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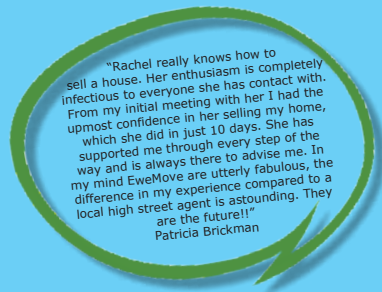
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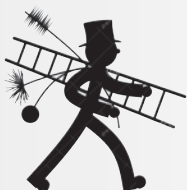
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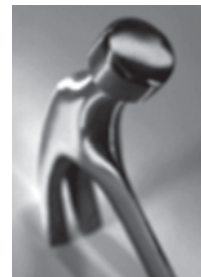


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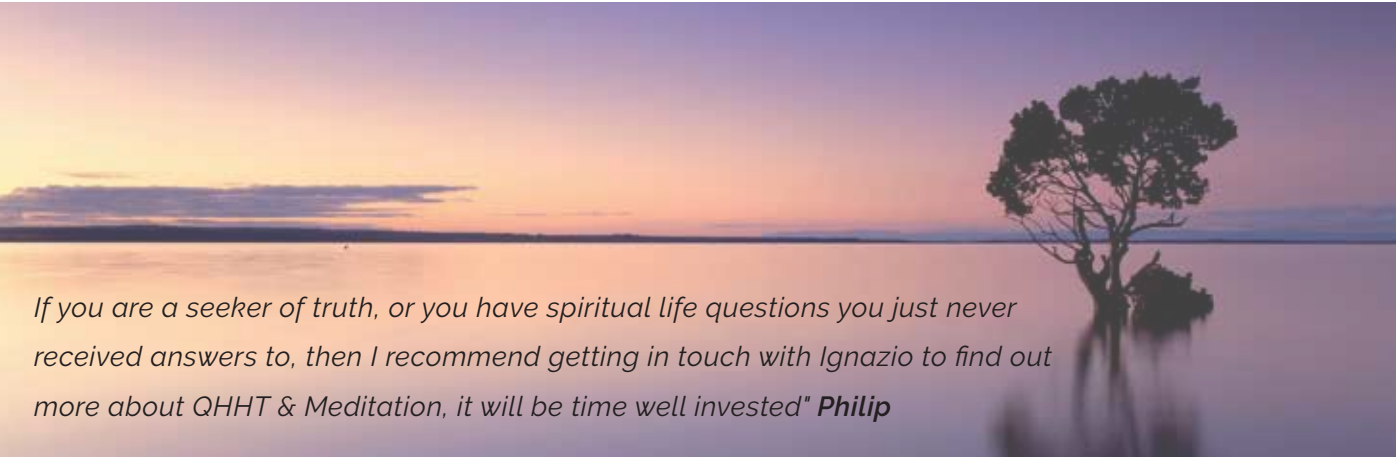
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Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 11am Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm Fridays 4.00-7.15pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670		
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018



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Editorial

Having read through all the articles which need to be fitted into the magazine it is almost impossible to find one which does not start with at least one well earned WOW! The great NapFest was, as always, ANOTHER unmitigated success and I too send my hearty congratulations to Linda Clark and her team, the RAF 100 team and to Ian Bond and the Classics team all of whom have worked tirelessly to produce the impossible, an even bigger and better NapFest weekend! Can they top it? Hopefully we will find out in June 2019!

My congratulations to all the volunteer Village stallholders, all the groups who take part in the grand parade and of course to our handsome princes and beautiful princesses who did a fantastic job too.

In our community, there are so many people who beaver away in the background doing all sorts of jobs which help to make our community the great place it is. Every year at the Fete, there is a special "Good Neighbour's" award, and I truly believe that from the many, selecting the winners must be very difficult! This year the award went to Pauline and Mike Pool who have not only been managing the Gazette distribution for many years but from Fete, to fireworks, Christmas tree lights to OAP lunch club, through to FoNC working parties and charity work not to mention putting up with this Gazette editor, they quietly, happily and efficiently get the job done!



Congratulations Mike and Pauline and my thanks to you both.

Next month's Gazette is the August/September edition which means that I get the whole of August to enjoy the long, hot Summer which I have ordered. Copy date for this edition will be 15 July. Please make sure that you send in all the September events which you want included please.

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Hughenden Parish Council

Factoid #22

Co-Option - *Councillors may resign from the Council before their term of office is up. A notice is then published to see if Parishioners want to hold a by-election. If this does not happen then the Parish Council can co-opt new Councillors onto the Council. This means that they can be appointed without an election – but they have to explain to existing Councillors why they want to join them.*

Where does one start this month - it's got to be Napfest.

What a perfect weekend. The weather was so kind to us, the RAF and Napfest Crew were so organised, it all came together to create 3 days of wonderful village life. We'd like to thank everyone involved for a really fantastic weekend - and let's hope everyone who attended was really generous so that our Village Hall and Thames Air Ambulance benefitted as well.

Now back down to business. Work has started in the background on the redevelopment of Templewood play area. The team of parent volunteers mentioned last month have been "deputised" into the Council's Playground working group and have carried out a ground survey to measure the site. The next step is to produce some possible designs to share with the local community and get a feel for what we would all like to see in the space. The intention is to do this over the summer so that a formal design can be submitted to Full Council in September after the summer recess.

At June's Council meeting we approved some drainage connection work for a local resident that will mean a small amount of disruption at the top of Vincents Meadow. As the responsible landowner for Vincents Meadow we want to assure residents that all due diligence has been undertaken and that the works will make the minimum of disruption to the Meadow (we anticipate the footpath at the top end (opposite to Downley Road entrance) will only have to be slightly rerouted for a matter of a day. All works will be made good and the fencing which borders with the resident will be made better than it is currently. Thames Water will also take on full responsibility for the drain connection after it has been made. Making the connections here means that there is far less disruption to locals as the alternative was to dig up Louches Lane.

Another item that was discussed at June's Council meeting was the current situation with the Weight Restrictions that are to be placed on Stocking Lane and Clappins Lane. We have been waiting for over three years now for these signs to be put in place to stop or at least discourage larger vehicles from using these narrow lanes. Cllr Williams has put together

a detailed summary of what has happened (or rather what has not happened) with the authorities involved. A number of people have already emailed their support to the Council to ensure that these restrictions are put in place. Please contact us and/or the Parish Clerk if you would like a copy of the summary and would like to let us know your views on this matter - it will all help when we confront those responsible and hold them to account.

