End and Cookham Rotary Club** **By John Dunsterville**

What a great fun time and fabulous weather we all had at Little Marlow Fête on August Bank Holiday Monday (see photos page 27).

Once again, we gave the young ones a fun ride around the green on our Rotary 'Rocket'.

A proper village fête it was too, complete with dog show, coconut shy, tug of war, all manner of stalls and plenty to eat and see.

It's always fun catching up with the public as well; being your local Rotary club, it is so important to hear firsthand comments and suggestions from the community and fresh input

is always welcome.

We showed the famous Rotary Shelterbox which provides shelter, cooking facilities and aid for eight or even more. Plus the Aquabox, where muddy and stagnant water is transformed magically into good drinking water. Good too to support Swan Lifeline with our hoopla.

This area is slowly recovering from avian flu which is attacking birds including swans (see page 7).

A new emphasis of our club is to support Litterblitz and the Great Thames Clean-up. We have also helped worldwide with funds sent overseas to areas of need.

Do go and see the new Peace Poem at Penny's Corner with the emphasis on Ukrainian refugees now being hosted in our area.

Right now we are sprucing up the much-loved Christmas float and we all of course want to meet Santa in person this year, so we are busy, busy, busy.

Do you want to be a part of this? It all could end unless like-minded people come forward and become really useful members of the community. Put simply, that's why we joined the Rotary Club.

If you do want to find out more, contact John on 07811 702853 and visit [www.beac-rotary.org](http://www.beac-rotary.org) and [www.facebook.com/beacrotary](http://www.facebook.com/beacrotary)

## **Little Marlow & Well End WI** **By Veronica Kay**

The August meeting was preceded by a Ploughman's Lunch – a substitute for the Summer Show usually held this month.

Members were treated to a selection of June Baxter's delicious cream meringues.

Our speaker was Jez Elkin, the Education Manager at Greatmoor Waste Facility which sustainably manages the disposal of Buckinghamshire's waste by diverting it from landfill.

He informed us that almost half of the 26.5 million tonnes of waste collected from households is recycled.

Members were surprised to hear that millions of food items are thrown away every day.

Our very own Jane Statham reported on her offer to host a family from Ukraine. While it proved to be a cumbersome process which included an horrendous visa application procedure, she finally welcomed a mother and her teenage son in early June.

Since then she has been heartened by the support offered by the Ukraine Collective and local businesses, who have supplied, among other things, school uniform, sports equipment, a bicycle and English lessons.

The speaker at the September meeting was Gilly Pusey, a hand spinner, natural dyer, knitter and dog lover.

She came complete with her 40-year-old New Zealand spinning wheel and a wide selection of fleeces.

# Hedgehogs in Bourne End

by Elizabeth Chacksfield

One sweltering summer's night in 2018 my husband and I were awoken by the excited barking of our son's dog, who we were 'doggy-sitting' while my son's family were away on holiday.

As the night was so very hot, we had left open the sliding door in the kitchen, where Comet was supposedly sleeping. Not a bit of it. He had found something far too exciting: it was a ball, but when he tried to play with it – ouch – its prickles attacked his nose. Comet had, of course, found a hedgehog.

We had no idea that hedgehogs were around in our area. As their numbers have recently declined so tremendously, we decided to do 'our bit' to help.

This started with a feeding station – which we call the hedgehog café. My husband, Chris, made this from a fairly large, inverted plastic box into which he inserted a length of drainpipe to provide a barrier to cats and foxes.

Inside we put special, dried hedgehog food, but moist cat or dog meat is fine too (providing it is changed and the dish washed regularly).

Our hogs used to eat this voraciously, but suddenly this year, they have discovered the birds'

sunflower seeds that fall around the base of their feeders. And, quite clearly, they are absolutely delicious so now the hedgehogs will eat nothing else.

However, all is not lost, for one or two blackbirds have plucked up the courage to creep inside the café's tunnel entrance to feed on the delicious hedgehog food there. So we now have hedgehogs eating the birds' sunflower seeds while blackbirds are eating hedgehog food.

All this (plus natural 'garden' food) makes the males' thoughts turn to finding a mate.

There is no finesse about this. If a male encounters



Elizabeth topping up the hedgehog feeder



any female, he may start to circle her, huffing to impress – and loudly enough to wake me up at night, if the pair are below our open bedroom window.

Often the female in turn rotates, butting the male away. However, sometimes...

The answer to the common joke: "How do hedgehogs mate?" is, of course, "Carefully"

The true answer is, briefly. She flattens her spines (which seems just as well) and hey-presto. The two have no further interest in each other and go their separate ways. So no romance there.

But back to finding hedgehogs around our area. Over the following weeks and months as I spoke to friends, it transpired that these delightful animals are visiting a number of gardens in and around Bourne End.

However, no-one knows quite where, or how widespread, they are. It might be interesting to have an idea of their spread.

So if you have hogs visiting your garden/allotment, please send details to me at [lizchacksfield@btinternet.com](mailto:lizchacksfield@btinternet.com) your name, address and briefly whether you have any idea of their numbers etc.

From this I will build up a picture of how sparse is their presence – or whether it might even be greater than we imagine. And then, in due course, I will let readers know the outcome via *Target*.

My photos show a hedgehog coming out of the café (note the water dish, which is most important for these animals). We now have a tiny wildlife pond instead. One peeping out of the 'café'. And a photo of a large, amorous male, with his eye on a small female.

