

NAPHILL GAZETTE



THE POLECAT
JANUARY 1971

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - JANUARY 1971

Discotheque	2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd.		7.30 p.m.
V.H.C.	4th		8 p.m.
Dancing	5th, 12th, 19th, 26th		3 - 6.45 p.m.
Conservative Assoc.	5th	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Health & Beauty	Every Tuesday		2 - 3 p.m.
Drama	" "		7.30 p.m.
Play Group	" Tues, Wed, Thurs.		9 - 12 noon
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday		7 p.m.
Dressmaking	" "	(B.R.)	9.30 - 11.30 a.m.
W.I.	7th		2.30 p.m.
Whist	8th, 22nd		7.30 p.m.
Library	8th, 22nd	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
Young Neighbours	11th		7.30 p.m.
Over 60's	15th, 29th		2.30 p.m.
Horticultural Soc.	25th	(B.R.)	8 p.m.
W.I.	28th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
Mens' Club Dinner	30th		7.30 p.m.
Art	Every Thursday	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.

V I L L A G E H A L L N O T E S

It was a near thing with the Christmas Tree Lights this year. They had been switched on for barely an hour or two when the order prohibiting display lighting was announced. Fortunately, the ban lasted only a few days and it is hoped that they will be lit for long enough to reward the efforts of the volunteers who undertook the hard work of fixing them to the tree, and also the generosity of the lady who made a donation towards the costs of hiring the lights. In any case, the Council wishes to express the thanks of the village for the help in maintaining this Christmas tradition.

Thanks are also due to all those whose support on both sides of the stalls helped to make the Christmas Bazaar a success. The net profit was £150. At their December meeting the Council were pleased to record their appreciation of the efforts of the staff from the School in presenting the exhibition of children's work so very attractively. The prize-winners for the Draw are listed on the following page.

R.A.L.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

SERVICES

January 17th Evensong 3.30 p.m.

This service will be held at the Methodist Church and will be taken by the Rev.S.A.C.Dickens, the preacher being the Rev.R.L.J.Kaye.

January 24th Holy Communion 9.0 a.m.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

The Pioneers Youth Group meets on Tuesday evenings. Doors open at 7.30 p.m. All teenagers welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

The difficulties of life are intended to make us
BETTER - NOT BITTER.

CENTENARY OF THE NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH.

One hundred years ago evangelical Christians made a great impact on the life and people of the British Isles. It was in those days that the Naphill Mission (now the Evangelical Free Church) came to birth.

Much of this evangelical work was done by the "ladies". Kathleen Heasman, in her book "Evangelicals in Action" tells us "they were largely middle-class people, either married women who were relieved of their domestic chores by the numerous servants available at that time, or single women with little else to do". Certainly they made good use of the leisure which they enjoyed!

Mrs. Emma Grace of Naphill was typical of many of the zealous evangelical ladies of her day. Her interests were wide. In the official life of Mr. Hudson Taylor, pioneer missionary to China, it is recorded that it was a gift of £800 from Mrs. Grace that made possible a major extension of the work into the inland provinces.

In her own county of Buckinghamshire, Mrs. Grace was no less active. It is known for certain that the Naphill Mission - the old Naphill Temperance Hall, and the Hawridge Mission owe their origin to her vision and zeal. There is considerable evidence that other Churches owe a great deal to her also. We understand that the present Granville Street Evangelical Free Church at Aylesbury and a Church at Lane End are among the number.

The earliest records of the Naphill Mission were destroyed by fire and so much interesting information has been lost. The first glimpse of the Church at Naphill which we now have is in a book entitled "The Story of a Life in the Love of God" by Mrs. James J. Scroggie. It is in fact, a collection of incidents from her diaries. Mr. James Scroggie was Pastor of the Church for perhaps three years, around 1874.

/Continued.....

Centenary of the Naphill Evangelical Free Church, Continued.....

It seems that not all the residents of Naphill appreciated the Church in those days, for she speaks of opposition to the work, including gunshots beneath her bedroom window. Women who attended the Mission had boots and bonnets burned by their husbands.

However, the Scroggies also made friends including a Mrs. Graham, later a son was named Graham after her. That boy became the Dr. Graham Scroggie, Bible Expositor of international repute.

The Trust Deeds of the Church, together with that of Hawridge, were drawn up on 31st December 1881. At that time the Rev. George Free was the minister. It is not known how long he served the Church, but some of the older villagers still remember him. It seems that he was much loved by many people in Naphill. Nevertheless he thought it prudent to carry a swordstick when visiting in the village!. His great nephew, Mr. Edward Free of Maidenhead, who is an occasional visiting preacher in the present Church still has the swordstick.

Space will not allow for mention to be made of all the Pastors who served the Church. Perhaps, however, it should be recorded that the Rev. George Whyte (1936-42) is now the Superintendent of the Liverpool City Mission and Mr. Reginald Ingleby (1954-62) is now engaged in Christian work in Portugal. Mr. W.E. Jones (1930-36) still has many friends in the village who always appreciate his visits.

The original corrugated iron building has not survived. A final service of Praise and Thanksgiving was held on 1st January 1968. The opening service of the present building took place on 15th February 1969.

The official Centenary Services will be held on Saturday, 15th May, though it is understood that Jubilee services were held in January which may suggest that the work in fact began in the January. Details of the Centenary Services will be published nearer the time, meanwhile the friends at the Church would warmly welcome anyone from the village to any of their regular services.

P O P P Y D A Y

The British Legion would like to thank all concerned in the Poppy Collection this year.

The result was:-

Poppy Collection	£40	10s.	9d
Wreaths	7	12s.	0d.
Strike Command	50	3s	0d.
	<hr/>		
	£98	5s	9d.
	<hr/>		

N A P H I L L W. I.

At the December meeting an interesting talk was given by Mrs. Millacott, who with the aid of slides took us on an "Arctic Expedition to Alaska" - a place of incredible beauty and solitude. There were impressive pictures of the climbers who, for a month, were cut off from civilisation. The speaker was thanked by Mrs. Bull.

It was agreed to join the Berks, Bucks and Oxon Naturalist's Trust.

The Coffee Morning given by Mrs. Balls raised £4 5s. Mrs. McCue offered to give a tea party on the 9th of December. It was gratifying to hear that the W.I. Stall at the Village Hall Christmas Bazaar took £37 - their record takings. Mrs. Piercy won the prize for the best Christmas Table Decoration.

On the 4th and 5th of December, the Drama Group presented a 3 Act Play "A Letter from the General" and received favourable reports.

An outing was arranged to see "The Merchant of Venice" at the Old Vic. The part of Lorenzo was played by Malcom Reid from our own village.

The talk for the January meeting will be "Underwater on volcanic Stromboli" by Mr. & Mrs. Whittaker. The Competition will be "a picture from Christmas Left-Overs!" Tea Hostesses will be:- Mrs. Maud Brown, Blick, Blackwell and Bowler.

G A R D E N I N G N O T E S

The latter part of 1970 didn't provide many opportunities for outside gardening jobs, for although the weather was pleasantly mild, the rains made the soil so wet that digging was about out of the question and even tidying up jobs were unpleasant. Owing to the mild spell, bulbs were showing well above ground and one heard of snowdrops and violets in bloom, buds on many trees and shrubs showing signs of activity; and other unseasonable growth.

However, we can be reasonably sure that before long winter will assert itself, perhaps by the time you are reading these notes - so if you have any plants that need protection, make sure that the protective material is at hand and that extra booster is available for the greenhouse.

If you have anything in store, whether it be potatoes or other vegetables, summer flowering bulbs such as begonias, gladioli, dahlias etc., these should be looked over to make sure all is well, and any diseased and rotting specimens removed. Should there be any premature shoots, this is a sure indication that they are a little too warm and should - if possible - be given a cooler spot; but of course, away from frost.

/Continued.....

GARDENING NOTES Continued...

In the greenhouse we shall soon be starting another growing season, so tidy up the place a bit. Make sure seed pans, pots and boxes are to hand; also some seed and potting compost.

And if you haven't got a nice warm greenhouse to work in, get out into the garage or shed and clean those tools up a bit; give the motor mower a tick over for ten minutes to make sure all is well; and you have fallen over those stakes and canes enough times to make it worth while to tie them up in neat bundles.

If you have done all these things, then enjoy yourselves with a couple of catalogues and get that seed order worked out.

Happy New Year and Success of your gardening!

A.H.B.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Happy New Year to all our members and friends; and a reminder that our Annual General Meeting will be held in the Billiard Room on Monday, January 25th at 8 p.m. Please make every attempt to come along as a good attendance is encouraging to those who bear the burden of office throughout the year.

Present supplies of Peat, Bone Meal and Compost are at the moment very low, but a good supply of Chasmor is still available. Orders for seed potatoes are being taken and only those that are ordered can be supplied as it is impossible for us to carry stocks of these. Further, please note that orders must be in by January 17th, 1971. The following varieties are available:-

Arran Pilot, Home Guard, Epicure, Ulster Chieftain, Maris Peer, Majestic, Pentland Dell, King Edward, Dr. McIntosh and Pentland Crown. Prices range from £2 12s. to £3 per cwt., and from 8/- to 10/- per 14 lbs. Other amounts in proportion. Your orders please, on paper for preference.

On Friday, January 15th, the Over 60's Club are having a Film Afternoon - one of which will be "Growing Better Roses" with commentary by Franklyn Engelmann and the Over 60's Committee extend a hearty invitation to any members of the Horticultural Society who are able to come along - the time is 2.30 p.m.

A.H.B.

R E M I N I S C E N C E S O F A (L A T E) S T A P L E R

My first vivid memory of stapling the Gazette came very soon after I joined this very happy band of willing workers 6 years ago. Jean, in her quiet, placid manner, asked for a volunteer to help deliver the Gazettes, an appeal which I very quickly answered.

When we arrived at Ron Piercey's small garden gate, Jean said:- "You deliver these Gazettes, while I turn the car round," and out of the car I got, quite thinking Ron's front door was just behind the gate; only to be met with a wall of inky blackness. Just having come from the centre of High Wycombe with a street light outside my house, I was absolutely lost. However, nothing daunted, I nobly stumbled on, being scratched by a variety of shrubs, and after what seemed hours to me - as by this time, I was petrified - I heard voices. Never has a human voice sounded so wonderful?? I called out and said that "I had the Gazettes", and a shadowy figure emerged out of this awful blackness and I retraced my steps as quickly as possible, mentally resolving never again to volunteer for an unknown task!

Another amusing experience, although not quite so funny at the time, was when we thought we had been locked in the factory. We all came downstairs with arms full of Gazettes only to find the main door firmly locked. There was a general stampede as we tried every known door until someone had the bright idea to ring Tony - only to find the 'phone was only connected through to the Office. We had just resigned ourselves to a comfortable night on an unfinished settee, when one more vigilant of the party went exploring and found a door which was tightly closed but not locked. We then triumphantly went to Choir Practice!

We wish our successors all the fun we have had, and we are not giving up because we are tired of the job, but because we have many more urgent commitments to attend to, in connection with our Sunday School and Church.

We shall miss Edie's peppermints which fortified our flagging spirits; Shirley's rhythmic stapling; Mr. Smith's quick Yorkshire wit and Jean's quiet voice inviting volunteers for gazette delivery.

M.B.

WYCOMBE DIVISION CONSERVATIVE ASSOCIATION - NAPHILL BRANCH.

The above branch has invited Mr. A.E. Steevens, well-known local lecturer, to give an illustrated talk on Wycombe & Surrounding District. This is to be held in Naphill Village Hall on Wednesday, 3rd February, 1971 at 7.30 p.m. Doors will open at 7.00 p.m., Entrance Fee 2/- (10 np) which includes refreshments. Do come along and enjoy a most interesting evening.

ADVANCE NOTICE: The Naphill Conservatives will be holding their Annual Dance on Friday, 26th of March, 1971 in the "Little Abbey Hotel" Gt. Missenden. Tickets 25/- including excellent buffet. So - remember to make the first dates in your new diaries - 3rd February and 26th of March!

J A N U A R Y

How fair and bare and lovely clear
the burnished branches bend and veer
to beckon in the new-born year.

How clipt and shorn the byways stand
that trickle through a winter land
all levelled by the hedgers hand

How rich the earth, how soft the sky,
such vigour surely cannot die,
although the old year passes by

So men who moan of winter death
should stir the soil, for underneath
be living bulbs within a sheath.

J. H. Peel.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

The first meeting in 1971 will be on January 15th at the usual time 2.30 p.m. when Mr. Stevens of the Film Projection Services will show three films. The first will be 'Growing better Roses' a film full of hints and tips for the average householder about planting, training, pruning, spraying, fertilizing and generally caring for roses of all sorts. Commentary by Franklin Elgenman.

The second film will be 'Hallmarking' this sounds interesting and should appeal to all audiences.

The third film is people and money and the total running time of the three films is approximately one hour.

C.B.W.

LETTER TO THE GENERAL

In that this play is a simple story with little action but many long and involved speeches its selection appeared rather ambitious. The writer made no effort to amuse or hold the audience either by trick situations or catch phrases and any success that might be won could only be through the ability of the cast to involve the audience in the drama they were displaying. In achieving this aim, all members of the cast must be highly commended. For a short time they discarded their own personalities and lived the life of a nun or a renegade captain. Often during the performance I felt as if I were sitting before a glass window, looking in watching an actual event in history unfolding.

It was pleasing to note that not only did the actors know their own words but they knew those of their colleagues, that they were confident of their own position and well aware of those of the others. They not only spoke clearly but they also listened. This mutual understanding and trust of each other enabled the cast to give to the play an easy flow and a feeling of reality. Although most of the players had to assume an accent, this accent was maintained throughout the play and all members could be easily heard at the back of the hall.

contd.....

My congratulations to the producer for building such a fine team, a team which consisted not only of the cast but also of those unseen workers behind the stage who created both set and costumes in keeping with the very high standard of the production.

Our thanks go out to the producer, the cast, the back stage boys, who, by sheer hard work and attention to detail, gave us a most enjoyable evening.

P.W.S.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

The December meeting was quite a festive occasion when fifty five of our Naphill Neighbours descended on Aylesbury for the Christmas dinner at the Buckinghamshire Yeomanry. The lucky ladies who won the raffle prize of free dinners were Mrs. Nesta Daley and Joyce Elliot.

The January meeting on the 11th will be at the Village Hall at 7.45 p.m. A member of the Gas Council will be coming along to give a talk on the use of gas appliances. This will be followed by a spot of light entertainment in the form of a Minstrel Show presented by members of the Downley Womens Institute. Bring along your favourite Christmas card and win yourself a prize.

The first meeting in 1971 seems an appropriate opportunity to welcome new members, so why not come along and meet your neighbours. We meet on the second Monday of each month, usually to hear informal lectures on a variety of subjects of interest to us as ladies or housewives, so for the price of a cup of coffee you will find a warm welcome.

If you wish to join us as a regular member there is an annual subscription of 5 shillings which incidentally, for the information of all our members is now due. We also take this opportunity to wish all our Young Neighbours a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

J.F.

V I L L A G E C A R O L C O N C E R T

The annual carol concert held just before Christmas was very well attended and everyone enjoyed singing the familiar words of the old carols. We were also able to hear some of the lesser known carols superbly sung by accomplished performers to the accompaniment of the organ. Our children also took part by presenting a tableaux of the nativity scene.

The response to the appeal was the gratifying sum of £15.10.0 which will all be sent to Christian Aid.

W.W.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T - T H E P O L E C A T .

We intend to vary our nature interest covers in an endeavour to suit all tastes. Birds, Animals, Trees, Shrubs, Wild Flowers and perhaps, Seashells. This month, a mammal you will not contact while taking your stroll across the common. Yet, I feel sure that quite a few of our elderly citizens will well remember the time when it was possible to catch a glimpse of one of these speedy little fellows dashing through the heather for cover - on our own Naphill Common.

The Polecat is a member of the stoat, ferret and weasel family, but definitely has a character of its' own. It is very crafty, very acrobatic, has a lust to kill for blood, but is easily tamed and becomes as fussy as a domestic kitten. Now, hereby hangs a sad tale (tail!). It has highly developed glands under its' beautiful shaggy tail which will give off an unpleasant odour when the animal is excited or annoyed. Because of this defect, the fur becomes useless.

In my younger years, I remember my father having a polecat/ferret cross used for frightening rabbits from their burrows into nets placed over their many exit holes. This special 'treasure' of his was carried in a large special pocket in the lining of a special jacket. These nimble little creatures are now very scarce and near extinction. Recent records give about twelve pairs in Wales, exact place is kept secret; and some six pairs in the south of Scotland.

The Polecat's bad habits are probably the cause of this. They will, during the night, break into a hen run and kill large numbers, eat the heads of a few and suck the blood of others; leaving many hens just dead for the sake of killing. The same thing can, and did, happen in the Gamekeeper's pheasant stock, so war was declared and over the past years, their numbers have become less and less.

Apart from seeing the "Polecat Inn" at Prestwood which was given the name "Polecat" because of the large numbers in the area, and remembering when very young of my Father's "special", I had seen the Polecat only in books until last year.

It happened when I was in Orkney. We had only been at the hotel two days when a friend of mine from the Field Club arrived. Within minutes nature topics were the main source of conversation. A few copies of the Naphill Gazette that I had taken with me were passed over. Then, out of the blue, my friend said "Would you like to see a feal live wild polecat?" A mement to get my breath, for I wondered where the catch came in, and I murmured "Rather, do you know where there is such a thing?" Soon, we were in the car and on our way!

/Continued.....

NATURE INTEREST - THE POLECAT Continued....

A friend of the Field Club in Scotland knew of a nest of the polecat in the roots of a large tree in a wild woodland area. A member of the Orkney School Staff, on holiday in Scotland was invited by the Field Club member to go to the nest and "watch". When approaching the tree they saw one of the parents lying in the heather badly mutilated, partly eaten, probably by a buzzard or eagle. This was extremely disappointing, but there was one thing possible. They would find the nest. After digging and root cutting, the three baby polecats were found very weak and eyes not yet open - not more than a day old. So, something must be done. They found moss, leaves and some warm sheep wool. These with a trilby hat made a temporary nest! The next thing was to get a small feeding bottle, but they did better - they found an old fashioned fountain pen filler and the foster parents commenced their new duties. All three youngsters took to the new method and all seemed to be doing well. However, within a few days one died. There seemed to be no substitute for the real mother; and a few days later No. 2 died. By this time both youngsters had been brought to Orkney, so with only one left, something missing in the diet had got to be found.

In Orkney, There are voles and fish, so the boiler was soon in action, and this mixture was added to the milk and oatmeal. The last remaining youngster grew by leaps and bounds! When I saw her/him, it was a delightful creature. Its' house was large, it had sleeping and living quarters and was even house-trained. It was full of ticks and sat up on its' haunches for food. Really, it was full of life and mischief - it was going round in circles and appeared to have a smile on its' face the whole time. It was a real pretty pet with white ears and partly white face, light biscuit colour under-fur and black, long outer hair and a long, shaggy tail (at which I was content to look and not excite). They are hoping to find a mate for it before next April

If I hear, and you are interested, I'll let you know. I hope my sketch of it will be of interest and may-be, if all goes well - a nest with youngsters will find its' way to our "Naphill Gazette."

A.S.A.W.

TO LET:- At Sunny Selsey. Large, Modern, Well-fitted 6-berth Caravan, close to beach and all facilites. Separate double-end bedroom. Electricity etc. All dates from May onwards. Write:- Mrs. Mordle-Barnes, "Hurdles,"
83 Havant Road, Horndean, Hants.

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E - A B R I D G E D A C C O U N T S
1969/70

To Balance	£37	7s	2d.	By Publishing Costs	£163	7s	6d
Advertisements	75	0s	6d	Administration Expenses	17	8s	5d
Donations	117	12s	9d	Transfer to Equipment Reserve	50	0s	0d
Bank Interest	9	10s	7d	Balance	8	15s	1d
	<hr/>				<hr/>		
	£239	11s	0d		£239	11s	0d
	<hr/>				<hr/>		

Equipment Reserve Account.

By Balance £250 0s 0d

(This Reserve Account is towards possible purchase of our own Printing Outfit which may be necessary in the future.)

RP/DCT

M O V E M E N T I S L I F E !

Life's wonderful when you are Fit!

Classes of Exercises and Movement to Music will resume on:-

TUESDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1971

From 2.00 - 3.00 p.m. in Naphill Village Hall.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF HEALTH & BEAUTY

For Further Details:-

Mrs. Sheila Thomas,
46 Rectory Avenue,
High Wycombe.
Telephone Wycombe 20057

C H I L D R E N ' S B A L L E T C L A S S E S

(R.A.D. SYLLABUS)

held in Naphill Village Hall on Tuesdays. The Spring Term commences January 5th, 1971.

3 p.m.	Babies
3.40 p.m.	Lower Primary
4.20 p.m.	Primary
5 p.m.	Grade 1
5.40 p.m.	" 2
6.15 p.m.	" 3 & 4

Details from Mrs. Fraser, "Dawston," Stocking Lane, Naphill.
Telephone : Naphill 3308

Congratulations to the Following pupils who were successful in their Royal Academy of Dancing Children's Examinations in November 1970:-

PRIMARY GRADE.

Helen Clarke (Commended), Susan Fraser (Commended), Katherine Hussey (Commended), Susan Kelly (Commended), Patricia West (Highly Commended).

GRADE 1

Julie Chamberlen (Pass), Jane Finch (Pass), Mary-Anne Fraser (Pass), Elaine Seale (Commended), Teri-Anne Winslow (Commended), Helen Dempster (Highly Commended), Rebecca Glyn Jones (Highly Commended).

GRADE 2.

Caroline Kelly (Pass Plus), Daphne Tagg (Commended)

GRADE 3.

Susan Ellis (Pass), Susan Pope (Pass), Caroline Alabaster (Pass Plus).

Circulation	700 Copies
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 1/- per line. All payments to Mr. D.Tooby, Abbotsbury, Naphill. Please do not send money to Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements	of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by <u>the 21st of the month.</u>

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT

AND SON, LTD.

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON —

FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 DESBOROUGH ROAD

*We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"*

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

DAILY DELIVERIES — Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods

Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment

The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County

Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

Rosebine Cottage
Main Road,
Naphill.

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT

ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



THE LONGTAILED FIELD MOUSE

FEBRUARY 1971

F E B R U A R Y

The dykes are full,
the poplars pull,
A troubled earth lies heaving;
and in and out
the tempest clout
a thrush is deftly weaving.

First winter's here
then spring draws near
and taps old winter's shoulder,
turns him away
usurps his sway
and reigns, now growing bolder.

While mortal man
tries, if he can,
to find in this a reason,
but lights on none
so lets the sun
and wind play out the season.

From "Mere England" by J.H.B. Peel

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E N O . 2 3 5

A T T H E V I L L A G E H A L L ? F E B R U A R Y 1 9 7 1

V.H.C.	1st	8.00 p.m.
Conservative Assoc.	2nd	(C.R.) 8.00 p.m.
Health & Beauty	Every Tuesday	2 p.m.
Drama	" "	7.30 p.m.
Play Group	Tues:Wed:Thurs	9 - 12 noon
Dancing	2nd, 9th, 23rd	3 - 6.45 p.m.
Conservative Film Show	3rd	7:30 p.m.
W.I.	4th	2.30 p.m.
Art	Every Thursday	(B.R.) 7.30 p.m.
Whist	5th, 19th	7.30 p.m.
Library	5th, 19th	(C.R.) 6.30 - 8 p.m.
Discotheque	6th	7.30 p.m.
Young Neighbours	8th	7.45 p.m.
Table Tennis	10th, 17th, 24th	7 p.m.
Over 60's	12th, 26th	2.30 p.m.
W.I. Open Night	13th	7.30 p.m.
Private Party	20th	7 p.m. onwards
Coffee Morning W.I.	20th	10 a.m.
Private Party	21st	3 p.m.
Conservative A.G.M.	22nd	7.30 p.m.
W.I.	25th	(C.R.) 2.30 p.m.
Dressmaking	Every Wednesday	(B.R.) 9.30 - 11.30 a.m.
Naphill Church Rummage	27th	2.30 p.m.
Private Dance	27th	8 p.m.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

<u>Preachers for February</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
7th	Mr. A.E. Steevens	Mrs. Cooper
14th	Sister Margaret Smith	Film Service
21st	Mrs. Mann	(At the Anglican
		(Church: Methodist
		(Evening Service
		(Sister M. Smith
		(Preacher:-
		(<u>The Vicar.</u>
28th	Rev. Haldance Adams B.A.	Mrs. Holt.

On Thursday, February 4th, at 7.30 p.m., there will be a united Fellowship Meeting at Bryants Bottom Methodist Church.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers
		Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service

The Pioneers Youth Group meets on Tuesday evenings. Doors open at 7.30 p.m. All teenagers welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

I know three things must ever be,
 To keep a nation strong and free;
 One is a hearthstone bright and dear
 With busy, happy loved ones near;
 One is a ready heart and hand
 To love and serve and keep the land;
 One is a worn and beaten way.
 To where the people go to pray.
 So long as these are kept alive,
 Nation and people will survive.
 God keep them, always, everywhere.
 The hearth, the flag, the place of prayer.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services:

February 21st	Evening Service	6.15 p.m.
---------------	-----------------	-----------

This will be the usual Methodist Evening Service conducted by Sister Mr. Smith with an address by the Rev. S.A.C. Dickins.

The usual service of Evensong has been cancelled.

February 28th	Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.
---------------	----------------	-----------

The Evening Service will be the second of the series for the combined congregations of the Methodist and Anglican Churches. The first, held at the Methodist Church being attended by about fifty people.

On Saturday, 27th of February, our Spring Rummage Sale will be held at Naphill Village Hall. We hope you will bring some goods for us to sell or come along during the afternoon and buy. The charge of entrance has gone down a bit, and will be just one of those new pence - or threepence in the old coinage. If you have anything to collect, please ring Mrs. Wood - Naphill 3163, or call on Mrs. Parslow, 1 Blenheim Cottage, Main Road. Goods may also be left with Mrs. Simmonds, 4 Oak Cottages, Main Road - Naphill 2274.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Once again our Christmas Tree has been the delight of all natives and the envy of all others. Great credit is due to the intrepid volunteers who have mastered the art of electrifying this beautiful tree. I hope they will train their sons to carry on as the tree gets bigger every year. And thanks, also, to the lady whose bedroom windows overlook it, and sent me a pound note to help cover the cost.

Not many people will have associated the tree with the untimely death at the age of 51 of Mrs. Scott-Bow of Gerrards Cross. But this was the former Phyllis Smith, who many of us remember as a sweet and lovely girl who became Naphill's first Beauty Queen, at the celebration of George V's Jubilee. The connection is that it was part of Phyll's duties to shovel in the first earth around the roots of the tree. "Sic Transit Gloria."

I suppose because I am now a grandfather, Kathleen McCue has passed on the following essay by an 8 year old, which readers may find amusing.

WHAT A GRANDMOTHER IS.

"A Grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own, so she likes other people's little girls and boys. A Grandfather is a man grandmother. He goes for walks with the boys and they talk about fishing and tractors.

Grandmothers don't have to do anything but be there. They are old, so they shouldn't play hard or run. They should never say "Hurry Up." Usually they are fat, but not too fat to tie children's shoes.

They wear glasses and funny underwear and they can take their teeth and gums off.

They don't have to be smart, only answer questions like why dogs hate cats and why God isn't married. They don't talk baby talk like visitors. When they read to us, they don't skip bits, or mind if it is the same story over again.

Everybody should have one, especially if you don't have television, because grandmothers are the only grown-ups who have the time."

The Gazette is pleased to afford free advertising to the W.I. Coffee Morning for the Wing Airport Resistance Association.

N A P H I L L W. I.

The January meeting was well attended and two new members were welcomed:- Mrs. Dutton and Miss Waite.

With the rain pouring outside and the car park waterlogged, members were transported to a sun-drenched isle, when Mrs. Whittaker gave her interesting talk on "Underwater Expedition to Volcanic Stromboli". Through her excellent slides, we were given fascinating glimpses of the seabed, and a ringside seat at the erupting crater at night. She was thanked by Mrs. Butler.

It was announced that Mrs. McCue's tea party made £4 6s. 8d and Mrs. D. Smith's Coffee Morning £6 5s. 6d. Thanks were given to those who contributed to the successful party enjoyed by 35 under-privileged children, on December 30th, 1970

It was proposed to give a Coffee Morning one Saturday as a further aid for Wing and we hope the village will support this. Watch for further announcement.

Mrs. Brill won first prize for the best picture made from Christmas left-overs. Mrs. Butler came second. At the February meeting Mrs. McCue will tell us about Oberammergau.

The Competition:- The prettiest button
Tea Hostesses:- Mrs. Gilson, Kent, Parslow and Parker.

P.B.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

At the January Meeting, Mrs. Robinson of the National Association of Womens Clubs gave us an interesting talk on the part played by her Association on the organization of Women's Clubs throughout the country. This was followed by the Downley W.I. presentation of their Minstrel Show. We must compliment our friends from Downley on a really superb performance with plenty of vocal talent and spectacular costumes.

I must apologize for mistakenly announcing the talk on "Gas in the Home" for the last meeting which is actually scheduled for March.

On February 8th, at 7.45 p.m., Mr. Madgewick from the local branch of Barclays Bank will give a talk entitled "Decimalization and the Housewife." Since "D" Day is rapidly approaching, this will be a good opportunity to sort out the problems of changing to the new currency, - which we all have to face during the conversion period.

/Continued.....

YOUNG NEIGHBOURS Continued....

We were pleased to see so many new faces at the last meeting and we look forward to having your continued support in the future. We are sorry to report Mrs. Streets is unable to continue to serve on the committee and we thank her for her help in the past. We also welcome Mrs. Madgewick who has agreed to take her place.

Tea Hostesses for February:- Mrs. Perfect, Davis, Turner and Visick.

J.F.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

On February 12th, we hope to have Mrs. Saunders to talk about her last years holiday and illustrate with a few transparencies.

Those who remember Mr. Wooster's visits to the Club will look forward with interest to February 26th when he has promised to give a Nature Talk with sketches of Birds, etc.

C.B.W.

W Y C O M B E D I V I S I O N C O N S E R V A T I V E A S S O C :
N A P H I L L B R A N C H .

A Reminder that Mr. A.E. Steevens will give an illustrated talk on "Wycombe and its Surroundings" in Naphill Village Hall on Wednesday, 3rd of February 1971 at 7.30 p.m. Do come and listen to this most interesting subject.

Remember, Friday, 26th of March is the date for the Annual Dance to be held in "The Little Abbey", Gt. Missenden. Tickets are 25/- (£1. 25) from any committee member.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Naphill Village Hall on 22nd February at 8 p.m. As many members as possible will be most welcome. Try and come and bring your friends with you.

WANTED:?

Single Building Plot, Naphill/Speen Area. Up to £5,000
Cash Available. Ring Naphill 2571

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

Unfortunately, material for this months Gazette has to be submitted before our Annual General Meeting, but by the time you are reading this the meeting will have taken place. Those of you who attended will now know whether our annual subscription will be 12½ n.p. and admission to Shows 5 n.p.; and the other conversions or alterations that will be brought about in our finances through the introduction of decimalization.

All this has no doubt been explained by our financial experts and will not, I am sure, cause too many headaches.

Unfortunately, our Treasurer, Mr. Ken Lunnon who would have explained these things to us in his usual efficient manner, is at the time of writing in Hospital recovering from a, not very pleasant, operation and our kind thoughts and good wishes are with him for an early return to good health and normal activities.

"D" Day is not until Monday, February 15th, so the usual minimum subscription of 2/6 will be acceptable for 1971 and this is a reminder - they are now due.

The dates for our two shows this year are Saturday, July 3rd and Saturday, September 11th.

Stocks of Peat and Fertilizer are at present sold out, except for some Chasmor - for early callers!

A.H.B.

G A R D E N N O T E S

February is often a month of rapid changes from bright, warm spells to piercing winds, frosts, snow and ice; and it is this weather pattern that will decide whether or not any outdoor jobs can be done during the next few weeks. Should there be an open spell, then pruning jobs can be done; overgrown hedges of quickthorn, privet, hornbeam and other leaf-loosing hedging subjects can be cut well back if needed, but not evergreen types. Such shrubs as tamarix, hypericum, cotoneaster and budleia variabalis should also be pruned and of course, apples, pears, gooseberries and red currants if not already dealt with.

Raspberries should have those weak tips or end growths snipped off down to a good healthy bud and while you are about it, a dressing of bone meal, a handful to the square yard under all these shrubs will do good. But please, when putting manure or fertilizers round these shrubs or any plants, not round the stems, a clear circle of earth should be left round each subject.

Onion sets and shallots may be planted if conditions are right, but keep those seeds in the packet for a while yet, unless you can provide protection or are prepared to risk loss of crop against the gain of a probable early one.

