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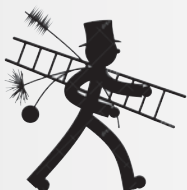
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Editorial

At our December Gusseteer's meeting Pauline Pool, our oh so efficient distribution manager of some 15 years standing, announced that she would be relinquishing her role this year. Ever the optimist I somehow hoped, that just maybe, she might forget over Christmas but sadly not! I thank her for all her hard work and all her kindness and support to me personally. Pauline, I will miss you! Pauline has written a "distribution manager required" plea on this page of our magazine and I sincerely hope that someone will volunteer to take on this post, join our team and so ensure that our distribution team can continue to distribute our magazine to you all.

It was a HUGE relief that Mike Pool has said that he is not retiring as the Gazette treasurer! Mike has definitely been working overtime for us over the last few months! In late November, he sent out invoices to all our feature advertisement subscribers. A very few withdrew their advertisement and these spaces were very quickly filled. Some advertisers put their invoices to one side and in a few cases forgot these completely, Mike, efficient as ever, sent out reminders and copy invoices so finally, just this week, all the accounts are settled, the advertisements are all updated and we are hopefully set up for another year. Of course, these advertisements are not set in stone, I am happy to update them at any point upon request.

With all the accounts settled Mike has not sat back and rested on his laurels. He has produced the Gazette accounts and the annual detailed financial report which I am delighted to share with you in this edition of our magazine. For my team and I this report and spread sheet are important! We are volunteers, we collect your subscription money, we receive a parish grant, our advertisers pay for their advertising space and you all have every right to know exactly how this income is derived and exactly how it is used. I should like to

confirm that we never charge printing costs to local organisations or charities for printing their articles or printing supporting material for their causes and events so whilst we do not make direct donations we feel we do our bit to help with local fundraising.

This month's cover photo has not been so easy to select! Should it be a chilly snow scene from February? Should it be flowery for Mother's Day? Oh, and where are the Spring lambs? I think I was utterly spoilt by Richard Holroyd who always sent me two or three finished covers to choose from! With the photographic coordinator, who just happens to be my husband, sat at the next desk, I am now supposed to KNOW what I want on the cover. Now come on! It is hard enough to decide which jumper to wear leave alone CHOOSE from a plethora of photographs which one I want on the front cover. Anyway, thank you Paul Goby for this month's cover! It is a lovely photo and we are still managing to share the same office space! I am hoping that one day he might get around to writing a short piece about the cover photo to share with you.

Sonia

Distribution Manager Required

For the last fifteen years I have been Distribution Manager for the Naphill & Walters Ash Gazette (ably assisted by Michael).

I have now decided I have held this role long enough and am, therefore, looking for someone to 'step into my shoes'. Michael, however, is continuing with his role as Treasurer of the Gazette.

If you think you would be interested and would like to find out more about what it entails give me a call on 564226. We can then arrange to meet at my house to discuss and I can show you what I have on computer.

Pauline Pool
Gazette Distribution Manager

Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette - Financial Statement 2018-2019

INCOME	31-Jan-18	31-Jan-19	EXPENDITURE	31-Jan-18	31-Jan-19
Adverts	£ 9,853.90	£ 14,971.00	Printing	£ 13,994.78	£ 14,405.47
Collections	£ 2,764.15	£ 2,776.08	Expenses	£ 679.49	£ 612.02
Donations	£ 600.00	£ 608.40	Web Site	£ 140.00	£ 80.07
Interest	£ 0.67	£ 3.37	Refunds on Ads		
TOTALS	£ 13,218.72	£ 18,358.85		£ 14,814.27	£ 15,097.56
			Surplus/Loss	-£ 1,595.55	£ 3,261.29

Treasurer's Report 2019

Here we are again, the end of another financial year, and I have to say, a very successful one.

In spite of some concern about increased printing costs earlier in the year, these were offset to a great degree by the reduction in paper weight in the inner pages of the magazine. Our printer has been very helpful in trying to keep the costs down.

In the previous financial year we ended up with a loss of £1595.55 whereas this last year we have a surplus of £3261.29. This difference is mainly due to the fact that we received a considerable number of late payments by advertisers at the beginning of the financial year amounting to £2660. Most of these settled their accounts before the end of this January so we had a number of double payments. This resulted in a difference from advertising income between the two years of approximately £4500. The actual difference of income between the two years was £5117.10. The extra approx £600 was partly attributable to an increase in advertising fees for colour adverts plus some new advertisers.

Income from subscriptions remained almost the same as last year as were the donations. We will not receive a donation this year from the Methodist church, since they have closed down, and the donation from the Parish Council is not guaranteed as we have to apply year on year for what, in their books, is a grant.

Expenditure on printing increased in line with expectations and we hope that any further increase in the future will be kept to a minimum, as indicated above, although the outcome of Brexit creates some uncertainty. This is because the paper our printer uses comes from abroad.

Expenditure on the web site has reduced since the role of webmaster has been taken over by Peter Davis who has volunteered to manage the web site free of charge. However we do have to pay registration fees.

Our bank account is healthy and we do have a sum in a reserve account to fall back on if necessary.

Mike Pool

Naphill & Walter's Ash Treasurer





Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields

Council - Registered charity number 300309

www.naphillvillagehall.org.uk

Chairmans Report

The January meeting of the village hall committee was held on the 4th. We have been discussing the idea of a smaller committee. If there was a smaller committee we would have to change the constitution with the charities commission. The reason for a smaller committee is that with over 25 trustees enabled to vote, making a decision has become a long process. After a discussion at the meeting it was suggested that a smaller committee of no more than 8 would be desirable, some of the nearby village halls have a committee of 5. The selection of the 8 committee members is up for debate with a general consensus favouring, the treasurer, the secretary, the lettings secretary, the chairman and four others. We can only change the constitution at the A.G.M. which is held in April and the changes will not be decided by this years A.G.M. so we have over a year to agree on the details of the new format. If anyone living in the village has strong feelings about this they can come to the A.G.M. on the 1st April at 8.00pm and put their ideas forward.

The maintenance of the hall is ongoing and the corridor in Bon Ami will be decorated in the near future and weather permitting the car park posts replaced. We are also getting quotes to replace the soffits and guttering around the scout hall and men's club. A new bigger meter cupboard is going to be built so that it can accommodate a smart meter. The extractor fan in the kitchen has been overhauled and is working well. When the lights were taken down off the Christmas tree there were some that were damaged and bulbs not working. The cost of making them good was £122. The silent soldier will be put away soon and will be back on display at this year's remembrance day. I would like to say a big thank you to the members of the village who have donated to the village hall recently, they have been very generous and the donations will be put to good use!

If you would like to come to the A.G.M. you would be welcome, all villagers can attend. It is held in the village hall at 8.00pm. on the 1st April.

Clive Lawrence.

Village Hall Committee Chairman.