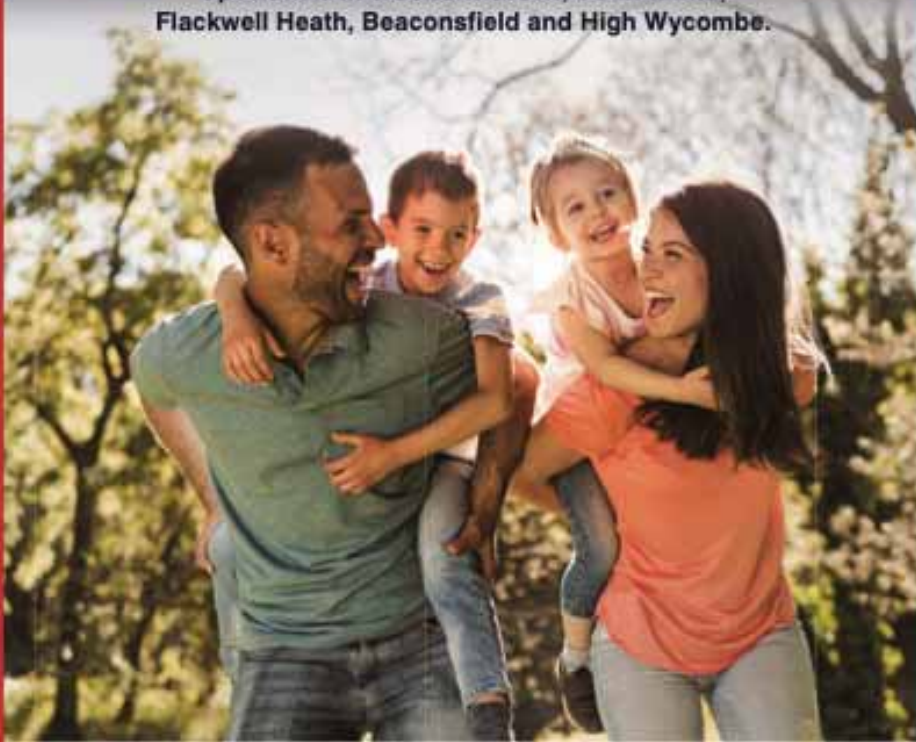
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## Support for Ukrainians in Bourne End

There are now quite a few Ukrainian families being hosted in Bourne End, Wooburn and Flackwell Heath.

Wye Valley Volunteers, and others, have set up a new support group for Ukrainian refugees living in the area.

The group runs coffee mornings on Wednesdays from 10am to midday at Bourne End Community Centre. Here our Ukrainian friends can meet each other and friendly volunteers over a cup of tea or coffee, and discuss any problems they may be encountering.

There is also an English-language support group, which meets on Monday evenings at 7.30pm, also in Bourne End Community Centre.

Led by volunteers trained in teaching English as a foreign or second language, this session is open to all Ukrainian refugees, regardless of the level of their English, and focuses on improving their ability to cope in typical situations where they may need English.

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Thank you for helping *Target* continue as the magazine for the communities of Bourne End, Wooburn Green, Hedsor, Well End and Little Marlow. It is appreciated.

Please continue to support *Target* as it is a vital part of our community.



## Wye Valley Volunteers had to divert

Weather, can you believe it, defeated the plans for a garden party to say 'thank you' to the many Wye Valley Volunteers who do great work and help those in need of support.

Probably the only wet and windy day this Summer forced the organisers to divert down the hill to the community centre bar. Instead of wandering around a glorious garden in the sunshine the volunteers adapted to a dry, warm, room and a chance to catch up with the news among fellow volunteers.

It was a chance to raise a glass to former chairman, Douglas Fergusson, while welcoming new chairman Peter Beard. Peter saw the funny side of every situation and his humour was infectious. He then raised a glass to all the wonderful volunteers who do so much for so many in the community.

Delicious food kept everyone happy along with the fizz. Afterwards it was a slow move away from the community centre with conversations continuing outside.

Chat to Wye Valley Volunteers in The Hub at the community market or call 01628 521027, email [enquiries@wyevalleyvolunteers.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@wyevalleyvolunteers.org.uk) or call into the portacabin alongside the community centre from 10am to midday weekdays.





## BUCKS COUNCILLORS UPDATE

The Wooburns,  
Bourne End and  
Hedsor Ward

**By Councillor Penny Drayton**

**Ward Boundary review Consultation - open until  
October 10**

In May 2020 the four legacy district councils in Buckinghamshire formed together to create Buckinghamshire Unitary Authority. The election was postponed for a year, taking place in May 2021.

The new Unitary Authority consists of 49 Wards with three Ward Councillors per Ward (147 Councillors across the whole of the BUA).

In Autumn 2021 the Electoral Commission ran a consultation and decided that, at the next local elections in 2025, the number of councillors per (current) ward would be reduced to two.

This will mean a reduction of councillors across the whole of the authority to 98.

Following this a further review of ward boundaries has begun. This is looking at current and projected population growth across the areas, moving boundaries accordingly to result in a more even share of residents per councillor/ward.

The intention is also to acknowledge community identities within wards which may currently be split. The vast majority of wards would be two member wards with some exceptions of one or three member wards.

The first round of this consultation has taken place. Members of the public and the council were invited to give their thoughts. From the responses the commission has kept many/most wards the same, but has made some changes (sometimes

significant) in certain areas, including our own.

The commission has proposed that the ward of The Wooburns, Bourne End and Hedsor actually expands at the time of the next election and would now include Well End and Flackwell Heath within the ward. With this increase and taking into account the reduction of councillors per ward currently, it would mean that we would remain as a three member ward, but would cover a much larger area.

If you would like to have your say on this proposed change of boundaries, the consultation is open until the October 10.

An interesting point to note is that the parish of Little Marlow has been split and part would join our ward and part would join the ward of Chiltern Villages (comprising of a collection of villages starting at Little Marlow and covering all across the Chiltern Hills including and as far as Fawley, North End, Hambledon, Frieth, Ibstone, West Wycombe).

Have your say through the following web page before October 10.

[www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-east/](http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-east/buckinghamshire/buckinghamshire-council)

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If you wish to discuss or understand this better before responding to the consultation, please feel welcome to contact any of us on the email address below.

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### **FUN NIGHT is back this Christmas on December 9**

This favourite local community Christmas event, Bourne End Fun Night, will be back on Friday December 9.

With all the popular attractions from stalls to stage performances, the childrens light switch on, games, fairground rides, food, drinks and of course a visit from Santa and his reindeers.

Last year saw a new team take on the challenge of running the evening with a few changes added like the main road closure.

Building on the success that the evening was, and the feedback received, we hope this year to be bigger and better still.

The first thing to note is that, for the first time, the evening will start earlier with everything opening at 4pm and running till 8pm. The light switch on has moved to 6pm to hopefully allow the maximum number of people to attend.

### **SPONSORSHIP**

In order for the evening to run we rely on sponsorship and grants from local companies, bodies or organisations. We would like to thank our current sponsors so far for 2022: Robertsons Estate Agents, Britons Solicitors and The Roland Callingham Foundation.