/Continued.....

GARDEN NOTES Continued....

In the greenhouse, much can be done according to interest or requirements and if some heat is available, chrysanthemums and dahlia cuttings to be taken. Prick out seedling onions sown last month; sow lettuce, early cabbage and brussels or petunias, antirrhinums, salvias and lobelia; repot ferns, fuchsias, gloxinias and begonias and if you have room, a few early potatoes in large pots or boxes to provide new potatoes for Easter.

A.H.B.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

THE LONG-TAILED FIELD MOUSE.

I was taking a stroll over the common recently and took the long way round. During the walk I had seen at least five grey squirrels and with notes galore and six to eight sketches, I was almost ready for the February Gazette. I was also ready for a short rest and looking around I saw the old horizontal tree trunk over near the rather unattractive pond at the edge of the wood. A robin came and hopped around with its' little short burst of song and came quite near to me; I had nothing to offer and it was soon away.

My next visitor was a dunnock or hedge sparrow. It was in a bush close by, quite suddenly the little striped brown bird gave a thrilling serenade - loud, sweet and strong - then as suddenly as it started, so it stopped and all was quiet.

I looked up at the bare branches of the beech trees, a soft breeze moved across and the only sound seemed to be whisper of sweet music. It was really a beautiful afternoon and now getting towards evening. I thought I heard a slight rustle in the heather patch at my feet and looked down half expecting to see a grass snake or maybe a slow worm - the legless lizard. I watched without making the slightest movement, when, suddenly, up jumped a long-tailed field mouse - straight up in front of me! I would say it jumped up easily two or three feet and I was quite startled. I watched where I thought it had landed and waited a few minutes before I moved, then down on my hands and knees I crawled slowly over to the spot. I had read that the long-tailed field mouse, or as it is sometimes called, the long-tailed wood mouse, when disturbed in daylight will "play statues." In the case of danger it will hide and remain absolutely motionless to avoid being seen by predators.

Within a few minutes I had detected the wood mouse hiding and crouched right in the roots, between two stones. I would think it was a fully grown adult, but a three weeks old mouse can run around and generally find food for itself. I watched closely, then I was seen and away it scampered and though I followed what I thought may have been its' run, saw nothing more of my "find".

/Continued.....

NATURE INTEREST Continued....

I made a few quick sketches and home I came, hoping to pass a few of my interests on to the readers of the "Gazette". No animal has more enemies and few are so incapable of resistance as the long-tailed field mouse. In the past, it was always to be looked for in the fields where it was a real friend to the farmer. It seldom fed on the corn and mostly on grubs and insects, or berries from the hedges. Then came the insecticides and that most probably sent the mouse out of the fields into the woods. There, without the corn to cover them, the birds of prey (such as the owls) soon raided the little homes of our now called long-tailed wood mouse. In the fields, or on the common, a fairly long run is made and after a few false ones - and never straight ones - a nest is made built to hold up to six adults. Under the roots of the tree trunks in the wood, it is much more difficult to make a run of any length, so they are more easily caught by their enemies.

I counted over twenty enemies that kill and eat the long-tailed mouse. Even the viper will catch and swallow them wholesale. The long-tailed mouse is nocturnal and seldom ever seen in the daytime. But at night time they are hunted and easily caught by the wise-eyed old owl.

The mouse is about four inches from tip of nose to rump and its' tail about the same length; average weight is a little over half an ounce. They are exceptionally quick and very active, keeping under cover during all their natural movements. They have large ears and prominent eyes and their hind legs are much longer than their fore legs. This enables them to bound along very cleverly and quickly. They spend most of the night collecting food and taking this back to their nest to eat during the following day.

It is, I'm sorry to say, a real pest to the gardener for it will clear a whole row of newly sown peas if they have not been previously covered with a repellent. Also, our mouse will eat gooseberries, grapes, crocuses and hyacinth bulbs. They also eat dandelion leaves and seeds, clover leaves, nuts of all kinds - especially the beech and acorns, wild hips and haws. They have been known to enter bee hives and not only eat honey and comb, but build their nest in the hive! When the haws are plentiful, these mice will climb the tree and build a nest high up in the tree to save the "up and down" climbing. They will eat the bark of young holly trees and the roots of young oak trees.

They reproduce at a terrific rate, the female having as many as eight litters in one year and six to eight youngsters on each occasion; but life expectancy is not more than eighteen months. When over producing has been recorded it has been stated that a form of self-suicide takes place. Scientists have been intrigued to hear that hundreds of small skeletons of the long-tailed field mouse have been found heaped together in a form of hollow. After investigating it was felt to be a group suicide pact; some had died of an epidemic disease, but others had merely grouped and died en-masse....

/Continued.....

NATURE INTEREST Continued....

It will recall the famous spectacular migrations of the Norwegian lemmings. Thousands rush non-stop from mountain top to sea. We must finish up on a brighter note.....

Spring is on the way - snowdrops in bud, crocuses ready to bud, mixed bulbs are inches above the ground, so:- "We can be sure of Spring though perhaps a little slow."

A.S.A.W.

S T E W K L E Y

W I N G

C U B L I N G T O N

Come to the W.I. Coffee Morning

On Saturday, February 20th, in

The Village Hall

From 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon

Admission 2/6 (12½ n.p.)

Raffle

Treasure Hunt

PROCEEDS TO WING AIRPORT RESISTANCE ASSOCIATION

Please come and help to save these Buckinghamshire Villages and the lovely countryside.

FOR SALE.

Cocker Spaniels:- Blue Roan Puppies - Excellent Pedigree.
Available middle of February. Ring
WATLINGTON 756 for full details.

Hotpoint Washing: Good Condition - £20. Apply, Halsey,
Machine :- "Hillcroft," Main Road, Naphill - Tel;2154

N A P H I L L V I L L A G E H A L L B O O K I N G S

The Village Hall is, primarily, for the use of the residents of Naphill and Walters Ash. It is extremely well kept, has ample space, chairs, tables and with a roomy practical kitchen is ideal for most types of functions at a reasonable cost. There is also a Committee Room and Billiard Room for hire.

In order to help finance repairs and routine maintenance, they are also let to individuals from outside the village. Happily, these outside bookings are on the increase, but it does mean that the available dates are dwindling. This notice is by way of a warning to the residents and associations of Naphill and Walters Ash against delaying their bookings.

So, please do make your enquiries and bookings as far ahead as possible to:- Mr. & Mrs. D. W. Turner, "Redcot," Main Road, Naphill. Telephone : Naphill 2645.

TO LET: At Sunny Selsey. Large, Modern, Well-Fitted 6-berth Caravan, close to beach and all facilities. Separate double end-bedroom. Electricity, etc. All dates from May onwards. Write:- Mrs. Mordle-Barnes, "Hurdles," 83 Havant Road, Horndean, Hants.

Circulation 700 copies
Advertisements Full page display £2, or 1/- per line (5 n.p.). All payments to Mr. D. Tooby, "Abbotsbury," Naphill. Please do not send money to Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements Of Birth, Deaths and Marriages are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the 21st of the month.

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD . NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

DAILY DELIVERIES — Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY
Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

Rosebine Cottage
Main Road,
Naphill.

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving
Ornamental Walling
Screen Blocks
Fencing Panels
Natural Stone
Sand, Ballast, Cement
all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH
Tel: Naphill 3330.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your

Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our

Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards

Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT

AND SON, LTD.

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON —

FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205

★

REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

FRONT AND REAR TYRES, MOBILE TYRES

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 DESBOROUGH ROAD

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE

Also at

OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



THE REDWING AND SONG THRUSH

MARCH 1971

William Wordsworth, April 7th 1770 - April 23rd 1850

The Dance of the Daffodils.

I wander'd lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils;
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the milky way,
They stretch'd in never ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
Tossing their heads in sprightly dance
The waves beside them danced, but they
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee:-
A poet could not but be gay,
In such a jocund company;
I gazed - and gazed - but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought:

For oft when on my couch I lie,
In vacant or in pensive mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude,
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

AT THE VILLAGE HALL: MARCH, 1971

V.H.C.	1st		8 p.m.
Conservative Assoc:	2nd	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Health & Beauty	Every Tuesday		2 - 3 p.m.
Drama	" "		7.30 p.m.
Dancing	" "		3 - 6.45 p.m.
Play Group	" Tues, Wed, Thurs		9 - 12 noon
Table Tennis	" Wednesday		7 p.m.
Dressmaking	" "	(B.R.)	9.30 - 11.30 a.m.
W.I.	4th		2.30 p.m.
Art	Every Thursday	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Bingo	" "		8 p.m.
Men's Club	Tuesday, Fri, Sat	(B.R.)	7.30 p.m.
Whist	5th, 19th		7.30 p.m.
Library	5th, 19th	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
W.I. Rummage	6th		2.30 p.m.
Young Neighbours	8th		7.45 p.m.
Tennis Club A.G.M.	10th	(C.R.)	7.30 p.m.
Over 60's	12th, 26th		2.30 p.m.
V.H. Dance	13th		8 p.m.
Tennis Club Rummage	13th		2.30 p.m.
Scouts Rummage	20th		2.30 p.m.
W.I. Group Meeting	22nd		All Day
V.H. A.G.M.	22nd		8 p.m.
W.I.	25th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
Private Party	26th		7 p.m. onwards
W.I. Drama Production	27th		7.30 p.m.
Private Party	28th		3 p.m.

The Naphill Village Hall Council are holding their Spring Dance on Saturday, 13th of March 1971 at 8 p.m., until midnight. Dance to the Modernaires. Licenced Bar available. Tickets 60 p including light refreshments.

Obtain Tickets from:-

Mrs. Flett, 6 Wellhouse Way (Off Louches Lane)
 Mrs. Latham, Bowland House, Main Road.
 Mrs. Leaver, The Leaves, Naphill Common
 Mrs. Grafham, 18 Allen Drive (Off Clappins Lane)
 Mrs. Woodruff, Heatherlands, Downley Road.

V I L L A G E H A L L N O T E S

The Village Hall Council has concerned itself with a review of its finances, weighing up expenditure against income. This is a familiar problem to most of us as private citizens and we all of us have to make decisions concerning the value of goods and services purchased. The Village Hall Council is no exception to the rule, and so it is not surprising that discussion should revolve around the costs of running the Village Hall and Playing Fields, currently averaging £15 to £20 a week.

The Council is duty bound to try and obtain the greatest benefit for the community. In this era of rising costs, there are just insufficient funds to meet every need. It is however, the earnest hope of the members of the Council that sufficient can be done to maintain an adequate village amenity, bearing in mind that we are saving up for the proposed improvements to the toilets and the car park, both very necessary items, following an exceptional maintenance expenditure of £300 in 1970.

But if money is one shortage which seems always to face the Council, there is a far greater shortage which in many ways presents a bigger threat to the success of Village Hall affairs. We badly need more people to help organize and assist in running activities. Having spent a considerable time in obtaining an organizer to take over the Whist Drives, the Council is now faced with the need to obtain the services of a person or persons to run the Social Club. It would be a tragedy if the Social Club had to close down because for many in the village it provides a weekly meeting point. There are probably many people in the village not only capable but also willing, to help with this, or other activities. Village life consists of what people put into it, so volunteers to the fore please, and make yourselves known to the Council, either by contacting Mrs. B. Grafham (Tel: Naphill 3561 evenings) or by attending the Annual General Meeting on March 22nd. All helpers are welcome at all times.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services:

10 a.m.	Family Service
3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

The Pioneers Youth Group meets on Tuesday evenings. Doors open at 7. 30 p.m. All teenagers welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

We cannot all be master minds, but we can all have the mind of the Master.

E D I T O R ' S C O R N E R

Twenty-Five Years Hard Labour.

These words do not usually give pleasure to the man they are addressed to , but Arthur Busby can read them with pride.

The Horticultural Society have presented him with a gold watch and illuminated address on his retirement from the secretaryship.

The Naphill Gazette adds its' thanks for hundreds of gardening articles and sincerely hopes for hundreds more. I have heard tales of Mr. & Mrs. Busby taking Naphill's produce to Reading and other large shows, spending the best part of all night arranging the display and winning many honours for the Society. During Arthur's term of office, Reg Brown won National Championships with sweet peas and Arthur Gould with Gladioli; while everyone remembers the wonderful shows staged in Naphill. But the effort has taken its' toll of A.H.B; he still potters around his garden and green houses, making (in the words of Geoff Smith) "exotics grown like mustard and cress."

The Naphill H.S. know they will not see his like again; and whilst everyone shows a very natural diffidence at stepping into Arthur's shoes, I understand that two members have now been found to share the duties.

Below Richard Pushman gives a tribute to the late Doug Tooby, who, in addition to all his other work, was also treasurer of the Gazette. I always left financial matters entirely to him, and thus we worked together in perfect harmony. The memorial which would please Doug best, was that he leaves the Gazette in a sound financial position.

On Friday, the 12th of February, Naphill bade farewell to one of its stalwart supporters who had served it so well for many years. The sudden and untimely death of Doug Tooby shocked his many friends and colleagues and robbed Naphill of one of its much loved characters.

Doug Tooby, who had known Naphill for most of his 63 years decided to settle here some seventeen years ago and, 12 months later was elected to serve on the Village Hall Council as its Treasurer, a position which he held until his death, having full-filled his task with meticulous accuracy.

Doug was a man of many interests with an insatiable appetite for committee work associated with the community. He was a serving member of the Parish Council and a school manager. He will be remembered for his active part in the Naphill Drama Group of the W.I. and his untiring efforts on the committee of the Elderly Folks Dinner. He also served as Treasurer of the Naphill Branch of the Conservative Party.

/Continued.....

Tribute to Doug Tooby Continued....

Doug was always approachable, never distant, and willing at all times to give a helping hand. That death should have robbed him of such a well earned retirement was indeed a cruel stroke of fate.

R. Pushman.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

Mrs. Stevens and Son have promised to bring more of their excellent quality films on March 12th and on March 26th, we hope Dr. Carless will give a talk about the life of a Doctor.

We deeply regret the loss of another member - Mr. D. Tooby and extend our sincere sympathy to Mrs. E. Tooby.

T A B L E T E N N I S C L U B

Further to my last appeal for more members, I am happy to report that we are getting quite a good attendance of young members, but would like to see more adults coming along in order to get the Club on a stronger financial basis.

We have three tables in use, only one of which is in good order; unfortunately the other two are in poor condition. Naturally, we would like to acquire newer tops, but we need CASH. If anyone can suggest any means of raising money to help in this respect, I would be only too pleased to hear from them.

There are one or two other games for the young ones to play - namely shove-halfpenny, bagatelle and cards - so that when all the tables are in use, they can still keep themselves amused.

Anyone with any bright ideas can contact me either at the Village Hall on Wednesday evenings, or by ringing Naphill 2602.

A.G.L.

"I wish to thank most sincerely, all kind friends for the donations to The Cancer Research Fund, letters and messages of sympathy - which have been a great help to me."

Edna Tooby.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

Two for the price of one this month, but with a special purpose. I have had quite a number of people stop me to tell me about the loss of the berries from their holly trees. Said one lady:- "We left the berries on our trees at Christmas - they were so colourful and looked so pretty on the tree - then one evening in late January, a large number of birds came down and within an hour, there was not a berry left. The birds were like song thrushes but did not look so large as the thrush." Well, apparently, there must have been a real "crowd", many hundreds in fact; for about fourteen trees were cleared about the same time. The birds were also in Hughenden Valley, a friend of mine had two trees cleared of their berries and he felt it was a kind of magic - "the berries were all there one day and all gone the next!"

It was, of course, the redwings - they would be on their way back to their breeding-grounds in Scandinavia and Eastern Europe.

My sketch, see cover, will help you to identify them when next you lose your holly berries.

Redwings do not nest here in England or Wales, but each year a few nests are recorded in Western Scotland.

A few weeks back I was reading a report stating that redwings are not consistent in their choice of winter living; for a ringed redwing recovered from Cyprus had the previous winter been caught and ringed in Britain. Perhaps we shall eventually read that we have been visited with greater numbers this year than on previous years.

I think you may find the notes from a bird book interesting:-

The Redwing Haunts.

Open fields with grass, pasture, valley or downland, playing fields and gardens, open fields favoured in mild weather. Hedges, open woodlands, scrub or wherever berries may be found especially when ground is frozen.

Appearance.

Could pass for song thrush at casual glance; separable by distinct eye stripe, reddish flush on flanks, and more orange brown revealed beneath wing when lifted.

Arrival in Britain.

Late October or early November. When they stay with us until February, a few longer until March, and probably it is this few that linger that decide to build their nest in Scotland, but the redwing cannot be classed a regular breeder. Their food consists of worms, leather jackets, insect larvae and pupae, beetles and small snails. From trees and shrubs, berries of hawthorn, rowan, rose-hips and - holly berries!!

/Continued....

NATURE INTEREST Continued....

Now our Song Thrush.

This is one of the most familiar and popular British birds, for a great variety of reasons. In the first place it is a frequent visitor to our gardens, where its' comparatively large size and speckled breast make it easily recognisable; also, it indulges in spectacular feeding behaviour which at once sets it apart as a special bird for its' use of an anvil-stone upon which to smash snails. It is an almost unique example of regular tool-using by a native bird. Above all, it is the earliest true songster of the year and always sings to a regular pattern. We all at some time have repeated "Pretty Dick, Pretty Dick," to recognise its' habit of repeating. As the season goes on, the song of the thrush will improve by repeating its' notes three and even four times and, though never reaching the beautiful tone of the blackbird's song, the song of the thrush is prolonged and more even flowing.

The Song Thrush is less adaptable in finding food in hard winters and frequently their numbers are reduced.

The thrush has great confidence in human beings and will nest as near to your "back door" as possible (I have been able to give food to a thrush while it has been sitting on the side of the nest and as soon as I have retired to a reasonable distance, she would feed one of her chicks with the food.)

Appearance.

Brown back, warm buff background to a speckled breast, orange buff underwing and no white on face, a very sprightly stance.

Food.

Snails, earth worms, insect larve from ground and foliage, wide variety of fruit and berries.

Nesting.

Usually at no great height in bush or hedge. Nest of dead grass and root fibres with moss, compacted with damp earth, but the unique feature is the lining cup of cardboard - like plaster made from rotten wood, dung and saliva; four to five eggs, sky blue spotted with black, indeed a very beautiful egg - and bird.

A.S.A.W.

G A R D E N N O T E S

March can sometimes provide quite a few opportunities for sowing and planting early outdoor vegetables, but it is not calendar dates that matter so much as soil and weather conditions. A further point is that some varieties of say, lettuce, broad beans and peas are more suitable for producing early crops than others - and it is often this important point that makes the difference between success and failure in growing early crops.

Any good catalogue contains this information and although space does not permit a full list of these varieties, the following examples might serve to convey the idea. Lettuce for Autumn sowing to head up in spring - Arctic King or Imperial Winter; for summer use in open ground - Fortune, Tom Thumb or Continuity. Broad Beans - Giant Seville or Aquaduke for winter sowing or the Broad Windsor types for this time of year. Peas - early round seeded types are the hardier and can be sown November onwards, early wrinkled, not quite so tough - sow March onwards.

So sort out your varieties and when conditions are right, make a start with some of the following:- Broad beans, peas, onion seeds or sets, pinches of broccoli for early autumn use, a variety of small hearting cabbage and lettuce, savoy, brussels and leeks, plant jerusalem artichokes.

If not interested in vegetables, then lightly fork over the flower borders and rose beds, and mulch with manure, compost or peat and bone meal. Note:- Light forking over is using a few inches of the tynes; digging is using the whole length.

A.H.B.

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

Seed Potatoes have just arrived, except Epicures which will follow in a few days.

Orders can now be taken for:-	Bone Meal	14 lbs	8/6 (42½p)
	J.I. Base	14 lbs	8/6 (42½p)
	J.I. Compost	56 lbs	8/6 (42½p)
	Onion Sets & Shallots	per lb	2/6 (12½p)
	Moss Peat - large Bales		32/- (£1.60)
	Sedge Peat - per cwt.		20/- (£1)

FOR SALE:-

Pig Manure Delivered.

Timberlake, 5 Mosley Road, Naphill
Telephone : Naphill 2396

V E R N A C A T L I N Wins a Premium Bond for this Essay in
the 7 - 8 year old Class.

Florence Nightingale.

In the year 1855, when Queen Victoria was on the throne, fighting took place faraway over the sea. A young English lady named Florence Nightingale had got herself trained as a nurse.

She had a great wish to help those who were sick, so she was asked to go to the war and help the men who were sick and hurt. She went at once and took other nurses with her. They found that the men were not looking well, and the hospital was very dirty, but before long Miss Nightingale and her nurses made a great change. The men were kept warm and were fed well. The nurses were very kind to them and cheered them up so that they got better much quicker. The poor sick men loved Miss Nightingale very much. She used to go round at night with a small lamp in her hand to see if they were comfortable, so she came to be known as the 'Lady with the Lamp.'

N A P H I L L W.I.

At the February Meeting, Mrs. McCue gave a vivid account of her journey to Oberammergau and the Passion Play, spiced with hilarious anecdotes of the hazards of a package tour in the hands of an inefficient courier. Her final verdict:- "All Well Worth While!" As a contrast, Mrs. Piercy's "Hungary On A Shoestring" gave an amusing account of her camping journey to Budapest, where she stayed at the home of a friend. Her moving description of this scarred city showed us the various facets of life behind the Iron Curtain - leaving us, no doubt, feeling more content with our lot. They were both thanked by Mrs. Brill.

Names were taken for a trip to the Houses of Parliament on Tuesday, March 23rd, when Mrs. John Hall will be our guide. Coach leaves the Village Hall at 8.30 a.m. (maximum 32 people). Those interested, please contact Mrs. McCue (Naphill 2213)

On February 13th - our Party Night, when husbands and friends joined us, was voted a success. We were entertained by Magician Mr. Bailey and the local group of folk singers who are old favourites. Great ingenuity was shown in the parade of hats representing a "Song Title". (Mrs. Rabson's Coffee Morning raised £1 12s. 9d. - £1.64)

The Group Meeting will be held at Naphill on Monday, March 22nd. The speaker is John Timson from the B.B.C.. Tea Hostesses for March:- Mrs., Evans, Pushman Sen., Pushman Jun., Marshall. Competition:- Covered Coat Hanger (for the Fete Stall), and a talk on Drama by Mrs. Doris Day.

D.B.

" W I N G S O F F W I N G " .

The Coffee Morning at the Village Hall raised approximately £30 for Wing Airport Resistance Association, and the W.I. would like to thank all those who supported it; and the shop-keepers etc., who gave prizes for the raffle.

W.I. D R A M A E V E N I N G

On Saturday, March 27th

At 7.45 p.m.

Admission 20p.

Refreshments.

Circulation	700 copies
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p. per line. All payments (for the time being) to D.W. Turner, Redcot, Main Road, Naphill. Please do not send money to the Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements	of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the 21st of the month.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our

Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT

AND SON, LTD.

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON —

FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

**WAVY LINE special grocery offers
FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday**

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close

Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

DAILY DELIVERIES — Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods

Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment

The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County

Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

Rosebine Cottage
Main Road,
Naphill.

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 DESBOROUGH ROAD

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone: Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

Your nearest
FISH & CHIPS
are at
LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE

Also at
OXFORD STREET;
MARSH & MARLOW
DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



THE GREY SQUIRREL
APRIL 1911

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E NO. 237

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - APRIL, 1971

1st	W.I.	2.30 p.m.
Play Group	Every Tues, Wed, Thurs	9 - 12 noon
Art	" Thursday (B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Bingo	" "	8 p.m.
Whist	2nd, 16th, 30th	7.30 p.m.
Library	2nd, 16th, 30th (C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
Dancing	2nd	4.20 - 5.35 p.m.
V.H.C.	5th	8 p.m.
Conservative Assoc:	6th (C.R.)	8 p.m.
Drama	Every Tuesday	8 p.m.
Dancing	6th	4.20 - 6.15 p.m.
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday	7 p.m.
Residents Assoc.	14th (B.R.)	8 p.m.
Dancing	16th	2.30 - 3.45 p.m.
Private Party	17th	7 p.m. onwards
Young Neighbours	19th	7.45 p.m.
Dancing	20th	2.00 - 3.45 p.m.
Over 60's A.G.M.	23rd	2.30 p.m.
Tennis Club Wine & Cheese	23rd	8 p.m.
Drama Festival	24th	All Day
Dancing	27th	3 - 6.45 p.m.
"	"	(C.R.) 6.20 - 6.50 p.m.
W.I.	29th	(C.R.) 2.30 p.m.
Dancing	30th	4.20 - 5.35 p.m.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

The man who is self-centered, is off-centered.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for April

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

April 4th	Mr. D.Short, B.Sc.,M.A.	Mr. J. Crossley B.Sc.
" 11th (Easter Day)	Sister Margaret (Holy Communion)	Mr.F. Slade
" 18th	Mr. A. Cooper	(At the Anglican (Church, Methodist (Evening Service (Leader : Sister (Margaret (Preacher: Rev.S.A.C. (Dickins
" 25th	Mr. J.W. Newton	Mr. J.W. Newton

On Good Friday, April 9th, at 10 a.m., there will be a service conducted by Sister Margaret - when we shall be joined by friends from Lacey Green, Cryers Hill and Bryants Bottom Churches.

On Saturday, April 3rd, A Rummage Sale will be held at 2.30 p.m. in the Methodist Schoolroom. Proceeds for Sunday School Funds.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Easter Day	Holy Communion (The Rev. Dr. S. Price)	9.00 a.m.
April 18th	Methodist Evening Service (the usual afternoon service is cancelled).	6.15 p.m.
" 25th	Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.

Once again, we enjoyed holding a Rummage Sale recently in the Village Hall and achieved a profit of £55. We are fortunate in having a loyal band of helpers to whom our thanks are due. Without this help, we could not get results like this.

W. I. D R A M A E V E N I N G

On Saturday, March 27th

At 7.45 p.m.

ADMISSION ; 20p. REFRESHMENTS.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

THE GREY SQUIRREL

The grey squirrel looks very charming as it scampers around. I have just been watching them over on the common and my word! - they are active little creatures. Their little bushy tails roll up their backs and then shoot straight out and off they run - always to climb up the tree on the far side. What a happy little animal the squirrel is. He seems to be dancing around all the time, making the most of every minute of his day, and yet many folk look upon him as a pest. Some people even go out of their way to destroy, or disturb his way of living.

The squirrel can become very friendly and extremely entertaining. A friend of mine has made a regular acquaintance with a little grey squirrel. She, my friend, will go to the open kitchen window, purse her lips, making an inviting noise and almost always, within a few minutes, her friend the grey squirrel will come tripping across the lawn. It will set up and wait for a piece of cake, or a biscuit to be dropped from the window. This will be picked up, held with its' two front paws and eaten. Still sitting up, it will shake its' little paws, a sign of asking for more, a further piece given away, it will run and climb up the nearby apple tree and, sitting in the fork of the tree it will soon dispose of the remaining piece. The afternoon is usually the time for the arrival of this acquaintance.

By the end of March and early April, there will be baby squirrels in the dreys of the local squirrels. If you look right up into the tops of some of our highest beech trees on the common, or in the woods, you will see the dreys or nests where the squirrels have been sleeping during the cold days of our winter. The squirrels do not hibernate, they just sleep during the colder winter days.

Before the winter, the squirrels are very busy little creatures, they will collect all kinds of food, beech nuts, hazel nuts acorns, seeds of many kinds and berries. Then selecting so many small hiding places that they forget where they are - and the wood mouse and the voles find them and make full use of them - but there is always plenty left for the squirrels.

The grey squirrel was introduced into Britain from America where it was known as the Virginia Squirrel. This happened only during the last 50 years and now in this short space of time, it has spread over most of the country. Its' jaw is specially constructed for gnawing. It has sharp curved incisor teeth, two in the upper jaw and two in the lower jaw which constantly grow to replace the tips as they are worn down by gnawing.

/Continued.....

NATURE INTERSET Continued...

Since the introduction of the grey squirrels, the pretty and smaller red squirrel has gradually declined in numbers; for the red squirrel could not compete with its' larger neighbour and is now becoming very scarce. The grey squirrel has made itself very unpopular by its' bad habits. It will rob all wild birds nests of their eggs and have been known to eat young birds; it will dig up the bulbs planted in the garden, it will strip young shoots from freshly planted trees and game keepers are never on friendly terms with the grey squirrel.

For those who are not familiar with the grey squirrel, it is 9/11 inches in body length and its' bushy tail a further 8/10 inches in length, and it weighs fourteen to twenty ounces. The squirrel's bushy tail is not only ornamental, but very useful, when thrown up behind its' back, it covers the whole body, spreading like a fan, it serves like an umbrella as a secure protection from injuries of heat and cold. When extended it is instrumental in promoting those vast leaps that the squirrel takes from tree to tree, and the extended tail gives the necessary even balance.

A year ago, a friend of mine told me of a little grey squirrel that he used to feed on his way to work each morning via Bradenham Woods. Being a nature lover, he would start to work a few minutes early to enable him to "pull up" by the roadside to watch the early morning animal and bird life and one, inquisitive little grey squirrel. My friend took along a biscuit and some pieces of bread, and threw them out to the squirrel - who picked them up with his two front paws, sat up and began to turn the pieces round and round, hihbling away thoroughly enjoying this new woodland "tit bit." This continued for quite awhile and if my friend was a bit late, he would throw his pieces out and drive on. This habit became regular for both and the squirrel would come out, almost meeting the white car as it slowed up before stopping. Then one morning, there was no squirrel - just a little crushed body - he had run out to meet the wrong white car and the driver of that "white car" was not a nature lover.

After telling me his story, my friend said he was doubtful whether he had been kind or perhaps, a little thoughtless in feeding his squirrel by the roadside. A.S.A.W.

Editors Note. Mr. Wooster has done his best to be fair, but his affection for the squirrel shines through. As for me, I shoot the little devils on sight. The reader must make a choice. If you feed squirrels in your garden, accept the fact that not a pair of birds will raise their young therein.

FOR SALE:-

Pig Manure, Delivered.

Timberlake, 5 Mosley Road, Naphill.

Telephone : Naphill 2396

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

On March 8th, Mrs. Jennifer Fulford gave us a most interesting talk on the "History of Household Gas" and answered many questions on the problems associated with the conversion to North Sea Gas.

At the next meeting on April 19th, an officer from the County Education Department will give a talk entitled:- "Developments in the Primary School." I am sure this subject will be of interest to most parents of the younger children, so please come along and join in the discussion.

The winner of the "Babes of Yesteryear" competition was Mrs. Brenda Butler and the lucky raffle winner: Mrs. M. Hayes and Mrs M. Donlon.

For this month's competition, dress up your hard boiled eggs in the shape of your favourite T.V. personalities. Tea Hostesses for April:- Mrs. J. Cook, E. Chamberlain, Tole, Walker, Donlon, Atkinson and Flett.

J.F.

M A D E I N E N G L A N D

A cargo of timber unloading
In harbour at Bridport, West Bay.
A stout little steamship from Sweden
Has battled for many a day.

The horses and carts with the ballast
Are lumbering down to the quay,
With Chesil Bank Pebbles (all sizes)
All ready for putting to sea.

No waiting on P.R. Boy's pleasure,
Nor rumours when spare parts will come.
Just coal, water, grub and the polish
To shine a brass plate in the sun.

The date and the place of her building -
"Made in Sunderland" - forty years back.
The market was ours without asking,
no question of work that was slack.

When the making of ships was an engineer's pride
S.S. Katje Jurgensen sailed with the tide.

V.C.H.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE
BILLIARD ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL ON:-

Wednesday, 14th of April : At 8 p.m.

Whilst remaining fairly quiet during the first year, your Residents Association has covered several matters, including the following:-

The Bucks County Council have tentatively agreed to delay any action regarding the proposed footpath extension in the Main Road from "Kingswick Cottage" to the Electricity Board Generator. A Footpath in this position is not desirable especially in view of the detrimental effect such land loss would have to this part of the village.

We have written to the R.D.C. and B.C.C. in support of the Parish Council's rejection of the proposed large scale development at the rear of Rosemary Cottage.

There are many other items which could be added to the Agenda for the next year, such as keeping the village tidy and the roads in good repair.

Everybody is welcome, please come along whether you are a member of the Association or not and if you have any ideas for improvement of the village amenities, bring them up for discussion during the coming year.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON 14th APRIL.

F.M.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

Owing to April 9th being Good Friday, a meeting will not be held.

Our next meeting will be the A.G.M. and 14th Birthday Party on April 23rd, 1971.

C.B.W.