Finally, we would like to introduce a newcomer to our little band of NAWA Councillors, who was co-opted at our last meeting. A new resident of Woodcock, Walters Ash, we have asked Victoria to introduce herself.

I am delighted to be welcomed as a Councillor for Naphill and Walter's Ash, as a part of a well established team. Having spent my formative years growing up in Hughenden Valley, I feel incredibly lucky to still be living in this wonderful area, just up the hill! As a lead teacher in the non-selective sector, I am dedicated to the life chances of young people. I am particularly keen to support the ongoing efforts regarding free to use facilities for young people; the Templewood playground in particular. The recent NapFest demonstrated what an incredible place this is to live, with hugely supportive residents. I will look forward to meeting many more members of our community in the near future.

We are looking forward to easing her into the role (who are we kidding !!). It's great to have another person representing our ward - it worth mentioning there is room for one more still.

Your Parish Councillors,

Victoria Austwick, Chris Waterton & Peter Williams.

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HPC Diary Dates

10 July Full Council Meeting

12 July Planning Committee

2 August Planning Committee

14 August Services Committee

23 August Planning Committee

All the above meetings are held at HPC Offices, Great Kingshill and commence at 8pm.

Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields

Council - Registered charity number 300309

Chairman's Report

Wow, what a weekend. The weather was gorgeous, the music on Friday night was great, the Fete on Saturday had everything you could want, including fantastic flypasts. Not only the Red Arrows but the Lancaster and accompanying Hurricane and Spitfire and then to complete the air display a lone Spitfire flying so low over the crick that you could see the pilot!

The Classics on the Crick on Sunday was also a success with the show vehicles filling the whole crick. There are so many people who gave time and put in a lot of effort to make it all happen.

The Napfest committee led by Linda Clark did a fantastic job in organising the music on Friday and the Fete on Saturday. The whole event was a brilliant joint operation between the village and the RAF. Group Captain Woods was able to have his team obtain enough funding to make Napfest a huge success! All of the RAF personal were volunteers and hopefully they had a good time.

It was my first time judging the fancy dress parade, not an easy task but with the two other judges, Group Captain Woods and Station Warrant Officer Steve Marshall we made the decisions on the winners. The fancy dress contestants all deserved to win as they had put a lot of effort into their costumes. I hope that everyone that attended the events had fun and went home feeling that they had a good time. It was nice to see so many adults and children attend the event, it looked as if we had record attendance on Friday and Saturday. I know the bar had to have more beer delivered as we nearly ran out!

On the Tuesday after Napfest the table tennis table was delivered and erected on the Crick and in the evening Jonny Goddard and his friends came along to have first use of it. Jonny and his friends worked hard to raise funds for this and deserve a pat on the back for their initiative. Thanks to Peggy Ewart who arranged the purchase and installation of the table.

Back to more mundane matters, the insurance for the village hall and contents was due to be renewed and with different insurance companies involved a proposal form was sent, the outcome of this is that we realised that we needed to increase the cover to make sure we were not underinsured. This has resulted in a premium of just under £3500, an increase of 16% on last year.

The flat roof over Bon Ami was completed but unfortunately there is still a small leak, this appears

to come from the veranda tiled roof and this will be rectified as soon as possible.

The playground equipment was discussed at the meeting and until funding is in place it will not be replaced. We hope to have the funding in place shortly but it would be good to hear the views of the parents of the children who use the playground as to what we replace the equipment with. We were looking at a similar unit to the one taken away but a parent suggested a double slide or a climbing activity. Can you come up with any ideas for its replacement? Please let us know via the village hall website. Have a great summer holiday!

Clive Lawrance

Chairman Naphill Village Hall

Last Service at Napill Methodist Church



Sunday 1 July 10.30am led by Rev. Nick Thompson, Superintendent of the High Wycombe Circuit. All are welcome.

Sad News



It is with sadness that I announce the death of Geoff Nicholls on 9 June 2018. A funeral service was held on Wednesday 27th June in the Hampden Chapel at Amersham Crematorium.

With the help of Sarah Rogers,

Geoff contributed several articles for the Gazette about his long life in "Old Naphill" and was a much loved, life-long Napillite. R.I.P. Geoff.

Sonia



I should like to thank the whole of the Village Hall Committee for allowing the table tennis table to be installed onto the Crick. In particular, I would like to thank Peggy Ewart for organising everything and helping it all to be completed. Also, all of the help from the community was greatly appreciated, especially for the car wash!

Thanks again for everybody's help.

Jonny Goddard

Growing Your Own

In July it is not too late to sow watercress seeds. Long reputed to be a "super-food", rich in calcium, iron and vitamins A, C and E it is believed to be anti-carcinogenic. It used to be grown on a vast scale in chalk streams and it is still grown commercially in Dorset and Hampshire. The British are among the biggest consumers in the world and with that popularity UK production is on the increase. But you don't have to construct a Heath-Robinson system to give running water over a gravel bed in your garden. Seeds are now available for growing watercress in the absence of running water. I have been growing such watercress for many years. Initially I transplanted seedlings outdoors into garden soil but rapidly found that they would grow best in my tomato bed in the greenhouse. There they are growing in near 100% well-rotted farmyard manure – a very good source of all the 19 trace elements we need to consume every day. The watercress plants grow like weeds and are quite happy covering the soil underneath the tomato plants. One has to be quite ruthless at times in removing handfuls and putting them on the compost heap. They grow all the year round and provide a delicious salad crop which is appreciated even more in the winter months. It is effectively a perennial since, as its shoots grow across the soil they put down fresh roots every 5 inches or so which enable

it to march onwards. To harvest the watercress just nip off the leading 3 inches of the shoot and that "pruning" will cause the plant to push out several completely new shoots near the wound. If left tiny white flowers appear, followed by seeds which germinate in any area cleared of watercress. Thus your first seed packet will be your last. A self-perpetuating "super-food" available for cropping all the year round and which tastes delicious. One of the best vegetables I have ever grown.