Hughenden Parish Council

Precept

In January this year, members of Hughenden Parish Council voted to retain the precept at the same level as last year (despite the withdrawal of the council tax grant from Wycombe District Council). What does this mean for you as a resident of Hughenden Parish? As a resident you pay your council tax to Wycombe District Council. Part of the money you pay each year goes toward the precept, which is levied by the parish council but collected by Wycombe District Council. This means that you pay £52.99 per household per annum towards the parish council precept and this goes to pay for the services provided by the parish council.

The services provided by the parish council are varied and cover eight villages within four wards. These services include the maintenance and provision of allotments, a garden of rest, playgrounds, open spaces, dog bins, bus shelters, noticeboards, benches, grass verge cutting, hedge-cutting, provision of dog bins and the provision of financial aid in the form of grants to local organisations.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting is taking place on 23rd April 2019 at 7.30pm in Widmer End Village Hall. This is an opportunity for you as residents to come and meet your parish councillors and ask questions affecting your community. It is also a chance for the parish council to let you know its priorities for the coming year.

125th Anniversary of Hughenden Parish Council:

Following the Local Government Act passed earlier that year, on the 4th December 1894, Coningsby Disraeli (nephew of Benjamin) created the Parish of Hughenden. Just over three weeks later the first Hughenden Parish Council meeting was held. 2019 marks the 125th Anniversary of Hughenden Parish Council and to celebrate that auspicious year, the parish council are putting on a series of events to remember past life in the parish, what we currently have and looking to the future.

Events will be held in all four wards of the parish led by local people and will include walks, talks, celebrations and heritage events. We hope at the same time to provide people with an understanding of what the parish council does and provide encouragement for more local people to be part of that team helping to shape the future of the parish.

The AGM will kick start the celebrations and more information will be available over the coming weeks and months.

Allotments

With spring just around the corner, our allotments are starting to get busy again with the hardy allotment gardeners starting to get their plots ready for planting. Around the parish, the council manage and maintain eight allotment sites and annually we run an allotment competition which adds a bit of fun to the whole

allotment concept. It is proven that getting out in the fresh air and growing your own fruit and vegetables creates a sense of well-being and satisfaction, not to mention the social aspect of making new friends and sharing ideas.

Whilst the Walters Ash site is full to capacity, there are a few vacant plots at the Louches Lane site. There are both full and half size plots available with a full-size plot costing £35 and a half plot £23 per annum. If you want to reap the rewards of growing and eating your own produce, get in touch with the office and we will be happy to help you get started.

Supporting local organisations

Each year the parish council sets aside a budget to assist local organisations with projects that will help the local communities in which they live. This year, the council have helped fund the following organisations in Naphill & Walters Ash:

Naphill & Walters Ash Residents Association - £700 towards the fighting fund against the proposed Clappins Lane development

Naphill Village Hall - £5000 towards the purchase of playground equipment

Naphill & Walters Ash Gazette - £500 towards the annual production costs of the Gazette

The council also funded the Silent Soldier which was part of the 100-year commemorations of World War 1 at the village hall.

Speed Awareness

The council are acutely aware that this is one of the main concerns raised by residents all over the parish. As such, the parish council have invested heavily over the years in the purchase of mobile vehicle activated signs (MVAS) which you will see at various locations around the parish. The idea is that drivers, on seeing the signs, reduce their speed and hopefully drive within the speed limit thereafter.

In the last year, the council have also purchased a mobile speed camera which is for use in community speed watch sessions. At a cost of just under £3000 per camera, monitoring speed around the parish does not come cheaply. Thanks to volunteers to go out in all weathers to run these sessions, and together with the MVAS signs around the parish, road user's awareness of their speed should improve and hopefully result in a reduction of speeding overall.

Templewood Recreational Area

The parish council are currently working with a group of parents from the local community to redesign the area that was previously used as the playground. As you know, most of the equipment from the area was removed from the playground in 2018 for health and safety reasons. The council are hoping to create an open space that everyone in the community can benefit from. Watch this space for more information as this exciting project comes to fruition.

Councillor Vacancies

Do you care about where you live and are you passionate about your community? If so, then we need you. The parish council has an overall responsibility for the well-being of the local community. Its work falls into three main categories: delivery of services; improve quality of life for residents; give communities a democratic voice. There is a currently a vacancy for one councillor in the Naphill and Walters Ash ward. The council are looking for individuals who have a passion for their local community to come forward and find out more about this very important role. Please contact the office for more information.

Contact details:

Telephone: 01494 715296
Email: clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk
Website: www.hughendenpc.org.uk

Horse Trust Speen

The Horse Trust is the oldest horse charity in the world. We look after over 140 horses, ponies and donkeys at our sanctuary in Speen who have retired from public service in the police force, military or other charities such as riding for the disabled or have been rescued from unbelievable cruelty and neglect.

Come and visit some of our resident horses, ponies and donkeys and then enjoy a delicious slice of cake in our Tea Room! We are re-opening to the public on 2nd March 2019, from 2-4pm and then we are open every Thursday-Sunday 2-4pm thereafter. It is a great day out for all the family. We cannot wait to see you all again!

Alice Morgan

Director of Fundraising and Marketing





Shear Madness

Happy birthday to us !!!!!

Wow, the last 8 years have flown by. We opened the shop to the sound of a Blues Brother tribute act and they were loud!! Everyone came out to see what was going on so that's how we met everyone and you were all very friendly and welcoming which was a relief. Thank you to everyone for your love and support especially during the tough emotional times, I always say " I have friends who are customers but most of all I have customers who have become very good friends "

Thank you one and all,

Mandy

Naphill Brownies

We are having all sorts of fun with our Engineering theme this term although I confess we have deviated into some fun science ideas too. There are just so many great things to do.



In just a few short weeks we've experimented with friction, played with colour, been amazed by the simplicity of an electrical circuit and built towers out of cards and vegetables.

Brown Owl
Ruth Daly 565571.
ruth.daly3@btinternet.com
1st Naphill Brownies - Thursdays 5:45-7pm



**Guide
& Brownie
Jumble Sale**

**2nd March
Naphill Village Hall
1.30pm**

**We will be collecting items for
the sale around the village
on the morning of the sale,
and we would also welcome
any items you wish to bring to
the Village Hall on the sale day.**

Naphill Tennis Club

Our Annual Newsletter for the 2019/20 tennis season is now available. This gives details of membership, coaching and forthcoming events. Please email the Membership Secretary, sarah.dengel1@gmail.com or myself, jttench@gmail.com, for a copy or alternatively look on our website: www.naphilltennisclub.org.uk.

The Club's membership rates are excellent value for money with special prices for families and new members. To add extra value, tennis coaching for Juniors and Minis during the school summer term is included in membership.

We have tennis camps for our younger players and teenagers during the Easter and summer holidays as well as tennis clinics for adults looking to improve their game.

On Saturday 30th March, we are holding an 'across the generations' tennis event with light refreshments – the popular Quorn Competition – which allows an adult family member to play with his/her child/grandchild (to Year 5). This is a lighthearted fun event for all to enjoy.