If you can sponsor any element of the event or donate towards it, please contact us now on the email address below. We promise to thank you openly and publicly and let everyone know what a great support you are for your local community.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

Not able to give financially or physically? Then please sign up to help and give some time instead. This could be earlier in the day for set up, or at the end for clear up, during the event marshalling or helping with stalls, all help in any form is wanted, needed and appreciated.

### **TOMBOLA**

Finally, if you have anything you could donate to the ever popular tombola (kids and adults) then we will be receiving donations at the community centre from November 1 to December 6. Please donate anything appropriate, the greater the range and number of prizes, the greater the success of the stall and the better result for the community.

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## TALES FROM A BOURNE END B&B By Jenny Stacey

It is now two and a half years since we gave up the B&B and we still miss the buzz of meeting new people and hearing their stories; but there were of course some downsides.

Most of our guests were lovely, but there were a handful we hoped wouldn't return (they did). Over the years we learnt a few things. Fake tan washes off sheets quite easily, black hair dye not so. Last minute bookings best avoided; we usually had plenty of notice, but sometimes we would get a phone call in the morning requesting a room that night. For some reason these people rarely materialised.

We also got requests for a room 'for a couple of hours'; these were also turned down.

Sometimes, what we couldn't avoid – and this happened on a couple of occasions – was a single man booking a room, but two turning up for breakfast.

One morning, while in the kitchen, we were aware of one 'extra' guest trying to sneak out of the front door. We suggested to the chap who was ready to settle down to a nice Full English on his own, that perhaps it would be nice if he included his new friend. Reluctantly he invited her back in (still in her party dress) and she happily tucked into a hearty breakfast that he had to pay for.

Then there were guests with unusual requests. One man travelled from Scotland simply to see where Enid Blyton had lived and brought his own breakfast, a tin of salmon and a tin of tomatoes, but wanted an egg to go with it provided it wasn't really cooked – just in the pan and out again. An almost impossible culinary skill.

On more than one occasion we cooked a Full English for young men who then decided they were too hung-over to eat it. An Australian couple (who gave us our only review under five stars) complained that we hadn't served cakes for breakfast. Had they asked after the first morning's obvious disappointment I would have obliged and got baking.

Not all our guests travelled far. On a few occasions we found we were hosting near neighbours. Our very first booking was a couple who had recently moved into the road and were having extensive renovations done. They stayed for a month and became good friends. Our immediate neighbours spent their wedding night with us as their own home was full of family.

One cold February evening I got a call from someone asking if we had a room and was it warm?



I said we did have a room (despite my vow never to take last minute bookings), it was warm and what time should we expect then.

"Oh, we will only be a few minutes as we just live down the road" was the reply. Sure enough, a couple of minutes later there they were, explaining that their boiler had broken and that the husband wasn't feeling very well. He went straight to bed. His wife sat and chatted with us for a while then announced that she'd better go back to check on the dog who had been left in their house.

She didn't take a key as she "would only be a few minutes". When she didn't return after a couple of hours, and we wanted to go to bed, I discovered she was in the pub next door.

After that we had two more local guests whose boiler had also broken. They asked to stay for one night while the boiler was being repaired and ended up with us for a week.

I think one of the most unusual guests, in our first year, was a young man called Darren who had been booked in by someone organising a stag night for his friend. Darren duly arrived and then went upstairs to get changed.

Imagine our surprise when he came back down ready to go off to the stag night, dressed as an oompa loompa (from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory). Apparently he had been hired to be handcuffed to the groom all evening, and didn't appear to think this was at all unusual. He said it was all in a day's work.

I wasn't sure how I would remove the orange make-up off the bed linen, but I needn't have worried, there was no trace of it. He was a lovely young man and happily agreed to have his photo taken with me which certainly amused the grandchildren.

After ten years of welcoming guests, making beds and cooking breakfasts, lockdown struck and we had to close our B&B doors very suddenly. This then set us thinking about the next stage in our lives.

We decided to put the house on the market and consider downsizing. We soon had a buyer and were then fortunate to find a bungalow literally round the corner.

We had never wanted to leave Bourne End, or Hedsor, so this was the ideal property. It had been empty for about three years and required substantial renovation, but this kept us fully occupied during lockdown and we are very happy in our new home.

However the hospitality bug has obviously not left us and we now have a self-contained studio at the bottom of the garden where we have continued to welcome guests – some old and some new.

It's a different venture that we hope will be as interesting as the last and we look forward to the future.

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*Our photos show Jenny with her oompa loompa guest and Jenny surveying her new garden studio*



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Well, that was some summer. Record temperatures, drought conditions, low water levels, hosepipe bans, lock rationing and cold beers, I was considering going to the Sahara Desert to cool down. Given all this, the river didn't feel it was that busy? Maybe I'd had too many beers?

The river wasn't actually that low over the summer. Yes it was lower than one would expect, however, when I was out on it I didn't run aground as much as I was expecting. All the weir sluices were basically pulled up to preserve the water and towards the end of the summer the Environment Agency introduced rationing on the locks.

This entails only locking every 15 minutes. Every time the lock is used it sends a high volume of water downstream, it was this volume of water that they were looking to reduce.

Of course, rationing is only effective if there is a lockkeeper on duty to administer the process, if a lock is unmanned then I am guessing the 15 minutes could possibly not have been adhered to. An own goal at some locks I would suggest, mentioning no particular ones.

I'm unsure why the river didn't seem as busy as it could have been, it may be that people had more confidence in attempting to go overseas for a holiday, Dover seemed quite a popular holiday destination this year, prior to proceeding abroad.

Given the higher than usual temperatures, this may also have led to reduced boat usage as it can be uncomfortable on the river, there is little shade on an open boat and even in a cabin cruiser it can be uncomfortably hot inside, even in the evenings.

Other factors that may have led to a quieter river could be an effect of the rising cost of living. People may not have as much disposable income to visit their boat as often as they would have liked.

Some days while I was on the river the traffic seemed to be mainly charter boats, holiday hire boats and the daily rental boats.

I am in the marina quite often in the course of my work. It would appear that their trollies have been stolen. Rumour has it that they may have been seen making their way towards the village. I would ask if people could keep an eye out for them, they are blue and very like the type you see in garden centres. It makes life uncomfortable when you must carry supplies/equipment to a boat at the far end of the marina.