WANTED:-

Has anyone a Baby's High Chair for sale, hire or loan? Apply - Mrs. McCue, "Seven Winds," Downley Road. Telephone: Naphill 2213

LOST:-

From "Dakota," Hunts Hill Lane - 1 Ladies Beige Suede Boot. Telephone: Naphill 3174

FOR DRESSMAKING, ALTERATIONS, REPAIRS,, CURTAINS. - contact Mrs. I.L. Goodwin, 3 Oak Row, Main Road. Tel. Naphill 2086

FOR SALE

22ft. CARAVAN. HOLIDAY/ RESIDENTIAL.
GAS and ELECTRICAL FITTINGS. OFFERS:- NAPHILL 2433

AMANDA KITCHENER Wins a Premium Bond for this Essay in the 8 - 9 year old Class.

H E N R Y V I I I

Henry the VIII was very clever and rich and he liked to have his own way. He married Katherine of Aragon, Katharine had a little girl called Mary Tudor. She had several other children but they died. Henry didn't like Katherine very much because she didn't have any boys. A little while later Henry wanted to divorce her. But the Pope, who lived in Rome and was head of the Catholic Church wouldn't let him. They quarrelled for quite a long time until, without asking, Henry married Anne Boleyn. But he was still very angry and to get his revenge, he ordered the monasteries to be pulled down and he took all their riches and land. Then he left the Catholic Church.

He then made himself head of the Church of England. Anne Bolen had a girl called Elizabeth. Henry was rather cross because he wanted a boy very badly; a little while later he had her beheaded.

Then he married Jane Seymour, she had a little boy, his name was Edward the VI. After Jane had had Edward she died. Later on Henry married for the fourth time, he got married to a lady called Anne of Cleves. She didn't have any children so Henry divorced her. Then he married Catherine Howard, she did not have any children and soon she was executed because they found out that she loved Thomas Culpeper.

For the fifth and last time, Henry married a lady called Catherine Parr. Henry got ill and soon he died. Catherine Parr nursed him but he was too ill.

N A P H I L L W . I .

At the March Meeting, two new members - Mrs. & Miss Goodwin were welcomed. This was our first "decimalized meeting" and the trading stall will now make the deduction of 1p in 10p.

Naphill Institute are participating in the "Green and Pleasant: Land" Exhibition and will welcome any ideas for their stand 6' x 3' x 6' high.

Mrs. Doris Day entertained us with her amusing experiences as an actress and adjudicator; and hilarious impersonations of amateurs she has encountered. She was thanked by Mrs. Leek.

The prize for the best covered coat hanger went to Mrs. Shakeshaft and second prize to Mrs. Pushman.

/Continued.....

NAPHILL W.I. Continued....

March was a very busy month, activities included an outing, a Drama Evening, A Group Meeting, a Rummage Sale which made £20. Mrs. Butler's Coffee Morning made £4.08.

Next month, there will be a cake icing demonstration and a competition for 6 jam tarts. Tea Hostesses:- Mrs. Dunford, Dutton, Gillies and Hayward.

D.B.

E D I T O R ' S C O R N E R

I am very sorry to report that Arthur Busby is in Amersham hospital and therefore, there will be no "Gardening Notes" this month. I would not dare to write on general gardening myself, but herewith a few observations in the shrubbery.

The winter flowering shrubs are now getting past it, and Daphne Mezereum is at its best, filling the gap before the spring. In this mild winter, the early rhododendron preacox, is blooming well, but hard frost is fatal to its flowers. The swelling buds of the Balsom Poplar are beginning to exude their scent. This tree is not all that attractive to the eye, but in spring and early summer it gives me as much pleasure as anything in the garden.

The Camelia buds are swollen and ready to open, but at 700 ft. in Naphill, they open a month later than in the Saville Gardens at Windsor. Recent plantings include a Caryopteris. This will be the third attempt, the previous two having died. It seems to be a matter of finding the right spot, for I know of one or two growing locally, and blue flowering shrubs are none too common.

Last Autumn's show of berries was not quite what I had hoped for. The yellow berried Cotoneaster "Rothschilds" was splendid, but two of its' red companions were ruined and withered. The trouble turned out to be moles working among the roots.

.....Oh, for old Tommy Grimsdell and his moleskin waistcoat.....

A.E. SYRETT & SON LTD - Your Local Butcher.

We wish to notify all our customers that the above business is changing hands. The probable date for the change over will be Monday, 29th March 1971.

The New Owners are:- Mr. M.Glanfield and Mr. I. Palmer, who will be running the business as partners. Both Mr. Glanfield and Mr. Palmer have a good knowledge of the best quality meat and service. We are sure that they will continue to serve you with the same personal interest as we have, over the past twenty-one years.

A.E.S.

N A P H I L L C R I C K E T C L U B

The first Saturday in May will see the start of the 1971 Cricket Season with the first team promoted to Division I, and the second XI in Division 6 of the Wycombe League. Both teams are again entered for the Knock-Out Competition - we are also hoping to enter the Country-Wide Competition for Village Champions in 1972.

This season, we are looking for a person to act as Umpire for our Second Team - both home and away matches. A small remuneration, plus free tea (where available) goes with the post. We would also like to hear from someone to act as Scorer.

The Club extends a welcome to local residents of Naphill, Walters Ash and Strike Command who would like a game of League Cricket - on a Saturday afternoon. If interested, please contact:- G.L. Brown, Hon. Sec., Rosewood, Downley Road, Naphill. Telephone Naphill 2627. You can become a club member either playing or non-playing, for 25p. per year up to 18 years of age; 50 p. over 18 years. We require players for both teams, also, we would like some club members.

The Club is hopeful of striking a high standard of cricket this season and an afternoon of enjoyable entertainment for the spectators; and like all sports - the more watching, the harder you try - so, please, give us your support.

G.L.B.

STOP PRESS

NAPHILL FETE

SATURDAY 12th. JUNE

GRAND DOG AND PET SHOW!

PROCESSION THEME - ' TOMORROW'S ENVIRONMENT'

THE MARLOW BAND - TUG-OF-WAR

MORE AND BETTER SIDE SHOWS

GRAND DRAW - FETE PRINCESSES

R E M E M B E R - SATURDAY 12th. JUNE

Circulation

700 copies

Advert sements

Full page display £2 or 5p per line. All payments (for the time being) to D.W. Turner, Redcot, Main Road Naphill. Please do not send money to the Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence, Downley Road, Naphill.

Announcements

of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.

Contributions

to Mr. R.S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the 21st of the month.

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82, DESBOROUGH ROAD

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette",

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your

Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our

Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards

Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear

Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT

AND SON, LTD.

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON —

FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

DAILY DELIVERIES — Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

Rosebine Cottage
Main Road,
Naphill.

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



SPRING BLOSSOMS
MAY 1971

Private Party	2nd		3 p.m.
V.H.C.	3rd		8 p.m.
Conservative Assoc:	4th	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Play Group	Every Tues, Wed, Thurs		9 - 12 noon
Drama	Every Tuesday		7.30 p.m.
Dancing	4th, 11th, 18th, 25th		3 - 6.45 p.m.
	plus Committee Room		6.20 - 6.50 p.m.
Health & Beauty	Every Tuesday		2 p.m.
Welfare	5th, 19th		2 p.m.
W.I.	6th		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday		8 p.m.
Art	" "	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday		7.00 p.m.
Over 60's	7th, 21st		2.30 p.m.
Dancing	7th, 21st		5 - 6.15 p.m.
Private Party	8th		7 p.m.
Display of "Everest"			
Double-Glazing	8th		8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Young Neighbours	10th		7.45 p.m.
Whist	14th, 28th		7.30 p.m.
Library	14th, 28th	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
Dancing	14th, 28th		4.20 - 5.35 p.m.
Naphill Evangelical			
Church Meeting	15th		2 p.m.
Private Party	21st		8 p.m.
Conservative Supper			
Evening	24th		7.30 p.m.
W.I.	27th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.

V I L L A G E H A L L N O T E S

Village Hall Councillors have had a rather busy time with the Annual General Meeting held in late March, followed a week later by the April Council Meeting. A report concerning the progress of the 1971 Fete was received, and we were pleased to hear that arrangements were well in hand. We do hope that the Fete, to be held on June 12th will be well supported as in previous years. Outline arrangements are to be found further on in this issue of the Gazette.

One of the items arising in council, was the further evidence of damage to the cricket outfield resulting from riding animals on the playing fields. Many people will know that over the last two years we have authorized a contractor to maintain the playing fields at a cost of over £200 each year. We made these arrangements for the benefit of the cricket, football and tennis clubs, and for the residents and children who use the fields. We believe that the results are

/continued.....

VILLAGE HALL NOTES Continued....

well worth while, but we cannot afford to continue to make good such damage. Now, of course, the vast majority of the population do not own or ride animals, and those who do are extremely responsible. So please do not think that our request to keep horses and other ridden animals off the fields is in any way aimed at those responsible users. It is the irresponsible whose actions we wish to curb. Ron's blue censor's pencil prevents me from further commenting upon such irresponsibility.

It was with extreme sadness and regret that council learned of the death of Arthur Busby. Arthur will be missed by so many people and the loss will undoubtedly be felt not only by his widow, but also by the whole village. The council offers its' sincere condolences to Mrs. Busby.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers
	6.15 p.m.	Class for Children
		Evening Service

CENTENARY SERVICES ON SATURDAY 15th MAY

3.30 p.m. and 6.30 p.m.

Preacher: Geoffrey T. Bull, Popular Christian Author.
Singing : by the Waltham Forest Gospel Choir

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

Conscience is the last thing left to a man after
he has squandered all else that God has given
him.

C H R I S T I A N A I D W E E K

During the week May 17th to 22nd, the annual house-to-house collection will be made in Naphill and Wlators Ash. In order to cover the whole district, more collectors are needed. Would anyone willing to collect, please ring either Naphill 3486 or Naphill 3163.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all kind friends for their kindness, letters of sympathy, and the beautiful flowers which Arthur would have loved.

Rose Busby.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for May

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

May 2nd

Mr. E. Jarvis M.A.

Mr. P. Smails

" 9th

Womens Anniversary

Miss J. Capell

(The Choir will sing
(the Cantata "The
(Good Shepherd".
(Introductory devo-
(tions led by
(Mrs. Greenstreet

" 16th

Mrs. Jarvis

No Evening Service

3.30 p.m. United
Service at the Metho-
dist Church.

Anglican Evensong:

Rev. S.A. Dickins

Preacher:

Sister Margaret

" 23rd

Sunday School Anniversary.

Morning and Evening Services - Sister Margaret
Children's Service at 2.45 p.m.

" 30th

Mr. W.O. Haines

Mr. D. Gregory.

The Annual Women's Rally will take place on Wednesday, May 12th. The Speakers will be Major Robson and Captain Graham of the Salvation Army.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services.

May 16th

Evensong

3.30 p.m.

Following the earlier service arrangements, this service will be held at the Methodist Church, Chapel Lane.

" 23rd

Holy Communion

9.00 a.m.

At the Anglican Church.

Christian Aid Week in the village is from 17th to 22nd May, during which time, one of the church collectors will be calling at your home. Do please welcome them, and give a generous donation.

For this same good cause, a Gift Stall will be found in the Oak Room, at the Town Hall, from Monday to Thursday of that week; and then in the Market on Friday and Saturday.

N A P H I L L F E T E

SATURDAY, J U N E 12th.

We are one again looking forward to our Annual Village Fete which we are very pleased to announce will be opened by our M.P., Mr. John Hall and that Mrs. Hall will be accompanying him.

The Marlow Band, whose recent successes in Band Competitions have been reported in the local press, will be playing during the afternoon and leading the procession.

"Tomorrow's Environment" is the Theme for this years' procession - a subject very important to everyone and particularly so to us Naphillians living in the beautiful Chilterns!

Our Arena Events will include A Pet Show and once again, we are fortunate to have Inspector Halliday of the R.S.P.C.A. to judge the entrants. The Pet Show will be divided into Two Sections: One to include small pets, such as Rabbits, Hamsters, Guinea Pigs, Kittens etc., and the other for Dogs, Shaggy Ones, Long Ones, Etc! Staging will be provided for small pets cages and boxes. Class details and entry forms will be available soon.

We are hoping to have an even larger number of sideshows and stalls this year with a few new ways of getting you to spend your money to support the efforts to improve our Hall and Playing Fields.

The First Prize for the Grand Draw will be a beautiful colour camera outfit, worth more than £26, and there are many other valuable prizes.

Especially for the Children, we have booked a Traction Engine "The Pride of Penn." We expect to have it in the procession and for rides afterwards.

As always, to make the Fete a success we need your help. Coming along on June 12th is all-important, but if you can help us with the preparations, you will be very welcome. Please contact:- Bruce Holland, Cherry Tree Cottage, Main Road, Naphill. Telephone Naphill 2290, if you can help, or have any queries about the Fete.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

Springtime.

The year ahead, what will it bring?
At least we may be sure of Spring.
What will they hold, the coming hours?
At least we can be sure of flowers
Blossoms and birds and budding trees
Thank God we may be sure of these

Balfour.

As we watch the beauties of this early spring, one can stand statue-still in wonderment at the unfolding of each bud. The forsythia, the pink almond, the beautiful snow-white blossom of the hawthorn and the blackthorn. The hawthorn has a sweet smell as well as its' lovely white clusters. The children usually like to refer to it as "May," also we see the fresh green leaves unfold each in their turn. The horse-chestnut, the elder and sycamore are amongst the earliest, while the ash is one of the latest.

If I'm not too late to offer a suggestion, why not take the bud of the horse chestnut and the bud of ash; then with a very sharp knife, cut straight across them and see how wonderfully nature folds its leaves within their case. Both the bud of the horse chestnut and the ash are easily recognized. The horse chestnut is large and compact, and thickly covered with a very sticky substance. The bud of the ash is small and very dull, almost jet black. Each bud of both horse chestnut and ash are compound leaves rolled up to a planned pattern.

Have you stopped to think how much pleasure and happiness the simplest wild yellow primrose has given. This pretty little wild flower is chosen by the Lord Beaconsfield Group as their party emblem. Also, our little primrose is eagerly looked for by thousands of children throughout the British Isles. It grows freely from the Shetlands to Lands End, the only wild flower of its' colour. Not another English plant has blossoms of the same delicate sulphur yellow. The nearest similarity of colouring is seen in the not so common Brimstone Butterfly, where the wings are not only the same delicate yellow but also, have the brighter yellow/orange spot, corresponding with the brighter yellow markings in the centre of the primrose.

The wild Arum or "Lords and Ladies" shown in the cover sketch is another typical spring flower. They are found in abundance in the hedgerows, woodlands and on our common. Perhaps they are at their impressive best when seen en-masse, with an outer sheath of very pale green, almost white and a dark purple naked spadix, at the base of which is the actual flower, waiting patiently to receive the pollen from the upper part, which eventually gives the conspicuous spike of poisonous orange/red berries.

/Continued.....

NATURE INTEREST "Springtime," --Continued...

The surrounding leaves are worthy of a glance - large, dark green arrow-shaped, spotted with purplish black - an ideal background setting for my 'Lord and Lady' flowers. The children should not be encouraged to put these wild Arums into their wild flower posy; because Mother, they are extremely poisonous and if eaten, will give a very painful "tummy" and a quick trip to hospital.

In the hedgerows, children will find the sweet smelling wild violet, some white and some dark blue, similar to the garden violet and related to the violas and pansies. Close by in a shaded spot in the very early spring you may find the yellow coltsfoot with its very unusual stem; also the slender stalk of bluebell.

Not one of us can every forget collecting bluebells on those lovely evening walks to the woods. Today these memorable walks are probably replaced by "Dr. Who" or "Banana Splits" on Television. By the way, if ever you go to pick bluebells, don't pull on the stalk so that you remove the white part at the bottom, pick the blue bells down at the end of the green, leaving the white part of the stalk still in the plant. This will help to feed the bulb for next year and better bluebells in the future.

A.S.A.W.

G A R D E N N O T E S

First, let us spare a thought for Mr. A. Busby, whose initials have been at the foot of "Garden Notes" for so many years. I never met him unless he was loaded up with plants, boxes or tools. Always busy and always a smile.

MAY:- Well, high-pressure in the garden continues; the heat increases daily and plants are moving faster. Everything wants attention, but don't overdo it. If your digging is not finished, a few short spells if you are not used to it. Now is the best time to stock up for winter greens, sprouts, broccoli, especially purple sprouting. A valuable crop to stick bad weather is January King cabbage. Sow your dwarf french beans and the runners, and marrows. A good time now for main crop carrots and beet. Also, a lot of people like to sow the biennials in May - wallflowers, canterbury bells, sweet william etc. For myself, I like early June.

Keep the lawn mown regular, three times a fortnight if possible and a little fertilizer - little and often is best.

Don't forget to sow lettuce every six weeks and please thin them out to about 8 inches. Then you'll have a lettuce. Wait until the end of the month for planting your half-hardy plants like petunias, salvias, nemesias, etc.

In spite of the weather, what a spring for blossom - snowdrops, crocus and what glorious masses of forsythia. The polyanthus looks very promising at time of writing.

C.P.

N A P H I L L W. I.

The April meeting opened with a welcome for a new member:- Mrs. Sullivan. Simplicity was the keynote of Mrs. Richardson's demonstration on cake icing, proving that with minimum of utensils, the usual chaos can be avoided. She was thanked by Mrs. D. Leeson.

Mrs. E. Hussey will go as delegate to the half yearly meeting of the B.F.W.I. at Aylesbury, and the resolutions were discussed.

It was agreed that the tour of the Houses of Parliament was very enjoyable thanks to Mrs. Nancy Hall. Owing to lack of support, the proposed outing to Burghleigh House must be postponed until later in the year, when it is hoped that a coach will be filled.

Mrs. Marshall's Whist Drive raised £1 77½. The Drama Evening was well received and raised £17 50 - when the Drama Group put on their Festival Play - which we hope will get through to the finals at Aylesbury on May 8th.

First prize for six jam tarts was won by Mrs. A. Bull, second Mrs. K. McCue.

At the May meeting, there will be a Debate & Discussion on Albert Hall Resolutions by V.C.O. Mrs. Geeves; the competition for a Limerick on the W I. and tea hostesses:- Mrs. Adams, Brown, Kent and Parker.

D:B.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

Owing to the Easter Holiday, March 26th was our last meeting, when Dr. Christopher Smith, son of Mr. & Mrs. G. Smith, Waldens, filled a gap and gave an impromptu, interesting talk on "Conservation".

Our A.G.M. takes place on April 23rd when next months' events will be discussed - but will be too late for inclusion in this issue of the Gazette. It will also be the 14th Birthday of the Club.

By kind invitation of Mr. & Mrs. Kent, some members will visit Cooks Hall Farm on May 19th.

We will all miss Mr. A. Busby from our meetings and committee, and deeply sympathise with Mrs. Busby in her loss.

C.B.W.

FOR:- DRESSMAKING, ALTERATIONS, REPAIRS, CURTAINS - Contact
I.L. Goodwin, 3 Oak Row, Main Road, Tel: Naphill 2086

FOUND:- On Playing Field - Blue Track-Suit Top. Collect:-
Lawrence, Downley Road, Naphill.

Good homes wanted for FOUR KITTENS. Available at the end
of May. Ring: Naphill 2213.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

The April Meeting proved to be very popular. Mr. Anderson of the County Education Department gave a most enlightening talk on Developments in the Primary Schools. Although all our anxieties may not have been dispelled, we now have a much clearer understanding of the Secondary selection system and of the changes in junior education which are soon to be introduced.

Mrs. Donlon won the egg competition and the raffle prizes went to Mrs. Chamberlain and Mrs. Russel..

Village Fete. We shall be decorating a float as usual for the Village Fete in June and would like anyone who may be interested in helping to come along to the next committee meeting at 8.00 p.m. on May 6th at Mrs. Stratford's - Wedgewood, Purssells Meadow.

Crimplene Evening. The next meeting will be on May 10th and will be in the form of a Crimplene Evening. There will be a short talk on man-made fibres, and a wide variety of Crimplene will be on sale at prices from 32/- per yard, 60 inches wide. So please come along and bring your friends. Will those who volunteered to give tea or sugar for the Fete, kindly bring it to the meeting on the 10th.

Tea Hostesses for May: Mrs. Putnam, Russel, Twitchin, Flett, Daley and Finch.

J.F.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H R E S I D E N T S A S S O C :

The Association held its second A.G.M. at 8 p.m. on the 14th of April 1971 in the Village Hall.

We were glad to receive an encouraging attendance, which also led to a useful increase in membership. Equally encouraging was the formation of a new committee, the members of which have shown an enthusiastic awareness of the need for an active and effective association.

We would like to thank all who supported the meeting and extend our special thanks to those who have volunteered to assist the committee in their future tasks.

Minutes of the A.G.M. will shortly be available for inspection.

F.M.

M U L T I P L E S C L E R O S I S S O C I E T Y

A Rummage Sale will be held at Prestwood Village Hall, on Saturday, May 15th at 2.15 p.m. Jumble please to:- Kingswick Cottage, Main Road - Naphill 3119.

The Sherry Morning held at North Dean House by kind permission of The Hon. Mrs. Donald Campbell (on March 12th) realised £100. Thank you for your support.

M.S.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Unfortunately, the V.H. Council do not always send me reports of their meetings, but I understand the mantle of treasurer is to be worn by Don Turner. It's always very difficult to follow a successful and dedicated man like Doug Tooby - so Don deserves our thanks and good wishes. I shudder to remember that I was once the Council's treasurer. The man who succeeded me in that job had a sinecure. The Gazette Treasurership will rest on the broad shoulders of Tony Lawrence. Tony supplies the paper on which the Gazette is printed and sends his bill in once a year. Now he will make out an annual cheque to himself. If anyone sees anything to complain of in this arrangement, perhaps they would care to volunteer. Naturally, I also must sign the cheque.

In recent months I have been paying a few small tributes to the late Arthur Busby, while he was still alive and able to read them. I flatter myself that this gave him a little pleasure, and now that this "Blythe Spirit" has finally left us there is not much else to say. He lives on in the memory of all who knew him, and the Naphill Horticultural Society is his monument. In my own garden a rooted cutting of "Daphne Odora" which he gave me will always remind me of him. This little evergreen shrub with its' pink flowers and heavenly scent should be more widely grown. In Arthur's garden, it is now at its best. I have asked the Society to find someone to continue gardening notes in the Gazette. We all owe it to his memory to see that this is done, but as I have said before "we shall not see his like again."

Since penning the above, I have persuaded a member of the Society to try his hand at gardening articles. He wishes to be known only by his initials, but I have told him: "Ch....e, you haven't got a hope." He writes like old Fred Streeter talks on the radio, and only editing from me would ruin the effect. If Ch....e says "mow the lawn regular," that's what you do!

They seem to have slipped up in some ways over the census. Firstly saying that the enumerator would be a stranger, which was obviously impractical, and then asking where you and your parents were born, without specifying nationality. As my wife was born in Malabar, and her father in Hyderabad, it becomes interesting to speculate.... She has always wanted to revisit her childhood scenes. If Mr. Enoch Powell comes to power, he will probably offer her a free ticket. One way.

FOR SALE:- Gas Sink Heater. In Good Condition. £8

WANTED:- Baby Burco Boiler, in good condition.

HIGH WYCOMBE 35797

FOR SALE: Pig Manure Delivered:- Timberlake, 5 Mosley Road,
Naphill. Telephone Naphill 2396

ANN SULLIVAN will receive a premium bond for this essay on her Favourite Historical Character.

CHARLES II

I have just come to live in Walters Ash from a very historical city. The city is called Worcester. Charles II fought in the battle of Worcester in 1651. I know this because it says so on a plaque outside his house in New Street.

I have been to the top of the Cathedral Tower where King Charles stood and watched his army being beaten by Cromwell. Charles ran back to his house in New Street and collected his few belongings. His men helped him to escape over the North gate of the city. (The gate is not there now). He ran a long way to get away from the enemy. He was very weary and his feet bled, so people helped him along, but he had to be careful for many people tried to give him away.

He crossed the river Severn and continued trudging on until he came to Boscobel House, the home of William Penderel, his friend. By the time William's wife had cared for the King's feet and lanced the blisters, it was nearly morning and very unsafe to stay in Pendrel's house. The first place that Cromwell's soldiers would look would be the barn, so he and his companion - Colonel Carless climbed up a tall oak tree and hid among the leaves. They had to stay there all day until the soldiers had finished searching the house and grounds. The following day they left Boscobel House and started the long and dangerous trek to the south coast where Charles eventually got a boat to France. That was six weeks after the battle of Worcester.

After nine years Charles came back to England to be welcomed joyfully by all English people tired of Cromwell's reign. He rewarded those who helped him escape and was re-crowned shortly after his return to England.

N A P H I L L C O N S E R V A T I V E A S S O C :

Due to the success of our last Supper Party, many of our members have asked for "something similar". The Committee have arranged for another Supper Party with a very good Buffet Menu, in the Naphill Village Hall on Monday, 24th of May, 1971 at 8 p.m.

Please come along, bring a friend, meet new friends and enjoy a most pleasant evening.

Tickets: 50p (10/-) from any Committee member, (licensed bar)

The Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who gave such beautiful gifts for Tombola and Raffle Prizes at our recent Annual Dance and everyone who helped to make it the success it was.....THANK YOU.

N A P H I L L T E N N I S C L U B

We have received many requests for membership of the Club during the winter season. Now is the time to make your application.

Grades of Membership

Juniors (under 16 years of age) £1.00 (including 8 coaching sessions the first of which commences Friday, 7th May.)

Members above 16, under 19 years of age (including all full time students) £2.00 (£1.50 if paid before June 1st.)
coaching fees individually arranged.

Members 19+ £4.50 (£4.00 if paid before June 1st)
coaching fees individually arranged.

Husband & Wife membership £6.00 (£5.50 if paid before June 1st)

As well as Club Nights, this season it is planned to have a Ladies Morning to coincide with the Play Group mornings.

Fill in the attached form, yes, right now and send to:-

John Kelsey,
9 Allen Drive,
Walters Ash.

N A P H I L L T E N N I S C L U B

I wish to renew/ make application* to join the Naphill Tennis Club

My age is (Please put a tick in the appropriate box)

- Under 16 and enclose my cheque for £1.00
- Over 16, under 19 and enclose my cheque for £2.00
- Over 19 " " " " " £4.50
- Joint Husband/Wife " " " " " £6.00
- Discount of £0.50 if paid before 1st June 1971

In making application, I agree to abide by the rules of the club.

* strike out as applicable.

Signed.....
Date.....

E V E R E S T

D O U B L E

G L A Z I N G

By

H O M E I N S U L A T I O N L I M I T E D

Delamare Road, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire.

A N E X H I B I T I O N I N

N A P H I L L V I L L A G E H A L L

on

S a t u r d a y , 8 t h o f M a y , f r o m 8 a . m . - 6 p . m .

S P E C I A L

DISCOUNT

A V A I L A B L E

FROM

T H I S

EXHIBITION.

N A P H I L L C R I C K E T C L U B

Cricket fixtures for May are as follows:-

First Eleven

May 1st	Hampden	Home
May 8th	Prestwood	Away
May 15th	Kingshill	Home
May 22nd	Marsh Gordons	Home
May 29th	Winchmore Hill	Away

Second Eleven

May 1st	Kingsmead	Away
May 8th	Loudwater	Home
May 15th	Broomwade S.C.	Away
May 22nd	Marsh Gordons	Away
May 29th	Downley	Home

Sunday fixtures

May 9th	Aylesbury West Indians	Home
May 31st (Monday)	Peppard	Away

G.L.Brown

Circulation	Over 700 Copies.
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p per line. Panel advertisements by contract. All payments and enquiries concerning advertisements to Mr. Tony Lawrence, Auchinyell, Downley Road, Naphill. (Do not send payments to the Editor).
Announcements	of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	To the Editor Mr. R.S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill <u>by the 21st of the month.</u>

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING
NEW INSTALLATIONS
REPAIRS ETC.
RING NAPHILL 2274 ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY
Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517
Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

Coloured Paving
Ornamental Walling
Screen Blocks
Fencing Panels
Natural Stone
Sand, Ballast, Cement
all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH
Tel: Naphill 3330.

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

Your nearest
FISH & CHIPS
are at
LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE

Also at
OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW
DUCE'S of course

Conservative Party Meeting	1st	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Welfare	2nd, 16th		2 p.m.
W.I.	3rd		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday		8 p.m.
Art.	" "	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Mens' Club	Tues, Fri., Sat.	(B.R.)	8 p.m.
Over 60's	4th, 18th		2.30 p.m.
Dancing	4th		5 - 6.15 p.m.
V.H.C.	7th		8 p.m.
Dancing	8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th plus Committee Room		3 - 6.45 p.m. 6.20 - 6.50 p.m.
Play Group	Tues, Wed., Thurs (commencing 8th)		9 - 12 noon
Old Folks Tea Party	9th		1.30 a.m onwards
Whist	11th, 25th		7.30 p.m.
Library	11th, 25th	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
V.H. Fete	12th		All Day
V.H. Dance			8 p.m.
Dancing	11th		4.20 - 5.35 p.m.
Young Neighbours	14th		7.30 p.m.
Football Club Dinner/Dance	18th		7.30 p.m.
Art Evening	19th		7 p.m.
Dancing	21st		4.15 - 6.15 p.m.
W.I.	24th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
Wedding Reception	26th		All Day.

V I L L A G E H A L L N O T E S

Readers of the Gazette, who are in the main, also users of the Village Hall and Playing Fields will be pleased to learn that we have received approval of a grant from the Department of Education and Science towards the cost of improvements to the Hall. Unfortunately, we have been unlucky in our application for a grant towards car park improvements. We shall however, be counting our pennies to see if we can afford the much needed improvements to both car park and hall.

By the time you read this, the Fete will be only two weeks away. We do hope for fine weather, but the Fete Committee have wet weather plans which I am sure we all hope will not have to be used. Please come and support the Fete, and in the process, have a very enjoyable afternoon of varied entertainment.

B.D.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

The human soul: in origin is indescribable, in appearance is invisible, in composition is unanalysable, in value is incalculable, in constitution is indestructable and in exchange impossible.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

<u>Preachers for June</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
June 6th	Mr. K. Lewis	Sister Margaret (Holy Communion)
" 13th	Mr. E. Barnett	Naphill Preaching Group
" 20th	Rev. H. Hadwen	At the Anglican Church United Methodist Evening Service led by Sister Margaret Sermon : The Vicar
" 27th	Mr. W. J. Parkins	Mr. H. Lord

The amount collected in the village for the National Children's Homes was £86 50p. Thanks are given to helpers and donors.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services:

June 20th	Methodist Evening Service	6.15 p.m.
" 27th	Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.

At the time of writing this is Christian Aid Week, so the result will be announced next month.

Please visit the Guessing Competition Stall at Naphill Fete on July 3rd. This is the church's effort towards helping Village Hall Funds. We expect to have some fresh ideas this year.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

We were very pleased to welcome Mrs. Sherman on the 10th of May and to see so many people at the Crimplene evening. We got some very useful hints on how to care and wash this material. There was a wide choice of colours and it seemed that everyone was buying, so I guess the sewing machines must be working overtime in Naphill - it was a most enjoyable evening. The raffle for a dress length was won by Pam Blamey.

Coffee Morning:- Members and friends do come along to the Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Sale on June 23rd from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon at Mrs. Olive Stratford, "Wedgewood," Pursells Meadow.

Village Fete:- Our Stall at the Fete on June 12th will be for Home Produce and Fancy Goods. Those who are unable to bring their contributions to the Village Hall, please take them round to your nearest committee member - addresses as below.

Tea Hostesses for June:- Mrs. Joyce Cook, E. Chamberlen and J. Catchpole

Committee Members Addresses:-

Eileen Croxson	:	"Vectis," Forge Road
Pam Smith	:	"Hideaway," Forge Road.
Nesta Daly	:	5 Woodlands Drive
Olive Stratford	:	"Wedgewood," Pursells Meadow
Joyce Walker	:	5 Wellhouse Way
Marie Donlan	:	10 Wellhouse Way
Norma Randall	:	Randalls Garage
June Madgewick	:	1 Allen Drive.

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S H O W

We appealed earlier in the year for gardeners to set aside some plants for the Gift Stall at the Horticultural Society's Show on the 3rd of July. Apart from the plants we hope you have grown specially to help the Society's funds, this show provides an opportunity to get rid of that pot plant you have tired of - but, please try and give us its' name (it will make it easier to sell.)

Do try and bring something, even a ball of twine, or bundle of labels can be sold; while produce of every description will be acceptable.

Goods may be left in the front porch at "Hale End", Christopher Close before the show, or brought to the Village Hall during the morning of July 3rd

Some pot-grown pansies will be ready in the second week of June at 2¹/₂p each. Please call evenings at the above address.

W.&.E.G. Wood.

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

Several people, better fitted than I, have paid tribute to the late Arthur Busby and the part he played in the affairs of the Naphill Horticultural Society.

It might well be a further tribute to Arthur's memory to publicise the present position of the Society, its aims and aspirations. It has been said that Arthur Busby was the Society. As far as that is possible for any one man, it is true. Certainly, his passing has left a void which has proved very difficult to fill.