Our membership starts on 1st April with a discounted rate for those renewing by that date. If you are thinking of taking up tennis or coming back to it and would like a free taster, please contact us on the above email addresses.

Here's to a successful season!

Jenny Tench





'Hello' from Hearing Dogs

Did you know that just a few miles down the road from you are lots of cute, clever puppies that are being trained to change people's lives?

If you haven't heard of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People, we are delighted to introduce ourselves. We are a national charity, based here in Buckinghamshire, that trains dogs that help deaf people leave loneliness behind and reconnect with life.

Life-Changing Dogs

Our dogs are highly trained, right here in Bucks, to alert deaf people to important and life-saving sounds they would otherwise miss, such as smoke alarms, intruder alarms, alarm clocks, oven timers and even baby monitors. They also offer constant emotional support and companionship, which is equally as important as many deaf people can experience feelings of isolation. Our dogs don't just help people here in Bucks – they are carefully matched with deaf people all around the UK.

It is estimated that around 11 million people in the UK have some form of hearing loss, and we want to help as many people as possible, both through our dogs and the many other services we offer to those with hearing loss of any level.

Every month in the Naphill and Walter's Ash Gazette, we'll let you know more about what we've been up to and anything that might be of interest to you as someone local to the charity.

Delicious Food For A Good Cause

Did you know that we have a restaurant and gift shop here at our site? The Grange Restaurant and Gift Shop, on Haw Lane, Wycombe Road, Saunderton, serves delicious and wholesome freshly prepared breakfasts and lunches as well as quality coffees and afternoon teas, with all profits going back into the charity. We've become a firm local favourite to many in the area and have just launched our tasty winter menu, so why not pop down and try us out? We are also dog friendly (of course!) so well-behaved dogs

are always welcome. Every visit helps us to train more dogs that change the lives of deaf people.

Visit www.thegrangesaunderton.org.uk for more information and to see our menu.

A Unique Mother's Day Gift

At it's now March, some of you may be on the lookout for a unique Mother's Day gift. Something different that says, 'I love you'. Why not consider sponsoring a hearing dog puppy? Your mum will receive a free personalised Mother's Day card from you and regular updates on how her pup is getting on in its training. It's a simple but thoughtful gift that will last for around two years until her pup is ready to change the life of a deaf person. Find out more at www.hearingdogs.org.uk/puppy.

To find out more about what we do, and to read the stories of some of the people we have helped, you can take a look at www.hearingdogs.org.uk.

Until next time, take care.

The team at Hearing Dogs for Deaf People

New Local Dog Care Business Announcement

Jessie and her partner Neil have recently moved to their new home in Naphill. Although not new to the area, they are delighted to have purchased a new property in the place they love. Jessie has lived in the village for around 24 years and was determined to stay within the area. Jessie is delighted to take her passion for animals to the next level and has launched her new business, Jessie's Dog Walking. After many years working with animals in various capacities, Jessie is delighted to offer all pet services within 5 miles of Naphill. Whether dog walking, pet sitting or pet boarding, Jessie would love to have a no obligation chat to see how she can help you with your beloved pets. Jessie's Dog Walking is advertised in the gazette, so please refer to the contact details there and get in touch with Jessie to discuss your pet's needs! (See page 14 for details)



Photo courtesy Chris Miller

Friends Of Naphill Common

Thank you to all those who came our AGM and congratulations - you filled the Village Hall! After our chairman navigated swiftly through the formal part of the meeting, he gave a sketch of all our activities over the past year. We can be modestly pleased with the programme of events, the working parties, walks, and the silent auction which raised £2337, of which we donated £1250 to the Village Hall. Thanks were expressed to Sheila for all she did as secretary before her resignation. The rest of the committee was re-elected, so if anyone would like to take on the post of secretary please let us know. There was a brief outline of what we are likely to do over the next year. Any (polite) suggestions are welcome.

Michael Kushner gave us a vivid account of the work done at Bletchley Park during World War 2, describing how our brilliant code breakers helped to shorten the war and save lives by deciphering the enemy's codes. He followed this with a short account of the life and deeds of Dillwyn (Dilly) Knox who worked at code breaking in the First World War, decoding the Zimmerman Telegram, an achievement that encouraged America to join with the allies. Dilly also worked at Bletchley Park until his death in 1943. He lived in Courns Wood House and his ashes are buried on the hillside next to Clappins Lane.

Last month the Common was a delight in the snow, but the usual signs of spring are already appearing: primroses are blooming and bluebell leaves are poking through. Bluebells are one of the glories of our local woodland, including the Common. The muntjac is almost certainly guilty of eating bluebell leaves and we must wait to see if this has a serious effect on the number of flowers we see.

The usual winter birds have been seen on the Common, including fieldfares, redwings and various finches, but we may have had one more unusual visitor – a goshawk. We are fairly certain that it was a goshawk although, as it was gliding around at quite a height, the spotter can't be certain. Goshawks are rare in Britain. They are very similar to Sparrowhawks but considerably larger. The males are the size of a large crow; slate grey on the back and white, finely barred with black, underneath. They have rounded wing tips and a long tail with broad bars. The females are similar but larger than the males, and bluish on the back. They can kill birds up to the size of a pheasant and will even catch hares. They nest in

forests and large woods, so there is a (very small) chance that it will nest on the Common, where it will find plenty of pheasants.

Less spectacular wildlife sightings include a large (3-400) colony of 16-spot ladybirds clustered on a stile in Stocking Wood (and visited by last month's short walk). Small (3mm) and a dull yellow and black, these insects are widespread, but often overlooked. Unlike the more common red and black ladybirds that help out in our gardens by devouring aphids and other pests, this species are vegetarians, subsisting on pollen, fungi and nectar.

We invite you to join one, or both, of our monthly walks. The short walks are led by Chris Miller and generally involve the Common and they are between 2-3 miles, starting at 10.30am from the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of each month. The longer walks are led by Ron Collins and are about 5 miles, generally some distance from Naphill. Join Ron on the third Monday of each month; meeting at the Village Hall at 9.25am for a prompt start at 9:30am. Members and non-members are equally welcome. These are the usual arrangements, but as there is sometimes a need to make changes it would be wise to consult our website, posters or the two leaders to confirm the details.

You are also very welcome to join our weekly working parties, to help attend to ponds or clear footpaths and open areas from holly and other obstructions. Sunday morning parties will be led by Peter Davis (for dates and times, consult our web site at <http://www.naphillcommon.org.uk/activities.html>).

Chris Miller - Chairman

Naphill & Walter's Ash School

Meet Our New Media Team - All about us



Hello, my name is Evie. I am 10 years old and I have a brother who is 13. I have a Border Terrier called Poppy; I also have three dwarf hamsters called Tinkerbelle, Dexter and Del Boy. My favourite hobby is gymnastics which I do with my friends at a club. My favourite lessons are: English, Maths, Art, ICT and PE.