I am hoping that they will be replaced, but until then I may buy one and offer a service to the boat owners taking their wares to their boats, I'm sure it would be a lucrative venture.

The marina has been busy, as one would expect during the summer. One of the businesses based there, Hutchins Marine Sales, has taken on the sole agency for a brand of electric boat called Duffy.

Phil Hutchins imports these boats from the US West Coast where they are manufactured to sell here.

Many of Phil's boats can be seen on the River Thames. He has also sold his first boat up to Lake Windermere. I can vouch for this as he kindly asked me to deliver it. Obviously I took it by road as we could not find an electric cable long enough to go by water.

That was a long day, but a successful mission. I hope he doesn't sell too many up there, or even further north.

I had reason to venture to Windsor with six guests on the Blue Barge recently, while transiting past Bray there was an obstruction in the river; a tree had fallen some time ago and resulted in halving the width of the navigation channel.

Fortunately, I managed to see and avoid it without spilling my champagne, this would have made my cucumber sandwiches soggy.

The fact is that the tree had fallen some time ago and, although it is an obstruction, the Environment Agency had not removed it. Granted you can see it in daylight, but come the hours of darkness there is a fair chance of colliding with it. I fail to understand why the authorities have not dealt with this tree.

If the EA don't have the equipment or manpower to complete the task then they should have put it out to contractors.

Some things the EA do well, but on other matters I do despair of their lack of action.

They could have asked me to arrange its removal.

I am often asked about the Magna Carta. I did study history, so I am well qualified to talk about the document that was signed at Runnymede, but when I start spouting on dates etc, I am stopped. They mean the large barge that calls into the marina (which I also know about).

The Magana Carta is one of the largest vessels that travels on the non-tidal River Thames. She is a high-end hotel barge that caters for eight guests in four cabins and trades between Hampton Court and Henley on a weekly basis.

She is primarily marketed towards American tourists and is all inclusive in terms of gourmet food and drink and guided tours that are offered around places of interest.

She calls into the marina to take on fuel, gas, water and to empty her waste tanks, usually she will take on between 1,000 and 1,500 ltrs of diesel fuel.

An interesting fact is she had to have a mid-section of her hull removed to make her shorter and able to fit into the smaller locks, such as Hurley.

As I am scribing this missive the sad, sad news has just come through that our Queen, Elizabeth II, has died.

Oh dear, most of us have only ever known the Queen as our monarch, she has been with us all our lives. I, like many, thought she'd live forever but also knew she couldn't.

An initial thought concerning the river is that head Swan Upper, (or Queen's Swan Marker), David Barber, who lives locally, will now be known as the King's Swan Marker.

I am sure that there will be many more changes to come. Her Majesty did have connections to the river and travelled on the steam ferry 'Alaska', not long ago. This was built at Bourne End in 1883 by Horsham Brothers. God bless you Ma'am, thank you for your service.

The Queen is dead. Long live the King.

*Until the next time  
Peter Osborne,  
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# Past times by Barrie Penfold

Thirty years ago, 1992, well within memory for those in Bourne End and Wooburn Green, also for those who moved into new housing estates and are now firmly part of the community.

Activities at the community centre are varied, regular and well attended. The community centre is at the end of the Wakeman Road with the car park in front. The challenge? To provide the best facilities and meet all needs.

Sadly in 30 years some of the people who had such an influence in those early days have died. Others have taken their place in the running of the community centre, introducing new ideas and modern methods while maintaining the essence of that dream from 1962.

Forum Players were never afraid of tackling shows like *'Shirley Valentine'* with sell-out audiences loving every moment. While they were happy to put on a spring and an autumn show it was the annual pantomime in January that attracted capacity attendances each year.

Children went on stage to sing-a-long with some of the cast as mums and dads joined in.

Now established, the Bourne End Concert Orchestra did the impossible by rehearsing and then performing on the same day with a programme of classical favourites. For the gardeners there was the Annual Flower and Vegetable Show staged by the Horticultural Society and attended by hundreds.

Providing facilities takes its toll on a building that welcomes hundreds of people through its doors each week. Regular patching of the flat roof on the smaller of the two halls convinced the community association that a pitched roof would eliminate future problems.

It was a major project that also included work on other areas of the roof to improve lighting and ventilation. Fundraising including grants, donations, special activities and an interest free loan from Wycombe District Council. While this was an added burden it also meant that the kitchens could be completely refurbished and updated.

New demands were being made on community buildings to provide easy access and facilities for anyone who needed the help of a wheelchair to attend events at the community centre.

With a grant from the National Lottery, which started in 1994, the community centre was able to improve and widen access to and around the building while providing a special toilet for wheelchair users with mother-and-baby changing facilities. Toilets were upgraded, the foyer revamped, ramps provided for easy access and the



community association was set fair to meet the challenges of a modern world. Recognising, of course, that there will always be jobs to be done when your halls and meeting rooms are in constant use.

Check out the noticeboard from those days and you'll find Table Top Sales and Short Mat Bowls being featured. A fashion show organised by Ann of Bourne End, craft fairs and special Christmas fairs were appearing as fundraising took on new ideas and ways to attract people.

A luncheon with a speaker brought new people in to enjoy a social occasion. Even Forum Players staged dinner/theatre similar to the Mill at Sonning. Big Band Concerts filled the stage and the hall with sounds that attracted capacity audiences. Operatic Society had voices for great musicals and their supporters demanded more. Newly decorated, the bar was a plus in the evenings for everyone involved.

*Target* magazine increased its size to 20 pages to meet the needs of more local activities and events (today it is 40 pages). Readers responded to seeing more photographs and the cry 'saw you in *Target*' was a sign that the community magazine was well received.

The official opening of the Access and Refurbishment Project welcomed actress Wendy Craig to cut the ribbon. An exhibition of local crafts filled one hall while clubs using the community centre showed their skills in the other.

Singing from local school choirs and a celebration cake was cut and served.

For the first time colour pictures from the occasion appeared in *Target* and started the next stage for the magazine.

Into 1999 and the top story across the media and on everyone's lips was the arrival of the Millennium. There were dire warnings, but it boiled down to the fact that we would be putting a '2' before the date.