In July in the garden or on the allotment one can continue to sow succession plants such as radishes, coriander and tiny turnips, and salad plants such as lamb's lettuce, Mizuna, claytonia and Chinese "green in snow" mustard for winter crops. Early July is the best time to sow Florence fennel. This is very difficult to grow since if the weather is cold in August and September the plants will not have enough time to produce their delicious swollen bulbs, and if the weather is too hot and dry the plants will bolt. Thus Florence fennel is a gamble on the weather.

As for cropping, July is the month of abundance where one reaps the benefit of all that work earlier in the year. In particular soft fruit such as raspberries, Josta berries, Tayberries and gooseberries are available in profusion. Hooray!

Good gardening!

Mike Mason



NAPFEST 2018

It only feels like last month that I was writing an article for the Gazette for NAPFEST 2017 and now the 2018 event is over. The Committee and I are thrilled that the weekend was such a fantastic success. Again, we were lucky with the weather, which encouraged more people to come and support our event. Starting with Friday Night 'Music on the Crick', thanks to the RAF100 for sponsoring the event and providing such marvellous bands and fairground rides and not forgetting the free popcorn and candy floss. Then Saturday to the Fete, again this year there were more stalls and children's activities than ever before.

Of course, this would not have happened without my hardworking dedicated Committee and to that end I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their support and efforts. Also, not forgetting the many volunteers that assisted with the Friday night gate management. It is such a rewarding feeling knowing that you have helped to achieve such a great event and giving back to the local village and Village Hall.



Thank you to everyone who sent in nominations for the 'Villager of the Year' award. This year we were overwhelmed with nominations, all of which were thoroughly deserving, with the award being presented to Mike and Pauline Pool, with certificates of appreciation to the Men's Club for their continued work supporting the Village and Andrew Wasilewski for being the Chair of the Fireworks Committee for 25 years and over 30 years involvement with the Village Hall.

Thank you for your kind emails and Facebook posts, they really are appreciated. If you have felt inspired and would like to join our small team, please email me lindaclark894@hotmail.com. Finally, another thank you to Sonia and her team who have provided a lot of the photographs for this article and of course Sonia's patience with me for late submissions, including this one!

Linda Clark
Chairman of the NapFest Committee



NapFest Music 2018

Oh, what a night! The biggest night yet! Many thanks to the RAF100 for their support and sponsorship. Such an amazing atmosphere, helped along by our local DJ Shaun Salter for providing a fantastic disco between the bands. Thanks Shaun!

The Bands this year were definitely on another level.... The first band 'Alfred's Manor', were a local RAF cover band, who played a range of cover songs, the second band 'California Dreaming' who played an arrangement of covers from the 1960's to present day. Then our headlining band 'LFX', whose range of classic Club anthems were phenomenal, as I think you would all agree. I must give a shout out to our local stalls, Topsy Flamingo, providing us all with fabulous cocktails, Yourztoeat, our local hog roast company, Mozerrella Nation cooking the 90 second pizzas, Mr Rosetti for his delicious ice cream and of course The Wheel for providing the bar.

A huge thank you goes out to Ron Carter and his willing team of volunteers who manned the gates and made sure that the night ran smoothly. Especially, I will say this was a mammoth task, due to the number of local youths who insisted on gate crashing the event, constantly breaking down the barriers and throwing glass bottles into the Tennis Courts, I must say I feel very disappointed that this would happen at such a family event.

I hope you all enjoyed the fireworks again, these were sponsored by RAF100 and I thought it was a fabulous display, again these would not have been possible without John Harris and Adam Pool.

Linda Clark





St. Michael & All Angels
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NapFest Fete

Well I do believe that we surpassed all expectations, what an incredible day. The support from the RAF100, RAF Benevolent Fund and the RAF Charitable Trust made all the children's rides possible, which I believe catered for children young and old. So, the day started at 0830hrs, with the RAF working Party clearing up all the rubbish off the crick, moving tables from the Village Hall to the marquee for the Stall Holders, helping to set up the BBQ and providing guidance to the Stall holders as they arrived and ensured that they were in the correct place. From 0930hrs the stall holders started to arrive, the local dads were in the kitchen prepping the BBQ food at the same time the WI were trying to set up for their Teas and Coffees. By 1130am, everyone and everything was in place for the judges, Gp. Capt. Rob Woods and Mr Clive Lawrence to go and have a look at our fabulous procession and make their judging decisions.

At 1200pm the procession took to the arena, led by our truly handsome and pretty princes and princesses, who were chauffeur driven around the arena in brand new convertible cars, courtesy of Sytner. This year there were 60 stalls/rides on the crick, ranging from Cards, Books, Plants, Cocktails, Dodgems to the RAF100 Baton. Thank you to all the Village Stall Holders for their continues support, especially the WI for their tea, coffee and cakes served in the Village Hall which was decorated by Sam Keen to celebrate the 90th Birthday of the hall. Of course not forgetting the Men's Club for the Bar and BBQ, the Tennis Club for the Strawberries and Cream, Andy Pop with the Tombola, Naphill Neighbours for the cake stall, and to all those who kindly spent hours over their ovens baking the delicious cakes to donate. The Friends of Naphill Common for the Silent Auction, Sheila Draper for her first year running the book stall and to all those who donated books.

The RAF Physical Training Instructors, kept you all going throughout the afternoon, with races and the Ironman competition, for those who wanted a slower pace, there was the RAF Halton Voluntary Band who played 2 sessions of thoroughly enjoyable music. A special thank you to Cathryn Carter who successfully ran the dog show (in association with Jolleyes). Also, the biggest thank you to the RAF for proving 3 superb flypasts, firstly the Red Arrows, followed by the Battle of Britain Memorial Flight and then a lone Spitfire, who I think stole the show.

A big well done and thanks to all those who took part in the fancy dress, the judges had such a hard job deciding on who to award the trophies. After much deliberation the winners were:

- Best Junior Fancy Dress – Wise Owls Nursey
- Best Adult Fancy Dress – The Wheel PH
- Best Walking Tableaux – The Naphill Footballers
- Best Stall – Naphill Brownies and Guides
- Villager of the Year – Mike and Pauline Pool

Linda Clark







Classics on the Crick 2018

Hello all, I think the only way I can start is WOW!! What an amazing weekend! A huge thank you first to the Napfest team for putting on a fantastic Friday evening and Saturday, what a hard act to follow!

