# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

# February 2018



#### Race Night for Breast Cancer Care Charity Saturday 3rd February

Come and join us for a great night for a fantastic cause.

#### **Friday Nights** Food served from 5-9pm with 20% off kids meals 5-6pm

#### Follow us on Facebook search Naphill Black Lion

Opening Hours 11 am to 11 pm Mon - Sat Food served Tues - Sat 12-3 / 6-9pm Sunday- 12noon to 11 pm Food served 12noon to 4pm

Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4SH For all reservations call: 01494 563176 blacklionnaphill.com

# BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer







# All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Viewings hosted by us 7 days a week qualified in advance and followed by prompt feedback Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



# **Call Rachel & Julian in The Chilterns** 01494 917051

had th

# ASTON HEARING

We know how important your hearing is for helping you to stay connected and live life to the fullest. We are a family-run hearing centre, established for nearly thirty years, based in Amersham and Thame.

Recognised as one of the leading independent hearing consultancies in the UK and recently awarded European Audiologist of the Year



# Services available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing Consultations Latest Hearing Technology Ear Wax Removal using **Micro-suction** 

**Children's Hearing Screening Ear Protection & Advice** 

#### WWW.ASTONHEARING.COM Thame Amersham 01844 396057 01494 733840

### Look out for our **Hear Today Events**

Monthly Drop-in Coffee Mornings

1st Friday & 1st Tuesday of every month in Thame and Amersham

Qualified advice Personal experiences Talks Refreshments Support for all hearing concerns All welcome Free of charge

see www.astonhearing.co.uk for details or call 01494 733840 to register your interest and we will keep you informed.

Hughenden Builders Established 30 years	
All Building Works Undertaken	
<ul> <li>Extensions</li> <li>Alterations</li> <li>Loft conversions</li> <li>Roofing all types</li> <li>Drives, Block paving, Tarmac etc</li> <li>Patios, Walls, Garden landscaping</li> <li>Plumbing</li> <li>Plastering,</li> </ul>	C T
<ul> <li>Carpentry</li> <li>171 Main Road Tel: 01494 562937</li> </ul>	
Naphill Mob: 07901 916044	

# Kim Johnson Plumbing

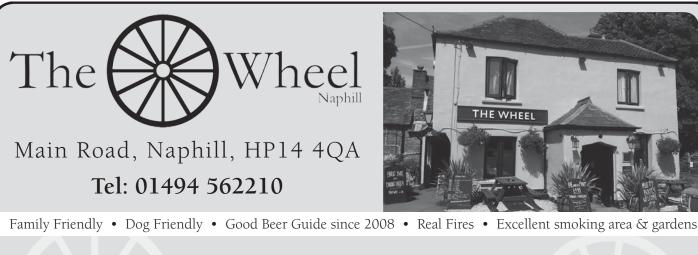


# Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

# Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

# Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com



# INDIVIDUAL EYECARE

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan Retinal Camera NHS vouchers KIDS GO FREE

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

# 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

# Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite &
- Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Services

07798 742835 01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk











ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



# P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- **Barn Conversions**
- **Kitchens**
- **Bathrooms**
- **Bedroom Refits**
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

# **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils •

Call Robert: 01494 562943

07799 606949 email: robhastie@gmail.com



# **Nelson Electrical Services**

Ever found it difficult to get an electrician for that small job or asked for a quote and never got a response?

If so, call Nelson Electrical Services, your local, reliable electrician. No job too small. NAPIT registered. Free quotes.