In this decade around our villages other groups were also developing and making improvements to meet increased needs. A lottery grant for the junior sports club enabled it to build another smaller multi sports unit, add a climbing wall, recreation area and more changing facilities.

Down on the river the Upper Thames Sailing Club were seeking new members and encouraging children to take up sailing. With expansion at Claytons School to take primary age children the facilities at Westfield were adapted to be a special needs school. And Fun Night started under the wonderful Christmas lights along The Parade and continues today to get everyone in a festive mood.

Major issues on planning saw strong opposition to proposals for Slate Meadow and saw singing children performing and featuring on a television programme (see photo above).

Down on the river plans were in the early stages for discussion over development of the old boatyard. These were to drag on through a number of developers until reaching a conclusion and providing Bourne End with an area of public open space where people could sit and enjoy watching the River Thames.

Lloyds Bank celebrated its 100th birthday of being part of the familiar street scene at the junction of Royalty Parade and Station Road. In the same decade Collias the butchers celebrated providing quality meat for 100 years.

In the decade the world became a little smaller as communications improved and the worldwide web protocol and the WWW language was created.

Most households had a washing machine and mobile phones got smaller while televisions got wider. In April of 1997 the Hale-Bopp comet reached its brightest point as it passed at its closest point to the Sun.

It became plainly visible to the human eye in May of 1996 and continued to be visible in the night sky until December of 1997. Woolworths closed its remaining discount stores after more than 100 years of trading. The first book in the award winning Harry Potter series by J K Rowling is published. Princess Diana died in a car crash and her funeral was watched by 1.5 billion people around the world.



## OUR LOCAL CHURCHES KEEP IN TOUCH

### St Nicholas' Church, Hedsor

Although we still have no vicar, we have continued in good spirits over the last 12 months through the assistance of our visiting vicars and the support of our congregation, including our wedding couples.

We are moving forward towards getting a new priest, and are in discussion with our diocese and, in the meantime, our Sunday services continue and our church attendance is thriving.

Our Harvest Festival service will be on Sunday October 9 and our annual Remembrance Service on Sunday November 13.



### The Community Church

This summer it has been a joy to partner with other local churches and groups in helping to serve our community and our neighbours in a number of different ways.

A big thank you to all at St Peter's Church Loudwater who pulled the funding together so that we might join with them in helping a number of families linked to our local primary schools, where support for new school uniforms this autumn was greatly appreciated.

What a joy to join with volunteers from local churches who gave a week of their time to run the first Lighthouse Loudwater Kids Holiday Week. Although based at Loudwater Primary School, the week saw more than 175 kids from all the local villages having an amazing fun-filled time.



Lastly, it's also been a joy to partner with Wooburn Green and Bourne End Parish Council and Wooburn Residents Association in the planning and putting on of Parkfest 22 at Wooburn Park.

We meet every Sunday at the Chapel on the Green, 10.30am to midday. We also have a drop-in coffee morning, Connect, in the church hall every Monday, 10.30am to midday. For details visit [thecommunitychurch.online](http://thecommunitychurch.online)

### St Paul's Church, Wooburn

Our Sunday 9.30am services have a different format each week. Communion service on first and third Sundays. Sunday club ages 0-12 in the hall on the first Sunday and at the back of church third Sunday. All-age non-communion service (Prayer Book Communion at 8am) on the second Sunday and on the fourth Sunday communion first then Sunday Club (children) and a discussion based sermon (adults).

Friday Lunchbox Service is at St Mary's at midday — a short informal Communion Service, bring-your-own lunch after.

Forest Church has its next gathering outside on October 30 — full details at Wooburn Forest Church on Facebook.

We offer various monthly opportunities for community gathering, but of course best laid plans could change. Watch out on our website and Facebook page for activities such as Men's Night Out (October 20 and November 17 at 7.30pm), Family Breakfast (October 1 and November 5 at St Mary's, please register), Coffee and Cake (October



18 and November 22), Cake and FairTrade sales at community market (October 8 and November 12).

For more details visit [www.stpaulswooburn.org](http://www.stpaulswooburn.org) or Facebook St-Pauls Wooburn (user profile) and St Paul's with St Mary's Wooburn (page). Get in touch via the office: tel. 01628 525512 or email [stpaulswooburnparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulswooburnparishoffice@gmail.com)

### St Dunstan's Church

Due to the lovely hot weather forecast, we decided to have a barbecue with lots of good food and conversation in the garden.

Our planned International Food Day has now been postponed to early 2023. Applications for First Holy Communion are now being accepted for students in Year 3 and upwards. The programme will start in October and children will make their First Holy Communion in May 2023.

For any enquiries or questions, please contact the parish office on 01494 673018 or email [parish.stdunstan@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:parish.stdunstan@northamptondiocese.org)



### St John the Baptist Little Marlow

A big thank you to all who supported our stall at the Little Marlow Bank Holiday Fête. It was wonderful to be back and see so many enjoying a great afternoon out (see photos page 27).

Our newly appointed Children's Worker started her first full term working with the children at Little Marlow Church School and we look forward to input from the children in our monthly family services. These resumed after the summer break on the third Sunday of the month at 11am.

Our annual Harvest Lunch will be held at Abbotsbrook Hall on Sunday October 9, please look out for details on our website. All are very welcome.

The Remembrance Sunday Service on November 13 will start 15 minutes earlier at 10.45am.

Our ever popular Quiz Night is on Saturday November 19 in the Abbotsbrook Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm prompt start. Tickets £12 to include supper. There will be a licensed bar.

The Alpha Course starts on Monday October 3 for six weeks with a break for half term, 7.30-9.30pm in All Saints' Marlow. Shared supper is accompanied by fascinating discussions and films.

We hope shortly to advertise for a new member to join the clergy team to be responsible for St John the Baptist, meanwhile our services continue to be taken by the present clergy team ably supported by lay members.

For further information on any of the above, contact churchwardens Jeffrey Smith 07775 957090 or Peter Rodger 07985 619780 or visit our website [4u-team.org/events-calendar/](http://4u-team.org/events-calendar/)



### Cores End United Reformed Church

We have been busy working in and enjoying our outdoor spaces. An open morning on September 17 gave local people a chance to hear a short talk and have a tour.

The URC 50th Anniversary is celebrated with a Meal and Quiz Night on Saturday October 8 (together with friends from Trinity URC) in the church hall. There will be a special service in the church on Sunday October 9 at 10.30am.