As for Classics, where do I begin? I think the first people we need to thank are the weather gods, they provided us with the perfect setting to host a classic car event, not too hot and not too cold and most importantly dry! The cars and bikes turned up in their hundreds and we had a great team of volunteers who marshalled them into place without any major hiccups. This year we had over 370 vehicles assembled on the Crick, a new record for us! We couldn't have done this without extra public parking in Stocking Lane provided by the Horse Trust and manned by the Scouts, so a huge thank you to them as well!

As for the day, we had some great attractions, we inherited the dodgems from Saturday, they just didn't want to go, we also had Havenwood Raceway, the ultimate in slot racing and Wycombe Radio Car Club, small car racing without the slots! Fantastic fun and no need for a driving licence! Entertainment was provided by G Elvis, an old favourite and a fantastic act. We also had Kirsty Fuller, a new act for us but oh my goodness, what a voice! None of this could have been made possible without Chris and Dave from DC Sound, the guys behind Friday night. Thank you!

We had a great team of volunteers on the day but will always be grateful for more, please! It is a fantastic village event and this certainly showed in the number of you who came to visit, over 2000 came through the visitor gate which is amazing. Thank you! All the profits go to the Thames Valley Air Ambulance and we had a great team of helpers from them as well, they have really taken us on board as a fundraising event for a very worthwhile cause.

We don't have any final figures just yet but I think I can safely say it was a record breaking year!

A huge thank you to all who volunteered on the day, and everyone who came to visit and supported the event, without you we couldn't do what we do!

The Classics Team!

The Wheel

Wow, wow, wow...What an amazing Napfest weekend. Huge congratulations to Linda and her team for organising the best Napfest yet!

Music on the Crick was an amazing night and I would like to thank Tracey Singerland, Kris Page and my staff for running the bar on the field. It was a great night and I hope Clive coped with us all dancing around him. It was great to see so many people enjoying the fabulous bands and entertainment.

All our staff looked brilliant for Fete Day dressed as 'Peaky Blinders', we did the pub proud by winning Best Dressed Adults. We had a swell time on the parade and I was called the Queen Bee by so many for our efforts. Julia sadly was not here, but she was at Trooping the Colour in London watching her son Ryan take part in his first parade in the Household Cavalry (we are all so proud). Julia watched the fly past down The Mall and then 5mins later they came over the pub, so we were a part of each other's special day. The whole Fly Past was amazing and to have the Red Arrows over the pub was spectacular. (Thanks again to the Napfest Team).



So how can anyone beat that, we can't but we do have a few dates for your diary.

- Football world Cup - we are showing all games but would advise that if the Moto GP or Rugby is on they will take preference. Good luck to everyone who entered the sweepstake.
- On the 30th June we will have 40+ Morris Dancers in the car park from 12pm completing a display as they tour round the local area. Should be entertaining, whether you love them or not don't forget to bring your camera.
- Sat 21st July is our Dog Photography Day, please remember if you want your dog photographed you must BOOK a time slot with us.

We have had an amazing month with so much sunshine and it has shown with how many people are enjoying food and beer in the gardens and the VIP area. Don't forget we serve food Monday night through to Sunday lunch with last orders 15mins before our advertised food times. As we have been so busy it is always advisable to book.

Once again thank you to the Napfest committee for a stinger of a weekend. Also, thanks to all our staff who worked their bras off all weekend.

Claire and Mark.

Editorial Comment: *On this occasion The Wheel have requested that this report is printed exactly as submitted so that those in the know may enjoy the "Inn" house humour.*



On Sunday the bra was absolutely buzzing as it always is for the 'Classics on the Crick' as everyone gets to watch all the great cars and motorcycles from our garden, especially as they leave the field. The staff and KP pulled out all the stops and saw their best tips yet for all their hard work. The whole weekend was befitting for a great RAF 100 celebration.

Naphill Tennis Club



What a wonderful Fete Day on 9th June! We couldn't have had better weather or a better flypast – The Red Arrows, Battle of Britain Memorial Flight, then a lone Spitfire. All this, whilst everyone ate strawberries and cream and watched others, young and old, enjoying themselves on the tennis courts with the ball machine.

It was a lot of fun dressing up in tennis gear from the 1920s, obtained from charity shops and Ebay, and brandishing our wooden racquets. Amazing what comes out of one's loft!

Forthcoming events:

Tennis Workshop/Clinic 'Wimbledon Special' – 10 am to 1 pm Saturday 7th July. £20 members/£23 non-members. Improve areas of your game in a fun way. Booking required.

American Tournament - 1.30 pm Sunday 8th July followed by bring-and-share tea.

Children's Tennis Camps (Tots-to-Teens) – Monday 20th to Friday 24th August. Come for one session or more.

Cost per day per child	Naphill TC Member	Non-Member
09.30am – 10.15am (3-4.5yrs)	£5.00	£5.00
09.30am – 1pm (4.5yrs - 9yrs)	£15.00	£20.00
1.30pm – 4.30pm (9+yrs)	£15.00	£20.00

Tennis Club Barn Dance/Supper – Friday 28th September. Come and join in some fun with the excellent 'Pickled Tink' Dance Band.

For further information on any of the above, please contact the Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel, on 01494 563706 or myself on 01494 565406.

Jenny Tench



Friends of Naphill Common

We hope everyone enjoyed the Fete. We certainly did and our Silent Auction went splendidly, raising nearly £2000 to be shared between Village Hall and FONC. Many thanks to all those who participated. We also hope that you enjoyed 'The Lost Pubs of Naphill': a walk led by Marian Miller on Tuesday 26th June.

On Wednesday 8th August the expert naturalist John Tyler will lead a 'Mini-beast Safari' on Naphill Common, starting from the Village Hall at 2pm. It is aimed at all ages, but especially children. So, anyone interested in our smaller wildlife, put on your walking shoes or boots and join us for a pleasant and informative ramble.

Our walks also continue as usual. The short walks generally involve the Common and they are between 2-3 miles, led by Chris Miller 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.