# Phone Michael on 07908 644058

www.highwycombeelectrician.com



Fireplace and Brickwork Specialist

- Fireplaces installed and supplied
- Stoves installed & Chimneys lined
- Gas Fires serviced and repaired Smokey Fireplaces solved
- All types of brickwork undertaken
- Brick and Inglenook fireplaces
- No chimney no problem Fencing, decking and patios



#### Telephone: 01844 343660 Mobile: 07900 156803

# **DAVID HUSSEY**



Builder

Over 30 years experience locally **Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs** Redecoration

01844 344379 🖾 07738157146



Our team of electrical engineers are qualified to carry out all types of domestic electrical work, including:

- Extra Socket Outlets
   Additional Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Units / Distribution Board Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Reports
   Fault Finding
- Additional BT Points
   Garden / Security Lighting
- New Digital Aerials Installed or Upgrades
- PAT Testing

South of France Secluded 2 Bedroom Holiday Villa with Pool Overlooking the Historic Village of Soubes

This charming villa, sitting in 2 acres of olive grove, has a large south facing terrace and a wooden clad 6m by 4m pool. It sleeps 4 comfortably but it also has a mezzanine which is ideal for children.

For further details visit www.villsoubesfrance.co.uk or contact Jenny on 07762 608001 or jennyfc@hotmail.co.uk



Book Online: www.yellowcarshw.co.uk



For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611 07811 946 612

sales@mb-electrical.co.uk www.mb-electrical.co.uk

**M B Electrical (London) Ltd** 32 Main Road, Naphill, Buckinghamshire, HP14 4QB



# Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

**PIANO SERVICES.** William Woodruff CGLI. Established 1985. Piano tuning, repairs and restoration. High-quality service at competitive prices. Phone 01494 533860 Mobile 07469742664. Email william.woodruff@btinternet. com. Website www.woodruffpianoservices.co.uk.

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**GROVEWOOD FOOT CLINIC** General foot health and hygiene care in your home - high risk feet, diabetes, peripheral arterial disease, arthritis, fungal, ingrown, corns and calluses, verruca, athlete's foot, dry/cracked heels, massage and sports injuries. Telephone: 07714 207180 Email: annablen324@gmail.com

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk. **CURTAIN MAKING,** alterations, and general soft furnishings. Based in Naphill, I have 25 years' experience. Hazel Lowe – Phone 01494 564343 or mobile 07796 527836. Email hazel.lowe1951@ hotmail.co.uk

**LOCAL AFFORDABLE ACCESSIBLE CHILDCARE** Wise Owls Nursery and Pre-school is conveniently located on the Greenwood estate, Walters Ash. The setting has a dedicated baby room, Toddler room and Pre-school and children are welcomed from 3 months to 5 years. Wise Owls offers high quality, caring EYFS childcare. Please contact Annabel on 01494 563881 or wiseowls.nps@gmail.com for a prospectus.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for those visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail.com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private selfcontained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 - email stefan@zacharydesign.co

Advertising requirements please contact the Editor. All the details on page 13

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette February 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

# Copy Deadline for the March 2018 edition is 15 February 2018

**Contacts Directory** 

Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk			
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk			
Hughenden Parish Clerk						
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Marin Burch	566047	martin.burch@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy					
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Naphill & Walter's Ash Preschool	Debbie Conn (Supervisor) Judy Pope (Ad- min)	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk			
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk			
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm			
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com			
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT				
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275			

	Naphill and Walter's Ash Clubs and Organisations					
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact			
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121			
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933			
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 6 -7.30pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com			
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com			
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys Training Sessions	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hoti				
	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332			
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash				
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767			
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332			
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089			
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk			
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green				
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday in the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977			
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469			
Residents Association	Second Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com			
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com			
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282			
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706			
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406			
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 9.30am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.15-7.30pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com			
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk			
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670					
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018			



### Editorial

This week I received the sad news that Richard Holroyd, my assistant editor, is resigning for personal reasons. Whilst this news was not totally unexpected I am very sad to be losing one of my great Gussetteers. Richard is a superb professional photographer who has always designed the covers much admired by us all. As well as being a great professional photographer, Richard has also been the person I could turn to for advice and support. My sincere thanks to you Richard, you will be very much missed!

Last December Mike Pool, our treasurer, sent out the accounts to our advertisers. If you are an advertiser who has not settled your account yet please do so promptly, if you no longer require your advertising space please inform us as we have a number of people who would like to advertise with us.