However, the Committee have decided to continue this year's Shows as planned. The Annual Show will be held on the 3rd of July and the Autumn Show on the 11th of September; and the schedules will be sent to all members and exhibitors, as soon as possible. Anyone interested will be able to obtain a copy from the Secretary.

We hope the Shows will be as colourful and successful as in previous years and that none will be put off from entering exhibits from a feeling of inadequacy. It is an Amateur Show and how often, on Show Days, have we heard the remark "I've some better than that. If I'd only known....."

There is nothing to lose and lots of help and companionship is always present at our Shows. At present we are looking for new members; the minimum annual subscription to the Society is only 15 p. From time to time, and when the position is a little more stable, we hope to enlarge on the benefits of membership. Meanwhile, all information is available from:-

Honorary Secretary : J. Boothroyd, 8 Allen Drive, Walters Ash
Show Secretary : H.C. Hussey, "Windrush," Stocking Lane,
Naphill.

Why not join us?

J.B.

G A R D E N I N G N O T E S

In a lot of cases most of the crops are now established and can take care of themselves. At the time of writing, a good rain would do the gardens a lot of good. The next best thing, if you cannot water, keep the hoe going and have a nice loose tilch on the top.

I must admire the new tenants of the allotments. Up to now they have had a rough time and most have worked hard on practically virgin soil. One consolation, the first year is the worst.

Plant as soon as possible, all the half-hardy annuals and it is safe for dahlias, marrows, tomatoes, etc.

/continued.....

GARDENING NOTES Continued,....

Keep an eye on the roses for aphid and caterpillars. One of the best cures for mildew is "karathane."

Still time to sow biennials for next spring. Wallflowers, Canterbury Bells, Sweet Williams etc. I know a lot of gardeners treat myosotis (forget-me-not) nearly as a weed. Try to pick out the best two or three plants, short, compact and a good blue. When they start seeding, place these on a piece of clean ground. Keep damp and in a few weeks, the seedlings will appear. Plant them out in August about 8 inches apart. Plant in their winter quarters, end of October, with a few scarlet Darwin tulips, and next spring, your friends will envy you.

After flowering is a good time to prune shrubs, like Brooms, Deutzias, Philadelphus, Forsythias etc. Prune to a nice shape, but don't cut back to the old wood.

Don't forget to stock up on winter greens, sprouts, kale, savoys, broccoli and cabbage.

Mow the lawn regular, and try to mow the four different ways. Up and down, across, diagonal to left and then right.

C.P.

N A P H I L L W.I.

The W.I. would like to see more young members, and to resolve the problem of their very young children, a number of young mothers have formed a rota, and will take turns to look after the babies and tiny tots in the Committee Room during business and speakers time. Mrs. Pushman started it off successfully at the May meeting, when V.C.O. Mrs. Geeves was the speaker and resolutions for the Albert Hall meeting were discussed.

Mrs. E. Hussey reported on the half-yearly B.F.W.I. meeting at Aylesbury which she attended as delegate. A new member was welcomed - Mrs. A. Close.

£10.30 was made on teas at the Drama Festival, thanks were given to those who contributed.

There will be a trip to the Royal Academy on 2nd of June, and a chance for shoppers to fill the coach.

Mrs. Blackwell won the prize for a limerick on the W.I.

At the June meeting, Miss Millington will talk on Small Antiques and the competition will be "My oldest cup and saucer." Tea hostesses:- Mrs. E. Hussey, Stewart, Shrimpton and Brion.

D.B,

N A P H I L L R E S I D E N T S A S S O C I A T I O N

The above association held its first committee meeting since the A.G.M. It was agreed that it would simplify communications if the names and addresses of the new committee members were published. These are as follows:-

- | | |
|---------------------|--|
| Chairman | Dr. Selby, 8 Wellhouse Way |
| Vice Chairman | Mr. C. Gait, "Santos", Stocking Lane. |
| Secretary | Mr. R. A. Morgan "Kamerun", Main Road |
| Asst. Secretary | Mrs. A. Hampton, "The Retreat," Pursells Meadow |
| Treasurer | Mrs. F. Morgan, "Kamerun," Main Road. |
| Committee Members:- | Mrs. Atkinson, 2 Wellhouse Way. |
| | Mr. A. Chubb, "The Firs," Hunts Hill Lane. |
| | Mr. J. Donlon, 10 Wellhouse Way. |
| | Mrs. Flett, 6 Wellhouse Way. |
| | Mr. P. Miles, 2 Woodbine Cottages, Naphill, Common |
| | Mr. L. Streets, 18 Ash Close |
| | Mrs. White, 23 Ash Close, |
| | Mr. G. White, 10 Allen Drive. |

Therefore, if you have any points to raise please contact your nearest representative. Remember, the Association exists for your benefit. Its principle aims are:-

- (a) To safeguard and promote the interests of the residents.
- (b) To render assistance on all matters for the benefit of the residents, collectively and individually.
- (c) To encourage all residents to take an active part in local affairs.

It would seem that a number of people are not aware of the half-price fare scheme now in operation on Thames Valley buses. If you are over 65, or disabled, you can qualify quite simply. Full details from Wycombe Bus Depot or "Kamerun," Main Road, Naphill.

As, no doubt, most residents know, the nearest dispensary is in High Wycombe and this certainly creates problems, for some people. It should not, however, be impossible to arrange a collection service by some means or other. Does anyone have any ideas on this?

R. S. P. C. A.

I am most grateful to all who so kindly took on the task of selling flags, also everyone who gave so generously to raise £19.30 for the R.S.P.C.A. funds.

L.M. Sharpe,
Aux. Hon. Sec.

EDITOR'S CORNER

The Parish Council Elections seem to me to have given a clear warning that Naphill wants this Council kept free from any suspicion of politics. The two men who headed the poll were the two who claimed to have no connection with any party. The others were all committee members of one side or the other. Furthermore, one of the defeated candidates is in favour of replacing all Naphill's house names with numbers and at least one other would like to see street lamps in the village. Both would be excellent preparations for the burghers of Wycombe (I almost spelt it another way!) to come up and take us into the borough. Amid all this talk of the environment, let us adopt the slogan "KEEP NAPHILL A VILLAGE."

CONGRATULATIONS:-

(One) to Dennis Syrett who has a picture hanging in the Royal Academy again this year, and has had two others accepted, but not hung. We wish Dennis every success in taking over the Art Shop - "Branch's" in High Wycombe.

(Two) to Naphill F.C. who completed a successful season in the highest local class of football, by winning a cup match at Flackwell Heath, who have won the league five years in succession. Incidentally, this was almost the only match which Flackwell did not report in the Free Press.

(Three) to our cover artist whose skill and imagination have conjured up a frightening picture of possible 'things to come'.

N A P H I L L L A B O U R P A R T Y

A meeting was held in April and the following officials were elected for the coming year.

Chairman : Ian S. Black, 12 Ash Close
Secretary : Diane Hussey, 3 Stocking Lane.
Treasurer : Mary White, 23 Ash Close.

A candidate was nominated for the forthcoming Rural District Council Elections and delegates appointed to the Wycombe Constituency General Management Committee.

New members are welcome. Please contact:- Ian Black on Naphill 2408. The next meeting was fixed for 26th May, 1971.

Ian Black sincerely thanks all the residents of Naphill and Walters Ash who voted for him in the recent Parish and Rural District Council Elections and will endeavour to serve the best interests of the village during his term as Parish Councillor.

MARK COBURN wins a Premium Bond for his Essay on "My Favourite Historical Character."

HARRY HOUDINI

Born 1874, Harry Houdini was the greatest escape artist who ever lived (nicknamed the Handcuff King). One of his favourite acts was to be chained and put in a box which was nailed down by leading carpenters, then the box would be lowered into a river. Seconds later he would emerge loose from his chains. Another one of his acts would be when he was put in chains and lowered into a steel box and put behind curtains. He would break free but stay behind the curtains for about forty minutes while the audience grew very tense. During that time he would be reading a paper, but the manager said that he could not read a paper because he made too much noise when he turned over the pages.

One of his most dangerous escapes was when he was put in a milk churn which was full of water with the lid padlocked down, but again he succeeded. He was once asked to go to a monastery in the mountains, he did go only to find that the monks wanted to tie him with rope, and again he escaped. It was said that when he was being tied up he would tense all his muscles and then when the people had finished he would go back to normal so he had room to manoeuvre.

He died in 1926 when a student punched him when he was not looking. After his death, seances were held each year to see if his spirit would answer, but he never did. At the very last seance, his widow took a pair of handcuffs that only he knew how to open, and said that if his spirit was there it would open them, but the handcuffs stayed shut.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

The fourteenth A.G.M. and Birthday Party held on April 23rd was well attended, and voting took place for the new Committee. Mrs. Bayley who is President of the Club thanked the Chairman and Committee for their work during the year. The Treasurer's report was then read. We had a good year, commencing with £135 and ending with £143. Mrs. D. Smith retired at the end of her two years of office, a ballot was taken for nominations for Chairman. Mrs. C. White was elected, and then the committee for the coming year.

The entertainment was provided by Downley Afternoon W.I. Drama Group with a play: "Out of the Night." Tea followed with a delicious cake made by Mrs. Gibson and cut by the oldest member, Mrs. Monger.

On the 7th of May we had Mrs. Wood from High Wycombe W.R.V.S., who gave a very good talk on Voluntary Work done by the Society. Lady Reading started the W.V.S. in 1938 with four ladies. Now W.R.V.S. voluntary workers number thousands. In High Wycombe they cover hospital work, Meals on Wheels, Collect books for the Forces, issue Welfare Foods and many more jobs. Mrs. Rose gave a vote of thanks.

/Continued.....

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES Continued...

On May 19th, 29 members had a most enjoyable afternoon visit to Cookshall Farm, home of Mr. & Mrs. Kent. The weather was perfect and members enjoyed seeing the farm animals. A delicious tea of home made fare was served by Mrs. Kent, and all too soon the coach was back to take us home. Mr. Shrimpton thanked Mr. & Mrs. Kent on behalf of the members...

A.G.

N A P H I L L F E T E

Saturday, June 12th.

The procession leaves Forge Road for the Playing Fields at 2 p.m., and will include the three Fete Princesses, the Children's Fancy Dress Parade, Floats, the Traction Engine "Pride of Penn", and the Marlow Band.

Mr. John Hall will declare the Fete open at 2.30 p.m. and the Arena Events will commence at 3.15 p.m. with The Pet Show. Entry forms are now available or you can enter your pets on Fete Day. We look forward to seeing your pets on Fete Day, and you stand a good chance of winning a cash prize!!

The High Wycombe Dog Training Club will be giving a demonstration of Dog Obedience Training to follow the Dog Show.

As an extra attraction, there will be a display of folk dancing by the "King Pins" Dance Team from Aylesbury.

Don't forget the "Grand Draw" - tickets are on sale now. There are some really good prizes!!

Lots of other prizes can be won on the various stalls and side-shows!! SO COME ALONG ON JUNE 12TH AND JOIN IN THE FUN.

If it does rain, please don't stay away - we have made "Wet Weather Plans" and hope we won't have to use them.

B.H.
Fete Committee
Chairman.

FOR SALE:- 4 Dining Chair £7 : 2 Upright Fireside Chairs £5.
Goodchild, Wyclands, Main Road, Naphill.

FOR SALE:- Pig Manure Delivered.
Timberlake, 5 Mosley Road, Naphill
Telephone : Naphill 2396

N A P H I L L S C O U T T R O O P

Easter marks the beginning of the busy part of the Scouting year, and this year has been no exception. Three boys attended the District Patrol Leader's Training Camp, about 10 spent a day canoeing at Marlow and 5 more travelled to the Lake District for a very wet weekend. This comprised the ascent of Helvellyn via Striding Edge, and of the Lagdale Pikes via Jack's Rake, a rock gully which for the occasion had turned into a waterfall. It was during this weekend that one member of the party with his mother's plastic mac reaching down to his ankles was mistaken by another youth hosteller for a Tibetan monk!

On May 15th, came the sponsored walk, supported by only 18 scouts and 20 cubs. The outstanding performances were the 30 miles covered by 11 year old Mark Lawrence, and the speed at which cub scout Julian Wallis completed his 15 miles. Our thanks to all our helpers including Mrs. Powell, last seen handing a sponsored dog to its owners, but with no cubs or scouts.

Recent badges include Derek Glenister's Chief Scout's Award to be officially presented by the D.C. on June 14th; and the Advanced Scout Standard to Iain Wallis, who becomes P.L. of the Hawk Patrol now that Simon Powell has gone up to the Venture Unit. Lyndon Pearce takes over as A.P.L. of the Eagles, and Stephen Parslow becomes A.P.L. of the Kestrels. Stephen, Anthony Leaver and Mathew Sayer all recently passed their Scout Standard.

Whitsun Camp is to be held at Longridge Activity Centre, Marlow, and includes canoeing in preparation for Summer Camp at Lochearnhead in Scotland, where there will be more canoeing, sailing, pony-trekking and mountaineering on offer.

With 4 Cub scouts to come up on June 14th, the Troop will have 40 members, and a waiting list has now been started. The cub packs already have a waiting list of 40, and more adult help is urgently needed for both cubs and scouts. If you would like to help, please contact Mr. Peter Mines (Naphill 3378) or the appropriate leaders.

C A R A V A N S

WHY NOT PAY US A VISIT?

THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE DISPLAY
OF NEW AND USED CARAVANS,
AWNINGS, ETC.

ACE, CAVALIER, CHELTENHAM, ECCLES, SPRITE, THOMSON, VIKING,
HARRISON, ISSABELLA, O.B.I., POULARD, SALOU:

Always a good selection of Used Tourers, Open 7 Days per week.

CROSS COUNTRY CARAVANS (WALLINGFORD) LTD., SHILLINGFORD HILL,
WALLINGFORD. Telephone **WARBOROUGH 425**

T O M O R R O W ' S E N V I R O N M E N T (& N A T U R E I N T E R E S T .)

There have been many chapters written on the above subject - some please us, others may frighten us. One scientist has just said: "we must stop doing the things we now know to be harmful, or it may be too late." We must make profound ethical and aesthetic decisions about the kind of world, and the quality of life we want for ourselves and our posterity. This may involve serious sacrifices of present material comforts and ways of dealing with the physical world around us. But we have no reasonable choice and, it may be that this exercise will open up possibilities of human enrichment which we now cannot conceive. Yet, should this tomorrow's environment be scientifically mishandled, we the last to come to this earth could be the first to leave it."

From man's earliest appearance on earth, writes Dr. La Mont C. Cole, man has been tampering with his environment. But only in the 20th Century have the mounting pressures of population and technology raised the question of man's survival. Dr. Cole was a member of the federal commission on pesticides which recommended a ban on the use of D.D.T. because of its long-range effects on plant and animal life, including human beings.

Is man changing the world's environment? He has been doing this almost from the time of his appearance as a new species, a million or so years ago, but now he has become so numerous and so technologically adept that there is a real danger he may destroy the ability of the earth to support life. Early man subsisted by gathering wild foods and hunting and fishing, then at some point he discovered that he could use fire to "drive" game animals. Was this the start of man-made pollution and soil erosion?

What of our trees today? Is man clearing them out of existence, if so, then he is ridding himself of one of his greatest friends. The greatest purifier of the breath he breathes, for, without trees our oxygen has no other source of purification and this would mean in its place a further poisonous pollution of our air, this could bring about the suffocation of all living, breathing beings. Cheerful possibility - may it never happen.

At this stage, man must anticipate the disastrous effects in the years to come and if not too late, start now to avoid or improve that environment.

India, two centuries ago had a population of about 60 million, today it has over 500 million and most of the land problems now existing there have been created in the past century through deforestation and ploughing and the resulting erosion. All this is stemming from efforts to support such fantastic population growth. Can the rest of the world learn something from this?

/Continued.....

TOMORROW'S ENVIRONMENT Continued.

One of today's great scientists, Richard Buckminster Fuller of America says "we are about to learn that chaos is non-existent; all that was chaotic was in man's bewildered imagination." May R. B. Fuller Esq., prove himself RIGHT.

The laboratories are engaged in producing many essential alloys needed for space travel, etc. Advanced designs in all producing mechanization giving corresponding improvement in human welfare. This can be revolutionary and can increase the world's productive capacity beyond all present imagination.

There will be enormous advances in future celestial travel, nuclear power stations, space landing stations and space tourism. Already there is a team of scientist and technicians designing amenities etc., for the first moon colony, and it is suggested that those little black boxes brought back from the moon may contain secrets of energy fuel cells, which could revolutionize household management everywhere in the world.

Now for a further thought. Two thirds of our globe is water, in our efforts to keep up with the need for more space, surely some scientific development can be produced to use some of this watery waste space. The difficulty of making salt sea water fresh for drinking was overcome long ago, so could to-morrow's environment provide the world with floating hotels, the design of which could be suitable to the climate.

If future, modern mechanized production will mean shorter hours and earlier retirement, then the majority of man-kind would be concerned with using their leisure time in doing the things that they would best enjoy doing. Then some preparation previously to retirement would be essential. Items for thought could be Art, Poetry, Drama, Music, Dancing, Philosophy, Science, Myths, Ritual Ceremony and Religion - all these items would become essential to some one and therefore, retirement would be welcomed and looked forward to in tomorrow's environment.

A.S.A.W.

P A R I S H C O U N C I L E L E C T I O N

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all who cast a vote on my behalf. As a fairly "new boy", I feel honoured to have received such a gesture of confidence. Most certainly I will endeavour to justify your trust. Once again, my sincere thanks.

R.A. Morgan.

P A R I S H C O U N C I L N O T E S

The May meeting was the last gathering of the old Council. With the passing of Councillor Doug. Tooby and the announcement by Councillor Roy Hampton that he was withdrawing from the election campaign, it was obvious that the next Naphill delegation would comprise some new faces, but who it would be from the field of seven remained to be seen.

It was fitting that this last meeting should feature Naphill affairs well in its agenda. We learned that the application for development in the field of 30 acres behind Louches Lane had been rejected, as had the application for 11 houses facing Louches Lane.

An extension of the speed limit from opposite the policeman's house to the first bungalow on Coombe Lane, was requested and the necessary application has been made to the County Council.

The new development at Strike Command was discussed with particular reference to the new Barrack Store by Woodcock Avenue. Representations had been made to the County Council and the Rural District Planning Dept., in the hope of pushing the building back in line with the existing frontage. However, the Defence Ministry is a law unto itself and no progress could be made. Nevertheless, in the interests of road safety, something will have to be done about the high fence which has been erected level with the footway and which restricts visibility.

This particular building serves to remind us of the importance of keeping a watchful eye on what is going on within our environment. Bureaucracy has little thought for aesthetics or the like, and in some cases achieves its aims by cloaking in silence its ultimate intentions. Such was the case of the lighting in Hughenden Valley. A reasonable request for lighting at the bottom of Cryers Hill has resulted in the urbanization of the entire Valley Road. Planners need watching - we must all keep a wary eye open.

Now that the election is over, I would like to thank all those voters who supported me. I shall continue to serve Naphill and Walters Ash to the best of my ability. My congratulations to Messrs. Morgan and Black - my two new colleagues in the Council.

R. Pushman.

Circulation	700 copies
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p. per line. All payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road, Naphill. Please do not send money to Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements	of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by <u>the 21st of the month.</u>

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists

Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close

Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods

Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment

The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County

Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.

Elite models

by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED

HEDGES CUT

ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers
FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205

★

REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette",

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

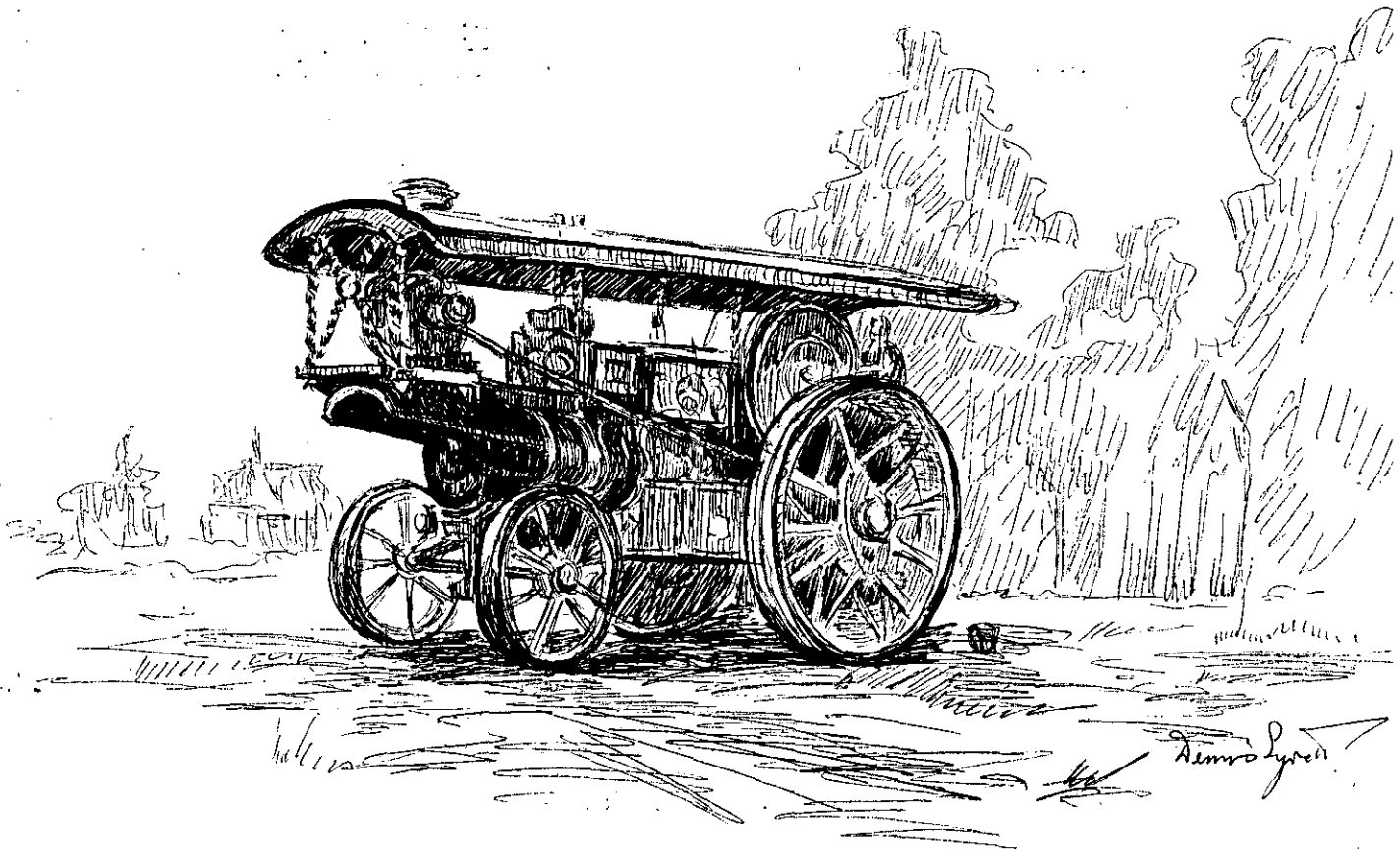
Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

SUMMER FETE

000237



Lucky
Programme

1971

3p

SAT. 12TH JUNE

Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields.



Mr. & Mrs. John Hall at the gate of their
cottage at Marsh, Near Aylesbury.

Mr. John Hall O.B.E., has been Wycombe's M.P. since November 1952.

----- 0000000000 -----

Fete Master of Ceremonies

Mr. Roy Perry

----- 0000000000 -----

The Village Hall Council wish to express their most sincere thanks
to all who have helped by giving their services and making donations
of all kinds.

----- 0000000000 -----

If it rains, please do not stay away. We have made "wet-weather"
plans and hope not to have to use them.

PROGRAMME

- 1.45 p.m. Procession assembly at Forge Road.
- 2.00 p.m. Procession of Decorated Floats, Fancy Dress Parade and the traction engine "Pride of Penn" led by the Marlow Band.
- 2.30 p.m. Opening of the Fete by Mr. John Hall followed by the judging of Floats and Fancy Dress in which he will be assisted by Mrs. Nancy Hall.
- 3.15 p.m. Arena Events commence with Small Pet Show which will be judged by Inspector Halliday of the R.S.P.C.A. followed during the afternoon by:
- Display by the King Pins Folk Dance Team, Aylesbury.
 - Dog Show
 - Dog Obedience Demonstration by the High Wycombe Dog Training Club.
- Musical selections will be played during the afternoon by the Marlow Band.
- 5.15 p.m. Grand Draw and Presentation of Prizes.

----- oooooooooo -----

Sideshows and Stalls

- | | | |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| GRAND DRAW | TRACTION ENGINE | KRAZY KITCHEN |
| TOMBOLA | | CROQUET |
| SPINNER | | TREASURE HUNT |
| HOOP-LA | | BRANTUB |
| CLOCK GOLF | | DARTS |
| TIN-CANS | SKITTLES | GUESSING GAMES |
| MARBLES-IN-A-POT | | WHEEL-OF-FORTUNE |
| BEAT-THE-GOALIE | | ROLL-A-BALL |
| GROUND QUOITS | | PICK-A-STRAW |
| WOMENS INSTITUTE | | YOUNG NEIGHBOURS |
| REFRESHMENTS | | ICE CREAM |

----- oooooooooo -----

EVENING

- 8.30 - MIDNIGHT "MIDSUMMER DANCE" IN THE VILLAGE HALL
- DAVE JAMES DISCOTHEQUE - "GO-GO" DANCERS
- TICKETS 55p REFRESHMENTS LICENSED BAR.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russet's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at . . .

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING NEW INSTALLATIONS REPAIRS ETC.
RING NAPHILL 2274 ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY
Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517
Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving
Ornamental Walling
Screen Blocks
Fencing Panels
Natural Stone
Sand, Ballast, Cement
all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH
Tel: Naphill 3330.

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette",

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS
(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

NAPHILL GAZETTE



HEDGE SPARROW AT NEST

JULY 1971



CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR
"1970 - 71"



N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E No. 240
AT THE VILLAGE HALL JULY 1971

W.I.	1st	2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday	8 p.m.
Play Group	" Tues, Wed, Thurs (ends 15th July)	9 - 12 noon
Art	Every Thursday	(B.R.) 7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Over 60's	2nd, 16th, 30th	2.30 p.m.
Horticultural Show	3rd	All Day
V.H.C.	5th	8 p.m.
Conservative Assoc:	6th	(C.R.) 8 p.m.
Dancing	6th plus Committee Room	3 - 6.45 p.m. 6.20 - 6.50 p.m.
Welfare	7th, 21st	2.30 p.m.
Whist	9th, 23rd	7.30 p.m.
Library	9th, 23rd	(C.R.) 6.30 - 8 p.m.
Young Neighbours	12th	7.45 p.m.
Residents Assoc.	13th	(C.R.) 8 p.m.
Wedding Reception	24th	All Day
W.I.	29th	(C.R.) 2.30 p.m.
Mens' Club	Tuesday, Friday, Saturday	7.30 p.m. (B.R.)

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that
which lies outside the will of God."

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services.

Sunday, 18th of July	3.30 p.m.	Evensong at the Methodist Church.
" 25th " "	9.00 a.m.	Holy Communion.

The Sunday School will close on the Sunday preceding the final day of term at the day schools, and will re-open again in September.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for July

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

July 4th

Mr. E. Leigh

Sister Margaret

" 11th

Mr. N. Nibloe

Mr. Andrews

" 18th

Sister Margaret
(Holy Communion)

No Evening Service.
3.30 p.m. United
Service at the
Methodist Church
Anglican Evensong
Mr. Darvill-Evans
Preacher
Sister Margaret

" 25th

Mrs. Tyler

Mr. E. Dean

Our deaconess, Sister Margaret Smith will be leaving us at the end of July to be married. Her future home will be in Norfolk. After the evening service on July 4th, we shall express thanks to her and pay tribute for the fine work she has done for us here in Naphill. We shall also have an opportunity of wishing her well in her new life when she conducts our services on July 18th.

The amount collected for Christian Aid was £82.74p. Thanks are given to helpers and donors

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

On June 4th, we had a "Natter Afternoon", Bingo was also played. Members enjoy this occasionally.

The Garden Party to have been held at Mrs. Bayley's, Plum Tree Cottage, had to be postponed owing to 'inclement weather' and the meeting was adjourned to the Village Hall. Here Mrs. Piercy kindly stepped in at short notice and gave a talk on her holiday to Hungary. This was entitled "Holiday on a Shoe-String." The journey was to be made to Budapest where she was to stay at the home of a friend. Her description of this journey and the pleasure it gave her, made us all realise how she absorbed what she saw of the people and conditions behind the Iron Curtain, and we were sorry when her talk finished. Mrs. Munger gave a vote of thanks.

We were pleased to welcome back Mrs. T. Brown, and Mrs. V. Hussey who have been ill; also to have Mrs. Ring with us again. To members who are still on the sick list, please get well soon - you are all missed.

Our next meeting is in the Garden of Mr. & Mrs. R. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Main Road (Iwon't-mention you know what.....permitting!) On July 16th, Mrs. Richardson will give a demonstration on "Supper Snacks." There will be a competition for 6 small or fancy cakes, or a jam sponge. A Coffee Morning has been arranged for August 4th in the Village Hall from 10 until 12 noon. All are welcome.

N A P H I L L F E T E 1971

In the middle of one of the wettest and coldest spells in the month of June for some years, we were very lucky to have a reasonably dry day for the Fete. It is quite clear that the bad weather kept the attendance down and we were indeed grateful that so many stalwart supporters did in fact brave the elements.

Our thanks are also due to those other stalwart characters who persisted through rain and cold winds to erect the stalls, put up the decorations, lay out the many items for sale and do the numerous preparations for an event of this type. It is hoped that they will feel it was all worthwhile to learn that we expect, when all the calculations are completed, to have made a profit of more than £200 on the day's events.

We were able to complete the full programme and there was a variety of interesting stalls and entertainment in the arena. No one can doubt the popularity of the traction engine "The Pride of Penn" and the Pets/Dog Show with the children. We all enjoyed the colourful dancing of the King Pins Folk Dance Team, the tuneful variety of music from the Marlow Town Band and to round off the afternoon, an excellent and amusing display by the High Wycombe Dog Training Club.

On behalf of the Village Hall Council and the Fete Committee, we should like to express our sincere thanks for your support and help, and in particular to our guests:- Mr. John Hall, his daughter Mrs. Codrington and Wing Commander and Mrs. Packwood.

Listed below are the many prize winners of the various competitions.

FLOATS - Theme "Tomorrow's Environment."

Rose Bowl Winners : Naphill County Primary School
Runners Up : Naphill Guides. (See photograph)

A really first class effort by both teams!

CHILDRENS FANCY DRESS PARADE.

A very good turn out and five winners were chosen by the judges. Unfortunately, all the winners names are not known at the time of writing, but we hope to publish the list in next month's Gazette.

LUCKY PROGRAMME : No. 16 TO Be Claimed

/Continued.....

NAPHILL FETE Continued....

<u>Ticket</u>	<u>G R A N D D R A W</u>	
5462	Kodak Camera	Mrs. A. Black, Woodcock Avenue
1093	Sunbed	J.G. Bradshaw, c/o 2 Woodlands Ave.
3799	Clock	W. Wood, Hale End, Naphill
5180	Sparklet Syphon	Gillett, June Cottage, Naphill
3560	Fire Screen	R. Adam, 2 East Close
2165	5 Gallons Petrol	P. Hyre, Oatley, Naphill
5637	5 " "	Mrs. Hogg, 109 Bradenham Beeches
5534	Basket of Fruit:	Mr. D. Shaw, Hunts Hill Lane
5483	Mens Avon Goods	L. Knight, 147 Templewood
3785	Cushion	R. Morris, Morningside, Bledlow Ridge
1913	Meat Voucher	Miss M. Blyton, 2 Carver Hill Road, High Wycombe.
4087	Wine	Mr. Winter-Taylor, Bryants Bottom
1741	Cake	S. Baldwin, Electrical Installations
5803	Veal & Ham Pie	Miss Massey, 188 Deeds Grove, H.W.
005	Cleaning Voucher Plant	L. Gant, Hill Rise, Richmond, Surrey J. Fortescue, 4 Ash Close

D O G A N D P E T S H O W

Class 1 - Small "Furry" Animals.

- | | | |
|---------------|------------|--------------|
| 1. I. Hawkins | 2. A. Tole | 3. C. Seager |
|---------------|------------|--------------|

Class 2 Larger "Furry" Animals.

- | | | |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. L. Boddy | 2. J. Chisholme | 3. J. Edwards |
|-------------|-----------------|---------------|

Class 3 Any other small pets.

- | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 1. J. McCormick | 2. J. Collicot | 3. L. Evans. |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|

D O G S H O W

Class 4 The most Appealing Puppy

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. Mrs. White | 2. Mr. Blunden | 3. Miss C. Drewitt |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------|

Class 5 Naphill's Shaggiest Dog

- | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 1. Miss Bartlett | 2. Mrs. Stallwood | 3. Mrs. Pears. |
|------------------|-------------------|----------------|

/Continued....

NAPHILL FETE DOG SHOW Continued....

Class 6 Dog with the Cleverest Trick.

- | | | |
|---------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Mrs. Brill | 2. Mr. Belcher | 3. Mrs. Jarman/
Miss Mitchell |
|---------------|----------------|----------------------------------|

Class 7 Dog Most Like its' Owner

- | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Miss T. Pearce | 2. Mrs. Kellerman | 3. Mr. Brookfield/
Mr. Skegg. |
|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|

G U E S S I N G C O M P E T I T I O N

- | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Weight of Mr. John Hall | M. Hayers, Ash Close |
| Length of Apron Waistband | T. Riches, Red Cottage, Downley Rd. |
| Number of Beads on Necklace | S.J. Frost, Bourne End. |
| Number of Currants in Cake | Stibbon, Mereworth, Stonefield Road. |
| Number of Blue Crystals | J. Otway, Crick House, Naphill |
| Weight of Coal for Engine | Mrs. J. Murray, Well House Way |
| Area of Playing Fields | J. F. Ward, 18 Willow Grove, Ruislip |
| Length of rim of Wheel | Mr. Hodges, Chapel Lane. |

O T H E R C O M P E T I T I O N S

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Skittles</u> (Men) | T. Lovell, Holly End, Naphill |
| " (Ladies) | Mrs. Chamberlain, Purssells Meadow. |
| " (Children) | A. Leaver, The Leaves, Naphill |
| <u>Marbles in Pot</u> (Adult) | Miss S. Martin |
| " " (Child) | Miss J. Young |
| <u>Treasure Hunt</u> | 1. Mrs. Bradley |
| | 2. D. Bradbury |
| | 3. Y. Stevenson |
| <u>Clock Golf</u> (Ladies) | Mrs. McCormick |
| " " (Gents) | Mr. Otway. |
| " " (Child) | P. Foston. |
| <u>W.I. Raffle</u> | |
| Wine | Mrs. Shakeshaft |
| Tray | Mrs. Batchelor |
| Socks & Hankies | Mrs. Bridgeman |
| Tea Towel | Mrs. Chamberlain |

NAPHILL FETE Continued.....

H I G H W A Y D R I V I N G S C H O O L S P E C I A L
C O M P E T I T I O N S

Guessing Mileage of Used Tyre Mr. Andrews, 11 Ash Close

Highway Code Competition - Children.
Nicholas Grafham, Allen Drive
David Molesworth, Pedlar's Patch,
Loosley Row.
Anthony Cresswell, Vincents Way.

Highway Code Competition - Adults.
Mr. John Hall, M.P.
P.W. Sewery, R.A.F. High Wycombe.
B. Hicks, Parkwood, Walters Ash.
Shirley Sims, Clifford Road, Princes
Risborough
Mrs. Wingrove, Forge Road, Naphill
Mrs. J. Hanson, Grimsdyke Farm
Cottage, Lacey Green
Mrs J. Holland, Cherry Tree Cottage,
Naphill

N A P H I L L F O O T B A L L C L U B

We must apologise for our absence of late, but we will endeavour to make amends; The final placings were:-

1st Team 3rd in the Premier Division with 30 pts.

Reserves were 5th with 29 pts.

On Friday, 18th of June, the Annual Dinner and Dance was held in the Village Hall with guest speakers Mr. Reg Holt (Secretary of the Wycombe Combination) and Mr. Brian Wells (Treasurer of the Wycombe Combination.)

Awards were made by Mr. Gerry Free to the following:-

Player of the Year	:	Steve Williams.
Reserve Player of the Year	:	Brian O'Leary
Clubman of the Year	:	Martin Day.

Dancing to D. Keen and his music was held from 9.30 p.m, to 1.00 a.m.

The A.G.M. will be held in the Village Hall on the 29th of June. Anyone wishing to attend - New Players, Supporters, Helpers; all are welcome.

27

NATURE INTEREST

The bird I have chosen for this month is The Dunnock. It is also known as the hedge sparrow but it does not belong to the sparrow family. It is more like our warblers, it is not a regular seed eater, the beak is not a seed-eating beak, it is long and pointed and feeds mostly on insects and larvae with an occasional spider and earthworm.

In 1475, it was known as the dunnock or dun-coloured bird, and the hedge sparrow 'label' was not recorded until 1530.

It is one of our most common small birds, and can be seen almost everywhere in Great Britain. It is a sober little bird, never quarrelsome, fairly tame and most friendly with very few enemies, except the cat - or perhaps people who still think it is a sparrow and should be destroyed.

One of the birds many fascinating characteristics is to shuffle along with its body very near the ground, giving the impression of very short legs - of course, this is not the case. In this manner, it quietly creeps along like a little mouse. It is hunting for food, searching on the lawns and gardens for the tiny insects and larvae.

If you would care to study this poor, almost forgotten little bird, you will be really surprised how much can be discovered about it that is very delightful. It is definitely a "minding-my-own-business" type of bird, never in a hurry and very satisfied with things as they are.

The male and female are identical in colour. Before they establish a pairing understanding there is quite a long period of preparation. At first they will be seen at some distance from each other and each almost completely ignoring the other. Then as time passes by they will become more friendly, hunting for insects, nearer each other but always she will be a little behind him. Then the amusing pairing display will become more serious. He will take up a very erect stance and she will become more puffy and fluffy, carrying her body even more closely to the ground. She will be quite near to him now, and he will turn to her, offer her a food tit-bit, but she will refuse his offering. This ritual of refusal will occur for a while, then with her body right down to the ground, with rapid tail movement and quivering wings, she will accept by opening her beak wide for him to pop in the juicy insect. Then in return, she will begin to find pieces of moss and nesting material which she will carry around to show him, thus a partnership has been formed and the nesting site is chosen.

The dunnocks have a special way of choosing the site for their nest. It is not very high from the ground, 2/3 feet, and they choose a site that can be approached by secret tracks from entries a few feet from the nest. Special twigs and branches are chosen and experts say the same twigs and branches are used each time the nest is

/Continued.....

visited. Quietly and quickly they build their nest using soft moss with a few small twigs and fibres. These are made into a very solid deep cup, lined with soft hair, wool and feathers. Then 4/5 strikingly bright blue eggs are laid, no spots or marks. At this stage madam takes over for the following 12/13 days incubation period and, if all goes well, both parents will then feed the chicks - again using those secret tracks.

The usual time before the youngsters are ready to take their first flying lesson is about 12 days. The parents will continue to watch over them and feed them until they are quite capable of fending for themselves. Then the parents will start all over again for a second brood.

The dunnock's song is soft and sweet and this can be heard all the year round except in August, probably the moulting time - or maybe they are too exhausted to sing.

Well, I hope I have been able to interest you sufficiently to inspire a glance from you towards these dull little brown birds that, as far as I know, have never inspired the poets; neither have they ever quarrelled with anything, or anybody.

A.S.A.W.

G A R D E N I N G N O T E S

For gardeners this month, everything depends on the weather. It may be hot with frequent heavy rain, and vegetation in the most luxuriant growth. Or the earth may be iron and heavens brass, with hardly a green blade to be seen.

At any rate, this month we should be getting some reward for our efforts of the past months. Potatoes, broad beans, peas, lettuce, nice young onions etc. Gooseberries, raspberries, black-currents, strawberries should now be plentiful. Herbaceous borders and the summer bedding should be at their best now.

At the end of the month is the best time to sow seed for your spring cabbage. Most gardeners say this is the most important vegetable crop. After the heads have been cut in the spring, leave the stumps and you will have some nice shoots for the whole year. Always something there, if other crops fail. Keep up the sowing of lettuce, and sow your winter turnips, and endive. Still time to plant winter greens. Early in the month it's a good chance to sow a row of early peas, and dwarf beans. If no early frost, these will be welcome after the runners finish.

I find July is the best month to take hydrangea cuttings. Take growths of this year of about six inches long, with a heel if possible. Take off the bottom leaves, and insert four or five in a four inch pot in sandy soil. Place in a shaded, closed frame for two or three weeks, and they start rooting. Then gradually give them air. If you have no closed frame, a box with shaded glass will do. One tip, never close the frame if the foliage is wet, let them dry first or the cuttings will "damp-off". Each of these cuttings will give one fair-sized bloom next year. And then you will have bushes for a life-time!

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

The Society's 26th Annual July Show will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday July 3rd, 1971, opening at 2 p.m.

The cost of admission is 5p, children 3p, payable at the door. Schedules of the Show have been sent to all members and Exhibitors and it is to be hoped that the weather will be kinder to us than it was last year, when it restricted many well known entries.

As before, entries on the entry form provided in the Schedule, must reach the Show Secretary, Mr.H.C.Hussey, "Windrush", Stocking Lane, Naphill not later than Wednesday 30th June. I would particularly draw attention to the rule that entries for the Floral Art Class cannot be accepted later than Friday Evening, the 2nd of July. This is very important in view of the great popularity which this Class has shown in the past Shows.

As usual, staging may commence on the Friday evening prior to, or from 8 a.m. on the morning of the Show. Staging should be completed and the Hall cleared for judging by 11.30 a.m. on the morning of the Show. No exhibit may be removed before 5.30 p.m. on Show Day, when a sale of exhibits will take place.

The Committee sincerely hope that this Show will be a great success and look forward to seeing you there.

We have arranged that Mr.Leonard Gray of High Wycombe, who has previously given a display of his infinite variety of Cacti, will again stage a collection at this Show.

Apart from the fascination of this collection, Mr.Gray is very knowledgeable about the cactus plant and anyone interested would benefit from a talk to him. He is always very willing to share his knowledge.

May I take this opportunity to remind members that subscriptions for 1971 are due and any member who has not had an opportunity to subscribe will find it at the Show, I am sure.

We also would welcome anyone who would like to join us. The minimum Annual Subscription is only 15p, and the return for this sum is, as they say on the Stock Exchange, quite high!

J.B.

PHOTOGRAPHS ON INSIDE COVER

Football Club Dinner-Dance - Presentation of the 'Clubman of the Year Award' to Martin Day by Gerry Free.

The Naphill Girl Guides Float at the Village Fete.

Both photographed by Terry Riches.

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E

23 Ash Close,
WALTERS ASH

To The Editor: Naphill Gazette.

Dear Sir,

I am writing initially about a misinformed comment in last month's editorial concerning numbering of houses along Main Road. I have at no time advocated the replacement of house names by numbers. At a Residents Association Meeting, I remarked that it was curious that there was no numbering of houses along the Main Road, which has about 200 houses along it. If numbering were introduced, any resident would have the choice of using names or number or both whilst at present some houses show neither. This was never part of my policy as a candidate for Parish Council since this matter is the particular concern of Main Road residents.

In addition, it is debatable whether the electorate were expressing distaste for politics at a local level or were voting for particular personalities. It is to be hoped that all candidates were political in so far as they have a policy which they seek to effect. Presumably it is party politics to which some object.

Revulsion against the way in which political arguments are sometimes fought viz. personal attacks, half-truths, biased selection of facts, is understandable. A careful study of allegedly non-political issues reveals them to be greatly influenced by the party political convictions of their exponents e.g. whether a particular site should be used for public or private development or left alone. Even if the Parish Council has few powers, it can make recommendations to the R.D.C. and County Council whose responsibilities include rates, planning, roads and education. Party politics do not examine local affairs in isolation, but attempt to put them into perspective within the whole community, regionally and nationally.

Mary M. White (Mrs.)

A R T E X H I B I T I O N

The Art Exhibition and Coffee Evening staged by the Womens' Institute was a great success.

Many interesting and varied paintings were on show and also some pottery from the classes at Strike Command. The attendance increases each year and proceeds go to charity.

This year, approximately £30 will be handed to a representative of the Chalfont Epileptic Colony.

EDITOR'S CORNER

First, I would like to thank John Hall M.P. for the nice things he said about the Gazette, when opening the Fete. If the Fete continues to be held on the same day as the Honours List is published, then I am sure that one of these years we will be returning the compliment. "Rise, Sir John?"

Mrs. Mary White points out that she did not advocate the re-placement of house names by numbers. Though I did not mention Mrs. White by name, I naturally apologize. The trouble is that if numbers were introduced, the Post Office would soon wish to make them compulsory, and house names would soon disappear. One more step in the transition from village to suburbia. On the subject of party politics in the Parish Council, Mrs. White is very persuasive, but I remain unconvinced. Here, surely to God, is a forum where a man may vote at the dictates of his conscience, and not of his party. I do not exaggerate, for I received from one party the news that their Parish Council candidates had been nominated at a party meeting. I did not publish this because I suspected that the other Party had done the same, but was more cautious about saying so.

N A P H I L L W.I.

Despite a small attendance, members spent a pleasant afternoon, browsing through Miss Millington's small antiques and discovering the fascinating contents of great grandmama's reticule. She was thanked by Mrs. K. Pearson.

The Drama Team were congratulated on reaching the finals and gaining two certificates at the Aylesbury Festival. Mrs. M. Piercy's Coffee Morning made £3. Miss Millington judged the competition for the oldest cup and saucer, awarding first prize to Mrs. Ellis and second to Mrs. J. Balls.

At the July meeting, Mrs. Russell will give a demonstration of Dried Flower and Shell Pictures and the competition:- "A Flower Arrangement in a Shell."

Tea Hostesses:- Mrs. Boothroyd, Rabson, Parslow

D.B.

FOR SALE:-

Pig Manure Delivered.
Timberlake, 5 Mosley Road, Naphill.
Telephone : Naphill 2396.

P A R I S H C O U N C I L N O T E S

June saw the first meeting of the new Council which had an extensive agenda before it for consideration, ranging from the planned new playing fields for Widmer End to the extension of Naphill's speed limit to connect up with Hughenden Valley.

Concern was again expressed at the violation of the existing building line by the new development at Strike Command and it was agreed that representations be made to the Member of Parliament - Mr. John Hall.

The question of grants by the Parish Council and Rural District Council for the extension and creation of village halls was discussed and it should be noted by local organizations, who might be considering the seeking of funds, that applications must be made to the R.D.C. by the end of August latest in any year, in order to qualify for a grant the following year. As in some cases prior recommendation is needed from the Parish Council, I would suggest that applications are made in writing to the Clerk not later than the end of July.

Several small development applications had been received and noted, none larger than two dwellings. Any proposed large scale development within the village will be notified to readers through these notes, "if and when, the occasion arises.

The dumping of litter on open spaces is to be discouraged by direct prosecution, under the Litter Act, by the Parish Council. Remember that information concerning this is rewarded by £10 in respect of dumping on Naphill Common and the offender is liable to a large fine.

R. Pushman.

L A T E R C O R R E S P O N D E N C E

Cherry Tree Cottage,
Main Road, Naphill.

To the Editor,
Dear Sir,

In view of your comments in the June issue to the Gazette concerning the Parish Council elections, I felt that I should write to you expressing my full and enthusiastic support of your slogan "Keep Naphill a Village."

As one of the candidates at this election who was soundly defeated, I felt that your other remarks called for an answer as I would certainly not like to be considered as one of those in favour of replacing Naphill's house-names or indeed, to erect street-lamps in the village.

Being a fairly recent 'newcomer' to Naphill, I find that the friendly village atmosphere is probably one of its' most endearing and important characteristics. My family and I appreciate this particularly as we came here from an 'impersonal new estate.'

/Continued.....

LATER CORRESPONDENCE Continued.....

As a newcoming, I hope you will not find it presumptuous of me to say that I find the thought of Naphill being swallowed up by the Borough of Wycombe as repugnant as you do!

However, I feel that as an 'independent' candidate, although a committee member of one of the 'parties'; I find it somewhat erroneous to draw the conclusions which you have, concerning the results of this election. All of the candidates except one, were officially independent - equally as independent as most previous councillors.

Further, in view of the 'local' nature of this election, all the candidates except those elected did little or no canvassing, did not use posters or other methods of publicity and did not have 'party' support. We may have learnt a lesson here!

Finally, whilst I fully believe that 'party politics' as such do not have any meaning in local parish affairs, I could not deny my political affiliations in order to gain votes at such an election.

I should like to express my congratulations to the three successful candidates and will follow with interest, their efforts on behalf of the villagers of Naphill in Parish Council affairs.

Yours very truly,

Bruce T.A. Holland.

TO LET - Furnished accommodation comprising of one bedroom, Lounge Bathroom and Kitchen, offered in a Bungalow at Naphill for approximately three months commencing October. Naphill 3486

We have a vacancy for an experienced upholstery sewing machinist. Full time preferred, but part-time considered. Apply:-
Mr. D. Southam, Lawrest Works, Downley Road. Naphill 2134.

Circulation
Advertisements

700 copies

Full page display £2 or 5p per line. All payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road, Naphill. Please do not send money to the Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Informations and payments to Mrs. A. Lawrence Downley Road.

Announcements

of Births, Marriages, and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.

Contributions

to Mr. R. S. Percy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill, by the 21st of the month.

C A R A V A N S

WHY NOT PAY US A VISIT-

THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE DISPLAY
OF NEW AND USED CARAVANS,
AWNINGS, ETC.

ACE

CAVALIER

CHELTENHAM

ECCLES

SPRITE

THOMSON

VIKING

HARRISON

ISSABELLA

O.B.I.

POULARD

SALOU

Always a good selection of Used Tourers, Open 7 days per week

CROSS COUNTRY CARAVANS (WALLINGFORD) LTD.,
Shillingford Hill,

WALLINGFORD.

Telephone: WARBOROUGH 425

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at . . .

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers
FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette".

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS
(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY
Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



THE NUTHATCH

AUGUST 1971

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E N O : 241
AT THE VILLAGE HALL - AUGUST 1971

Private Party	1st		4 p.m.
V.H.C.	2nd		8 p.m.
Conservative Assoc:	3rd	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Welfare	4th; 18th		2 p.m.
Coffee Morning Over 60's.	4th		10 a.m.
W.I.	5th		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday		8 p.m.
Whist	6th, 20th		7.30 p.m.
Library	6th, 20th	(C.R.)	6.30 p.m.
Over 60's	13th, 27th		2.30 p.m.
Private Party	13th		8.30 p.m.
W.I. Coffee Morning	14th		10. a.m.
In Aid of DOVE		(C.R.)	
Wedding Reception	21st		All Day
W.I.	26th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
Drama	31st		7.30 p.m.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Our regular Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m.

All are welcome!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"I refuse to spend a lot of time burning incense to the success of yesterday when greater things lie before me"

- Paul S. Rees.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services:

Sunday 22nd August - Holy Communion - 9 a.m.

Please note that Evensong usually held on 3rd Sunday in the month is cancelled for August only.

A prize won on the Church Stall at Naphill Fete by Mr. Ward of Ruislip has not yet been claimed. If a friend of his lives in the village will they please arrange to call at 'Hale End', Christopher Close and collect it for him.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

<u>Preachers for August</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
August 1st	Mr.K.Peatey	Mrs. Holt
" 8th	Mrs. Mann	Rev.G.Eric Firth
" 15th	Mr.A.Goodearl (Mayor of High Wycombe)	Mr.E.Barnett
" 22nd	Mr.B.Sutcliffe	Mr.E.Jarvis
" 29th	Mr.P.Steare	Mr.M.Brittin.

The evening service on August 8th will be a combined service for Overseas Missions. Friends from Cryers Hill, Lacey Green and Bryants Bottom will join us with Rev.G.Eric Firth leading the worship.

We extend a warm welcome to all residents and any visitors who may be in the village this month.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

The Garden Party held at Mrs.Piercy's was perfect weatherwise and members spent a pleasant afternoon playing games and admiring the garden. Tea was served on the lawn and enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to Mrs.T.Brown, Mrs.Boothroyd and Mrs.Parslow on winning prizes in the 'Ladies Spray' class at the Naphill Horticultural Show.

On July 16th Mrs.Richardson demonstrated Savoury dishes and sweets. She prepared dishes which could be made quickly and easily for one or two people which did not cost a lot. These were then raffled amongst the members.

The competition for the sponge cake was won by Mrs.Munger with Mrs.Gibson second. First prize went to Mrs.Gibson for small cakes, these were judged by Mrs.Richardson.

There is a Coffee Morning in the Village Hall on Wednesday 4th August 10 a.m. - 12 noon with a Bring and Buy Stall. Any surplus garden produce would be very welcome.

Come and have coffee with your friends.
The next meeting will be 10th September.

A.G.

N A P H I L L V I L L A G E H A L L C O U N C I L
1971

<u>Officers:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>Address:</u>	<u>Tele.No:</u>
Chairman	Mr.A.B.Drewitt,		
Vice Chairman:	Mr.J.G.Gabbitas,	3 Allen Drive,W.Ash.	Nap.2390
	Mrs.B.Grafham,	18 Allen Drive, "	" 3561
	Mr.B.Holland,	Cherry Tree Cottage,	
		Main Road,Naphill	" 2290
Past Chairman	Mr.R.A.Leaver,	The Leaves,Nap.Cmmn.	" 3046
Secretary	Mrs.A.S.Moore,	9 Beech Park, W.Ash.	" 2048
Treasurer	Mr.D.Turner,	Redcot,Main Road,Nap.	" 2645
Asst.Treasurer	Mr.P.Hyre,	Oatley,Main Road, Nap.	" 2437
Life Member	Mr.R.Rose,	Jesselton, Naphill.	" 3207

Representatives of Organisations:

W.I.	Mrs.V.Pushman,	Umtata,Naphill Common."	3122
Drama Club	Mrs.D.Butler	Walnut Tree Cottage,	
		Main Road, Naphill.	"
Young Neighbours	Mrs.P.Smith,	Hideaway,Forge Rd.Nap."	3027
Men's Club	Mr.P.Miles	Woodbine Cottages,	
		Naphill Common.	
Social Club	Mr. Webb	St.Michaels,Oakshott	
		Avenue, Naphill.	" 2046
Whist Drives	Mrs.Bowler,	10 Vincent Way,Naphill."	2415
Horticultural Soc.	Mr.Wiseman,	Hazeldene, Main Rd.Nap."	
Over 60's Club	Mr.Crane	6 Ash Close,W.Ash.	
Cricket Club	Mr.G.Brown,	Rosewood,Downley Rd. "	
Tennis Club	Mr.T.Kelcey,	9 Allen Drive, W.Ash.	
Scouts & Cubs	Mr.P.L.Mines,	Heysham,Naphill Common."	3378
Methodist Church	Mrs.Bowler,	10 Vincent Way,Naphill."	2415
Naphill School	Mr.W.Bradley,	Primary School,Naphill."	2412
Parish Council	Mr.R.C.Pushman,	Umtata,Naphill Common. "	3122
R.A.F.	P/O Hicks,	Parkwood,Walters Ash.	
Residents' Assoc.	Mr.R.A.Morgan,	Kamerun,Main Road.	" 3117

Continued...

N A P H I L L E V I L L A G E H A L L C O U N C I L . Contd..

VILLAGE RESIDENTS' REPRESENTATIVES:

<u>Name:</u>	<u>Address:</u>	<u>Tele:No:</u>
Mr.M.J.Balls,	Westfield, Main Road, Naphill.	Nap. 3071
Mr.T.Fendom,	23 Allen Drive, Walters Ash.	" 3456
Mrs.Croxson,	Vectis, Forge Road, Naphill.	" 2405
Miss.E.Cooper,	Kinnoull, Main Road, Naphill.	" 3315
Mrs.D.Leek,	Aldin Purssells Meadow.	" 2602
Mr.H.Latham,	Bowland House, Main Road.	" 3265

CARETAKERS:

Mrs.Timberlake,	5 Moseley Road, Naphill.	" 2396
Mr.Gibbon,	Moseley Cottage, Main Road.	

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

At our meeting on July 12th we were pleased to welcome Mrs.Russell who gave us a very interesting demonstration on making pictures out of dried flowers and shells. The vote of thanks was given by Mrs. Tole. Mrs.Madquich and Mrs.Chamberlain won the competition and the raffle prize went to Mrs.Putman.

I would like to thank all our friends who turned up at Mrs.Donlon's Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy Stall, we finished up with a grand total of £3.00 which will go to swell the funds a little.

RAMBLE: Our next meeting on August 9th will be in the form of a ramble. We shall meet at Forge Road at 7.15p.m. Anyone wishing to come along and join us will be most welcome, come well prepared in trows or slacks etc., If it turns out a rainy evening we will have a coffee evening and bring and buy sale at Mrs.Croxson's, 'Vectis', Forge Road at 8 o'clock.

Tea Hostess' for September:

Mrs.Latham, Mrs.Stallwood, Mrs.Tole, Mrs.Kemp, Mrs.Walker.

J.F.

S e p t e m b e r 3 r d . DRAMA EVENING / PICNIC.

7.30 - 9.30 p.m. - 15p.

To be held on The Common outside 'Sevenwinds'.

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

The Society held it's 26th Annual July Show in the Village Hall on Saturday July 3rd 1971.

It was generally agreed that the Show was a success in spite of some unforeseen difficulties. Firstly, the weather prior to the show was inclement which reduced the number of exhibits especially in the Sweet Pea Classes which are usually abundant at this show. On the day we enjoyed a hot summer Saturday and possibly many people would be away. In spite of this the attendance was up on the previous year. The floral art section continues to expand, this section seems to be thriving at most shows.

We would like to thank all who helped us run the Show, particularly Mr. & Mrs. Woods who organised and ran the Gift Stall, this was a huge success. We thank all who exhibited and those who came to visit us.

The 26th Autumn Show will be held in The Village Hall on Saturday September 11th and we look forward to seeing you all there.

J.B.

G A R D E N I N G N O T E S

At the time of writing these notes, the soil is very dry. We people in Naphill are fairly lucky in it being a fairly heavy soil, it holds the moisture much better than the light porous soils. I hope you are all keeping the hoe going, a loose half inch of top soil prevents a lot of evaporation.

The flower department seems to revel in the brilliant sunshine we have been experiencing, I have never known a better year for roses, the floribunda have been marvellous. Keep all seed-pods off for a longer period of flowering.

Your wallflowers, canterbury bells, sweet Williams and myositis sown early June should now be ready to be pricked out in beds about 8" each way. They should be nice plants about October ready for their winter quarters to give a good show next spring. Sow some pansy and viola seeds now for flowering early next year. If you wish to increase your stock of favourite fuschias now is a good time for cuttings, place in a closed frame or box for a few weeks.

The vegetable garden seems to suffer from the intense heat more than the flower section. Keep the hoe going and if you can water well, i.e. celery, leeks and lettuce. Sow another row of lettuce, they will be valuable late Sept. & Oct. Still time if done now, to sow spring cabbage, cotton the little seedlings when through as all the tops will be picked off; the sparrows love them. Also dust in the morning when the dew is on them to prevent the flea-beetle. Don't forget to put a little extra on your lawn, mow often and clean up the verges and edges; an untidy lawn makes an untidy garden.

C.P.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

The day was dull but pleasant. The sky is offering a patch of bright blue, so I am tempted to take my nature stroll. On goes my light coat, and, as always, I carry my ash walking stick. It is very useful to reach into the middle of a bush or under a heavy turf, a method of investigation. Away into the unknown a little disturbing perhaps for the sleeping individual but often a pleasant surprise for me.

I am soon away on my journey but before I had walked far I was reading through my last year's diary and there on June 20th 1970 I had recorded strolling across the top part of Bradenham Wood leading down through the wood to the upper part of Bradenham Green.

There, a year ago today, I had watched the little brown tree creeper. I had written in my diary how this little bird was creeping very quickly up the rough bark of an oak tree, it had reminded me of a tiny brown mouse with feathers and each time I had walked round the tree for a better view it would very quickly move round to the other side. Yes that is where I will make my stroll today, June 16th 1971. I will watch for that little illusive mite, the tree creeper.

I wondered if I would be lucky again today, I wondered if I would find it's nest, it would be in a crevice or a cavity between the heavy bark and it would be well camouflaged. As I strolled through the wood I planned what could happen and if I was lucky my old pen and pencil would be busy before I returned home. Quietly I walked along the pathway and soon I was involved with three baby squirrels and their mother. They were really pretty to watch, they were so tiny 3-4" long not counting their little bushy tails. They were at play and scampered off at real speed only to return to their mother almost immediately, indeed they were like kittens at play and mother was very near to them all the time watching fair play. Suddenly all four of them dashed up one of the beech trees, they were in the top branches in no time at all. They all seemed to disappear completely it was then I noticed a jay also in the top of the tree, Shaak! Shaak!! she shrieked the alarm cry. The squirrels realised what a danger there was in that jay and were nowhere to be seen. The jay is a beautiful bird, though perhaps a little cruel, with bright blue and black coverts with striking white tummy. The jay was chattering away very argumentative, maybe the annoyance was myself trespassing within the woodland bird's territory but soon all was quiet again, no jay, no squirrels, just me and my ash walking stick but I still hoped and waited for something to happen.

Suddenly I heard "twit-twit-twit", I stopped, looked up to where I thought this rather deliberate explosive sound came from and found I was looking up at an old heavily barked tree, an old oak tree, it wasn't my tree creeper, it was the nuthatch. Yes-the nuthatch- his little tail was stiffly pressed against the tree and he was jerking himself up in spasmodic hops, beside him was a hole in the tree, it could have been an old boring of a woodpecker.

continued..

NATURE INTEREST Continued...

I felt he was too precious to lose so I excitedly kept him in view but he would continue to keep running round the other side of the tree. Then without warning he turned and came running down the tree head first each of his two little claws were clinging on to the rough bark as safe as a fly on the ceiling. What a real beauty he is. He has a real blue grey back and underparts, a white rump and belly and flanks a pink to orange rust. It has a longish beak quite thin and pointed and from the base of the beak through the eye to almost it's shoulders is a wide black line, most impressive. Whilst I was making notes and roughly sketching on my pad I looked up and for just a moment I thought I must be seeing double for there were two, yes a pair of the nuthatchers both coloured the same and undoubtedly a pair, as suddenly as they appeared they disappeared. Then I noticed the hole in the tree was made smaller with clay or mud. Once again I became intrigued, could it be that I was looking at the nesting site of a pair of nuthatches. I was very excited about the thought, then out of that little hole came one of the birds. It was very true, my first nest of the nuthatch, it took one quick look at me and flew away. If I had taken a few nuts, walnuts, hazelnuts, beech nuts, acorns or almost any kind of nut I would then have wedged them in the rough bark and the nuthatch would have been tempted to sample my fare. The nuthatch will take the hazelnut, fix it in the heavy bark of the tree, strike it hard with it's bill and soon it will be feasting on the kernel. At the bottom of the hole in the tree there will be very little nesting material, a little dried grass and a few flakes of bark, it will lay 6 - 9 eggs white with redish-brown spots. Incubation about 14 days by female only, nestlings ready for flying in 24 days. Well I thoroughly enjoyed my adventure perhaps, next time, I will find the tree creeper.

A.S.A.W.

Three verses of 'To The Skylark' by Shelley.

Hail to thee blithe spirit!

Bird thou never wert,

That from heaven or near it

Pourest thy full heart

In profuse strains of unpremeditated art.

Higher still and higher

From the earth thou springest,

Like a cloud of fire,

The blue deep thou wingest;

And singing still dost soar, and soaring ever singest.

What thou art we know not;

What is most like thee?

From rainbow clouds there flow not

Drops so bright to see,

As from thy presence showers a rain of melody.

E D I T O R ' S C O R N E R

Apologies for a delay in issuing the July Gazette, due to a slight mix up at the printers. Do not shoot the Newsagent, he does his best. Editor, typist and printer are all on holiday at the vital time for the August issue. Mrs. Morgan has stepped in to do the typing, and we can only hope the rest gets done in time.

Congratulations to the Horticultural Society on holding a successful Show. That is the best tribute that could be given to the late Arthur Busby.

Now that I have achieved an ambition in having a shrub in flower in every month of the year, I will mention one each month as the star of the shubbery. This month it is undoubtedly the Pineapple broom, Cytisus Battandieri, believe it or not but it both looks and smells like a pineapple. Fred Healy's specimen, which is exposed to the North wind which sweeps over Hampden and comes roaring up Clappins Lane, carried a good deal more flowers than mine on a south wall. I think I shall have to start going to Chapel for I can't think what other secret he has.

N A P H I L L W . I .

D O V E

Are you interested in the new Art Centre and Theatre in High Wycombe?

If so please come to the Coffee Morning at the Village Hall on Saturday 14th August from 10.30 a.m to 12 noon.

Articles welcomed for Bring & Buy and Raffle.