Hi, my name is Nishan and I'm from Nepal. My favourite lessons are lunch, break (if you count those!), Art, Maths and ICT. I play football at my local football club and I love to draw with pencils (not paint!), but my favourite hobby is playing on my PS4 with my friends.

Hi, my name is Austen (pronounced os-tin), I'm from England but never really grew up anywhere as my Dad works in the RAF so he moves around a lot. My hobbies are playing Rugby for my local team, playing on my Xbox One and watching my Kindle. I have a very busy life as I have 2 cats, 1 dog and 3 brothers! Finally, my favourite subjects are: Maths, Art and Science because of how interactive they are.



Hello, my name is David and I am ten years old. My favourite animals are horses and dogs. I also have a German Shepherd dog named Tia. My favourite lessons are: Maths (which I am much more confident about), Dance, I.C.T, P.S.H.E. and finally the language that we are learning, which is German.



Our School News

Year 1

In Year 1, they have been reading a book called "Lost and Found". Their topic is "Travel and Transport", and they always link their Forest School to their topic. Therefore, they are doing travel and transport at Forest School. They do not do Guided Reading but they do enjoy reading with their Year 6 Reading Buddies. In Maths, they are doing addition; and in Science they have been doing materials.

Year 2

In Year 2, they have learnt and are learning lots of things. In English, they are learning about "The Great Fire of London" and writing stories about it. In Maths, they have revised their 3D and 2D shapes. To link with English, Year 2 received a visit from the Fire Brigade and are preparing for their "Great Fire of London" Assembly.

Year 3

In Year 3, their topic is the Stone Age. In English, Topic and I.C.T. they have been researching Stone Age animals. In their French lesson, they have been doing French greetings. Also, in English they have been writing first person, Stone Age descriptive stories. In Maths, they have been multiplying and dividing using formal methods. Finally, in Science they have been learning about forces.

Year 4

In Year 4, the children have been learning many subjects such as English, Maths, Latin and Art. In English, they have been learning about Boudicca. In Maths, they are learning Roman Numerals. In Languages, they are learning Latin. In Art, to link with the languages they're learning, they have been drawing Roman gladiators and giving them Latin names (their most popular being Antonecus!).

Year 5

In Year 5, they have been learning about Space as their topic. They will soon be making moon buggies as their DT project. In English they have been reading and learning about the Australian author and illustrator Shaun Tan and reading his stories. This linked in very well with an Australian teacher joining Collis Class.

Year 6

In Maths, they have been doing decimals and different methods to solve difficult problems. In English, the children have been writing a non—chronological report about earthquakes. Also, to add to their fun, they went on a trip to assist the Chiltern Rangers on Dean Farm.

Evie, Austen, Nisham, David



You Are Never Too Old To Dance!



I am a Silver Swan!

We gather, not far from here in a beautiful place; a collection of ladies (gentlemen welcome, we simply don't have any) of all shapes and mature ages!

In the cold, winter afternoon light, we creak and stumble from our cars; stiffly straighten, and walk positively to that "Front Door"

Inside the hall behind the door, a babble of happy chatter spills out; the volume of which, a bunch of four year olds would be proud!

Arm chairs, a sofa and other seating arrangements accept the company of groans and mutters as rear ends are deposited down! For some, standing room only, so tables are grasped, as coats are abandoned and sensible shoes are changed for the "magic slippers."

The hall is cosy, and a welcoming place; but the excitement mounts as the internal doors swing wide to expose the magic room. We are greeted by 'Our Leader', a petite, young and very graceful being!

We are ushered into our enchanted palace. The lights dancing and reflecting rainbows from the mirrored walls on the sprung floor beneath. The air stills, our shoulders lower, our necks lengthen as we walk with stretched feet towards the barre.

The music plays; transported we are lost in a world of arm positions and plies. For an hour the years fall away as we try to persuade our bodies they are not in advancing years! We are young, we waltz and twirl "Dancing as if no one is watching".

A totally wonderful hour speeds by, fulfilled with the joy of beautiful music and dance.

We are swans – we are Silver Swans – we are magic.



A Mature Cygnet

Wycombe Photographic Society

Two great guest speakers in February.

Matt Emmett talking about “Forgotten Heritage” and showing great photos from across the UK, Belgium, Italy, Iceland and Thailand. How many have seen the Control Room of Battersea A or the inside of an abandoned Italian Castle? Have a look at his web site and you will be amazed. <http://www.forgottenheritage.co.uk/>

Simon Weir – Beyond Visible Light – Bullfrogs use it to find food, Snakes use it to see, we use it every time we press the buttons on the TV Controller yet we cannot see it but we can feel it – Infrared – Images with Black Sky and White Grass – Simon showed images that looked like they came from somewhere that was not our planet earth <http://www.simonweir.com/>

Our March program includes a couple of internal competitions, plus a number of external competitions where we go to other clubs and let them see the high quality of images taken by our members.

I know that it appears to be all about competitions but these are a great way to improve your photography as judges do make suggestions and comments about the images they are judging and if you listen it is amazing what little hints and tips you will pick up from the judges.

For full details of what is going on at Wycombe Photographic Society please look at our website – www.wycombephotographicsociety.org.uk

Come along to one of our meetings where you will be made very welcome and as I always say in these articles..... every member started off as a “club newbie” at one point in time so do not think that your photographic skills may not be that good.

We all learn something each meeting which helps our photography.

David Greenwood

Membership Secretary

Wycombe Photographic Society

Naphill Neighbours

Tom Way was our speaker on Monday afternoon. He is a renowned wildlife photographer, making a return visit to Neighbours after the success of his previous talk. His topic this time was ‘Africa’ and he showed a selection of the photos he had taken there, explaining how he managed to get such fantastic shots.

He studies animal behaviour, partly to keep safe in the company of lions, leopards and elephants, but also so he understands habits and habitats. Photography of his standard requires great patience, and an eye for detail. He is able to produce images which are a work of art, not just snaps of animals. These images also require courage, such as when a lioness wanted a close look at him and he had to get in his vehicle very quickly; she may have been hungry not just curious!

Tom is often trekking for twelve hours a day and may not get a single glimpse of an interesting animal in that time. He once spent 23 days before managing to capture a shot of a jumping penguin. Another long wait was when he wanted a particular shot of a blue whale. This whale dives very deep in search of food, and when it comes to the surface water cascades from its tail like a lace curtain. A fantastic image and very difficult to get just right. He showed us photographs from Sri Lanka, Uganda, Kenya, South Africa and Botswana. His next trip is to India, on the lookout for tigers. We hope he will be able to return to Naphill with more of his wildlife photography.

Our next meeting will be on March 11th at 1.15 for 1.30. Bernie Knill is the speaker and his subject will be ‘Hughenden in Wartime’. Bernie knows as much about this as anyone, often giving talks at the Manor itself and also in the local community. He will explain the role of the Manor in the war effort when target maps for bombing raids were drawn and printed there for distribution to airfields. It is a very interesting period in the Manor’s history, and one about which nothing was known at this National Trust property until 2004. It was ‘Top Secret’, you see. A new exhibition will be opening in the top of the Manor later this year, partly funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Do come and join us.