Recently our grandaughter has moved to Naphill and we were all delighted when she was granted a place at Naphill & Walter's Ash School. For Naomi one of the major attractions for this move was that she would be able to walk, scoot or ride her bike to school and this morning was the very first morning that she and her Mum decided to take our two Chihuahuas along on this walk with them. One very happy child set off for school, with dogs harnessed, pooh bags at the ready, doggy treats, instructions reinforced as to how to safely hold the leads and to make sure that the dogs did not cause a danger to anything or anybody else.

Owning a dog comes with responsibilities! The law is very clear that these responsibilities are not just to our pet and immediate family but also towards people, livestock and animals who we meet with our dog beyond our home. A dog out walking is the responsibility of the handler at all times regardless of whether that handler is the owner or a dog walker, this handler must be able to control their charge. Recently I have received several distressing local reports of dogs attacking other dogs and the handler of the aggressor not controlling their dog properly. My own dogs, out walking on their leads, well under the control of their professional dog walker, were victims of just such an unprovoked attack. Fortunately, neither of our dogs or their handler was injured. I am publishing a reminder of these laws in this copy of our magazine. Please see page 32. If you need further help or advice please contact PC Stuart Baron who is the local police officer specially trained to deal with matters. He can be contacted by phone on 101.

The December snow produced some great photographs, some of which I am sharing with you in this issue and there were a few extra days off school for the children to enjoy the snow, but personally, I hope that Spring is not too far away so that not only can we walk our dogs in safety but we will be able to enjoy our glorious countryside as it springs back into life.

> Sonia 01494 569428 editor@napillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwaltersash.org.uk

# **Editorial Disclaimer**

Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.





# Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields

Council - Registered charity number 300309

# Village Hall Christmas Tree Lights

Once again, we were all delighted to see our spectacular tree lights this year. They are not just the talk of the village, but I am reliably informed that the taxi drivers consider them to be the best in the area!

As always, a massive thank you goes to the team, led by Mike Mason, who brave the elements each year to bring us all such joy and cheer up the dark evenings.

However, the biggest thanks must go to everyone who contributed towards the lights by putting a donation in one of the boxes that were in all the local pubs and businesses, or went online to make a donation on our new MyDonate page. You were incredibly generous and the total in the boxes this year was £237.44, and via MyDonate £217. The W.I had a collection at their Christmas party which raised an additional £70, and the last remaining £173.47 of Horticultural Society funds were also donated, giving a grand total of £697.91, which goes a very long way towards the running costs and the essential insurance for Mike and his team.

Once again, we can safely say that our tree's future remains very bright indeed!

Cathryn Carter

# **Chairman's Report**

On the 8 January we held the village hall committee meeting. There were 12 committee members present. Among the items discussed were the seats that are going to be placed on the crick, the concrete bases for them will be laid soon so the seats can be bolted onto them. The tender for the grass cutting and hedge trimming has been issued to three potential suppliers and we will decide next meeting who the contract will be awarded to. The play area was also discussed and the report from the parish council states that we will have to spend a considerable amount to update the various equipment that is there. Two members of the committee are to meet with the parish council to discuss details in the near future. The flat roof over Bon Ami and the changing rooms was also discussed and it was agreed that a local builder could tender for the work and we will make a decision at the next meeting.

We do seem as a committee to take a long time to commission the larger jobs that are essential for the upkeep of the hall but being a registered charity we have to get three quotes for the work. This alone can be a time consuming item but as the committee is made up of volunteers who are only available to do this work when their commitments allow. We have much work to do on the hall and crick and some help to do these jobs would be great, so if you think you have the time and skill, be it overseeing the work or giving us advice on building or roofing jobs, you can contact me via the village hall website.

The Christmas tree lights looked great and are always admired by many people from the area but this year the lights have taken a pounding including being hit by a tall vehicle and we will need to replace some of them. Thanks to the team that put them up and take them down.

> Clive Lawrence Chairman, Naphill Village Hall chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk

# Co-op Community Fund

The Village Hall Council would like to thank the Coops at Walter's Ash and Princes Risborough for supporting us as one of their charities over the last 6 months. We have received a total of £2,236.54 which will go towards village hall maintenance and improvements.