The Common is slowly healing after the latest round of felling. We hope to see the ruts smoothed out and the grasses and other vegetation begin to recover. As well as being part of the Chilterns Area

of Outstanding Beauty, our common is also a Site of Special Scientific Interest, Grade 1: which means that we, and Natural England, have a duty to protect and enhance its quality as a natural habitat. The rich mixture of ancient and young trees and a ground flora, untouched by agriculture, and the numerous ponds should mean that it is home to very wide range of plant and animal species. At present it is not doing too badly, but there is enormous scope for improvement. The Friends of Naphill Common are determined to help it on its way. Join us if you would like to be a part of the project.

Chris Miller - Chairman.

Mini Beast Safari

Wednesday
8 August
2pm start
from Village Hall



The expert naturalist
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Naphill Common

Chiltern Hills Arboriculture

By the time you are reading this we should be at the end of the logging works on Naphill Common. It has taken a while, and the particularly wet winter has not helped. There has been disruption, but as arboricultural colleagues, we can appreciate that the weather is not always our friend. I sent an email to David, the MD of Wessex Woodland Management, the contractors carrying out the works, enquiring about the programme, progress and completion dates for the work. I received this reply:

Dear Mike,

The harvesting and mulching ops have all been completed. I still need to get a digger in to deal with the ruts which will happen next week.

Unfortunately the wet weather has prolonged this operation much longer than anticipated.

The timber is moving slowly but I hope it will all be gone in the next month or so.

Please accept my apologies for the inconvenience caused.

I got photos of the track before we started and will assess any damage when we finish and make good any reparations that are needed.

*Kind regards
David*

I have read a number of comments on the Facebook page about the logging. For clarity, the logging is an essential part of woodland maintenance. "Crowded" trees do not flourish. The longer lengths of timber go for planking, but the shorter lengths are only sent for cutting into firewood. It has not been an exercise executed for financial gain, but more for good forestry with a return to cover costs.

This is good to hear. All of us who live on the service roads behind the Black Lion and the allotments woods, or in the woods are delighted to have the inconvenience removed

*Mike Beckley
Chiltern Hills Arboriculture*

A Point of View

There has been a lot of discussion recently on the role of the Chilterns AONB and the limited powers it has to defend against the extensive building threats which exist under the government's pledge to build more houses at any cost, even allowing some loss of Green Belt protection. A new recent initiative has been to reconsider the protected areas classification and raise it to the status of a National Park. Such an improved protection order has been achieved by

the South Downs, previously an AONB and the New Forest in Hampshire. It would make particular sense in this current period of local government re-organisation creating one planning authority for the whole of the AONB and not fragmented amongst the Local Plans of three counties and five district councils.

The Unitary Authority decision has been further frustrated by the recent change of Secretary of State for the Environment and Local Government. We have to wait now for the new minister to acquaint himself with the complicated facts of the case, especially as the four District councils have now challenged the original recommendation to create one authority for the existing county council, by suggesting that we should have two. Let's hope that the decision, originally promised for last Christmas and then Easter is not further delayed.

Naphill Common is in a sorry state and most paths are now unwalkable due to the recent wood clearance. I know that the winter weather and the excessive rain made things difficult but I had hoped that by now the paths and bridleways would have been cleared and walkable. I am sure the open appearance of the Common is a great improvement and I for one applaud it, especially as the open appearance replicates what it was like when I was boy! My concern is that without grazing it will soon revert back to a dense holly woodland.

Recently, I was privileged to join with the Lord Mayor of London on his annual inspection of the City's woodland at Burnham Beeches. It really is beautifully maintained by a herd of English white cattle. They cannot stray out of the grazing area defined by a buried wire which activates a mild shock to the animal via its collar. A really ingenious system which the cows quickly learn and is very effective in controlling them. The public are free to visit Burnham Beeches all the year round and in the summer months it is a delightful place with dogs allowed on leads. The cattle are very docile! Perhaps our Commons Committee could put the idea on their agenda for a future meeting?

Richard Pushman

Naphill Evening WI

Wasn't Napfest fantastic!

We had a great time in the kitchen serving sandwiches, cakes and tea and coffee. We had a lot of competition from other food outlets but still had many customers and made a good profit. Most of us have now got the hang of the dishwasher too! The Village Hall had been colourfully decorated with balloons etc to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the RAF.

Some of us recently visited to the garden of Peterley Corner Cottage, a three acre site with beautiful trees and wild flowers and a lovely herbaceous border.

We were also served rather good tea and cake.

We will have celebrated our birthday on 21 June when members will bring either a savoury or sweet dish. This again is always a fun evening.

Our speaker for July will be Peter Hague on Yorkshire Food and Traditions. I have heard Peter and he gives an entertaining insight into some local traditions and foods.

We also have our Games Evening to look forward to on 12 July.

The Food Group will be meeting for lunch on 26 July and are organising other events for the rest of the year.

We do not meet in August but hopefully we will have lots of fine weather to enjoy.

Carol Gillam

Naphill Brownies

Wasn't the Royal wedding great?

Naphill brownies enjoyed an evening of Royal wedding fun. We made fabulous tiaras (although sadly our invitation to the main event must have got lost, so we had to just wear them at brownies instead) and we made our very own Royal wedding style tea with posh sandwiches and scones and cream



Have you ever had a 'freakshake'?...No? Well, it was a new thing for us too. Freakshakes are an Australian-devised dessert combining an ice cream milkshake with a knickerbocker glory, then just add as many sweets and 'extras' as possible. The brownies had a great time creating, and eating, their own.

At brownies, we love being part of Naphill fete. The brownies threw themselves into this year's fete preparations: decorating their banner, making bead necklaces and feathered headbands for their 1920s flapper outfits for the procession and making a "90 years of the village hall" game for their fete stall.



We were also delighted to be asked to make table decorations for the fete tea room, The girls painted pebbles to go on all the tables with the themes of "90 years of the Village Hall" and "100 years of the RAF". Now the fete is over, we will be popping the pebbles out around the village for a bit of pebble-hunting – keep an eye out for them

On fete day itself, the brownies excelled themselves both in the procession and in running their stall. We are so proud of them.

Thank you to all the Napfest team for keeping the Naphill fete alive and thriving. We are so lucky to be part of such a great community.

Brown Owl

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

Naphill & Walter's Ash School

This is our last half term and the busiest time of our year. Year 6 are preparing for secondary school and have many fun activities ahead of them: leavers' assembly and party, Mini Enterprise, as well as organising the Talent Show, production and Sports Day.