ADMISSION 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ p

NAPHILL AND WALTERS ASH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

At the June and July meetings the closure of Naphill Surgery was fully discussed by the committee. The Chairman is continuing his discussion with the Doctors at Hughenden and details of the outcome will follow in due course. To balance the close of Naphill surgery the Doctors have arranged an increase of consulting hours. This is achieved by having two doctors simultaneously in attendance at Hughenden surgery on Thursdays and Fridays.

R.A.E.

CHRISTIAN AID.

The organisers for High Wycombe and district have asked us to give their thanks to all the collectors and donors in Naphill and Walters Ash for their generous support. The amount to date is £82.94 a record for our village.

C.B.W.
E.G.W.

PRINCES RISBOROUGH EVENING INSTITUTE.

DETACHED CLASSES - 1971/2

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL:

Needlework	Mrs. J. Bissett	Wednesdays	9.30-11.30am
Art	Mr. C. Piggott	Thursdays	7.30-9.30 p.m

LACEY GREEN VILLAGE HALL:

Needlework	Mrs. D. Pears	Thursdays	7.00-9.00 p.m
------------	---------------	-----------	---------------

NAPHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Badminton for Beginners	Mr. A. Lawrence	Mondays	7.00-9.00 p.m
Music for Movement	Mrs. S. Southwell	Tuesdays	7.30-9.30 p.m

(Bucks Keep-Fit Assn.)

R.A.F. Walters Ash:

Art	Mr. G. Hughes	Tuesdays	7.00-9.00 p.m
Pottery	Mr. G. Hughes	Wednesdays	7.00-9.00 p.m
Typewriting	Mrs. J. Madden	Tuesdays	7.00-9.00 p.m

CLASSES BEGIN WEEK COMMENCING 13th SEPTEMBER 1971.

ENROL FIRST MEETING OF CLASS.

FEES: One Term £2.00
 Two Terms 3.00
 Three Terms 4.00

N A P H I L L W . I .

Money raising efforts have been successful, Mrs. Brill's Coffee Morning: £2.75, Fete Stall £23. (Many thanks to those who contributed) the Art Exhibition raised £30.56 for the Chalfont Epileptic Colony. There will be no meeting in August but Mrs. Pushman is giving a tea party August 5th 3.00-4.30p.m. with a Bring & Buy Stall. We hope to see all members & friends at the Coffee Morning on 14th August in aid of "The Dove".

At the September meeting there will be a demonstration on Beauty Treatment by Elizabeth Arden. This is an open meeting so bring along your friends.

As usual we will have a harvest festival.

Tea Hostesses: Mrs. Croxon, Mrs. Tweedale & Mrs. Brown.

D.B.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your

Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our

Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards

Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear

Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION
for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



HEDGEHOG AND YOUNG
SEPTEMBER 1971

S E P T E M B E R

From Ballinger to Turville,
from Lacey Green to Lee
the crops are on the sky-line
for all the world to see.

And early in the morning
up Christmas Common way
they start to stack the harvest
beside the store of hay.

The sky burns blue at Bledlow
and down the Vale to Thame
where rabbits think the harvest
is some unkindly game.

In village and in hamlet,
through valley and on plain
mankind forgets its sorrow
and gathers in the grain

From "Mere England" by
J.H.B. Peel.

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E N o . 2 4 2
AT THE VILLAGE HALL - SEPTEMBER 1971

Play Group	Tues, Wed, Thurs mornings commencing 7th September	9 - 12 noon
Welfare	1st, 15th	2 p.m.
W.I.	2nd	2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday	8 p.m.
Art	" " (B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Dressmaking	" Wednesday (B.R.)	9.30 - 11.30 a.m.
Mens' Club	" Tues, Fri, Sat. (B.R.)	7.30 p.m.
Drama	" Tuesday	7.30 p.m.
Whist	3rd, 17th	7.30 p.m.
Library	3rd, 17th (C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
Silver Wedding Celebration	4th	All Day
V.H.C.	6th	8 p.m.
Conservation Association	7th (C.R.)	8 p.m.
Over 60's	10th, 24th	2.30 p.m.
Horticultural Show	11th	All Day
Private Party	11th	7 p.m. onwards
Young Neighbours	13th	7.45 p.m.
Dancing	Every Tuesday	3 - 7 p.m.
Health & Beauty	" "	2 - 3 p.m.
W.I. Rummage	18th	2.30 p.m.
Scouts Rummage	25th	2.30 p.m.
W.I.	30th (C.R.)	2.30 p.m.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

Sunday Services: 10 a.m.	Family Service
3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

The average man will learn from his own
 experience. The wise man will learn from
 the experience of other men.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Sunday, 12th September	Sunday School	10.30 a.m.
" 19th "	re-commences	
	Evensong	3.30 p.m.
" 26th "	Holy Communion	9.0 a.m.

We hope we shall see all the usual children on the second Sunday in September and we shall particularly welcome any new children from four years old, who would like to receive Church of England teaching in an interesting way.

This month we are reverting to the service of Evensong in Naphill Church, until plans can be worked out for combined services with the Methodist congregation - which many people have enjoyed for the past seven months.

Our Autumn Rummage Sale will be on October 16th in Naphill Village Hall and goods are already coming in. Anything you can spare will be acceptable before the day, by Mrs. W. Wood, at "Hale End," Christopher Close, or Mrs. E. Parslow, 1 Blenheim Cottages opposite the Church.

It has been announced in both the Bucks Free Press and Hughenden Parish magazine, that the vicar of Hughenden, the Revd. S.A.C. Dickins will be resigning after nearly thirty years as Vicar of this parish. The exact date of resignation is not yet known, but no doubt some further details will be available for the October Gazette.

N A P H I L L M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

<u>Preachers for September.</u>	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
September 5th	Mr. D. Short B.Sc., M.A.	Mrs. A. Cooper
" 12th	Sister (Holy Communion)	Rev. N. Burrows
" 19th	Mr. W.A. Osborne	No Evening Service 3.30 p.m. United Service at the Methodist Church.
" 26th	<u>Harvest Festival Services:</u>	
<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>2.45 p.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
Rev. Eric Firth	Children's Gift Service	Mr. P. Green

Soloist at Morning and Evening Services:- Mr. Peter Lewis of the London Royal Academy.

/Continued.....

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH Continued....

On Monday, September 27th at 7.15 p.m., a Harvest Supper will be held. A warm welcome is extended to any ladies to come to our Autumn Session of Fellowship Meetings which begin on Wednesday, September 1st at 2.30 p.m.

M.G.B.

ST BOTOLPH'S CHURCH, BRADENHAM

A Garden Fete is to be held in the grounds of the Manor, Bradenham on Saturday, 11th of September, 1971 at 2.30 p.m.

Please come and support us.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES

The Garden Party held at "Waldens", home of Mr. & Mrs. G. Smith was greatly enjoyed by all members. Pretty hats and dresses vied with the flowers for colour. A red spectacle case was lost, if found please return to Mrs. Gilson.

The Coffee Morning held in the Village Hall was an outstanding success, and we would like to say 'thank you' to all who helped to make it so. At the time of going to press, the proceeds amount to just over £21, but there may be a little expense to be met.

Members who visited Ludgershall Club enjoyed themselves. The Coach ride was taken through many little villages, making a pleasant afternoon outing.

We resume our fortnightly meetings on Friday, September the 10th.

On September 24th, Friday, a Coach will leave the Village Hall for a 'Mystery Ride'.

A.G.

CHILDREN'S BALLET CLASSES

in

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

Autumn Term will commence on Tuesday, September 14th.

Further details from Mrs. Fraser, Tel: Naphill 3308

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

The Hedgehog.

The hedgehog although a lowly type of mammal is very worthy of our interest if only because of its long history for it is recorded to have lived on this earth during the pleistocene epoch, 1,500,000 years ago; and furthermore, there appears to be very little change in its appearance comparable with that period.

When first born, it is covered in soft white hair (see title page) and by the time it is three weeks old, those soft white hairs are becoming stiff sharp pointed spines and soon these spines will become a safe defence against all comers. The hedgehog never fights. It is definitely non-aggressive. Its chief defence is to curl up all its unprotected parts inside its sharp spines and, patiently remain protected until all danger has passed.

Today, while writing these Nature notes, I was brought the small ear of an animal. "What did I think the animal was, and what would I think was the cause of its mutilation?" Well, this was a difficult one because I felt sure the ear was the ear of the hedgehog.

The first suggestion from the book was the fox, it said the fox will roll over the spiny hedgehog and attack from the under part, but against this was the fact that the remains of the animal were found in the garden and no foxes had ever been seen there; still again, there can be a first time for all things. Back to the books and, here I read of another possibility - The Barn Owl. If the hedgehog was very young, then the Barn Owl will turn over the poor little thing and with its hook-sharp beak, strike hard, and then the owl will carry it away to its young. The Barn Owl will hatch out young every month of the year except August, so I believe the culprit to be the Barn Owl.

During the last few days I have seen five hedgehog casualties lying on the roads, usually early morning, killed during their nightly prowls by the speedy late night cars. The hedgehog's winter sleep is entirely different from the squirrel. The hedgehog does hibernate; he will eat a fair quantity before sleeping (hibernation) and then has power to control his blood temperature and in a warm bed made of leaves, hay, earth and damp moss in some sheltered spot under the floor of a building or some other similar place - will sleep with food sufficient to keep the old engine ticking over until spring.

If you are lucky enough to have hedgehogs in your garden, encourage them to stay with you by putting out in the garden a bowl of milk and soaked bread, put it in the same place each night so that they will get accustomed to finding their treat in the same place. The hedgehog is the gardeners friend, they will eat garden pests including slugs, caterpillars, and larvae of all types, leather jackets, beetles and some fallen berries. In the Autumn, its nightly visits.

/Continued.....

NATURE INTEREST Continued.....
The Hedgehog.

will lose their regularity because it will be finding a cosy position for its long sleep. Should you happen to find this secret sleeping place, do not disturb it or your hedgehog will desert it and find another place.

The tail of the hedgehog is about one inch long, the nose, breast and belly are covered with fine soft hair, the legs are short and dusky grey in colour and almost bare. There are five toes on each foot and each toe is completely separated. The eyes are small the ears fairly large and naked. The mouth is small but well furnished with strong teeth, the rest of the body is covered with sharp pointed spines. The nose, breast and belly and all the softly covered parts can be pulled inwards and then shielded with the sharp pointed spines on the outside. I have read that farmers have seen hedgehogs taking milk direct from the cow, while the cow has been resting and "chewing the cud". The hedgehog is very fond of milk and the cow, when waiting for milking time is very co-operative.

In days gone by, the farmers have been known to use the skin of the hedgehog to make muzzles for the calves, thus giving a better milk yield at the expense of a greedy calf. I still enjoy seeing the little prickly chap travelling around the garden, hunting for, and eating its tasty morsels, and I am prepared to do without my "extra pinta."

A.S.A. Wooster.

NOTE: Hedgehog-skin calf muzzles strike me as very practical, but I am sure the legend of cow suckling is untrue. When a freshly calved cow lies down, a little milk is often squeezed from its distended udder. A hedgehog would certainly lap this up, and hence the legend.

Ed.

N A P H I L L C O N S E R V A T I V E S

A Coffee Morning will be held at Naphill House, home of Mr. & Mrs. Broom-Smith on Wednesday, 15th of September, 1971 at 10.30 a.m. There will also be a Bring & Buy Sale and a Raffle. So, Come along Ladies and Gentlemen, leave those morning chores; BRING something, BUY something, but best of all COME yourselves

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

The 26th Annual Autumn Show will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday the 11th of September, 1971. The Show opens at 2.00 p.m.

Naturally, an Autumn Show emphasises Dahlias, Gladioli and Chrysanthemums, with a large section for Vegetables, but there is still plenty of scope and plenty of prizes in the other Flower Classes. There is also plenty of room for imagination and ingenuity in the Floral Art Section, which is a part of our shows causing increasing interest among the ladies. Although why mere men cannot equally well excel in Floral Art is probably a subject for debate on some Winter evening session.

The Domestic Section will again call on the old village skills and here, too, I cannot see why we do not have more male entries. I know a few chaps who make (and drink) their own wines! The Domestic Section has been referred to as "The Cakes and Ale." I do not know what the late Somerset Maugham would have thought of that.

After the success of our July Show, in somewhat difficult circumstances, the Committee are hoping for plenty of support, to consolidate their efforts. The Show Schedules have been sent out to all members and exhibitors but if any intending member or exhibitor would like a copy of the Schedule, I'm sure the Secretary will dig one up. Admission is by payment at the door - 5p. and children 3p. And that reminds me of something I should have mentioned earlier. That is:- the special Section for the Children - for which there is no entrance fee.

We would ask everyone to read the Show regulations carefully, and to let the Show Secretary have the entry forms in good time, before the Friday evening prior to the Show. It makes such a big difference to the organizers when exhibitors co-operate in this way. We hope for a good day, a good attendance of exhibitors and visitors and therefore, another good Show.

J.B.

THE NATIONAL TRUST INVITES YOU TO VISIT:-

H U G H E N D E N M A N O R

Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield lived at Hughenden Manor until his death in 1881. The House, with its contemporary decoration, is a typical example of a Victorian gentleman's country seat, and contains many relics of the statesman. There are portraits of his friends, letters from Queen Victoria and some of the manuscripts of his novels. His study is arranged exactly as he left it at the time of his death.

Location:- 1½ miles North of High Wycombe on A4128 to Great Missenden.

Open:- Daily including Bank Holiday Monday 2 - 6 p.m.
Saturdays and Sundays 12.30 - 6.00 p.m.

AMPLE FREE PARKING IN LARGE CAR PARK

E D I T O R ' S C O R N E R

Last month, I made a rather joking suggestion that I must start going to chapel, but a week later that is exactly what I did; and perhaps Naphill churchgoers might like to hear of the experience.

We were spending a short holiday with some American friends who are stationed at the Nato base in Oslo. As they go to service on Sunday morning, it was a matter of both politeness and interest to go with them. The denomination of the padre was not a matter of importance, but in this case he was a Methodist. Officers and Men and, believe it or not, their wives, all mixed together in social harmony. We signed the book and then had a red ribbon pinned upon us. This showed that we were visitors and one and all came up and introduced themselves and stopped for a little chat. The service was quite familiar to us, and the padre (who was the only man in uniform) quoted several English writers in his sermon. During the collection we sang the old Doxology and then "My country 'tis of thee" to the tune of "God Save the Queen." Afterwards, there was more of the social atmosphere and as we left, my wife was presented with a pot of flowers from the church. I wonder if it would be presumptuous of me to suggest that we could learn a little from these kind hearted people.

The shrub of the month is Olearia - also called the New Zealand Daisy Bush; they do not compare for colour with the buddleas and hydrangeas, but they are evergreen bushes covered in little white, daisy-like flowers. Alas, though there are many of them, the only one completely hardy is: O. Haastii.

A year ago, I congratulated Naphill C.C. on gaining promotion but like most of their supporters, I feared for their chances of staying in the top flight. Now they are going back into Div. II and I think most of the team will feel happier there - until some unknown new talent arises.

G A R D E N N O T E S :

This is the time of the year to take a good look around your garden. How can I improve it? Have you seen anything during the summer that you would like? Any improvement if you shift plants around, especially shrubs, herbaceous, ever-greens, roses? Make a plan and take notes. Don't trust your memory.

The end of September is a good time to plant evergreen subjects. If a dry spell, water well when planting and spray all over each evening. There are some nice variegated cypresses, box yews and privet to brighten your garden in the dull winter days.

/Continued.....

GARDEN NOTES Continued,....

September is one of the worst months for weeds; do your best to get rid of them. They keep the small bit of sun off the ground during the winter months.

The end of September is a good time to take cuttings of your favourite shrubs. Try Rosemary, Lavender, Snowball Tree, Spireas, Philadelphus, Deutzias, etc. Rose cutting of the Rambler, Polyanthus, Poulsen and Floribunda sorts can easily be rooted outdoors. Choose side-shoots of this years' growth of hardened wood about 8 inches long and put about 5 inches in ground with a bit of sand at the bottom of a trench. Make the soil very firm.

In the vegetable garden, lift potatoes carefully when ready. End of month, sow some hardy lettuce like Arctic King. Make a note of the rotation of crops for next year; don't grow the brassicas or potatoes on the same ground.

If you're a Sweet-Pea enthusiast, prepare the ground now - deep digging, and well rotted manure, with a good dusting of lime on top. Sow seed end of month - single seeds in small pots is best. After germination, always give plenty of air, except during very severe weather.

C.P.

M R S F R A S E R ' S B A L L E T C L A S S E S

All pupils entered for the Royal Academy of Dancing Ballet Examinations in June were successful. Congratulations to:-

PRIMARY GRADE.

Andrea Close (Commended), Sally Hornsby (Commended), Philippa Shaw (Commended), Jane Phillips (pass Plus), Joanne Meads (Pass Plus), Fiona Goddard (Pass Plus)

GRADE ONE.

Kate Carruthers (Commended), Cherrie Steel (Commended), Julie Baines (Pass Plus), Jane Holland (Pass Plus), Elizabeth Holman (Pass Plus).

GRADE TWO.

Katy Wilkinson (Pass Plus), Jennifer Ellis (Pass)

Circulation
Advertisements

700 copies
Full page display £2 or 5p. per line.

Announcements.

Please do not send money to Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.

Contributions

of Birth, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor. to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the 21st of the month.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE.

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

Individual Styling

and

Personal Attention

Late Night Thursday

Special Rates for Ladies over 60

on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"

FORGE ROAD,

NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

G. EMERY

DAIRYMAN

PERSONAL SUPERVISION

for your regular deliveries of,
MILK, BUTTER, CREAM,
EGGS, YOGURT & FRUIT
JUICES

Downley Common,
High Wycombe

Tel. High Wycombe
29469

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods

Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment

The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County

Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

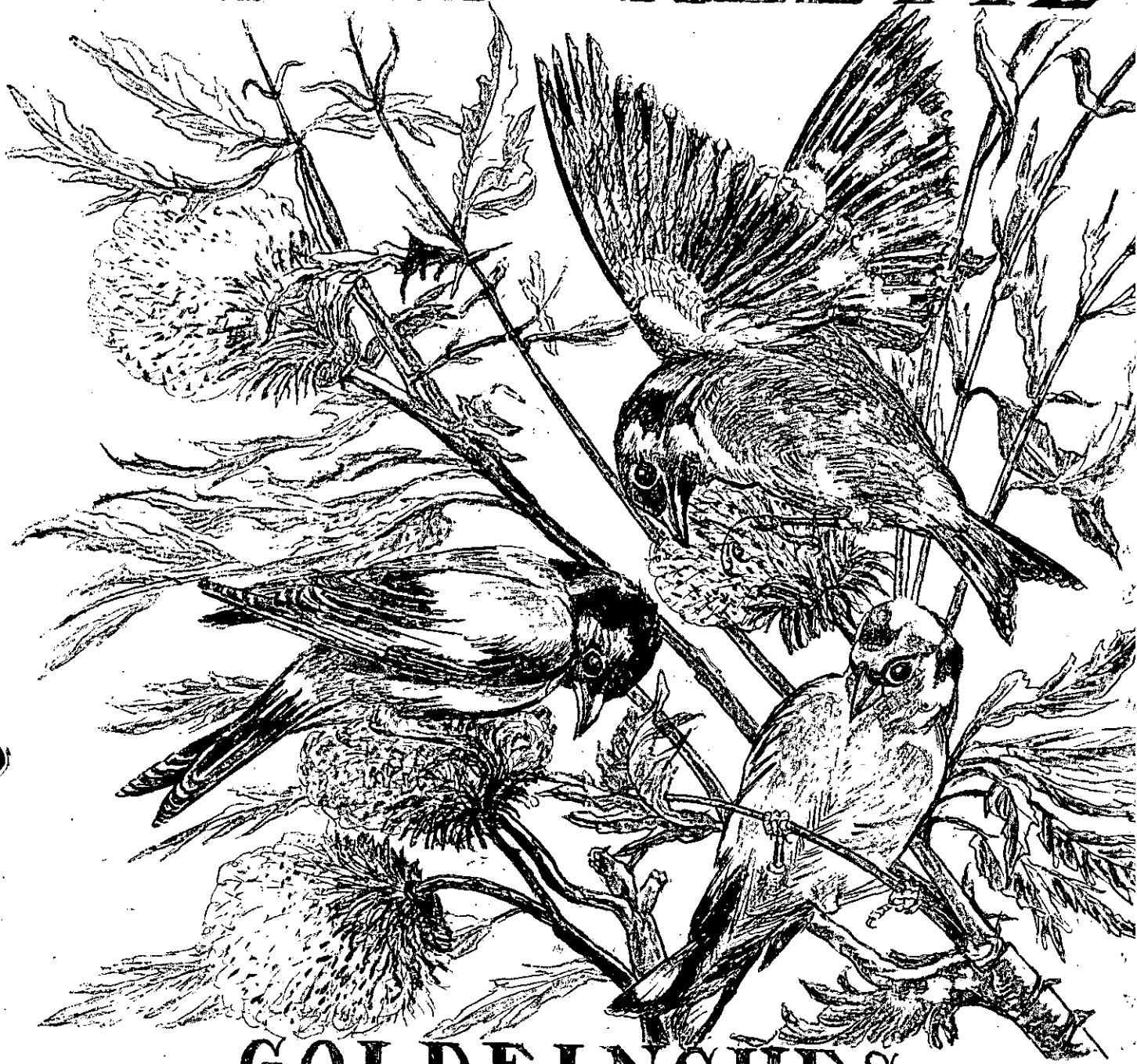
**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



GOLDFINCHES
OCTOBER 1977.

O C T O B E R

Gold strewn on the lawn;
gold from the branches torn;
trees of their old youth shorn;
red from the distant hill
piled on the window-sill;
yellow and wondrous brown
crinklingly flutter down,
now that the year has grown
elderly and alone
mourning her youth now flown.
Brown and red and yellow
blending in a mellow
multi-coloured pillow
for the year's tired head
to rest on till its dead.
From summer's funeral pyre
winds the scent of fire
mounting ever higher.
Yellow, red and brown
all have tumbled down
by Time's scythe clean-mown.

From:- "In the Country," by
J.H.B. Peel.

Whist	1st, 15th, 29th		7.30 p.m.
Library	15th, 29th	(C.R.)	
	(no Library on 1st)		6.30 - 8 p.m.
Tennis Club			
Rummage	2nd		2.30 p.m.
V.H.C.	4th		8 p.m.
Scouts	Every Monday	(C.R.)	7.15 p.m.
Conservative Ass.	5th	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Drama	Every Tuesday		7.30 p.m.
Health & Beauty	" "		2 p.m.
Dancing	" "		3 - 7 p.m.
	(except 26th October)		
Play Group	Every Tues, Wed., Thurs.		9 - 12 noon
	($\frac{1}{2}$ Term week commencing 25th)		
Welfare	6th, 20th		2.30 p.m.
W.I.	7th		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday		8 p.m.
Art	" "	(B.R.)	7.30 p.m.
Dressmaking	" Wednesday	(B.R.)	9.30 a.m.
Over 60's	8th, 22nd		2.30 p.m.
V.H.C. Rummage	9th		2.30 p.m.
Private Party	10th		3 p.m.
Young Neighbours	11th		7.45 p.m.
Naphill Church			
Rummage	16th		2.30 p.m.
Speen Conservative			
Club Party	16th		7 p.m. onwards
Tennis Club			
Fashion Show	18th		8 p.m.
W.I. Whist Drive	22nd		7.30 p.m.
W.I. Supper	23rd		7.30 p.m.
W.I.	28th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
Wedding Reception	30th		All Day
Conservative Dance	30th		8 p.m. - Midnight.
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday		7 p.m.

V I L L A G E H A L L C O U N C I L C H R I S T M A S

D A N C E

The dance this year will be held on Friday, 17th of December in the Village Hall, from 8.30 until midnight. Please make a note of the date now. Music will be provided by the Modernaires Quartet, who have been very popular at previous dances, and there will be a Bar and traditional refreshments.

Tickets will be available from the usual sources, or from:- Terry Fendom, 23 Allen Drive, Walters Ash (Naphill 3456), and ticket reservations can be placed now.

V I L L A G E H A L L N O T E S

Council received a report on the progress of the plans for the village hall improvements. We are now awaiting final estimates for presentation to the Grant Authorities which should enable a start to be made some time after November.

There will soon be new regulations governing fire precautions and fire fighting equipment for Village Halls, presumably the more necessary following the disaster in France/some months ago. These requirements are in the process of investigation with a view to complying with regulations, as soon as possible.

Three dates for readers to note, when support in aid of Village Hall funds would be greatly appreciated.

1. The Village Hall Council Rummage Sale on the 9th of October at 2.30 p.m.
2. The Christmas Bazaar on the 27th of November at 2.30 p.m.
3. The Village Hall Dance on the 17th of December at 8.30 p.m.

M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for October

	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
October 3rd	Rev. P. Tucker	Mrs. Cooper
" 10th	Mr. Pullen	Mr. M. Titheradge
" 17th	Miss Capell	Sister Ruth Orton
" 24th	Mr. N. Nibloe	Mr. H. Lord
" 31st	Mr. Harradine	Mr. A. D. Saah

We have been very pleased during the last month to welcome Rev. Percy Tucker as Minister for our Church in place of Sister Margaret Smith, who left us to become the wife of Rev. T. Meakin, Superintendent Minister of the Thetford Circuit.

Preliminary Notice:- Our Annual Methodist Church Bazaar will be held on Saturday, the 6th of November in the Village Hall, and will be opened at 2.30 p.m. by the Mayor & Mayoress of High Wycombe.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

October Services.

Sunday, October 17th	Evensong	3.30 p.m.
" " 24th	Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.

Sunday School every Sunday at 10.30 a.m.

The Revd. S.A.C. Dickins

It has been announced in the Parish Magazine that the Vicar will be leaving 'before Christmas'. The precise date being dependent on the activities of the builders.

During the 30 years of his Ministry here, the Vicar has helped many people when in need and has conducted weddings, baptisms and funerals for people in the parish - which includes this village. So, he must be known to very many people.

A fund has been opened to provide for a suitable presentation to Mr. & Mrs. Dickins, and the following will be very happy to receive your contributions;

- Mr. R. Wooster, "Cobbers," Gt. Kingshill (Hon. Treasurer)
- Dr. D. Bedford, Hughenden Manor, High Wycombe (Churchwarden)
- Mr. G. Lloyd, 24 Wyndham Avenue, High Wycombe (Churchwarden).

Cheques should be made out to "Rev. S.A.C. Dickins Retirement Fund."

On the 16th of October, we shall have our Rummage Sale at the Village Hall. Helpers as usual will be welcome in the morning and the Sale will open at 2.30 p.m. in the afternoon. Goods of every description may be brought to the Hall in the morning and collection be arranged, if necessary, by a 'phone call to Naphill 3163 - Mrs. Wood, or call on Mrs. Parslow at No. 1 Blenheim Cottages.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

<u>Sunday Services.</u>	10 a.m.	Family Service
	3 p.m.	The Adventurers Class for Children
	6.15 p.m.	Evening Service.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

"In the way of righteousness is life."

Proverbs 12.28 (The Bible)

(Some time ago, an article by our Naval Historian, Arthur Flippence, brought a reply from Lord Louis Mountbatten. Arthur still has some memories to give us; and he told me recently that a letter of his to the Marine Bandsman's Journal brought a reply from an old comrade in Canada whom he had not heard of for 65 years! Here are Arthur's memories of the famous English and German Naval Regatta at the opening of the Kiel Canal before the first World War.)

J U N E 1914

When Britain built the first all big gun battleship, the 'Dreadnought', in the early part of this century, it began a new era in the ever increasing arms race. Germany quickly followed suit.

It then became obvious to the German authorities that the Kiel Canal was inadequate to allow the bigger and heavier ships to use it. Consequently, a plan to widen and deepen the canal was soon in operation. This project was completed in the early months of 1914. Then a ceremony to celebrate the occasion was planned; this to coincide with the Kiel Regatta and the North German Sports Festival. To add 'colour' to the whole affair, a squadron of British ships was invited to attend.

This squadron consisted of four battleships of the King George V Class and three light cruisers of the Nottingham Class, and was commanded by Vice Admiral Sir George Warrender in the King George V. The battleships went to Kiel via the Skagerrak, the cruisers through the canal from south to north. Kaiser Wilhelm II, in his yacht "Hohenzollen" sailed through the canal, and so did the opening ceremony.

It was now all gaiety and "gold lace". The rig of the day for all bands, during our stay was No. 1's. The Kaiser made an inspection of the King George V, accompanied by Prince Henry of Prussia, Admiral Von Tirpitz and other notabilities, including Sir Edward Goschen, British Ambassador in Berlin. We, the band, had a really good view of them all.

Our Conductor was Bandmaster 1st Class W. Parker and the Band Sergeant was the late Major George Keen. During our stay in Kiel, the band of the King George V., augmented by musicians from other ships, gave several concerts ashore which were accorded fantastic applause. We had a wonderful time, though a very busy one.

/Continued.....

JUNE 1914 Continued....

At the height of the festivities, the news came through of the assassination of Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria, which resulted in the cancellation of further celebrations. Within hours the British Squadron left Kiel and so ended a memorable visit. Throughout it all, one sensed a certain tension existing, which was finalized by the declaration of war on the 4th of August, 1914 - only six weeks later.

If there are other ex-band ranks who were present at these celebrations, their observations would be interesting.

A.G.S.F.,
Ex. R.M.B. 1240

N A P H I L L R E S I D E N T S A S S O C I A T I O N

The September Committee Meeting dealt with a number of points, two of which occupied the major part of the evening.

Firstly, the Surgery closure. This has been, and is being, discussed with the Doctors. However, information so far received does not clearly indicate which results are proving the more inconvenient - the removal of the surgery, or the dispensary aspect, or both? By now those people who have sought or had medical treatment over the past few months will have valid and practical experience of the situation. We would therefore, welcome your comments and feelings on the problems involved.

Secondly, the growth of equestrian traffic. We now have a dozen or so complaints related to this. The Association feels that horse riding is very much part of country life. But, pavements along the Main Road and elsewhere are for pedestrians, not horses. Safety aspects apart, fouled pavements are not especially desirable. So, please, horse riders, play the game.

The worsening condition of the footpaths through the local woods is giving cause for concern. This particular matter is being taken up with interested parties and the Parish Council.

R.A.M. Sec.

WHEELCHAIRS:

The late Dr. Eric Bayley started a scheme whereby those who are ill may get medical comforts on loan from Mrs. Mealing. Through the generosity of inhabitants, three wheel-chairs were given. These have been lent out and unfortunately, two are missing - having been loaned out and not returned. If anyone has wheel-chairs no longer required, they will be gratefully accepted for loan to inhabitants.

Please write or telephone Mr. R. Rose, Downley Road -(Naphill 3207,) who will collect.

G A R D E N I N G N O T E S

Weeds and leaves are the plagues at this time of the year. They are injurious to every crop, for they encourage damp and dirt, preventing a free circulation of air. Try and keep all clean and tidy.

The old gardeners chart says 'expect a frost any time after the first week in October.' So bring inside any pot azaleas which have been outside during the summer. Also, arum lilies and the late flowering chrysanthemums. What a show the michaelmas daisies have been this autumn - these plants are well worth growing. The old English names for them is 'Summer Farewell'. A good collection can be had from most nurserymen - blues, purples, reds and mauves. Some small flowered, some large - doubles and singles. Grow them in a mass, not singly; the taller varieties are best if you wish for indoor decoration.

Lift the roots of gladiolus and hang up in an airy shed to dry. Pot up hyacinth and daffodils for spring flowering indoors. Keep them cool and damp for about six weeks, bring to light when young growth shows. When the summer bedding is cleared, plant wallflowers, myosotis and bulbs etc., for spring flowering.

In the vegetable garden, plant spring cabbage. Don't dig deep for these, after potatoes is suitable; make the soil very firm. All potatoes to be taken up carefully and stored. Lift carfots and beet and store in sand. Gather in the apples and pears and don't forget they must not drop one inch.

Probably the lawn will need another couple of cuts. Those with cylinder machines raise the cutters a trifle.

The Editor's shrub last month - Olearia Haastii will root quite easily from young shoots placed around the sides of a pot in sandy soil. Keep in a sheltered place. They will not root till next spring.

C.P.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

We resumed our fortnightly meetings on the 10th of September. Congratulations to members who won prizes at the Naphill Horticultural Show.

We hope to have the pleasure of Ludgershall Club visiting us on October 8th, which will be a musical afternoon. October 22nd is Harvest Festival. Please bring any produce, flowers etc., for stall.

A.G.

NATURE INTEREST

The Gold-Finch.

This is one of the most beautiful of British birds. It is as sprightly in its habits as it is brilliant in its colouring. Its song is soft and sweet and although as a musician it is inferior to the lark or the song thrush, many would prefer its sweet, melodious continuity to the repetitious song of the thrush.