As usual church members are filling Christmas shoeboxes to send to Moldova, Romania, Bulgaria and Ukraine through the charity Link to Hope.

The boxes will be collected by our local organiser, Daphne Stopforth, on Sunday November 6.

We mark Remembrance Sunday on November 13, a time not only to remember those who have died in war but to pray for peace today.

A Charity Coffee Morning is planned for Saturday November 26, 10am-midday, with refreshments and an enticing array of traditional Christmas stalls.

On alternate Tuesdays from 2pm to 3.30pm, Link Up Club hosts afternoon teas in the church hall, a chance for a chat and the occasional sing-song or interesting talk. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday Morning service is from 10.30am to 11.30am with Communion on the second Sunday of each month



### St Mark's Church, Bourne End

During this interregnum period we continue to enjoy the services of visiting priests, and it is very interesting to hear their different views on local and world matters, both religious and secular.

Members of our growing congregation also take services with their own views on where we are heading. Coffee and biscuits are served after every service, giving the chance for an informal chat and catch-up.

We continue to maintain a busy calendar of social and fundraising events and had a very successful day at Parkfest on September 3. (See pictures on page 24).

By the time you read this, we will have hosted the BBC's *Bargain Hunt* programme. They wanted to use our church hall as their 'green room' for crew, cast and competitors while they filmed an episode at Bourne End Auction Rooms.

On Saturday October 1 we will hold a Secondhand and Jumble Sale in the church and church hall. There will also be a raffle and refreshments. We also participate in the community market on the second Saturday of each month, and we will be at the Bourne End Community Centre Open Day on October 15, so do pass by our stall and say hello.

Many Bourne End residents will remember the Rumaishah family of Highfield Road, who were great supporters of St Mark's for many years. Their son, Bishop Mano, will take our 10.30am service on October 16. This will be a very interesting service and all are welcome.

We will have an All Saints service on October 30 and a Remembrance Day service on November 13, led by Stephen Burton whose family also has strong connections with St Mark's. Looking towards Christmas (already!?). We will hold our Advent Service on November 27. As ever, all are welcome, so join us to get into the Christmas spirit a little bit early.

Weekly events continue with coffee mornings every Monday from 10am to midday and Puffins baby and toddlers group every Wednesday from 10.15am to 11.40am.

### Bourne End Quaker Meeting

A Quaker Meeting for Worship takes place in the Target Room at the community centre at 10am on the first Monday of every month.

Everyone is welcome; we stay seated in shared silence until about 10.40am.

Anyone present may share their thoughts during this period of worship, as in any Quaker meeting. We chat briefly over tea and coffee after the meeting. For more information please visit [www.caqm.org.uk](http://www.caqm.org.uk)



## OUR GROUP MEMBERS KEEP IN TOUCH

### 1st Wooburn Scouts

The history of Scouting dates back over 100 years to Lord Baden-Powell, whose first camping trip for boys was famously held on Brownsea Island. In July on our Scouts' first week-long summer camp they went on this Scouting history voyage. And what a privilege it was.

Although we didn't get to camp on the island, we did get a chance to invest a few new youngsters to our group at the memorial that is placed there.

At 1st Wooburn we are fortunate that our history is also long. Established in 1910 it is still a thriving group providing skills for life for the next generation.

If you want to be part of our history, please get in touch. We always need more adult volunteers and are always happy to welcome new young people, starting from six years old. There is fun for all.

Right now we need a new Group Chairperson, some adult leaders (uniformed or not), as well as volunteers for more ad-hoc roles. We'd love to hear from you: wooburngreengsl@gmail.com

### 2nd Bourne End Guides

As usual it's been a busy outdoor term for all our Girlguiding members in Bourne End & Wooburn District.

Our Rainbows had a teddy bears' picnic, had fun with science and went on a story-telling hike.

This term they are being 'Super' Rainbows and joining the district event to Legoland. They also need a new helper/leader on Thursdays, 5-6pm. Please help if you can.

The Brownies had a really busy term out and about helping to keep our village litter-free and got to learn circus skills at Magic and Mayhem, staying overnight in a big top tent.

Other activities included craft and dance and they had a really great time. They now meet on Tuesdays, 5.30pm to 7pm at St Mark's, and Thursdays, 6pm to 7.30pm at St Paul's, and need another assistant leader.

The Guides had a packed weekend at Paccar cooking on fires and swinging from trees, went on

hikes, litter picks, learnt to put up tents, did kayaking at Longridge and finished the term with a fabulous long weekend at the Girlguiding festival in the New Forest - Wellies and Wristbands - with crafts, henna, hot tubs, science, escape rooms, high ropes as well as a music festival each evening.

Although our leaders are exhausted they all say they had an immense amount of fun and it's so good to be getting back to camps and nights away with the girls.

We are planning a great term ahead and hope you saw us at ParkFest with our friendship challenge and bracelet making - or perhaps you got peg'd by us?

If you have a couple of hours free please consider helping us with one of our units. Email boureenddistrictguides@gmail.com, or fill in the volunteer section on the Girlguiding website.

### Bourne End Horticultural Society

On October 15 Tony Powell will be our guest and his subject will be *Life and Colour of the Pyrenees*. On November 19 Andrew Mikolowski talks on *Right Plant, Right Place*.

We warmly welcome new members to our friendly society which meets every third Thursday at St Dunstan's Hall, Bourne End, at 7.30pm for 8pm.

For further details please visit [www.behorticultural.co.uk](http://www.behorticultural.co.uk), Facebook @behorticultural, or email behorticultural@gmail.com

### Wye Valley Volunteers

Do you know someone who would be prepared to drive as a volunteer, to take older people to hospital appointments, to transport those with reduced mobility to the doctor's surgery and to help anyone with needs to get to the dentist or optician?

If you would be interested, or you think someone you know would be, do please give it some thought.

You would be part of a team of about 40 drivers, many of who joined us for altruistic reasons and then realised how much pleasure they get from contact with some very interesting and rewarding clients - and being part of the team.

Drivers have full control over what they take on; they can stipulate how far and where they are prepared to travel; they can restrict their

commitment to term times or be available mornings only. And of course, important to our many retirees, they are free to help with the grandchildren and enjoy frequent holidays.