Peggy Ewart

Medical Matters

Shingles Update

Shingles, also called Herpes Zoster, is a painful skin rash caused by the Chickenpox virus.

Do you catch Shingles?

You do not catch Shingles; it comes on when there is a reactivation of Chickenpox virus that is already in your body. After you have recovered from Chickenpox, the virus lies dormant in your nerve cells and can be reactivated at a later stage when your immune system is weakened. Anyone who has had Chickenpox can get Shingles.

Is Shingles serious?

Yes it can be. Not only can Shingles be very painful and uncomfortable, some people are left with long lasting pain for years after the initial rash has healed.

How common is Shingles?

Around 1 in 5 of people who have had chickenpox (usually in childhood) go on to develop Shingles. This means that tens of thousands of people in England and Wales will get Shingles each year.

Who can have the Shingles vaccination?

The Shingles vaccination is available to all people aged 70 or 78. You can have the Shingles vaccination at any time of the year as soon as you turn 70 or 78.

Elizabeth Carless

From Our Wye Correspondent



This month I have some sad news, a reckless escapade in the snow, a bit of a quiz and finally an update on the housing market.

My canine picture this month features Monty, whom I have known since he was a puppy along with his brother Oscar. They belong to great friends of ours whom we met through dog walking over 10 years' ago. Monty and Oscar were the only two dogs that my Daisy ever showed any respect to, not surprising given their size. Monty unfortunately took that trip to the great kennel in the sky earlier this month after bravely struggling with illness. Our thoughts are with his owners and his brother. His legacy is that through dog walking we met some truly lovely people and continue to do so to this day.

It is not often you can say we went to North Yorkshire to escape the cold and snow, but that is exactly what we did during the cold snap at the start of February. We were due to travel to Harrogate for my wife's birthday on the Friday but decided to escape a day earlier to avoid the predicted heavy snowfall, which for once actually happened. I have been lucky enough to recently upgrade my car to a version with four wheel drive, which has led to a chorus of "Fire up the Quattro Dad" from my wife and daughters, so I thought a trip to Yorkshire would be a good opportunity to get familiar with the controls. The snow had been far less in Yorkshire so as Saturday dawned nice and sunny we decided to go for a drive across the dales. The snow was melting so all would be good! As we climbed out of Lofthouse in Nidderdale, wifey's keen powers of observation noted that the roads had not been gritted beyond the town. Don't worry I told her, the car has four wheel drive, it will be fine. We got to the top of Trapping Hill and started the descent very slowly. I had ignored the pleas from beside me to turn back to the "gritted bit" and male bravado had fully taken over despite inner anxieties. About half way down I realised that we were now doing a very good impersonation of an extra from "Cool Runnings". Wifey advised me politely that I was going too fast and should slow down now. I think it was when she looked over and I had gone very red in the face that she realised things were not going too well. I

advised her that my foot was firmly on the brake and had been for the last 30 seconds. Etiquette does not allow me to tell you what she said next (and for about the next 2 days). We did get to the bottom quite quickly where I was able to steer the car around a slight dog leg, avoid the stunningly constructed dry stone wall and come to a stop facing back up the hill we had just slid down. Despite numerous apologies I was grounded and the next day was a walk in the park (literally) and tea in Bettys. Probably a good idea on reflection.



However during our walk in the park we came across a number of metal devices/structures on the grassy bits. Despite examining them I could not work out their purpose, so I thought I would take a picture and ask the good people of Naphill and Walter's Ash. Please send your ideas, serious or otherwise to me at alan@wyecountry.co.uk and I will publish the best ideas next month. Any that mention

free snow chains for the Quattro will precipitate a visit from Gene Hunt!

To conclude this month I have to report that I have only got two houses to sell. Why you may ask. The good news is that I had a very encouraging January and start to February and sold most of my listings, some of which had been on with the corporate big boys and I managed to sell in less than a week. If you are thinking of selling please give me a buzz or call in for a free valuation and chat. I am a local in every sense of the word and am able to give prospective purchasers an insight in to life in our lovely villages.

Alan Draper

A Blast from the Past



In our October edition I printed an article about Iris Evans. Our local historian, Pam Smith, sent this 1950's press cutting of herself and Iris as County Netball players which she has kindly shared with us.

From the Hughenden Vicarage



One of the most significant trips abroad which I have ever taken was a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2012 with fellow clergy and the Bishop of the Rochester Diocese in Kent, when I whilst serving as a Vicar, in Chatham.

To visit the land in which the bible is set, to pray at the sacred and holy ancient site of the Second Herodian Temple in Jerusalem at the Western Wall, to visit the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, retrace the last steps of Christ before his crucifixion, to take a voyage on the sea of Galilee and gaze across at the waters and mountains – as Jesus and his disciples would have done on their travels, was a wish which gave me great pleasure in its fulfilment.

On the first morning of our first full day in Jerusalem, as we walked down the Mount of Olives towards the Kidron Valley, site of the Garden of Gethsemane, where Christ prayed before his betrayal, I gazed with wonder at the Holy City of Jerusalem, uncertain how I would find the following week, but I was not to be disappointed. We would retrace the steps of Christ and

his disciples, and other holy sites, with a camera in one hand and an open bible in the other, as our excellent and knowledgeable tour guide brought the history and biblical origins of each place we visited to life.

Never before I have visited so many churches, seen such art and stained glass windows, been moved deeply in unexpected places, and found the words of the bible leaping off the page and growing in significance for me.

I found the experience refreshing for my soul, and it was even more special to be able to share those times with others. To be able to reflect upon each day's explorations over supper, and then to take those happy memories back home to the UK with me.

I will be leading a Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land between 18-27 February 2020, travelling with McCabe Pilgrimages. We will be spending 6 nights in Jerusalem and 3 nights in Tiberias, staying in good hotels.

Whether or not you are a regular attender at Hughenden Church, I would like to invite you to join us on pilgrimage. Please contact me for further details and costs.

Next year's trip will also include an optional excursion to Masada and the Dead Sea, and will give you a fantastic introduction to the land of the bible!

As we prepare to welcome Lent on Wednesday 6 March, we will be providing an opportunity for members of our Church family and community to gain in confidence when they speak to others about their Christian faith. To this end, there will be several groups, meeting in Church members' homes, who will be undertaking the Knowing Jesus Course together, over six evenings. The course is designed as a gentle introduction to talking to others about God and faith and Church, and includes short film clips and an opportunity to share our experiences with one another. Please look out for further details displayed in Church, or contact me directly if you would like to know more.

Rev Keith Johnson



Snow Photos

Thank you to everybody who sent snow photos!
Beautiful but hopefully no more snow until next Winter!

The Rural Community Defibrillator Group



Registered Charity Number 1162664.