I have watched them for long sessions, feeding on the tall ripe wild plant seeds such as the teasels, burdock or the lowly dandelion clocks and these colourful lovelies with their song and chatter can be extremely entertaining. It is almost impossible to describe their beauty and I know that I will never be able to do them justice specially when they are congregating previously to migration, probably one hundred strong in numbers. A sight long to be remembered in our wonderful wild countryside.

The back of each head, nape and the feathers round the base of the bill are all jet black, the forehead part of the cheeks down to the throat a dark blood-red. Part of the cheeks, forepart of the neck and lower part of the tummy, a creamish white; wings variegated with black and white - and with bright yellow wide stripes. The tail is black tipped with white spots. I have already started to paint our Gazette cover in water colour and although, it can never equal the real thing, it is making up fairly well.

October brings fresh invasions of adult and young goldfinches, the young will be easily recognized - they will not have the bright red faces and they are known as gray-pates. With them will also be greenfinches and chaffinches. They will be in their respective groups gathering together to migrate to southern Europe. Suddenly they will rise in flight as if to a word of command with a constant chatter as if to assist the keeping together of the families.

I was in Malta recently for a holiday reviving memories of my previous visit during the first world war, and I was shocked to see goldfinches being sold in quite small cages, in the green-grocer's shop. I made a few enquires about the legality of this action and was informed that it was quite common practice and trap cages were sold openly. A few days later we were touring the Island far out into the wide open spaces and there - sure enough - the goldfinch trappers were at work.

The "A.A. British Bird Book" states:- 'Towards the end of the last century, the number of goldfinches in Britain has been brought dangerously low, this was caused by intensive trapping for the cage-bird trade.' It states that as many as 132,000 a year were being caught near Worthing in Sussex, and a few years later a House of Commons Committee was told of a boy who took over 400 in a single morning. The Society for the Protection of Birds (later Royal) made the saving of the goldfinch from the trapper and bird-limer one of its first tasks. May this real beauty continue to exist in large numbers and give our ears the pleasure of its sweet, liquid song and continue to live in fearless freedom on our commons and on our wild life waste-lands.

A.S.A.W.

NATURE INTEREST Continued,..

(Mr. Wooster goes into details as to how the birds are caught, but I have cut it out, lest anyone should be tempted!)

Ed.

N A P H I L L W.I.

There was no meeting in August, but members have not been idle. A Coffee Morning raised £8.70 for Wycombe's new Art Centre, The Dove, and Mrs. V. Pushman's tea party made £9.25.

A handful of members have been working on Naphill's entry for the Green and Pleasant Land and at the September meeting this was on display before it goes to the exhibition at Aylesbury.

Miss Crerar of Elizabeth Arden demonstrated a range of make-up in subtle colours to compliment the new autumn clothes. She was thanked by Mrs. N. Randall. After tea, the gifts for the Harvest Festival were auctioned for charity.

Tickets were on sale for the Harvest Supper on Saturday, the 23rd of October. A trip has been arranged to see "Othello" at Stratford-on-Avon on Saturday, the 2nd of October, 1971. The October meeting will be our Birthday Party.

D.B.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

At the A.G.M. in September, new Committee Members were elected: The new members are:-

	Mrs. E. Croxon (Chairman)	
Mrs. P. Smith	:	Mrs. J. Madgwick
Mrs. C. Russel	:	Mrs. B. Tole
Mrs. O Stratford	:	Mrs. J. Flett
Mrs. M. Donlon	:	Mrs. E. Chamberlain
Mrs. N. Randall	:	

After the evening's business, members were given a very entertaining talk by Mrs. Margaret Dwyer and received some useful beauty hints.

On behalf of all present members, I would like to take this opportunity of welcoming new members. Incidentally, the title "Young"Neighbours refers to the Young At Heart, and there is no age limit; so come along Ladies to our meeting on October 11th at 7.45 p.m. when the Speaker will be a member of the Thames Valley Constabulary with a talk on Crime Prevention.

M.D.

W H A T O F F E R S ?

1 yard Soft Sand
- 1 Bag Cement

Collect from "Hale End," Christopher Close, Naphill. Surplus to requirements - job now finished.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Incredible as it may seem, a year has passed since the last Gazette Collection. I hope someone will be calling on you this month. Please respond in the usual manner - three hearty cheers, plus a little something in the tin. If you fail to see a collector, donations may be sent to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.

Shrub of the month is:- Clerodendron. A small tree looking like the one on a chinese willow pattern, with sweetly scented blue and white flowers, sometimes followed by blue berries.

R.S.P.C.A.

Autumn Fayre will be held in the Chapel School Room (by kind permission of the trustees) on THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21st at 2.30 p.m.

Admission 5p. including refreshments.

Stalls of Fancy Goods, Toys etc., White Elephant and Home-made Cakes, Jams, etc.

A good opportunity to buy Christmas Gifts at reasonable prices.

A warm welcome awaits everyone. Come and bring your friends and support the R.S.P.C.A.

L.M. Sharpe,
Aux. Hon. Sec.

N A P H I L L V I L L A G E H A L L C O U N C I L

Will hold a RUMMAGE SALE in the Hall

on SATURDAY, 9th October, 1971

at 2.30 p.m.

Teas, Raffle, Admission:- Adults 2p., Children Free

ELECTROLUX DISH WASHER FOR SALE - OFFERS.

Any goods for sale will be gratefully received at the Hall on Saturday morning. If collection is required, 'phone Naphill 3315, or 3364

W A N T E D:

Would some kind soul donate a carpet sweeper to the OXFAM Shop in Frogmoor, High Wycombe?

FOR SALE A Dimplex Electric Radiator, Small Dimplex Storage Heater. Large Belling Storage Heater. All in perfect condition and good working order. Offers?
Lawrence, Auchinyell, Downley Road, Naphill.

N A P H I L L C O N S E R V A T I V E S

An informal "Hallow E'en" Dance will be held in the Naphill Village Hall on Saturday, 30th of October at 8;00 p.m. Tickets priced 60p include an excellent buffet. There will be a licenced bar, also a raffle with prizes well worth winning.

So, dig out those dancing shoes and start you winter social activities at the Village Hall on the 30th of October.

Tickets may be had from any Committee Member.

N A P H I L L T E N N I S C L U B

Are Holding a Fashion Show on Monday, October 18th, 1971

In the Village Hall. : At 8.00 p.m.

The Show is sponsored by Murrays Store, High Wycombe.

Entrance Fee - 20p, including light refreshments.

Tickets Available from Miss J. K. Murray, Secretary.

Telephone: Naphill 3437., or at the door

ALSO.

T E N N I S C L U B R U M M A G E S A L E

In the Village Hall : On Saturday, October 2nd
at 2.30 p.m.

Admission 2p. : Teas Available.

Circulation	700 copies
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p. per line. Please do not send money to Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements	of Births, Marriages and Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the <u>21st of the month.</u>

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods

Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment

The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County

Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your

Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our

Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards

Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear

Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette".

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS
(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

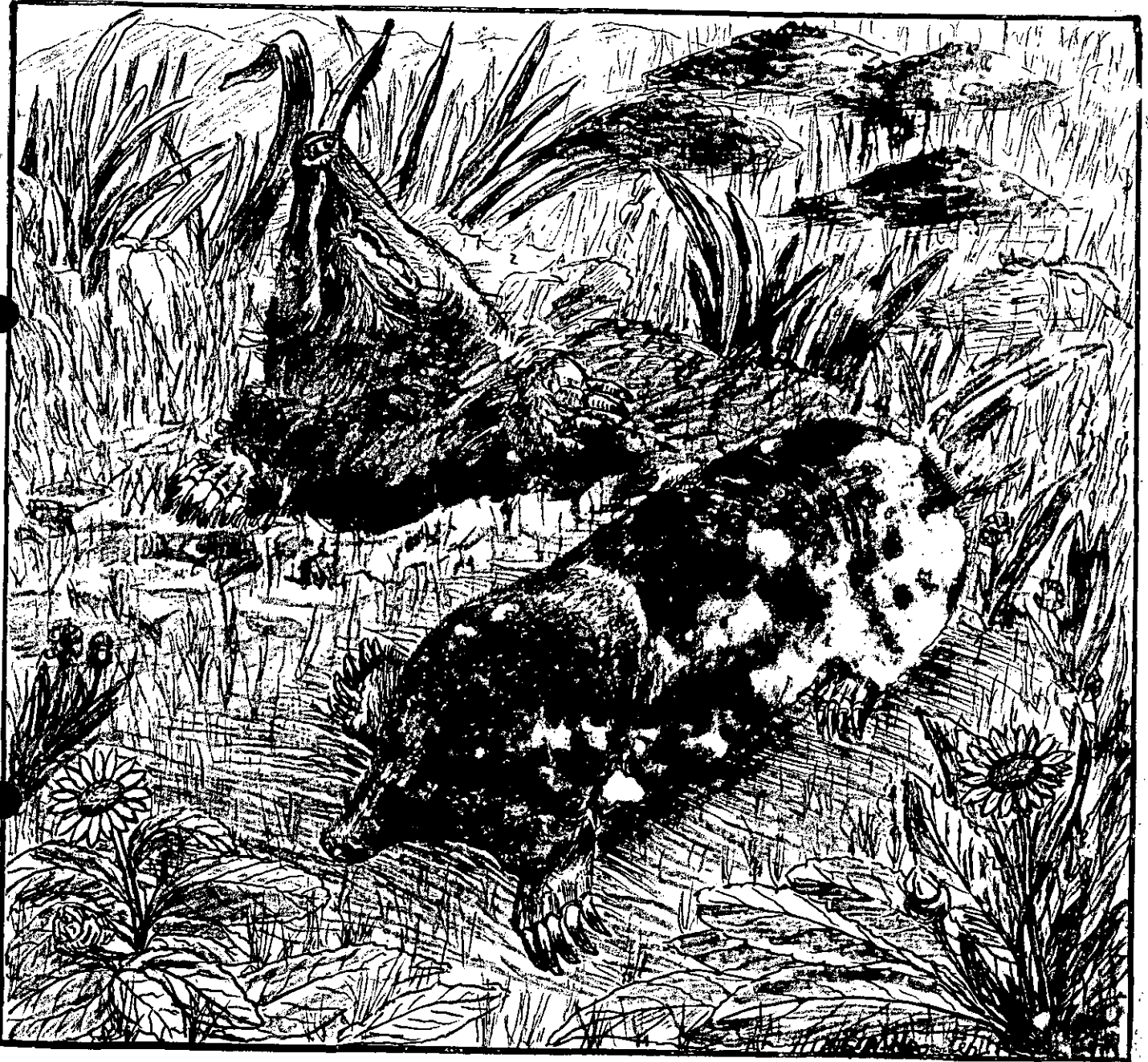
**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



**MADAM AND MR MOLE
NOVEMBER 1971**

N O V E M B E R

Beauty is enshrined
in the ugliness
(beauty rare-divined,
callous loveliness)
of November dawn
red and sorely torn
by the rip of gale,
wind, sleet and hail.
Gaunt, withdrawn, austere,
thirty days are here
of buffeting and shout;
accept the wholesome clout,
accept the northern blow
and see the cheeks aglow
with winter complexion
putting perfection
on all the loving care
of a varied year.
O bend before the time,
incline beneath its will
receive its jagged rime
with heart quiet and still.

J.H.B. Peel
From "Mere England."

N A P H I L L G A Z E T T E No. 244

A T THE VILLAGE HALL - NOVEMBER 1971

V.H.C.	1st		8 p.m.
Scouts	Every Monday	(C.R.)	7.15 - 8.45 p.m.
Conservative Assoc.	2nd	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Drama	Every Tuesday		7.30 p.m.
Dancing	" "		3 - 7 p.m.
Play Group	Every Tues, Wed, Thurs		9 - 12 noon
Table Tennis	" Wednesday		7 p.m.
Welfare	3rd, 17th		2 p.m.
Dancing	3rd, 17th		4.15 - 5.45 p.m.
W.I.	4th		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	Every Thursday		8 p.m.
Art	" "	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Over 60's	5th, 19th		2.30 p.m.
Methodist Church			
Bazaar	6th		All day until 5 p.m.
Private Party	6th		5 p.m. onwards
Young Neighbours	8th		7.45 p.m.
Whist	12th, 26th		7.30 p.m.
Library	12th, 26th	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8 p.m.
Dancing	12th, 26th		4.15 - 5.45 p.m.
Private Party	13th		6 p.m. onwards
Remembrance Service	14th		3 p.m.
Residents Assoc.	15th	(B.R.)	8 p.m.
Private Discotheque			6 p.m. onwards
Scouts Autumn Fair	20th		2.30 p.m.
W.I.	25th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.
V.H.C. Christmas			
Bazaar	28th		2.30 p.m.
Dancing	29th		4.15 - 5.15 p.m.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

The doors of our Church are open to all who want to learn more about the Christian Faith. Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m. You will be most welcome to join us.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

"He who has not believed will not experience; he who has not experienced will not know."

Anselm.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

Services.

November 21st	Evensong	3.30 p.m.
" 28th	Holy Communion	9.00 a.m.

In spite of the very wet day, we were fortunate in having a good turnout of helpers as well as customers for our October Rummage Sale and the profit was just over £45. These results are always announced in the Gazette, because so many people say:- "How did you get on?" and everyone has the right to know whether we make much or little. Our thanks to everyone.

Naphill people who remember the Revd. Michael Westney, who lived at the School House some years ago, will be pleased to know that he has been appointed Vicar in the Trunch group of parishes, Norfolk. I am sure we all wish him well in his new appointment.

M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for November.

November 7th	<u>Chapel Anniversary Services</u>	
	<u>11 a.m.</u>	<u>6.15 p.m.</u>
	Dr. G. Rose	Mr. Ivor Mounteney M.A.
" 14th	Mr. W. Parkins	Rev. P. Tucker (Holy Communion)
" 21st	Mr. K. Lewis	Mr. S. Prudden
" 28th	Mr. A. E. Steevens	Mr. W. Dodd B.A., B.Sc.

ANNUAL METHODIST BAZAAR

IN THE VILLAGE HALL

On Saturday, November 6th : to be opened by:-

The Mayor and Mayoress of High Wycombe

At : 2.30 p.m.

W. LAWRENCE & SONS (FURN) LTD., LAWREST WORKS, NAPHILL.

We have vacancies for LADIES - Full or Part-time to generally assist in the Upholsteress Department. The duties will include slipping, pattern making and cutting. Experience is not essential. For further details please contact Nr. D. Southam during working hours.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

On October 11th, Sgt. Hinton of the Thames Valley Constabulary presented a very interesting film strip about Crime Prevention. It is to be hoped that the advice about security precautions will be put into practice.

The competition was won by Mrs. J. Cook and the raffle prizes by Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Wells.

Our next meeting will be on November 8th, when Mrs. B. Tole will be talking about Christmas decorations. The competition will be a Christmas Table Centre approximately 9" in diameter. The Coffee Hostesses for November are Mrs. Butler, Warner, Stallwood and Madgewick.

Members are reminded about our stall at the Christmas Bazaar on November 27th, and any gifts of sweets, cakes or other items will be most gratefully received. Would any members willing to help lay out the stall in the morning and also help serve in the afternoon, please contact Mrs. Croxon.

In place of the meeting on December 13th, it has been decided to go out to Windsor Lodge Hotel for a Christmas Dinner. The approximate cost will be £1.50. Would those members wishing to go, please let Mrs. Croxon or Mrs. Stratford know by this month's meeting, and also if possible, pay all, or part of the money on November 8th.

S.J.M.

N A P H I L L W. I.

IN October, Naphill W.I. celebrated their 49th birthday with a tea party and a cake made by Mrs. K. McCue, iced by Mrs. D. Smith and cut by Mr. Maxwell who had shown some beautiful slides of Norway.

Mr. Maxwell owes his life to the Norwegians who picked him up at sea during the war, and hid him from the Germans. He came to love the country, when he later returned to trace the family who had risked their lives sheltering him and helping him to escape. His mission was successful and he is now a regular visitor; and enjoys taking parties to this beautiful country. He was thanked by Mrs. V. Pushman.

Three new members were welcomed, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Fouracres and Mrs. Stanfield. Last month the Harvest Festival raised £6.96.

Mrs. McCue's very successful evening picnic was blessed by good weather and raised £11.27. The Rummage Sale made \$26.

November is the A.G.M., the speaker Mrs. Lackford V.C.O. Tea Hostesses:- Mrs. Pushman Senior, Mrs. M. Shrimpton and Mrs. Sullivan. Voting will begin at 2.15 p.m. Don't forget your 5p. parcels.

D.B.

N A T U R E I N T E R E S T

The Mole.

As one walks along our country lanes, it is easy to realize the wealth of animal life that is hidden - more or less - from our casual observation; but is around us in abundance at this time of year. Not only are the lively squirrels frisking around collecting nuts and berries, but also the pretty little dormice who are soon to find their winter sleeping quarters. These are very rarely seen and are now on the "very scarce" list. However, many are in safe homesteads as pets and doing very well.

Also to be seen around our lanes and wastelands are the rabbits and the hares resting during daylight in their forms; the stealthy weasels and stoats; the badgers lying snug in their sets, the prickly hedgehogs, the field mice, the shrews, and last but not least, the burrowing moles - our subject for this month's "Interest."

As a youngster, I remember a very old "Keeper," his home was in the middle of a large beech wood and often with my parents, I would walk to visit this keeper's home. The chief interest was to count the number of mole skins nailed up on his garden shed - there were other animal skins besides those of the mole. I was told the keeper was paid a fee for each skin. The mole was always in the majority and was looked upon as a pest. But really this little mammal is a friend to both farmer and gardener - it will eat slugs, snails, leather-jackets, wire worms and its main food is the earthworm. The one thing that gets the mole its bad name are those little heaps of earth with which we are all familiar, and the surface runs caused by the burrowing of the mole - sometimes in the most uninviting places - the lawn and the tennis court. If this happens to you, or near you, remember those little heaps are usually of very fine surface earth and just ready for autumn potting.

The mole has a very keen sense of smell which enables it to distinguish each and all insect grubs below ground. The velvet fur strokes smoothly, both forward and backward for easy travelling underground. The eyes are very minute and it does not see very well. It seldom needs to use its eyes. They are reported to be a form of telescopic mechanism and can be withdrawn at will to avoid damage. The whole of the mole's framework seems to be admirably adapted to the circumstances of its life. The fore-limbs, especially having bones and muscles marvellously developed, while the paws are armed with very large, strong and flattened nails all facing backwards to form spades for digging and delving in the earth - the mole's chief occupation.

The construction of the mole's underground nest or home is a wonderful piece of engineering. The main nest chamber can be a three feet circle and at a fair distance down from the earth's surface. It will cover this chamber with hay, leaves and soft hair and wool. From the floor of the chamber running downwards, five or six

NATURE INTEREST Continued....

runs curving away from the chamber; these serve as escapes in the case of danger and a good drainage system. (In the case of heavy rain, the young will not suffer. The mole usually will have one batch of young (3 to 6) and these will be attended to by the mother until they are able to take care of themselves. The male and female (Boar and Sow) appear to associate on a temporary basis. They even make their own method of travel - her hunting tunnels are winding and his are long and straight. The chief pairing season is at the end of March to early April and the young arrive about six weeks later.

They are born blind, naked and pink; then they gradually turn a bluish-slate colour. Their eyes open about the twenty-second day and soon a few more active velvety moles will be burrowing their way through the earth. The mole too, is an excellent swimmer. They walk as we would swim, that is:- their two fore-feet and back legs move alternatively, and each move together. First, the two fore-feet, then the two back legs and it is surprising how speedily these little creatures can get over the ground in this way. The mole is a very sociable creature and, it is also known to be very courageous. This was once put to the test. A mole was placed into a cage, overnight, with a viper and a large toad. In the morning, both viper and toad were half eaten and a very lively mole was scampering about to find its way to freedom.

A.S.A.W.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S C L U B

Our mystery Coach Tour became a guessing game as our driver took us through the countryside. The rendez-vous was Abingdon where we all had tea. Some members had a quick look at Abingdon Church, and then we came home to Naphill.

Mrs. Smith entertained us to a musical afternoon on her electric organ. Thirty members from Ludgershall joined us.

The proceeds of the Harvest Festival will be donated to the Village Hall Bazaar.

On November 5th, we are to have a film show. The subject is "South Africa." This should be quite interesting as our Chairman will be there on holiday with her family.

The speaker for November 19th will be Mrs. Malvern. She will talk on "Needle-made Rugs," and demonstrate the stitch.

A.G.

G A R D E N N O T E S

This month has some dirty days. Days when it is best to leave untouched all the borders and beds, since to walk over rain-sodden ground does more harm than good. The breaking of new land for fresh paths can be carried out, and lifting and relaying of paving.

One thing we can remember is the bright bits of the garden we enjoyed during the summer. Spring flowers, sweet peas, roses, herbaceous plants and late autumn flowers - wallflowers, polyanthus, arabis etc., and other spring-flowering herbaceous plants can still be put in, so long as the soil is not frosty. Hardy plants can still be lifted and divided, but those of doubtful hardiness had better be left undisturbed.

This is the best time to plant roses. Old rose beds should have their annual dressing of lime - 2 ozs to the square yard.

I daresay we have had the last cut on the lawn, and most of us will be pleased at that. Now don't put your machine away covered with mud and old grass. The best way to clean is a forced jet from the hose-pipe, easing away some of the dirt with a sharp stick. When dry, one weekend, get a paint brush and old engine oil, and oil it well - particularly the sole-plate and cylinder cutter. You will be pleased next spring.

Plant all kinds of deciduous shrubs and trees. Break up the sub-soil and stake during the planting operations. If a small garden is well stocked with shrubs, it saves a lot of labour and always looks attractive all through the year.

Digging is the most important work in the vegetable garden. Leave the soil as rough as possible. Dress lime all over except where you are growing spuds.

C.P.

T H E W I N E C E L L A R

Now re-opened under new management.

Proprietor : S. Dobson

Sherry from the wood, selection of
wines, spirits and beers.

H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

It is pleasant to record that our Autumn Show on the 11th of September was a success by most standards. Although very few local shows of this kind make a financial profit (and ours was no exception) we did reduce the loss in comparison with last year.

Apart from the entries in the Floral Art Class which, surprisingly was not fully patronized, all sections did well. Indeed, one gentleman, whose professional opinion I respect, told me that the quality of the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum exhibits was in advance of most shows in the district and compared favourably with the mighty High Wycombe Show.

I thought one of the great successes of the Show was the Children's Section. There was a wealth of imagination and dexterity apparent there and the judges had a most difficult task. The number paying at the door showed an increase, in spite of other attractions in the district on that day. The Gift Stall takings were up, thanks to a great effort by Mrs. Darvil (Penny) and her family.

Our thanks are due to Exhibitors, Judges, all who helped - most particularly to Mr. H. C. Hussey, our Show Secretary and his team.

I am pleased to announce that we are resuming sales, to members only, of "Chasmor" (fertilizer and soil conditioner) in 56lb., bags, Irish Moss Peat in Handy Bales and Sedge Peat in cwt. bags. Through the good offices of Mr. Ron Piercy, we are temporarily storing in one of his barns. The material should be available by the time you read this, but details can be obtained from Committee Member Mr. A. H. Wait, 1 Purssells Meadow, Main Road, 'phone 3052, or from me 'phone 3565. Not, I repeat NOT from Mr. Ron Piercy.

Finally, may I appeal to any member who has not paid the 1971 annual subscription of 15p, to remedy that. We can certainly do with the money.

J.B.

N A P H I L L S C O U T S & G U I D E S

AUTUMN FAYRE

Saturday, November 20th at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

To be Opened by Wing Commander E.W.H. Packwood, Officer Commanding, R.A.F. High Wycombe.

Raffle with bumper prizes	:	Christmas Gifts	:	Games
Bran Tub	:	Cake Stall	:	Tombola
Merlin's Cave	:	5p. parcels	:	Bottle Stall
House Plants	:	Refreshments and Ices	:	

ADMISSION 3p.

E D I T O R ' S C O R N E R

We regret to announce the death in California, of Frank Baldwin, born in Naphill 86 years ago. Frank was a nephew of the engineer and blacksmith "Baldwin of Naphill" who was quite famous 100 years ago - chiefly for his work on steam traction engines. Frank had many friends still in Naphill due to his regular visits to his birthplace, and had planned another visit next year.

Parish Councillor Ian Black gives the details of proposed local government boundary alterations on another page, and together with him and with Richard Pushman, I went along to the R.D.C. meeting which voted on the matter. Lacey Green's "Grand Old Man" Harry Church (old in years of service to the community) proposed that Wycombe R.D.C. should unite with Marlow, leaving Wycombe Borough alone.

There were many good speeches and eventually this was carried, although I noticed that two pillars of the National Farmers Union, Geoffrey Spear of Hampden and John Lunnon of Bourne End appeared to be arguing from opposite sides.

After the meeting, I accused Harry Church of throwing Hughenden Parish to the wolves in order to save Lacey Green. Hardly the way to address a G.O.M., but this was no time to mince words. For he knew that the authorities would say Wycombe is too small and that a sub-committee had come up with the infamous and shocking proposal that the way to get round this, was to give them Hughenden Parish.

By chance, we three from Naphill represented all three shades of political opinion, yet we were able to tell our representative Marcel Winter-Taylor, that we all agreed with the way he had voted. Which re-inforces my oft repeated slogan that politics have no place in local elections. Marcel was so overcome by this that he invited us all into an ante-room for a cup of tea - at the ratepayer's expense!

The shrub of the month is cotoneaster. The best one in Naphill belonged to the late Arthur Busby, and is now a full sized tree, but stands behind Lawrence's factory where few people see it. I have planted six different varieties so that their branches intermingle and their berries vary from crimson to yellow. They are mostly immune to bird damage until midwinter.

WANTED:-

Oil Convector Heater - in good order.

"Fernlands," Chapel Lane, Naphill.

H U G H E N D E N P A R I S H C O U N C I L

The meetings of September and October have covered several matters of importance to Naphill residents, not the least of which has been the question of the new R.A.F. building at Strike Command. The saga of where, or where not, the building line should be, still continues. Whoever is proved to be right, this will presumably not effect the construction at present taking place; but what has been ascertained is that the wooden fence will be removed on completion of the building and that "landscaping" will take place in the narrow strip of land existing between the building and the roadside pathway.

Anxiety has been expressed about horses using narrow enclosed footpaths connecting the main road with Naphill Common and Downley Road with Naphill Common. Two instances have been reported of pedestrians being confronted head on with a horse and rider. In view of the obvious danger that this can cause, some form of barrier will have to be erected at the entrance to these pathways either in the form of posts or as an overhead rail.

The subject of roadside hedges has also been raised by several residents in the Parish and residents whose hedges overhang either the public highway or roadside pathway are reminded that they are responsible for keeping these cut back so as not to cause an actual, or visual, obstruction. The alternative could be expensive if carried out by a private contractor.

On general parish matters, the Council now feel that the time has come to consider the possibility of employing a full-time man on parish duties, such as path clearing and general maintenance of open spaces, of which the parish now has several acres. Any resident who might be interested in this occupation should contact either myself (Naphill 3122) or Mr. E.B. Smith, Clerk to the Hughenden Parish Council (Holmer Green 3025).

Under the proposed new local Government boundaries, anxiety has been felt concerning boundaries of the parish of Hughenden. However, objections have been, and are being, made and it is hoped that in time the Minister of Environment will preserve the "status quo" as far as Hughenden is concerned.

Residents of Walters Ash will be glad to know that work should soon commence on a roadside footpath linking Bradenham Beeches and Beech Park to the main road at Bradenham turn.

At the other end of the village, there has been pressure on the appropriate authorities to resite the 30 m.p.h. speed limit sign from its present location to a point in line with the commencement of development on Coombe Lane. Unfortunately, the wheels of administration turn much slower: than those of motor cars at this particular spot.

R.C.P.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

The present system of local government in England is to be re-organized completely in the next 2 years. It is not generally recognized just how many services local government provides, but among the more important are education, police, roads, housing, planning, libraries, sewerage and burial grounds. When the present plans to decentralize the health service, including the hospital and maternity services, are implemented, it can truthfully be said that local government will affect us all "from the cradle to the grave."

The present system of local government is a mixture of one-tier, two-tier and three-tier councils. In the larger towns and cities one council or corporation administers all services. In the counties, the smaller towns have a two-tier system with the functions split between a town or borough council and the county council. Naphill has a three-tier system like many rural areas, where a parish council and a rural district council share the functions administered by a borough council in the towns.

The present system was set up in the latter years of the 19th century and with the growth of services like education and roads, and the progressive urbanization of many areas of England, it has become increasingly outmoded. Two problems require special attention; functions are administered by any of 3 different types of council, depending on which area you reside, which is very confusing to the user, and there is much duplication of staff and equipment by the smaller authorities.

There have been two attempts in recent years to tackle the problem. a Royal Commission was set up in 1966 and reported in 1969 in favour of large unitary authorities combining all the functions of the present councils. Earlier this year, government issued a White Paper advocating a two-tier system over the whole country/county councils and district councils in a proportion of approximately 5 districts per county.

The main effect of this will be in the towns. The large towns and cities will become second-tier authorities; the smaller towns will become part of larger district authorities. In Buckinghamshire, the county will lose the Slough area to Berkshire and the rest of the county will be divided into 5 or 6 district councils.

As far as Naphill is concerned, the present Wycombe R.D.C. will almost certainly disappear, and the Parish Council may well be changed in composition, though not in function. Details of the actual changes, the alternatives, and what we as ratepayers can do, I will examine in a subsequent article.

I.A.S.B.

V I L L A G E H A L L C O U N C I L

CHRISTMAS DANCE.

In the Village Hall

Friday, December 17th.

8.30 - 12.30 a.m.

Dancing to the "Modernaires Quartet

Refreshments : Bar

Admission by Ticket Only : Price 55p.

Obtainable from:-

Mrs. Woodruff, Heasterlands, Downley Road.	NAPHILL	3396
Mrs. Leaver, The Leaves, Naphill Common	"	3046
Mrs. Latham, Bowland House, Main Road	"	3265
Mrs. Flett, 6 Wellhouse Way	"	3566
Mrs. Fendom, 23 Allen Drive, Walters Ash.	"	3456

N O R T H D E A N C R A F T G R O U P .

You are invited to a pre-Christmas Sale of handmade gifts in:-

NORTH DEAN VILLAGE HALL

on

Saturday, 13th November, 1971

2.30 - 4.30 p.m.

Come and buy your Christmas gifts. All items for sale are hand-made by members of the village.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
AVAILABLE.

N A P H I L L C H R I S T M A S B A Z A A R

On Saturday 27th of November at 2.30 p.m., our Christmas Bazaar will be opened by Mrs. Isabel Packwood who will be accompanied by her husband, Wing Commander E.W.H. Packwood, Officer Commanding R.A.F. HighWycombe.)

In the Village Hall we will have an interesting selection of stalls including the ever-popular produce stands of the W.I. and Young Neighbours. There will be a Tombola and several other games.

The V.H.C. Christmas Draw will take place. Prizes will include a stainless steel carving dish and carving set, a Christmas Hamper, Turkey, Bottle of Whisky and many other valuable prizes. Tickets will be on sale within the next few days.

Father Christmas will be there in his Grotto and he will pay a visit to the Children's Christmas Party in the Scout Hut.

Entertainment at the Party will be provided by the well-known children's entertainer Roy Damsell. He will be giving a show, including Punch & Judy, Magic and Games. Entrance charge will be only 12p.

Mr. Bradley, Headmaster of Naphill County Primary School, has kindly offered to stage an exhibition of Children's Art, Needlework and Modelling. You will remember the wonderfully interesting show they put on last year!

Please come along and support our Christmas Bazaar, see the children's art show and let them enjoy the children's Christmas entertainment.

Tickets for the children's Christmas Show before Bazaar Day, and any other enquiries, or offers of help to:- Bruce Holland, Cherry Tree Cottage, Main Road, Naphill.