This flexibility does mean that we need to recruit more drivers to fill the gaps. It also means that anyone with a few spare hours each month, say a young mum or a new retiree, could make a big difference.

To find out more about driving for WVV or volunteering for other services please contact us at [enquiries@wyevalleyvolunteers.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@wyevalleyvolunteers.org.uk) call 01628 521027 or call in at the office to the right of the community centre between 10am and midday on weekdays.

### Bourne End Flower Arrangement Society

In September 60 members of the flower club welcomed Sandie Draper, chairperson of Old Windsor Flower Club, with her floral demonstration called *Inspired by Nature*.

Memorable among several creative arrangements was a magnificent swan, designed after Sandie found a piece of driftwood looking just like a swan's beak.



Then a stake was bent to shape the neck and covered with grasses. All it needed were white roses and lilies and it could grace any table - even one fit for a queen.

She told us how she'd previously made a similar swan flower arrangement which won an award. The governor of Windsor Castle asked if he could put it on the queen's breakfast table. Sandie said yes, but that she would want the creation back - to be the base for another swan arrangement. He told her that she was the only person who had asked to have an arrangement returned.

Join us on the first Tuesday of the month as glorious flowers take shape under the creative hands of flower arrangers. To find out more email [liz790@btinternet.com](mailto:liz790@btinternet.com).

### Bucks Family History Society

In September we heard a talk about the local craft of lace-making. On October 11 Colin Oakes will be talking about *Workhouses and the Poor Law*, something which had an impact on too many of our ancestors. On Tuesday November 8 our own Dave Foster will share information on how to start researching your family history.

If you are thinking about looking into your family tree or have recently started on this fascinating hobby, this is an ideal opportunity to pick up some useful tips.

Talks are free to members and £2 for non-members (or why not join for as little as £6pa). Our meetings are held in the Eghams Room at Bourne End Community Centre on the second Tuesday in the month. Doors open at 7.30pm and the talks start at 7.45pm. You will be very welcome to join us. Details of our meetings are at [bucksfhs.org.uk](http://bucksfhs.org.uk).

### Marlow and District Railway Society

In July Richard Crane gave us a fascinating talk about the old railway from Oxford to Cambridge, the

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Target magazine is produced by Bourne End Community Association and is distributed by a network of volunteers to households in Bourne End, Wooburn Green and many surrounding villages. We print and distribute more than 5,000 copies every two months.

The cost of producing the magazine has increased over the years, and although we have some lovely, loyal advertisers we struggle to cover our production costs.

We have a cover price at £1, although most of you will receive and read it for free. Many supporters have mentioned to us they would be happy to pay for the magazine and you can do that one of two ways:

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If you need a receipt please pay by the cheque method including a stamped, addressed envelope.

**Thank you!**

# CALENDAR OF VILLAGE EVENTS

Varsity Line as it was known. Sadly this line became a victim of Dr Beeching but, bit by bit, it is being rebuilt. Richard illustrated his talk with lots of 'then and now' shots which were fascinating.

In August Colin Brading delivered Part 2 of 'Tracks in the Mist' with a reminder of the one-time Wantage Tramway, only built because the townspeople of Wantage clubbed together and bought shares to finance a connection with Brunel's main line from Swindon.

Some months ago when we were all locked down and could only watch via Zoom, Brian Arman gave a brilliant presentation called a 'Broadgauge Journey from Paddington'. He only got as far as Swindon, so on Thursday October 20 Brian will return to continue the journey westwards - but this time live at the community centre with lots of historic photos.

Then on Thursday November 17 there will be a further treat for steam enthusiasts as Ken Livermore comes to talk about London Steam in the '50s and '60s.

Meetings are free to society members (visitors are welcome, paying £3 at the door). Meetings start at the community centre at 7.30pm and are also available via Zoom when possible. For more information visit [www.mdrs.org.uk](http://www.mdrs.org.uk).

## Marlow-Maidenhead Passengers Association

From Sunday November 6 Elizabeth Line trains will run directly from Reading and Heathrow to Abbey Wood, and from Paddington low level to Shenfield.

From the same date it is expected that trains will call at Bond Street and services on the central section will run on Sundays apart from one or two planned weekend shut-downs for software updates.

All Underground and Elizabeth Line journeys that start or end at Heathrow and involve Zone 1 now incur peak fares. Journeys that avoid Zone 1 still have an off-peak fare. Pay-as-you-go fare capping is not affected, although individual journeys may be.

If you are travelling between Bourne End and Heathrow the change will not affect you as long as you change at Hayes & Harlington.

If you're travelling on the Elizabeth line to Heathrow and buying a paper ticket, select 'Heathrow Rail' to ensure that you have a valid ticket.

The Marlow branch will be closed for nine days from 00:40 on Friday October 22 to 05:15 on Monday October 31 for engineering work. This is schools' half-term week.

## Bourne End (Bucks) Twinning Association

We have been fostering links and friendships between Bourne End area and Octeville-sur-Mer (near Le Havre, Normandy) since 2003.

We run five or six events here for members annually and organise yearly alternating visits with our French friends. Thinking of joining us? If you live fairly locally and want to make new friends here and in France, do contact us (see below). No, you don't need to speak French.

We are already looking forward to our visit to Octeville at the end of May 2023. They always give us a huge welcome and organise a great programme.

Meanwhile, back here, members enjoyed a delightful Afternoon Tea provided by Carole Thurston on August 6.