Defibrillator Awareness Event

Walters Ash School

Thursday 14th March 6:30 pm.

*All welcome whether Business, Resident or
Visitor in the area. No Need to Book*

Walters Ash Defibrillator

You may have seen that your Walters Ash Defibrillator has now been installed outside Leigh Lewis Optometry at the end of the Parade. It is now fully operational and registered with South Central Ambulance which means that, if appropriate, you will be directed to it and talked through its use by Emergency Services.

To help in this we have arranged for an early evening Awareness and Confidence Training Session to be given for residents and those who may be working in the area to take place. The event will be delivered by a South Central Ambulance trained First Responder and will take place at Walters Ash School on Thursday 14th March 6:30 pm.

There is no need to book, just turn up, it is very worthwhile attending as you never know when you could be called into action.

We hope to see you there.

Paul Rogerson
RCDG Treasurer

Growing Your Own

In 1990 we in the UK grew 74% of the food we needed but that percentage has fallen gradually to only 60% today. The reasons for the reduction are: a population that has outstripped our capacity to feed itself from the land that is available; the gradual reduction in farmland by permitted housing development; the pressuring of farmers to set aside a proportion of land to enable wildlife to thrive; the importing of food where it can be produced more cheaply elsewhere – and the population's wish for out-of-season crops. Considering the latter, one can have French beans, aubergines, tomatoes and peppers throughout the winter. All year round we can have tropical fruit such as mangoes, guavas, bananas and pineapples, and delicious they are too. To pay for our importation of the 40% of the food we eat we have to export all kinds of manufactured goods and services.

Nevertheless, it seems to me regrettable that we are not more self-sufficient in growing our own food. It makes sense to be not so reliant on the kindness of strangers. Although we cannot grow exotic produce and out-of-season produce we can grow more of what will grow here, I feel sure. From my experience on the allotment I know that to be true. It is best to eat seasonally, when the fruit and vegetables are really fresh and full of vitamins. If the food is brought in from abroad it will be several days old when it reaches our plates and a lot of the vitamins will have been lost. So, grow your own, help the planet with your reduced carbon footprint, help the country's balance of payments, and eat delicious fresh produce!

March is the month to sow, sow, sow, if the weather is right. By that I mean the soil is warm and not sodden from too much rain. It is very much cross-fingers time. The seed packets we have purchased in the winter will have instructions which will be eagerly scrutinised, but one of my general tips is to draw out a drill, fill it with water, sow the seeds in the drill once the water has dispersed, cover the drill with dry soil from the sides, then finally tamping down with the back of a rake. And don't forget to label each row! It is so easy to forget what you have sown where. A few years ago I counted the number of vegetable varieties, herbs and fruit I had sown or which were perennial, and the total came to 90, so labelling is essential.

A new sowing year dawns! Grow your own in your garden and on your allotment and play your part in increasing the amount of food grown in the UK.

Good gardening,

Mike Mason

Chiltern Hills Arboriculture – News From HQ

What can I say, it's been a hectic month at CHA. We have been busy within the village tending to local trees and hedges for existing and new clients. If you are looking at anything that needs a prune, or removal, give us a call.

We had "some snow" and hopefully that is all behind us now and warmer, sunnier times are ahead. Some snowdrops are out, and the daffodils are soon to follow.

Anyway, Chiltern Hills Arboriculture has an exciting announcement to make.

At a date in July/August (to be confirmed) our primary tree climber and my co-director, Danny, will be undertaking a "24 hour sit in" at the top of a tree in the centre of the village.

This is not some sort of protest against squirrels stealing the peanuts from our bird feeders, or owls terrorising the local vole population. It's all for charity.

Danny is raising funds for a local charitable support group, The Friends of Westfield. They are a parental group supporting Westfield School. This is a Primary age special school which caters for children experiencing difficulties in Communication and Interaction. It is expected that the vast majority of the pupils have a diagnosis of ASd (Autistic Spectrum difficulties) alongside other difficulties such as anxiety, sensory processing, ADHd, (Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder) and dyspraxia, for example. Danny has a 9 year old son who is a pupil at Westfield so Danny is keen to support them and the great work that they do. Visit the school website to learn more about the fantastic work this local special school does for children across the High Wycombe area. <http://www.westfieldschoolbucks.org/>

This climb is being facilitated by The Wheel, who are lending us their Willow Tree in the car park for the weekend. Huge thanks to Claire and Mark for supporting us. I am sure there will be some sort of celebration at The Wheel to see Danny start his climb. It would be great if we can "send him up" and "see him down" while raising a glass, and chucking a pound or two into the collection pot.



Please Support Danny's
Willow Tree Climb

Danny will climb at noon on the Saturday and stay up there for 24hrs, before climbing down on the Sunday. I am sure we would all agree that this is no mean feat (some would say an act of madness)... but it's all in a good cause.

It would be great if you could come down and support him. I am sure Mark, Claire, Danny and I would be delighted to see you on what will hopefully be a lovely summer day.

This is all being done as part of the charitable function of Cestreham Masonic Lodge 6674. We are based in Beaconsfield. A lodge that both Danny and I are proud to be members of. If you are interested and want to know more about getting involved in Freemasonry, please feel free to get in touch with me.

I can't add much more than this right now....but there will be further details in future dispatches.

Best regards
Mike

Chiltern Hills Arboriculture

The Wheel

February has been about three things, Rugby, Snow and Holidays. Firstly, though, I am very glad that we are back to normal and everyone is no longer on dry January as you all seem happier for it.

The first two weekends of the 6 Nations have been amazing (this might be because I am an avid England fan). The front bar has been rocking for all the games and everyone has supported their teams very loudly, much to Molly's disgust. The Risborough Rugby Club Sweepstake has ensured there is a good amount of rivalry and banter, some are currently doing better than others! If you are coming up for the March games remember to get here early if you want to get a good seat.

The snow as always has caused a certain amount of chaos, but has also meant a few of you got some snow days and could enjoy a lunch time pint or three at the pub. All the local pubs enjoy a good snow day even if it is a bit mad especially after a quiet January. Personally, myself and our dogs love the snow and get to walk in the beautiful scenery, our woods are so special when they are covered in snow.

Mark and I would like to thank all the staff, especially Chloe, Julia and Chefkins for holding the fort while we went on holiday to Pembrokeshire. You all did a brilliant job especially as we left you on the Friday snow day and the start of the 6 Nations (sorry). For those who don't follow our Dog Diaries when we're away - very simply they loved the beaches, swimming and lots of time with us.

The main dates for your diary.

- Saturdays in general - At the moment we have quite a few functions booked in so please give us a call to book for food so you're not disappointed
- Saturday 16th March is the final weekend of the 6 Nations
- Sunday 31st March for Mother's Day - please remember to book early and that we do two sittings
- 19th - 22nd April is Easter - again please book

Sadly, at the end of Feb we said goodbye to Annabel as she now is in full time employment but I'm sure she'll be back for Napfest and any other big occasions as she won't get the option. We welcome Sofia Stephney to The Wheel team.