Circulation	700 copies.
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p. per line. Please do not send money to the Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downley Road.
Announcements	of Births, Marriages, Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R.S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the <u>21st of the month.</u>

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

GROCERIES

HARDWARE

COLD MEATS

GARDEN REQUISITES

MINERALS & SWEETS

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and J. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette",

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS

(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY
Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving
Ornamental Walling
Screen Blocks
Fencing Panels
Natural Stone
Sand, Ballast, Cement
all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

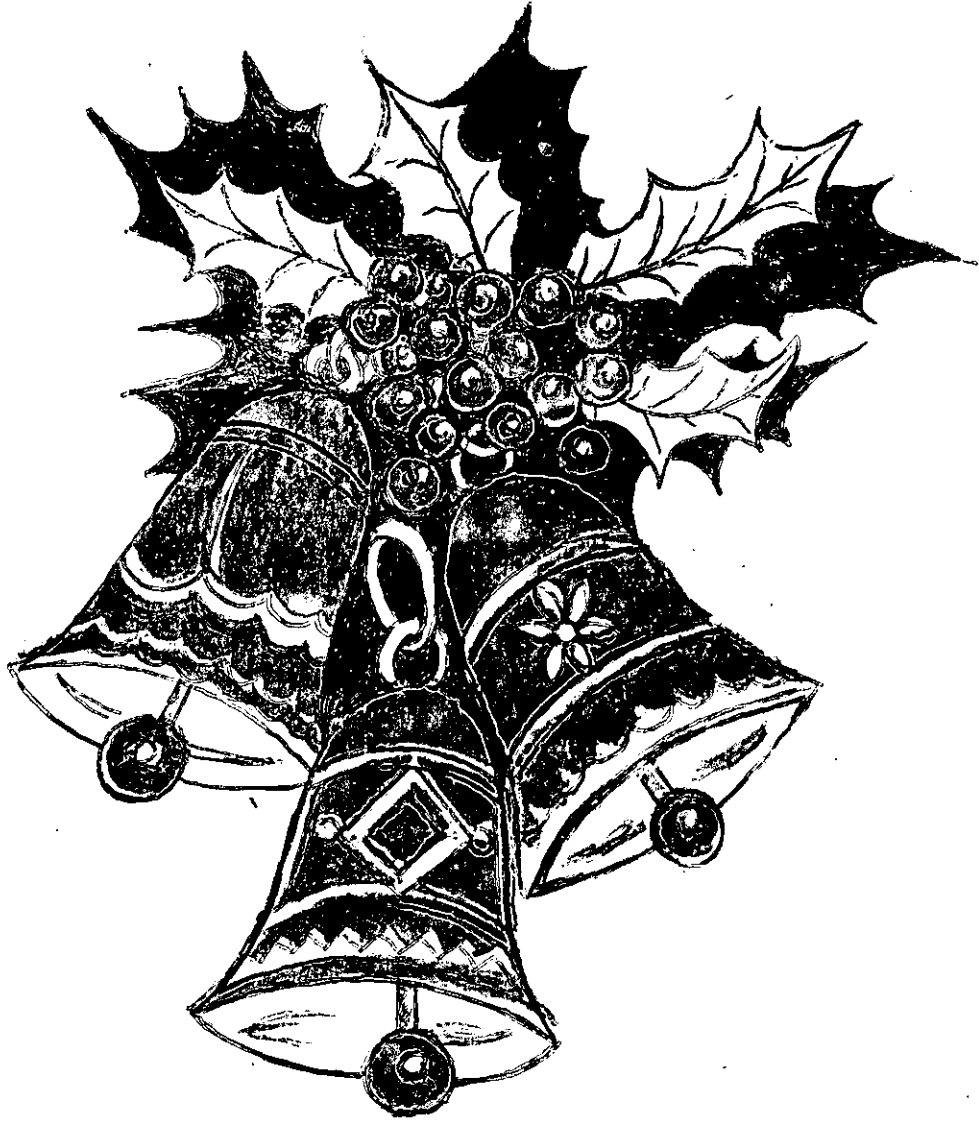
**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course

NAPHILL GAZETTE



A MERRY CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 1971

D E C E M B E R and Soon It's SPRING.

Yet, see, within the white
a coloured world is waiting;
and know, beneath the snow,
that seed and soil are mating
The hawthorn bud is there,
and lamb within the ewe;
the snow - slapped boughs are bare,
but sap is seeping through;
a lesser celandine
is rising through the earth
whose wide white womb divides
to speed its yellow birth;
and slender through a tith
the serried ranks arise
of sturdy winter wheat
tender to the eyes;
Already on each tip
September's berry breaks
unpeels at gentle touch,
and flutters scaly flakes.
Above, the earth is old.
a triple-season's tomb;
below, the earth is young,
a triple-seasons' womb.

J.H.B. Peel,
From "Mere England,"

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - DECEMBER 1971

Welfare	1st, 15th		2 p.m.
Play Group	Every Tues, Wed, Thurs		
	mornings. Ends 9th		9 a.m. - 12 noon
Direct Sales			
Evening	1st		6.45 p.m.
W.I.	2nd		2.30 p.m.
Bingo	2nd		Every Thursday at
			8.00 p.m.
Art	Every Thursday	(B.R.)	7.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Over 60's	3rd		2.30 p.m.
V.H.C.	6th		8.00 p.m.
Dancing	6th		4.15 - 5.15 p.m.
Conservative Assoc.	7th	(C.R.)	8.00 p.m.
Drama	Every Tuesday		7.30 p.m.
Dancing	7th 14th		3. - 5 p.m.
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday		7 p.m. onwards
Drama	8th	(B.R.)	7.30 p.m.
Play Group Party	9th		2.00 p.m.
Whist	10th		7.30 p.m.
Library	10th	(C.R.)	6.30 - 8.00 p.m.
Over 60's Christmas			
Party	11th		
Private Party	11th		Evening
Young Neighbours	13th		7.45 p.m.
V.H. Christmas			
Dance	17th		8.30 p.m.
Private Function	18th		All Day
Carol Concert	19th		8 p.m.
Residents Assoc.	21st	(C.R.)	8 p.m.
Over 60's Xmas			
Party (R.A.F.)	22nd		2.30 p.m.
Private Party	22nd		6 p.m. onwards
W.I.	30th	(C.R.)	2.30 p.m.

 "Here we come a-wassailing, among the leaves so green...."

V I L L A G E C A R O L C O N C E R T,

Sunday, December 19th at 8.00 p.m. in Naphill Village Hall

Programme to suit all tastes and ages. Come and support this
 Village Tradition and have a good sing!

Collection for Christian Aid.

N A P H I L L C H U R C H

(At the corner of Louches Lane and Main Road.)

Services at Naphill.

December 25th Christmas Day Holy Communion 9.0 a.m.
(The Revd. T.R. Taggart.)

Please note that Evensong on the 19th and Holy Communion on the 26th are cancelled, also the Sunday School on December 26th. Sunday School at Naphill every Sunday at 10.30 a.m.

At Hughenden.

Midnight Mass at 11.30 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

After the retirement of the Revd. S.A.C. Dickins, we hope to continue the usual services at Naphill with the help of the Clergy of the district and Lay Readers, until a new appointment is made.

In cases of urgency when the help of the church is required, please telephone:-

Dr. Bedford, High Wycombe 27987
Mr. G. Lloyd, High Wycombe 24828
Mr. A. Darvill-Evans, Holmer Green 2118

Appeals.

Oxfam is appealing to the people of Britain for woollen sweaters, cardigans, shawls and ski-type hats for air lifting to India. Christian Aid are appealing for blankets which they are transporting by air to India.

M E T H O D I S T C H U R C H

Preachers for December.

11 a.m.

6.15 p.m.

December	5th	Rev. P. Tucker	Mrs. Marks
"	12th	Mrs. Pike	Mrs. Jarvis
"	(Children's Carol Service at 2.45 p.m., collection for National Childrens Homes.)		
"	19th	Rev. Francis Watts	Mr. Andrews (Carol Service.)
	Christmas Day Service at 10 a.m.		
"	26th	<u>No</u> Morning Service	Rev. P. Tucker.

The United Fellowship Meeting will be held at Lacey Green Methodist Church on December 1st, at 7.30 p.m. to be led by Rev. N. Burrows. Many thanks to all, who by their generosity and help made our Annual Bazaar such a success. The total profit was £172.

M.G.B.

N A P H I L L E V A N G E L I C A L F R E E C H U R C H

This Church has served our village for 100 years. Today we still offer the eternal Gospel (Good News) to the present generation. Why not come to one of our Sunday services to learn what it is all about? We meet at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"Awake, my soul, from sadness rise,
Come, see what in a manger lies;
Who is this smiling infant Child?
'Tis little Jesus, sweet and mild.

Twice welcome, O Thou heavenly guest,
To save a world with sin distressed;
Com'st Thou in lowly guise for me?
What homage shall I give to Thee?"

Martin Luther.

N A P H I L L & W A L T E R S A S H O V E R S I X T I E S

The film to have been projected by Mr. Stevens on South Africa did not arrive, but we were shown two other films. One was on "Wild Life," and the other on Crystal Glass. Both were most interesting.

The Harvest Festival raised £7.82 and will be donated to the Village Hall Bazaar Fund. A wonderful effort, thank you members.

Mrs. Malvern came and gave us a demonstration on "Needle-made Rugs." These can be made at quite a reasonable price. Members were enthusiastic to try this method, and we hope to have an afternoon class in the New Year. On December 3rd, Miss M. F. Mountain will give a talk on "House plants."

Our Annual Christmas Party is on December 11th. Lunch will start at 1.15 p.m. Will members who are transported to the Club, please be ready at 12.30 p.m. Also, will you please bring a KNIFE, FORK and 2 SPOONS.

On Wednesday, the 22nd of December, the R.A.F. Strike Command have offered to entertain the Club at the Village Hall at 2.30 p.m.

The Committee wishes all members A Very Happy Christmas and a Bright New Year. Our first meeting in January 1972 will be on the 14th, when the speaker will be Mr. Webster of the Forestry Commission.

A.B.

N A P H I L L W. I.

In November the A.G.M. marked the end of our 49th year, and we are proud to have three founder members still with us.

Mrs. Leek, treasurer read the first decimalised report, which revealed a very healthy financial state, and the secretary Mrs. D. Smith's account of a successful year of activities brought congratulations from Mrs. Lackford, V.C.O. who explained the details of the various sub-committees of the B.F.W.I.

Mrs. Piercy gave a lively account of the half-yearly meeting at Aylesbury. £4.28 was raised at Mrs. Y. Bullocks Coffee Morning. In the social half-hour, Mrs. Harris won the prize for solving the most anagrams.

Four members had their paintings hung at the Aylesbury Exhibition - Mrs. Butler, Hayward, Piercy and Shrimpton.

Correction:- In last month's report, one new member's name should have read Mrs. Rhodes, Not Mrs. Rose.

The newly elected committee are as follows:-

Mrs. Balls	:	President
Mrs. D. Butler	:	Mrs. K. McCue
Mrs. E. Hussey	:	Mrs. M. Piercy
Mrs. L. Hussey	:	Mrs. K. Pearson
Mrs. E. Kent	:	Mrs. V. Pushman
Mrs. D. Leek	:	Mrs. N. Randall.
Mrs. B. Brill	:	

We now go forward into our Golden Jubilee Year.

Nine new members joined this year, bringing our number to 74, and there is always a warm welcome for the newcomers in our Village. We meet on the first Thursday in the month at 2.30 p.m. at the Village Hall.

PROGRAMME FOR DECEMBER. Talk on Costumes from 1905 to 1930 by Miss Hibbard. Competition:- Home-made Christmas Cracker. Tea-Hostesses:- Mrs. Toobey, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. D. Brown

D.B.

R. S. F. C. A.

The proceeds of the Autumn Fayre amounted to £65. I am most grateful to everyone who gave so generously, also to all who helped in anyway to make the Sale so successful. Our local inspector Mr. Halliday is always ready to help with any animal problem, and all acts of cruelty reported will be treated as strictly confidential, and receive immediate attention.

May I wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

L.M. Sharpe,
Aux. Hon. Sec.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Many years ago Naphill's brickfields were a hive of industry, employing many local men. Then they began to run down and many of the huge holes in the ground filled with water. It was here that many of our local lads learned to swim, and in this lonely spot, often without benefit of costume. I have tried it once as an adult in the sea after dark, and there are few pleasures so good.

During the war years and after, the wilderness of brambles must have produced tons of blackberry jam for Naphill's housewives. Then the pits began to be filled in and two farmers - Fred Turner and Ben Smith, ploughed and seeded the sites back to farmland. And now, as you will see from Mr. Bradley's plan, it is to be the site of a new school - together, I believe, with a few hundred R.A.F. houses. Mr. Ben Smith has said, "if you are going to take all the farm land, you must take house and buildings as well;" and he has departed for a larger farm down at Ilmer

And so, amongst all the other changes, there are no more of the brothers who formed J. Smith & Sons left in Naphill - but that is another story. The pits were filled with anything that needed dumping, and I have heard that some of the test borings brought up nothing but foam rubber. Bouncing boys in a bouncing school?

Shrub of the month has to be Viburnum Fragrans, whose name speaks for itself. If you want one, try and get the variety produced by Lord Aberconway of Bodnant and therefore, named Viburnum Fragrans Bodnantense.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

We had a very good attendance on November 8th, when Mrs. B. Tole gave us a very colourful display of Christmas Decorations. Some of them were simple enough to inspire even the least artistic. Mrs. Stratford gave the vote of thanks.

The competition for A Christmas Table Decoration was won by Mrs. J. Holland who also shared the raffle prize with Mrs. B. Chamberlen.

As members will know, there is no meeting on December 13th, but an outing has been arranged, and the coach will be picking up at Ash Close about 7.25 p.m. and then at the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

S.J.M.

F R E E;-
37 Ash Close

Ford Popular, 1953
3 Brush Electrics
Engine Good
Must be Towed Away

F R E E
37 Ash Close

F R E E

F R E E

NATURE INTEREST

A few weeks back, I was walking through Bradenham Wood down towards the bottom: of the road where the gate on the right leads into the wood, where the blue bells will greet us in the Spring; as I stood watching a squirrel showing off its paces high up in the beech branches - I thought I heard a slight shuffle in the leaves quite near to me. I stood very still without a move of any kind and twice more the slight noise came. For a moment I thought my ears had deceived me, then within a small bush I saw a perfect pattern of light brown stripes and bright, almost yellow stripes. I dared not move because two little, dark, yet brightly lighted eyes were fixed on me. What a perfect camouflage it was - those feathers, for that's just what they were - against the fallen brown and golden leaves. It was a round ball of beautiful smooth feathers and a tiny head facing in my direction. A little closer look would have been helpful, but that may have frightened it away and that was the last thing I wanted. It was a matter of patience and this particular afternoon, I had plenty.

Just at this moment, I saw the head and neck peeking at something on the ground and to my astonishment, there were two identical balls of feathers; they were about the size of a one-pound Christmas pudding basin. And then it came to me - I was looking at a pair of late young quails. I was very thrilled about this unexpected nature-scoop! I still continued to do my little statue act and from the opposite side of the small bush, came the parent of those two youngsters (the mother most probably, because the male is not a loving father, showing no interest in its' off-springs.) The mother takes constant care of the young until time for migrations.

Just then, I think: I must have moved slightly, because there was a barely audible twitter from 'Mum' and all three took to their wings and flew up over the fir plantation at the back of the bluebell wood. I had never seen quails in the wilds before, though I had seen them in captivity.

Now for a few particulars about the quail. It is true they are very small - the smallest of our game birds, referred to by some as a "real tasty morsel" for they are killed every year in large numbers and sold to decorate someone's dining table. They are about seven inches long, slightly larger than a song thrush. The quail is the only game bird subject to the migratory instinct, going two lengthy journeys each year, in October they go south to Northern Africa and back here again in April or early May. Their migration means doom for many as they perish in large numbers in the beams of the lighthouses and fall into the sea. Many, abroad fall foul of the busy fowlers net. In many countries the quail is on the very rare list.

Those two little rare birds that I saw in late October, may be now safely in North Africa. I hope I will see them again in Bradenham Wood next May?

G A R D E N N O T E S

The best advice that can be given this month is to be prepared for either heavy rain or sharp frosts. Let the work be ordered with reference to the weather, no tramping on wet ground, or trying to beat the frost.

In the vegetable garden, carry on with the digging at every opportunity. In this locality, I term this soil as a "hungry" soil. You have to feed it, and still feed it, if you want good returns. Farm manure is best to dig in if you can get it. Good substitutes are dead leaves, decayed vegetation of all kinds, rags and paper shredded, peat, and grass clippings. And, of course, the compost heap; dig in all weeds except the perennial weeds such as couch, ground elder, bindweed, nettles, docks and dandelion. Again, leave the surface as rough as possible. In the spring after frost, snow and rain, the soil will rake down like flour.

Carry on with the fruit pruning. Follow nature, prune as little as possible for the desired effect. Stop drastic pruning as soon as the tree is a good size and well formed. Put bird cotton on your gooseberries, or they will have all the buds. Of all the sprays on fruit trees, the most important is the Tar Distillate Wash applied now and up to the end of January. It keeps down the moss and lichen, and destroys those little clusters of insect eggs waiting for the spring warmth to hatch out and trouble us.

From a handkerchief to a park size, I have yet to find a garden without some kind of rose. The rose beds are the pride of our gardens. Never dig deep on the rose beds, no more than two inches, just prick over the soil. If you are troubled a lot with "black spot" disease, the following varieties are recommended by the National Rose Society, as being resistant to Black Spot disease:-

Resistant:

Ena Harkness
Etoile de Hollande
Gail Gorden
Iceberg
Korona
Mme Louis Laperierre
Perfect
Piccadilly
Picture
Queen Elizabeth
Shot Silk
Show Girl
Super Star
Sutter's Gold
Vogue

/Continued.....

GARDEN NOTES Continued...

List of Roses Resistant to Black Spot Disease

<u>Very Resistant:</u>	Goldilocks Jiminy Cricket McGredy's Sunset Peace Pink Peace Rose Gaujard Violinista Costa
<u>Extremely Resistant</u>	Allgold

C.P.

KIPPING & WOOD LTD., THE STORES, WALTERS ASH.

Come and inspect our Children's Fashions from "Truly Fair" and "Little Imp". Coats, Trouser Suits, Dresses, Flares, Sweaters, Hats, Gloves and Tights.

Are You Ready for Christmas?

We will gladly reserve goods for you - a small deposit secures any article.

Gifts for all the Family.

Toys, Baby Gift Sets, Jewellery, Cosmetics, Mens Toiletries, Compacts, Transistors, Socks, Ties, Torches, Scarves, Aprons, Handkerchiefs, Nightdresses, Bedjackets, Bedsocks, Slippers Slips, Fancy Stationery, Ladies and Children's Handbags.

We Shall Also Be Glad To Supply Christmas Fayre

Turkey, Capons, Ducks, Geese to order; Christmas Puddings, Christmas Cakes to order, Tunis Cakes, Nuts, Boxes of Chocolates, Cigars, Cigarettes.

Christmas Trees : 2 feet to 6 feet.

Crackers, Christmas Cards, Wrapping paper and string.
Baubles, Tinsel Etc.,

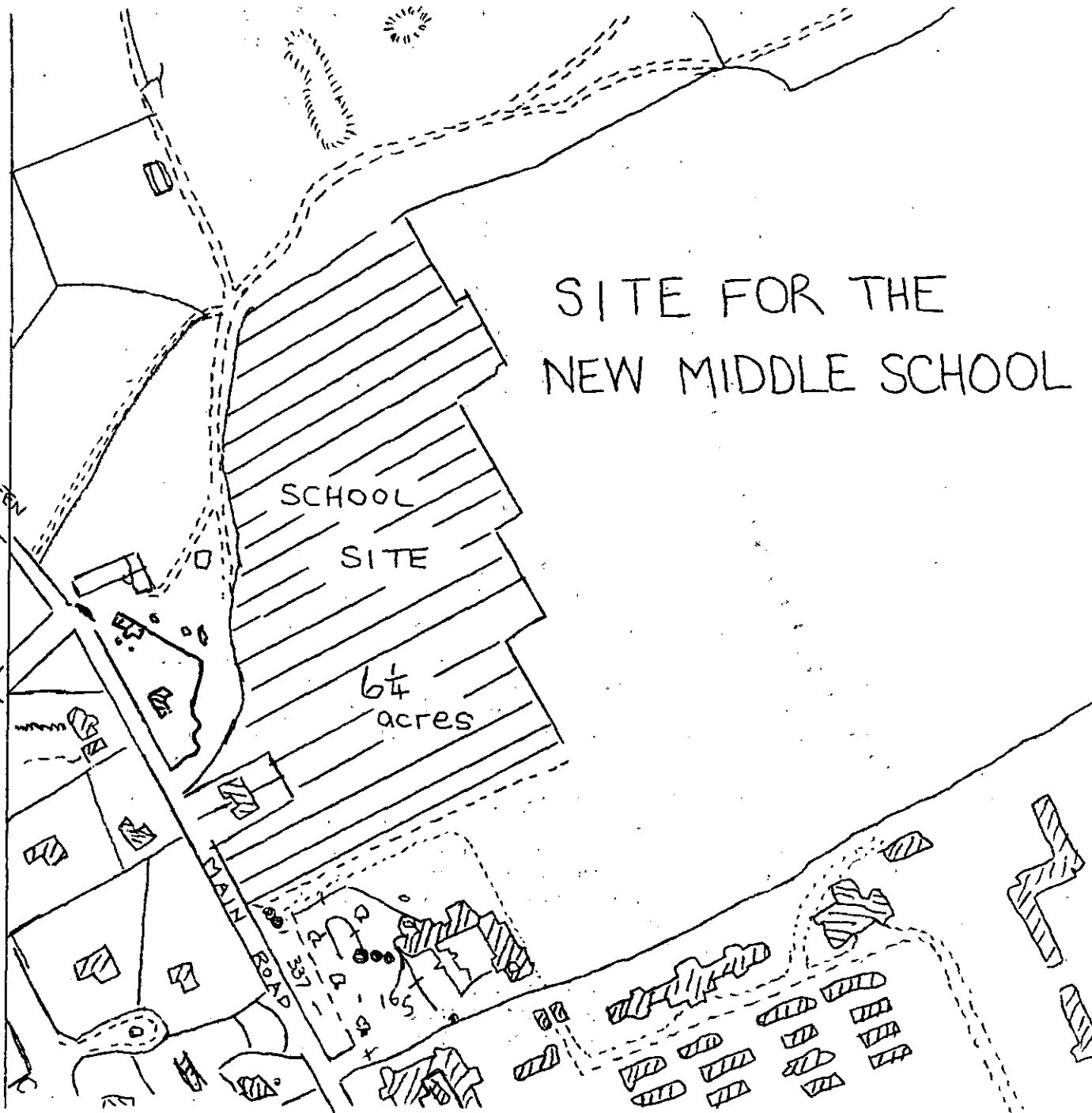
IN FACT, EVERYTHING TO GIVE YOU A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

A N T I Q U E S

WANTED - For person learning about antiques and restoration:-
Antiques or old tables, chairs, etc., - "terrible" condition most welcome. All antiques considered.

Please contact:- Mrs. Margaret McGregor, 4 Trinity Road, Marlow
Telephone : Marlow 2414 Ext. 34

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL



T H E M I D D L E S C H O O L

A new school is to be built in Walters Ash for all children in Naphill and Walters Ash between the ages of 8 and 12+ Building is due to start early in 1972 and to be ready for occupation in the summer of 1973.

The need for an additional school is based on the following figures:-

Number on roll of Naphill C.P. School (1971)	400
Expected increase from Strike Command early in 1973	130
Increase due to raising the age of transfer to 12+ in 1973	70
	<hr/>
Total	600
	<hr/> <hr/>

The existing Primary School was built for 280 children. This will become a First School in 1973 for children between the ages of 5 and 8. The first phase of the new Middle School is designed for 320 children, but a second phase is planned for an additional 80 children, and this cannot be long delayed if natural growth of the village population continues along present trends.

The existing Primary School will require only minor adaptation to become a very good First School for the younger children, but its site of $2\frac{1}{4}$ acres is inadequate for a large number of junior children whose age range from 1973 onwards will extend up to almost 13.

The new Middle School site, shown on the accompanying plan, will be $6\frac{1}{4}$ acres in area, including $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres playing field. The school will be designed, equipped and staffed specially for children in the middle years of schooling. The building plans will be available in school in the near future.

Provision for Science, Practical and Craft subjects, Music, Drama, Physical Education, Language, Library and Countryside Studies, will be substantially in advance of normal primary school facilities, but will differ in character from the traditional secondary school arrangements. The general design of the school is sufficiently flexible to operate an open or closed system to allow for different teaching styles.

The whole business is a costly one. I hope that we will find ways of sharing some of these resources with the wider community, particularly at those times when they would otherwise not be in use.

Wyndham Bradley,
Headmaster.

P A R I S H C O U N C I L N O T E S

The question of publicity has been keenly debated by the Council who feel that the public are not always aware of the influence that local council decisions can have on their local environment. Inadequate reporting of meetings has been one criticism. However, the Bucks Free Press has now been more co-operative and reports have been appearing at regular intervals.

It would obviously be better to obtain information first hand, by attending; and all readers are reminded that they can sit and listen to all Council Meetings as members of the public. These are held on the second Monday of every month, excepting August. The Council meets at Great Kingshill Village Hall and business commences at 7.30 p.m.

Naphill's speed limit has been discussed and it is now proposed that the limit of 30 m.p.h. will be raised to 40 m.p.h. from a point just past The Wheel and continue towards Wycombe, linking up with the 40 m.p.h. limit in Hughenden Valley. At least this will cancel the anomaly of having a de-restricted area between the policeman's house and almost the bottom of Coombe Lane.

R. Pushman.

B O R D E R I N C I D E N T

My sincere apologies to Mrs. Audrey Moore for unwittingly having "stolen her thunder" in reporting details of the proposed new roadside footpath linking Beech Park with Bradenham turn - a project on which she has put in much work within the Bradenham Parish.

As she rightly points out, this side of the road is in Bradenham Parish and not Hughenden and therefore, I should not have reported it in my last notes.

I do hope that the residents of Hughenden will be allowed to use this new footpath!

R. Pushman.

Circulation	700 copies
Advertisements	Full page display £2 or 5p. per line. Please do not send money to the Editor. Panel advertisements by contract. Information and payments to Mr. A. Lawrence, Downland Road.
Announcements	of Births, Marriages, Deaths are published free of charge if duly notified to the Editor.
Contributions	to Mr. R. S. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Naphill by the 21st of the month.

LATE EXTRA!!!!

N A P H I L L H O R T I C U L T U R A L S O C I E T Y

As promised in last month's Gazette, the supplies of fertilizer and peat duly arrived and quite a lot of it has been sold. However, we still have some supplies of Chasmoor - fertilizer and soil conditioner - in 56 lb. bags; Sedge Peat in 1 cwt bags and Irish Moss Peat in press packed handibales.

These are available at very favourable Society prices, and can be picked up each Sunday morning between the hours of 10 and 11 a.m. We have excepted the Sundays of December 26th and January 2nd - for obvious reasons.

Until we find ourselves a permanent warehouse when we hope to stock many more lines for gardeners, we still rely on the co-operation of Mr. Ron Piercy and the bags are stacked in the open barn just inside the entrance to the farm. Each Sunday morning, two members of the Committee will be in attendance. We must stress that this facility with its favourable prices, is available only to members of the Society but we welcome new members, and our two representatives attending will be pleased to enrol new members. The subscription is 15p. (fifteen new pence) per annum. On this occasion we are prepared to regard any new member's subscriptions as being for 1972.

If anyone interested cannot call at the time appointed, if he or she calls on Mr. A. H. Wait, No. 1 Pursells Meadow, Main Road, Naphill, some arrangement will be made to accomodate. I would again stress that no approach must be made to Mr. Piercy, who has simply allowed us to use his property for the time being.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 26th of January 1972, when Officers will be elected. Please make a note of this and, I hope turn up in goodly numbers.

J.B.

THANK HEAVEN FOR LITTLE GIRLS

Congratulations to our Editor in the fulfilment of a very dear wish - to have a granddaughter. She arrived in the small hours of Tuesday morning, just in time for the printing of the Gazette - a felicitous amen, we think. She is obviously trying to please grandfather from the start. May she bring pleasure to the eye and gladness to the heart.

A.L.

MEDICAL COMFORTS FOR NAPHILL RESIDENTS

As a result of the note in the September issue Mr. & Mrs. Pushman Senior have kindly donated a wheelchair and bed back rest.

YOUR FRIENDLY VILLAGE STORE

KIPPING & WOOD LTD.

Walters Ash

Naphill 2140

Why not pay us a visit for your
Groceries Meat and Confectionery?

Have you seen our
Wools Haberdashery Toys Stationery Cards
Gifts Stockings Babies and Children's wear
Chemistry etc.?

We shall be delighted to serve you

Batchelors Stores

FROZEN FOODS & ICES

GROCERIES

COLD MEATS

MINERALS & SWEETS

PAINTS, WALLPAPERS

HARDWARE

GARDEN REQUISITES

ELECTRICAL SUNDRIES

PARAFIN

TEL: NAPHILL 3125

A. E. SYRETT & SON, LTD.

New Props. M. Glanfield and I. Palmer

Your local butcher for . . .

QUALITY MEAT — POULTRY —

COOKED MEATS — BACON — FROZEN FOODS

Agent for Walls Ice Cream

CONSULT US ON BULK
BUYING FOR DEEP FREEZES

Tel.: Naphill 2165

NAPHILL MINI-MARKET

Tel. Naphill 3105.

For **MACE** bargains and service

weekly deliveries

Agent for ARGOS DRY CLEANERS

Naphill 3102

Coles & Blackwell

MOTOR BODY REPAIRS

and

RESPRAYING

Estimates Given

R.A.C.

Tel.: 3270

Russel's Motor Service

NAPHILL

M.O.T. Station

New and Second-hand Cars Supplied

Service with a smile at

EVERETTS

NAPHILL'S POST OFFICE & GENERAL STORES

WAVY LINE special grocery offers

FREE DELIVERY of orders every Friday

Frozen Food, Confectionery, Chemist Sundries, Paraffin,
Stationery, Regular Deliveries of Fruit and Vegetables

Telephone Naphill 3288

CHILTERN NEWSAGENT

STATIONERY * BOOKS * CARDS * TOYS

CONFECTIONERY * CHEMISTS SUNDRIES

Adverts taken for Bucks Free Press.

————— Tel: NAPHILL 3327 —————

THE BLACK LION

(Win and Len Dent)

— :: —
SANDWICHES — GRILLS — SNACKS
— :: —

Wines and Spirits delivered

Tel.: 3176

RANDALL'S GARAGE

TEL.: 2205



REPAIRS — OVERHAULS — SERVICING

TYRES — BATTERIES — ACCESSORIES

THE WHEEL

MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Host and Hostess: Ron and Win Jackson

OFF SALES DELIVERED

Tel.: 2210

R. Newell

"TINTAAN"
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

Building Contractor

Repairs

Plumbing and Heating

PHONE NAPHILL 3273

Hair Boutique

WALTERS ASH

*Individual Styling
and
Personal Attention*

Late Night Thursday
Special Rates for Ladies over 60
on Mondays and Tuesdays

Tel: 3388 For Appointment

74-82 Desborough Rd.

We have pleasure in supporting
"The Naphill Gazette"

ELECTRIC INSTALLATIONS
(H.W.) LTD.

TEL.: HIGH WYCOMBE 27681
Hire Purchase and T.V. Rentals

ROGER SMITH

"HIDEAWAY,"
FORGE ROAD,
NAPHILL.

PAINTER — DECORATOR

Estimates Free

Phone : Naphill 3364

THOMAS & SMITH

Decorating, Plumbing & Heating Specialists
Signs Painted or Carved

38 Ash Close
Naphill Bucks

or H/W 20921

ARTHUR W. SIMMONDS

4 OAK COTTAGES,
MAIN ROAD, NAPHILL

ELECTRICIAN

RE-WIRING

NEW INSTALLATIONS

REPAIRS ETC.

RING NAPHILL 2274

ESTIMATES FREE

TEL: 2002

THE WINE CELLAR

(W. J. BARRETT)

MAIN ROAD NAPHILL

Comprehensive stocks of

WINES - - - - SPIRITS
BEERS - - - - ETC. ETC.

— Glasses Loaned For Parties

DON COLEMAN SPORTS LIMITED

Suppliers of High Class Sports and Travel Goods
Stockist of Scout and Guide Equipment
The Largest Stock of Golf Equipment in the County
Local Enquiries to Naphill 3153

51 FRIARS SQUARE - AYLESBURY

Telephone Aylesbury 3074 & 85517

Also at Slough and Bletchley

*Made to measure Lightweight
Foundation Garments.*

Elite models
by
SPENCER

MERIAL WILFORD B.S.S.S.A.

Tel:
Naphill 2233

7 Ash Close
Walters Ash

Registered surgical fitter
for Ladies, Gentlemen & Children

ALLEN and HOLLAND

LANDSCAPE GARDENERS

TREES FELLED AND LOPPED
HEDGES CUT
ALL GARDEN LAYOUTS

2 Upper North Dean,
Hughenden Valley,
High Wycombe.

TEL: Naphill 3333

Estimates Free.

Coloured Paving

Ornamental Walling

Screen Blocks

Fencing Panels

Natural Stone

Sand, Ballast, Cement

all obtainable from

GARDENSTONE LTD.

WALTERS ASH

Tel: Naphill 3330.

Your nearest

FISH & CHIPS

are at

**LINDSAY AVENUE,
H.W. or HAZLEMERE**

Also at

**OXFORD STREET,
MARSH & MARLOW**

DUCE'S of course