We would also like to thank you, the Co-op members, who nominated us as your beneficiary. Your support is very much appreciated.

Judy Whitehouse

# **Bradenham Parish Council**

#### Happy New Year.

The parish council held its first meeting of the year on 8 January. We were very pleased to have the RAF present at this meeting. In recent months they have raised a number of issues with us i.e. overgrown hedges and lack of street lighting. The parish council in turn had raised some issues with the RAF.

We would like to remind all residents that it is the landowners responsibility to make sure that hedges, trees and plants do not overgrow onto the public highway (road, pavement, footpath). It has to be safe to walk along a pavement. It is the County Council's responsibility on main roads to clear mud and leaves, etcetera, from the roads and pavements. Wycombe district council also do some of this work. We have had reports of persons cycling on the pavement where it is NOT a shared cycle/walk way. Please refrain from cycling on the pavement where you should not.

Fly tipping by the old recycling centre had dropped off but it is occurring again. If you see any please report it on Bucks County Council web site www.buckscc.gov. uk. Supplying a photograph always helps. The County Council is very responsive. Road kill should be reported at Wycombe District Councilwww.wycombe.gov.uk

Flooding in the parish has been a problem for some time, in particular, New Road in Walter's Ash and Rectory Lane, Bradenham. The County Council did come out and investigate. The drain on New Road is due to be cleared, which will help. Capital work is required for the problems on Rectory Lane and unfortunately although the work has been scheduled for some time now, it keeps being put back. There are a number of jobs outstanding which are the responsibility of the National Trust. One of the councillors has been chasing this work. New steps near footpath Br3 have been put in place and the decent/ascent of that hill is now much safer. It was decided that the Bradenham pond needs regular clearance work, councillors are looking into having this work done.

We have requested Bucks County Council to repaint a number of white lines at junctions in the parish and have been told this is now scheduled. The repainting of the pelican crossing in Walter's Ash is also due to be done. Speed data from our MVAS on Bradenham Woods Lane was discussed, in December we had more than 70,000 vehicle movements and more than half of those exceeded the 30mph speed limit. With 230 vehicles exceeding 60mph! It was agreed that speed data will be distributed at every meeting and with the minutes. We regularly have complaints about speeding vehicles. Please watch your speed.

The budget was set and the precept was kept at £7,140 for 2018/19.

# Our next meeting will be on Monday 5th March at 7pm at Bradenham Cricket club.

Deirdre Hansen,

Clerk to the Council. clerk@bradenham.org.uk www.bucksvoice.net/bradenham-parish-council

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association:

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) In the 8 weeks to 12th January 2018 were discussed and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website

**Planning Applications** to 14th December 2017: 17/08225/FUL Highfield, Coombe Lane, Naphill. HP14 4QX. Householder application for construction of single storey front / side extension following removal of

existing store. (Validated: Tue 05 Dec 2017). 17/07849/ FUL. Modena, Hunts Hill Lane, Naphill. HP14 4RJ. HA for raising of roof, roof extensions/alterations, first floor side extension and fenestration/door alterations to dwelling and garage. (Validated: Tue 07 Nov 2017). 17/08149/FUL Fernlands Chapel Lane, Naphill. HP14 **4RB. HA** for construction of first floor side extension. (Validated: Mon 20 Nov 2017). (NAWARA. Objection). 17/08144/FUL. 8 Wellhouse Way, Naphill. HP14 **4QP.** HA for conversion of garage to habitable room. (Validated: Mon 20 Nov 2017). 17/08203/MINAMD. 6 Allen Drive, Naphill. HP14 4SS. Proposed nonmaterial amendment to permission for construction of single storey front extension, two storey rear extension, conversion of roof space to habitable accommodation including insertion of 3 x dormer windows, 3 x rooflights and 1 x Sun Tube granted under householder planning ref 16/05078/FUL (Validated: Thu 23 Nov 2017).