As you know, the village fete has just passed and the fete royalty have had a whale of a time. "It was such a pleasure to ride around the crick, having people taking my picture at every moment," said Lucy Dixon, one of the princesses. "It was so nice to see everybody having so much fun."

At the end of the year, Y6 had Mini Enterprise which teaches them all about business. Everyone was allocated jobs in separate groups: manager; accountant; quality control; two production operatives; buyer and seller. They had two runs, one having to pay wages, rent and bills, the first simpler – just paying for materials. Everyone worked well as a team, earning lots of monopoly money.

Some of our Y5 and Y6 children went to Princes Risborough to compete in The Legacy Sports Games! The events included many different athletic events including the sprint, 600m, standing jump, and javelin. We proudly took a host of medals and we were delighted that we did so well!

Bon Ami

What a fabulous weekend Napfest was!

Bon Ami had an extremely busy day during “Classics on the Crick”. A huge thanks to everyone who was involved in organising the events. We look forward to hearing how much money has been raised for charities.

Last night we had a book club meeting. We reviewed “If Nobody Speaks of Remarkable Things”. We all had mixed views and it evoked much discussion; the prosecco helped! Our next book to read is “The Keeper of Lost Things” by Ruth Hogan. If you would like to read it and join us we would love to see you. Our next meeting is on Thursday 12th July at Bon Ami at 7pm.

On Friday 29 June we will be celebrating “NATIONAL CREAM TEA DAY”. We will be baking scones throughout the day for our customers to enjoy.

See you all soon,

Amanda & Ruth.

Letter from Bradenham Vicarage

Starry, starry nights

July 17th heralds the start of one of the most eagerly anticipated events in my annual calendar. No, I am not talking about the school holidays. I am talking the Perseids. What on earth are the Perseids you ask? Well.....they're not exactly on earth. The Perseids is an annual meteor shower that starts on 17th July and continues all the way through to the 24th August, so you have plenty of time to watch out for them.

Made of tiny space debris from the comet Swift-Tuttle, the Perseids are named after the constellation Perseus. This is because the direction, or radiant, from which the shower seems to come in the sky lies in the same direction as the constellation Perseus, which can be found in the north-eastern part of the sky. Look between the radiant, which will be in the north-east part of the sky, and the zenith (the point in the sky directly above you). While the skies are lit up several times a year by other meteor showers, the Perseids are widely sought after by astronomers and stargazers. This is because, at its peak, one can see, from a dark place, 60 to 100 meteors in an hour. This year, the peak is due around 9-13th August and viewing should be especially good on the night of 12-13th August as a new moon will ensure dark skies.

The Perseids can be seen throughout the Northern Hemisphere, so even if you are on holiday, why not plan a star party. Mosey on down to the beach and look out to sea, or go for a night time walk. If you can, take a flask of hot chocolate (or whatever is your preferred beverage) and some chocolate chip cookies or buy fish and chips and eat them on

the beach watching the sky. The BBC now often announces the main meteor showers in its weather forecasts, so listen out for when conditions may be at their best. Do remember to take safety precautions – you know the stuff – let people know where you are going, check the tides etc.

We have a long-standing romance with shooting stars. Legend has it that if you wished upon a shooting star the wish would come true. In Pinocchio, Jiminy Cricket sings:

*When you wish upon a star
Makes no difference who you are
Anything your heart desires
Will come to you
If your heart is in your dream
No request is too extreme
When you wish upon a star
As dreamers do*

Whenever I hear that song, it never fails to conjure up childhood memories of Saturday cinema or family Christmas TV viewing. But our romance with shooting stars goes back way further in time. It is believed to have originated in Ancient Greece, when the Greek astronomer Ptolemy, around AD 127-151, wrote that the Gods occasionally, out of curiosity, peered down at the Earth from between the spheres. When this happened stars sometimes slipped through the gap, becoming visible as shooting stars. It was thought that because the Gods were already looking at us, they would be more receptive to any wishes we made!

Our knowledge of what makes shooting stars and the fabric of the heavens has moved on from that of Ptolemy, but our fascination with space has never diminished. The Bible is full of references to the stars and the night sky or heavens. Over a thousand years before Ptolemy, in Genesis 1:1, the very first words of the Bible are ‘In the beginning, God created the heavens....’ There are some 190 occasions when the word ‘heavens’ is used in the Bible, along with over 125 reference to stars or moon. The writers of the Bible really loved their astronomy. Some of the most beautiful and uplifting references are in the Psalms. My favourite is Psalm 8:

*When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,
what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?
You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honour.*

Psalm 8:3-5

The Psalmist reflects on the sheer majesty of the heavens and then looks to humanity. In the face of all that vastness and beauty, how insignificant is humanity. The answer to that thought is that humanity is just short of the angels and very significant in God's sight. The God who is capable of making the heavens personally cares for you and me, so much so that He sent his Son, Jesus, to teach us how to live in relationship with him.

So when you are out enjoying your star party or just remembering that there's something about meteors going on over the next few weeks, when you look out on the skies, think about the words of the Psalmist and be awed:

The heavens declare the glory of God;

the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Psalm 19:1

May you know God's blessing and encounter His love at this beautiful time of year.

Rev Jenny Ellis

Associate Priest, West Wycombe Benefice

Services At St. Botolph's

July 1st 11am Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis

July 8th 11am Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis

July 15th 11am 150th Anniversary Celebration
Eucharist at St. Paul's, Bledlow Ridge led by Rev. Allan Barton and Rev. Veronica Beaumont

July 22nd 11am Matins Rev. Allan Barton

July 29th 9.30am Benefice Eucharist at St. Mary's, Radnage

As is customary in August, there will not be any Sunday Services at St. Botolph's. An 11am Eucharist will take place at St. Lawrence, West Wycombe on Sundays.

Letter from Hughenden Parish Church

One day Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, who was staying in her much loved Osborne House on the Isle of Wight, decided that it was a perfect day for a stroll, so she went out alone for a walk. After she had been out for quite some time, she felt parched, and so she decided to knock on the door of a cottage, in the hope of getting some refreshment from whoever lived there.