Our next event will be an Autumn Dinner on Saturday October 8 (7pm for 7.30) at the Christ Church Centre, Chapel Road, Flackwell Heath. Contact Chairman Wilma Johnston Ball on 01628 473872, [will6j@virginmedia.com](mailto:will6j@virginmedia.com) or Wendy

## OCTOBER

- 1 Sat Secondhand and jumble sale at St Mark's Church 10am  
2 Sun Hidden Treasures Antique and Vintage Fair at the centre. See poster and story page 20  
4 Tues CentreJazz: live music from 8pm in the community centre. Admission £7 includes raffle. See poster p21  
6 Thur The Hedsor Jazz Club every Thursday, start time 8.30pm, admission £10. At The Hedsor Club, Ferry Lane, Bourne End  
6 Thurs Community Centre Bar Quiz. Doors open at 7.30pm; please arrive by 7.45pm for an 8pm start. For more information call Diane on 07521 656413  
7 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
8 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am - 1pm in and around the community centre  
9 Sun A social with a great mix of salsa, cha cha cha, Cuban and other Latin rhythms. At community centre, £10, starts at 7.15pm with three levels of salsa followed by a social until 11pm. [www.dance2salsa.co.uk](http://www.dance2salsa.co.uk)  
13 Thur Wooburn Residents' Association People and Places in Wooburn event at the Wooburn Club 8pm entry free. See poster page 3  
14 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
15 Sat Bourne End Community Centre Open Day 9.30 to 1pm. See poster page 20 for details  
15 Sat Until October 30 Chilterns Walking Festival featuring more than 50 walks and events throughout the Chilterns including a spooky walk along the River Thames, a foraging walk and lots more. See [www.visitchilterns.co.uk/walkingfest](http://www.visitchilterns.co.uk/walkingfest) or the Chilterns Walking Festival Facebook page  
16 Sun Afternoon movie at the New Royalty Cinema at the community centre *Downton Abbey - A New Era*. See poster p19  
21 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
22 Sat Junior Sports Club celebrates the show talents of Jenny Tipper with their 50 years of providing *Sport for All*. Music and memories on a special day for young and not-so-young. Everyone welcome at the community centre from 12.30 to 4.30pm. See page 11  
23 Sun Indoor car boot/table top sale at the community centre 9.30am to midday. For details call Carolyn 07773 615481  
28 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
29 Sat Nostalgia 60 event at the community centre from 10am to 1pm marking six decades of the community centre. See story page 21  
29 Sat Hits of the 70s and 80s disco night at the community centre. See poster page 20

## NOVEMBER

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10 Thur CentreTalks talk on *Tutankhamun* at the community centre 7.45pm. See poster page 20  
11 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
12 Sat Bourne End Community Market 10am - 1pm in and around the community centre  
13 Sun A social with a great mix of salsa, cha cha cha, Cuban and other Latin rhythms. See information above (October 9)  
18 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
20 Sun Afternoon movie at the New Royalty Cinema at the community centre *The Way*. See poster page 19  
25 Fri Bingo in the community centre. The fun starts at 1.30pm and 8pm  
26 Sat Christmas Fayre in aid of Diabetes UK at The Green Dragon Pub, Flackwell Heath from midday until close. Gifts, decorations, stocking fillers and tombola. Also on Sunday 27th midday until 4pm  
26 Sat Christmas Lights Celebration on Wooburn Green and carols and more at the Wooburn Club from 4pm. See poster page 3  
27 Sun Indoor car boot/table top sale at the community centre 9.30am to midday. For details call Carolyn 07773 615481

**WOOBURN FESTIVAL continues throughout October and November.**

**See page 15 for programme of events and ticket info**

**The next issue of Target will cover December 2022 and January 2023  
Email [editor@targetmagazine.org.uk](mailto:editor@targetmagazine.org.uk) by Tuesday November 1 to get your event included in the calendar.**

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## Soroptimist International of Thames Valley

Between November 25 and December 10 Soroptimist International will 'Orange the World.'

With this vibrant colour they will be highlighting actions against gender-based violence: female genital mutilation, rape, trafficking, slavery, stalking

and similar crimes. Come along on December 10 (Human Rights Day) and meet some of the members of Soroptimist International of Thames Valley, your local club.

We'll be at the Well Being Hub at the Bourne End Market (near the Community Centre) whose organisers have also generously agreed to highlight the colour orange. See you there.

We meet every third Tuesday of the month in Bourne End Library at 7.30pm. You'll be very welcome. [www.sigbi.org/thames-valley](http://www.sigbi.org/thames-valley)

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# THE FALCON QUIZ

Set and sponsored by *The Falcon Pub, Wooburn Moor*

Quizmaster Steve set this quiz and landlady, Katie Lamb, generously offers a meal for two at the pub (or a takeaway) as a prize for the winner. For your chance to win, send in your answers to the questions below by email to [editor@targetmagazine.org.uk](mailto:editor@targetmagazine.org.uk) (with the subject line Falcon Quiz) or write down your answers and drop them in at the community centre. Don't forget to include your contact details. The winner will be picked at random from all the correct entries on the closing date **Wednesday November 2**. Have a go... if nobody gets all the answers the winner will be the person with the most correct answers. This quiz is all about the late Queen Elizabeth II and her 70-year reign.

- 1) Who was Prime Minister when she became Queen?
- 2) In which country was she when she heard that she had become Queen?
- 3) Which newspaper did she sue in 1993?
- 4) Who is the Queen's eldest grandchild?
- 5) Why is 17 Bruton Street in the Mayfair district significant to the Queen?
- 6) What are her two middle names?
- 7) Of how many Commonwealth realms is she currently head of state?
- 8) Which year was her Annus Horribilis?
- 9) How many UK Prime Ministers have served during her reign?
- 10) How old was she when she made her first radio broadcast?
- 11) Where did she marry Prince Phillip?
- 12) Where did they live as newlyweds?
- 13) What was her favourite flower?
- 14) How many aircraft were in the Jubilee fly past?
- 15) Which other language was the Queen fluent in?
- 16) What is the official Platinum Jubilee pudding?
- 17) Where did the Queen meet Michael Fagan?
- 18) What star sign was the Queen?
- 19) How many great grandchildren does she have, 10, 11, 12 or 13?
- 20) According to her cousin, what did the Queen enjoy before bed?

#### Answers to the August/September Falcon Quiz

1 Ready Brek 2 Kellogg's bran flakes 3 Impulse 4 Harp 5 Old Spice 6 Fosters 7 Coco Cola 8 Zanussi 9 TSB 10 Esso 11 Remington 12 L'Oreal 13 British Gas 14 Mr Kipling 15 Sure 16 Wagon Wheels 17 Brut 18 Mr Muscle 19 Gillette 20 Ariel

Quiz winner is Angela Telfer from Wooburn Moor.



## The Falcon Pub

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We will be having Christmas get-together buffets and party nights with live music. Call for details.

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The Fruit Market's story began over 60 years ago. Starting as barrow-boys in High Wycombe before setting our roots in Bourne End over two decades ago. Sourcing fresh produce daily, we are renowned for the quality and flavour of our fruit and vegetables.

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