The staff Christmas party was a blast as always, bowling was great fun and the drinks were flowing later. We would like to thank Alex and Rosie who covered for us all in the pub so we could go out together.

As always thank you to everyone for their support and we'll see you all soon.

Claire and Mark



Music Friday 7 June, Fete Saturday 8 June
Classics Sunday 9 June

CIRCUS THEME!

Music on The Crick is coming along really nicely and we are hoping for a few different bands this year, so that you all get a different experience. Oh and of course our local resident DJ extraordinaire Shaun Salter will be blasting out those tunes. It would be great to see people dress up for the occasion (although remember to keep warm). We have booked the food stalls, we have Noodle Nation and Yourztoeat with their Hog Roast! The bar is booked and we will have a full range of inflatables, bouncy castles, bungee runs and much more. Tickets will shortly be available on www.napfest.eventbrite.co.uk and tickets are the same price as last year - £25 for a family ticket of four, adults £10, Kids £5. There will be an increase on the night and tickets will also be available at The Wheel.

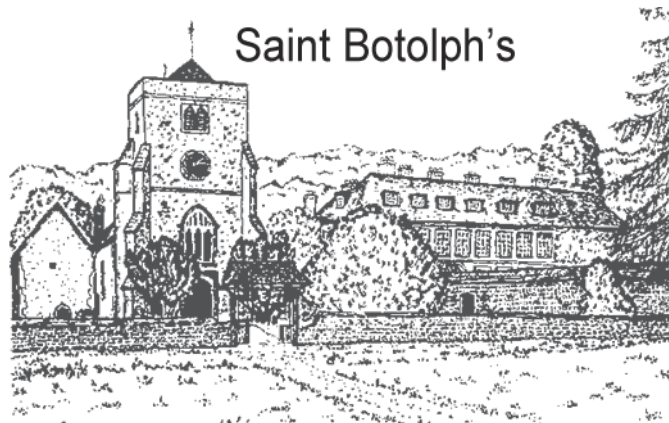
Fete on The Crick is definitely going to be a lot bigger and so much better this year. We have lots planned for the arena, with displays from the RAF and also some fitness classes and hopefully the Nepalese community will be performing traditional dance. As always we still need all our faithful stall holders at the ready and you should have all been contacted by now. If not please get in touch with us by email nwafete@hotmail.com.uk

As always we still need extra volunteers for all three days and we will need tombolo prizes, cakes, grand draw prizes and books. Please get in touch if you are able to provide any assistance or would like to sponsor the event.

Can't wait to see you all there!

The Napfest Committee

nwafete@hotmail.com.uk



Saint Botolph's

A letter from the Bradenham Vicarage

As March begins, the Northern Hemisphere is waking from its winter sleep and March 21st sees the Spring Equinox – a day to celebrate as from then on there are more hours of light in our day than dark. The dark days of January are behind us and February's light relief of St Valentine's day has come and gone. Don't hold your breath for warmer weather though – I see from my photo diary that the 'beast from the east' last struck on March 18th 2018! In theory at least, the warm days of spring now beckon, to be followed by the hot, lazy days of summer. As our world continues its orbit of the Sun, there are always marker events and celebrations to look forward to. We need such events to help us reflect, mark time and give us opportunities to gather in our various communities – communities of family or village, church or social club.

The church is really big on marker events with a whole year's worth of what we call feasts to celebrate. In fact, Christianity seems to be mainly about feasts. The central event of worship is the Eucharist – a symbolic recreation of the Passover feast Jesus shared with his disciples, also known as the 'Last Supper'. Saints' days too are referred to as 'feast days'. In March there are several. March 1st is the Feast of Saint David, patron saint of Wales, March 4th is the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, March 17th is the feast day of Saint Patrick, patron saint of Ireland whilst March 19th is the feast of Saint Joseph, husband of the Virgin Mary.

Whilst the majority of time is given up to celebration, the church also advocates contrasting its celebratory tone with periods and days of fasting; times of self denial in order to better focus on the spiritual realms. Historically, the period up to Christmas was a fasting time, forgoing the pleasures of food and wine to reflect and prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas. These days, hardly anyone fasts in the time leading up to Christmas, but we are about to enter a more austere period, the time known as Lent. March 6th, Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of the church season known as Lent. Six weeks of fasting are intended to help us to reflect on the coming events known as the Passion of Jesus, looking beyond that to the glorious Christian hope of the Resurrection with all that it brings. Many of us still keep this period of abstinence – 'What are you giving up for Lent?' we may ask.

We belittle Lent when we see it as simply a season of 'giving up'. The purpose of the 'giving up' was to make space to better focus on spiritual reflection. Many local churches run Lent 'courses' providing opportunity to explore the real meaning of the season. Christian Aid publishes a great resource that can be downloaded or mailed and used each day throughout Lent to help focus our thoughts. There are many other resources and aids widely available to help us make the most of this period.

For some, this will have been a difficult winter for all sorts of reasons. Taking time during Lent to reflect spiritually and look forward to the great feast celebrating the new life that Easter brings is a discipline that we can all adopt and benefit from.

With every blessing,

Rev Jenny Ellis

SERVICES AT ST.BOTOLPH'S

March 3rd	11am	Eucharist	Rev. Jenny Ellis
March 10th	11am	Eucharist	Rev. Allan Barton
March 17th	11am	Eucharist	Rev. Jenny Ellis
March 24th	11am	Eucharist	Rev. LindaRichardson
March 31st	11am	Mothering Sunday	Rev. Allan Barton



Bradenham Parish Council

Cressex- Monks Risborough: The HS2 project is creeping closer to us. Planning around the HS2 works has started at Great Missenden and, as was anticipated two years ago, there is a knock-on effect on our area arising from the traffic generated by these works. Two years ago, a number of local Councils petitioned Parliament to obtain money to mitigate the worst effects of the construction traffic and to keep the roads safe for residents and for all road users along these routes.

Planning for spending this money on road works has resulted in a series of costed proposals for road modifications along the length of the A4010 from Cressex to Monks Risborough and the A4129 at Longwick. The proposals developed are now ready for public view and to this end an exhibition showing these

modifications will be held at West Wycombe Village Hall Friday 15th March 15.30-20.30pm, Saturday 16th March 10.00-13.00 and Friday 22nd March 10.00-13.00 Representatives of the Councils involved and Bucks County Council will be present to explain the modifications proposed. The exhibition is open to the public.

Teif Jones,
Chairman Bradenham Parish Council

Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

Planning: The following are local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 14th January and 14th February 2019. Any responses by NAWARA appear in full on the WDC website.

19/05175/FUL The Firs, Purssells Meadow, Naphill HP14 4SG Householder application for single storey side extension incorporating roof extension Received 23.01.19 Target for Determination: 20.03.2019.