Meanwhile in said house, lived Mrs Sharp, who was having a lovely afternoon snooze in her favourite chair in the parlour. She heard the knock on the door, but couldn't see who it was from where she was seated. She felt lethargic, was slightly annoyed that she had been awakened from her nap, and she

decided that she was not feeling up to entertaining that day – so she ignored the determined knocking.

The Queen gave up after knocking several times, convinced that there was no one at home, and she left the house and returned back to Osborne House in much need of her afternoon tea and cake.

Mrs Sharp would have been in complete ignorance about the missed opportunity if it wasn't for one of her neighbours who bumped into her a few days later. They had been passing her house at the time that the unmistakable and imposing figure of her majesty was seen knocking on Mrs Sharp's door.

"You will never guess who you missed the other day", they said, desperate to share their big news – "Queen Victoria knocked on your door, she looked very disappointed that no one was in – what a great shame that you missed her!"

Mrs Sharp was left speechless. She was too embarrassed to admit to her neighbour that she had in fact been in at the time, but too lazy to answer the door, and so she had missed the opportunity of a lifetime to entertain her monarch with tea in the parlour – poor Mrs Sharp was never quite the same again!

I wonder, would you be ready and expectant, if God came and knocked on your door today?

Alpha Course

Each year in September, at St Michael & All Angels Church, we begin the Alpha Course, which is a great way of discovering more about God, and Jesus Christ, and the Christian faith. The course runs for a couple of months, on a Wednesday evening, and starts with a wonderful two course supper each night, followed by a film presentation for 25 minutes, and then an opportunity to discuss what we have seen with others interested in exploring the Christian faith.

We consider a wide range of topics including:

Is there more to life than this?

Who is Jesus?

Why did Jesus die?

Why and how do I pray?

How does God guide us?

Who is the Holy Spirit?

The first session takes place at 7pm on 19 September, and you can book your place on the course by calling Frank on 01494 565050.

There is no charge for Alpha. Why come along for the first night and bring a friend too!

Rev. Keith Johnson

Letter from Sir David Lidington MP

There could not have been better weather for the Naphill fete on 9 June and it was great to see so many people at the Crick. I liked the twin themes: celebrating both the 90th anniversary of the village hall and the centenary of the Royal Air Force. Having as local MP attended many different meetings at the hall over the last 26 years, I know how important it is as a community asset - and of course the history of Naphill and Walters Ash in the 20th and 21st centuries is intimately connected with that of the RAF.

The book stall in the marquee was as well stocked as ever. It was good to catch-up on the work of local organisations like Hughenden Street Association and it was both funny and touching to see burly RAF PT instructors take such care over supervising the infants' egg and spoon races.

In local politics, we are waiting for the new Communities Secretary, James Brokenshire, to take his decision about unitary local government in Bucks. I'm in no doubt that a move to a unitary system makes sense. In my experience very few constituents understand exactly the division of responsibilities between County and District Councils (e.g. the District collects our rubbish but the County runs recycling and waste disposal).

There've been strong campaigns for both one and for two unitary authorities to replace the present County Council and four District Councils. Anyone wanting more detail on the different cases can look at the County Council and Wycombe District websites respectively.

There are arguments both ways. The Districts argue that two Councils would allow for greater local accountability. The County points out that the financial savings to council taxpayers from a single council would be significantly greater than those from two, and that links between the local NHS and council social services are managed at a County-wide level and it would be foolish to break them up. My own preference, having looked at the arguments in some detail, is for a single authority but I've also met people whose views I respect who have on balance come down in favour of two. I think it's important to have a decision as soon as possible so that council staff and local taxpayers can have some certainty about the future.

David Lidington

Black Lion

What a fantastic Napfest weekend we all had! Well done to the Committee, each event was very well organised and lots of fun was had by all.

We hope you all enjoyed the family pig roast day on 9th June, thank you to Leni Buckle who was cooking the pig from 3am.

We are delighted to say our next Macmillan Family Fundraising weekend will take place on the August Bank Holiday weekend 25 & 26 August. Please come and join us for this fun filled weekend for a very

worthwhile cause. More details on our Facebook page and in the pub nearer the time.

We now have a full vegan menu including a starter, 4 choices of main meals and a dessert. We are always thinking of ways to cater for all of our customers, with that in mind we are now serving gluten free Peroni. Food is served Tuesdays to Saturdays 12-3pm and 6-9pm (5-9pm on Fridays) and Sundays 12-6pm.

Congratulations to all of our staff who have recently sat their GCSE and A Level exams – good luck for results day!

Our garden has been filling up during the sunny weather, let's hope it continues throughout the summer.

Thanks again for all your support.

Jack, Sian and the team

Naphill Neighbours

First of all, a big thank you to Sonia for plugging our cake stall at the NapFest. We were delighted to receive so many delicious cakes donated by the generous bakers of the RAF and villages.

By the time you read this we will have had our day at the seaside and be looking forward to our next outing – to Savill Garden, Runnymede and a cream tea on the river on Friday 10 August. Tickets will cost £33 for members and £35 for guests and, of course, everyone is welcome – you don't have to be a member of Naphill Neighbours.

Our next club meeting is on Monday 9 July at 8pm when Tony Earle pays us a return visit. His subject is THE THAMES BARGE.

Hazel Vickery, 563977



Bradenham Parish Council

We held our Annual Parish Meeting in May. The chairman thanked the National Trust and the RAF for their support during the year. Last year's work was mainly centred on maintaining the council's assets, which will continue this year. There is some evidence that the MVAS is reducing vehicles' speed. The grass cutting services which have been devolved from Buckinghamshire County Council are carried out by Princes Risborough Town Council.

Dog waste in the parish continues to be a problem and at the ordinary meeting it was decided to purchase a dog waste bin, providing National Trust permission is obtained. The removal of the recycling bins at New Road has reduced fly tipping.

The minor roads in the parish are deteriorating badly and require major work, the parish council has been working on this for years with little progress, but we keep going.

Teif Jones was elected Chairman for the 4th Year at our Annual Parish Council meeting and Paul Oborn was elected Vice Chairman.

At the ordinary meeting the council agreed to carry out a litter pick in the verge along Bradenham Woods Lane later this year. Councillor Richard Langridge will organise this. More details to follow.