19/05059/TPO Ambleside, Purssells Meadow, Naphill HP14 4SG Crown reduction of 2.5m, thin by 10% and lift to 3m above ground to 3 x Lime Trees (T1, T2 and T3) as the trees are growing into each other and restricting light to the property and neighbouring property. Received on 14.01.19 Target Determination: 11.03.2019. Officer: Alastair Cunningham

19/05091/TPO Church Farm, Valley Road, Hughenden Valley HP14 4LB. Removal of remains of 2 x Willow (T6 & G1). Received 16.01.19 Target Determination: 13.03.2019 Officer: Alastair Cunningham

19/05172/FUL. Tilbury House, Louches Lane, Naphill HP14 4QF HA for construction of part two storey front / side, part single storey side (porch) and single storey rear extensions. Construction of part single storey, part two storey side extension incorporating new garage (amendment to PP 14/05440/FUL - RETROSPECTIVE). Received 25.01.19. Target Determination: 22.03.2019. Officer: Matthew Jackson. Delegated decision. (NAWARA objection. Rain water being drained from site directly on to Public Footpath 27 causing water-logging in wet weather).

19/05217/FUL. 7 Ash Close, Walters Ash HP14 4TR. HA application for construction of attached garage to side and single storey rear extension. Received 29.01.19. Target Determination: 26.03.2019. Officer: Matthew Jackson.

Permitted

(a)18/08010/FUL. Moseley Hill Farm, 210 Main Road, Naphill. (b) 18/08337/FUL 29 Battingswood Gardens, Naphill. (c) 18/08088/FUL Land North of Corporals Club RAF. Walter's Ash.

Stop Litter Drop

By early January so much litter had been dropped in our once neat villages that those who habitually do what they can to pick up other people's rubbish, said the problem was beyond them. It had become a health and

safety issue. Worse still, fly tipping, classed as a crime, had been taking place in both Naphill and Walter's Ash. If anyone had identified the fly-tippers and reported them to the police they would have been prosecuted.

Faced with a mounting litter dilemma, NAWARA decided to appeal to District authorities, who agreed official intervention was needed immediately. A team of council workers, suitably clad, arrived the very next day, armed with the necessary equipment. They worked their way from half way down Coombe Lane through to some way down Bradenham Woods Lane. Within 3 days they transformed Naphill and Walter's Ash from a rubbish strewn zone to an environmentally desirable neighbourhood.

Let's keep it that way.

Date of next NAWARA meeting. Monday 11.03.2019. 8pm Naphill Village Hall. As always, NAWARA meetings are open to the public.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

Last Word

Huge thanks to Geoff our printer for his shoulder and help this month! For several months one of our regular articles has been a nightmare to lay out properly. After another morning of researching and getting nowhere I finally admitted defeat and called Geoff who kindly sorted it for me so now I will follow his instructions, as I have learnt to do on so many things, and the problem will be solved! Thank you to Darren Lomas for the NapFest banner and as always, grateful thanks to all our contributors, there is no magazine without you all!

Because February is a short month this has had to be a very quick turnaround to get to print. Next month will be our Easter edition so Spring photos and articles here for deadline, 15 March, will be very welcome please.

Sonia

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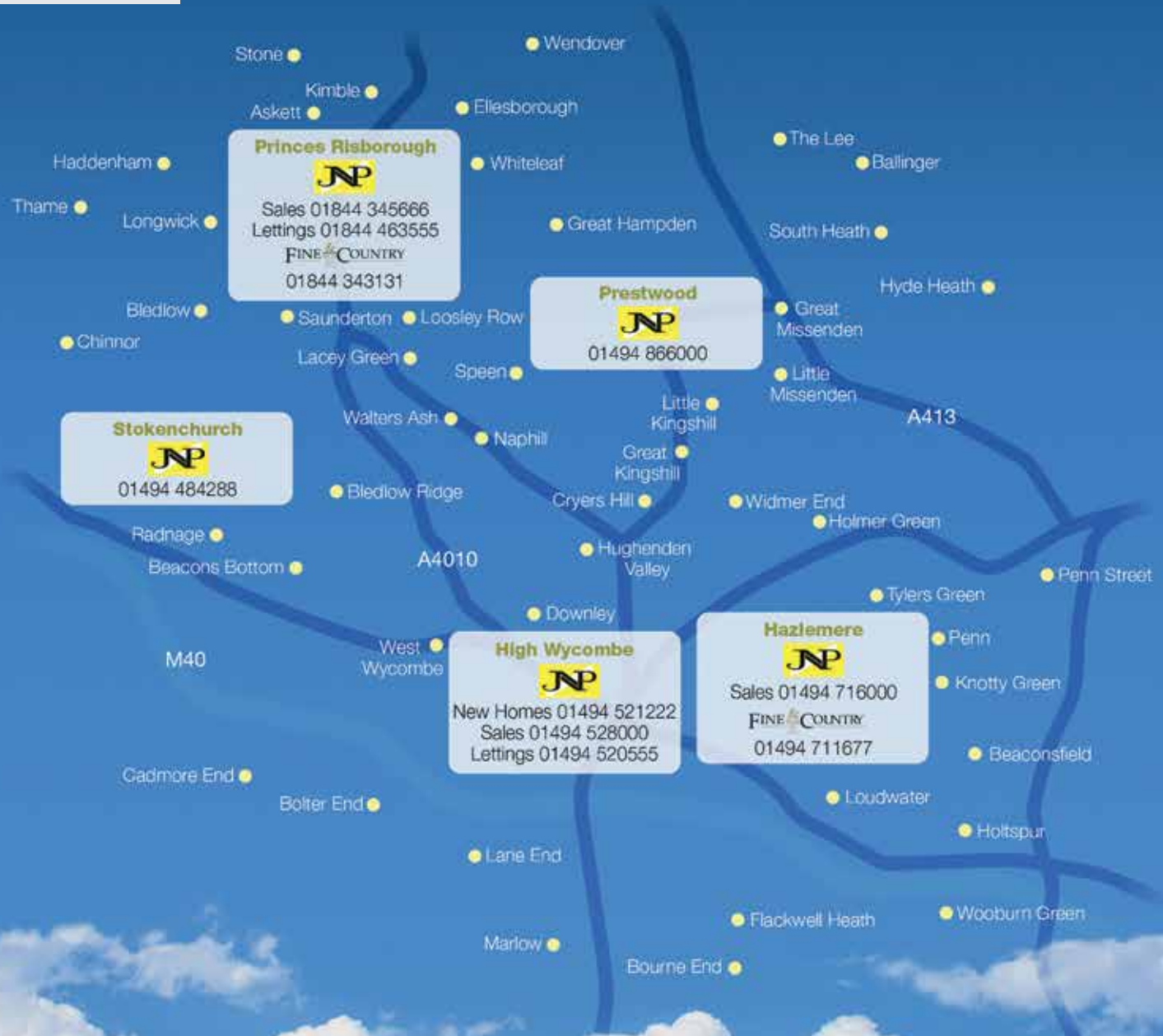


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