The parish council did not object to planning application 18/05783/FUL, Timber Yard, erection of canopy (retrospective), but did comment that it would like to see it painted in a colour that blended in.

Buckinghamshire County Council is responsible for drain clearance and they have now done some drain clearance on New Road, which seems to help with the flooding we have had there. The drains in Bradenham are blocked frequently due to the road run off and the council is going to investigate paying themselves to have them cleared.

Our next meeting is on Monday 9th July at 7.00pm at Bradenham Cricket Club.

Deirdre Hansen - clerk to the council

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Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 21 May and 15th June were discussed, and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

18/06280/FUL 5 Moseley Road Naphill HP14 4SQ. Householder application for construction of rear conservatory. Received on 17.05.18 Target Date for Determination 26.06.2018. **18/06278/FUL 2 Victoria Cottages Downley Road Naphill HP14 4RG HA** for construction of two storey side extension and provision

of onsite parking. Received 17.05.18. Determination: 12.07.2018.. **18/06353/CLP Melvern Stocking Lane Naphill. HP14 4NE.** Certificate of lawfulness for proposed construction of detached outbuilding. Received 24.05.18 Determination: 19.07.2018. **18/06105/FUL. 256 Main Road Naphill. HP14 4RX.** Erection of attached two storey 2-bed dwelling, widening of access & dropped kerb & creation of four parking spaces to front (2 spaces for use of 256 Main Road) - alternative scheme to 15/07883/FUL Received on 01.06.18. **Determination. 27.07. 2018**

Permitted

18/06333/MINAMD Land Adjacent To 36 & 40 Main Road Naphill HP14 4QB Proposed non-material amendment to permission for erection of 1 x 3 bed detached dwelling with attached single garage, creation of new access with associated parking & landscaping granted under planning ref: 17/06747/FUL

WDC Planning "Malpractice". Hogtrough Barn 18/05342/CLE. Certificate of Lawfulness decision. 2 senior politicians have looked at the evidence from witnesses adjacent to Hogtrough Smallholdings and Louches Lane and have independently questioned the validity of WDC Legal Planning procedures. One politician has described them as "malpractice". The most senior of the politicians is writing directly to WDC Planning expressing his concerns. Both have advised the witnesses on further measures to take.

Battle Resumes to Save 5.6 acres of our Green Belt at Clappins Lane

Planning Inspector, Nicola Gulley MA MRTPI has been appointed by the Secretary of State to independently examine the soundness of the new Wycombe District Local Plan policies. Green Belt policies and RUR7 (the WDC policy to remove GB protection from 5.6 acres of Smith's Field off Clappins Lane to permit housing development) have been allocated specific times for examination by the Inspector. All those who sent in written responses about the Local Plan to WDC by 27th November will have received all the necessary information about the Examination from Programme Officer Ian Kemp who can be contacted on 01527 861 711 (Landline) or 0772 300 9166 (Mobile) or by email at ikemp@icloud.com.

A representative of the Residents Association Clappins Field subcommittee has been booked to attend and speak at the all-day session on Green Belt on Thursday 26th July, and at the Rural Areas session on Thursday 6th September when RUR7 among twelve RUR policies will be examined. Further updates in July Gazette.

Unitary Authorities. We were told that local government expenditure was so high within Bucks that the County and 4 District Councils were going to be abolished and a Single Unitary Authority, centred at Aylesbury, would be imposed on us. This would

save millions the County Council said. The 4 District Councils said, "No!" They argued that residents of Bucks would be much better served by two smaller Unitary Councils, even if less money would be saved. One smaller Unitary would be formed from merger of Wycombe, Chiltern and South Bucks District Councils and the other formed by the existing Aylesbury Vale District Council. A large part of the savings would be made by drastically reducing the number of District and County staff and a great many District and County Councillors.

From the enquiries I made it seems most people, including Councillors, were not provided with enough information by either Districts or County to say which choice, (one or two unitary councils), would serve their local area best, so could not exercise their democratic right by 25th May to inform the Secretary of State of their choice. In local discussions the observation, "It went over most people's heads" was widely expressed.

Bucks MPs have been sent copies of the request made of SoS James Brokenshire, as have the 4 District Councils. At Napfest I spoke to our MP David Lidington and requested that he contact SoS James Brokenshire personally to ask for a delayed decision, until Bucks residents are properly informed of the details of the changes.

Whether the Secretary of State will take note of such requests will become apparent in the near future.

Next NAWARA Meeting: 8pm Monday 16th July 2018. Naphill Village Hall. Open to all as usual.

Glória Leflaive 563634

Book Stall



Thank you to everyone who donated and/or bought books at the second hand bookstall; we reckon we sold over 1,800 books and the remainder (yes, we had some left!) are being donated to other charitable causes, so none are wasted.

Sheila Draper

Last Word

My very grateful thanks to all our contributors and to all the fantastic photographers who have sent in numerous super photographs and allowed me to mutilate them! Please forgive me not naming you all or crediting the photos in this edition. Thank you to Richard Holroyd for this month's special Fete cover.

Last month I included a small piece encouraging people to join Naphill Neighbours. Whilst they would welcome you to attend their meetings membership is on an annual basis commencing in January each year. Contact details and meeting times are on page 16 of this publication.

I have tried to fit EVERYTHING in! Any omissions will be included in the August/September edition! YES! There is an August/September edition as there has been for the past three years! Having read all the article it appears that several of our contributors have not remembered. This editor has August off! As in previous years, all last reports, facts and figures for NapFest plus article etc. to me on or before copy date, 15 July please.

Happy July everyone!

Sonia

Community Events Calendar

28 Sept. - Tennis Club Barn Dance/ Supper

12 Oct . - Residents Association Quiz Night

3 Nov. - Bonfire Night

Further details in August/September Gazette

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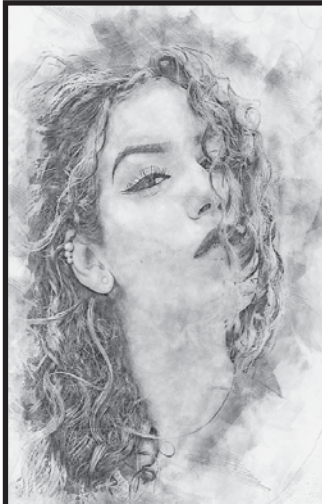
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