Decisions Permitted. 17/07399/FUL. 324, Main Road, Walters Ash. HP14 4TH 17/07926/MINAMD. 17 Allen Drive, Naphill. HP14 4SS. 17/07553/FUL. 25, Ash Close, Walters Ash. HP14 4TR. 17/06605/FUL. 40, Main Road, Naphill. HP14 4QB. Withdrawn. 17/07491/FUL. Hogtrough Smallholding, Louches Lane, Naphill. HP14 4QH.

Planning Applications to 11th January 2018: 17/08333/ADV. 312 Main Road Walters Ash HP14 **4TH** Display of 1 x internally illuminated fascia sign, 1 x internally illuminated projecting sign and 4 x non-illuminated wall/fence mounted flat aluminium signs. 17/08509/FUL The Firs, Purssells Meadow, Naphill Householder application for demolition of existing detached garage and shed, construction of single storey side and rear extensions and associated alterations. 17/08382/FUL 132, Main Road, Naphill. HP14 4PZ. Householder application for construction of replacement entrance porch. 17/08273/FUL Travellers Joy, 157 Main Road Naphill. HP14 4SB. HA for construction of single storey rear extension, second storey front extension over existing garage, front porch, insertion of 3 x windows to side and new render finish/cedar shiplap timber cladding over existing brick finish. (No objection provided there is no overlookiing over adjacent property by provision of frosted glass in line with planning guidelines on side-facing windows. 17/08303/FUL Lark Rise, Stocking Lane, Naphill. HP14 4NE HA for construction of single storey rear extension. 17/08147/FUL Jonathan Cottage, Chapel Lane, Naphill. HP14 4RB HA for construction of single storey and first floor side/rear extensions.(NAWARA objection. Overlooking of Yew Tree Cottage and light intrusion).

Decisions. Permitted. 17/08144/FUL 8, Wellhouse Way, Naphill HP14 4QP. 17/08203/MINAMD. 6, Allen Drive, Naphill. HP14 4SS. 17/07768/FUL 28, Ash Close, Walters Ash. HP14 4TR

*Gloria Leflaive* 01494 563634

# Hughenden Parish Council Report

**Factoid #20** - Of the 15 Council seats we currently have 4 vacancies. Anyone over 18 who lives or works in the Parish can apply for this varied and rewarding role by emailing clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk or telephoning 715296

#### **Decision on Precept**

In our last article of 2017 we explained about the precept and that the Council would be setting its expenditure requirement for the Apr18-Mar19 period at the end of November.

This money goes directly to providing the services for which HPC are responsible. These include providing and maintaining allotments, public open spaces, bus shelters, dog bins, the Garden of Rest (cemetery), benches and playgrounds as well as significant roadside maintenance within the parish including grass and hedge cutting, clearing the edges of pavements, weed killing and rights of way clearance. The result is an increase of 2% from £207,464 to £211,613. This increase is driven primarily by increasing costs to us and that Buckinghamshire County Council has no commitment beyond 2019 to assist funding us for the roadside maintenance that they devolved to the Parish Council 2 years ago. This increase will amount to approximately an additional £1 per year on a Band D council tax bill for 2018/2019 and still keeps us below the annual national average Parish precept of £61.03.

#### **Dog Bins**

We have recently had two new dog waste bins installed on the Common. This was in response to requests from residents and after consultation with West Wycombe Estate and Natural England.

These are the locations at the end of Downley Road and the end of Chapel Lane. Please see the black rectangles on the map provided (courtesy of Friends of Naphill Common. We will monitor their usefulness (such a glamourous job!) and may look to add a third at the end of Forge Road in the future.

#### Playgrounds

We did promise to update you on Templewood Playground. We had a decent response to our short survey - with 97 (91 from within Parish) of you coming back to us both online and using the flyers that we posted locally around Templewood.

- Redesign the area to include a range of children's play equipment 69%
- Keep the play area as it is and replace the play equipment 29%
- Remove equipment and fencing and manage as an open space 2%

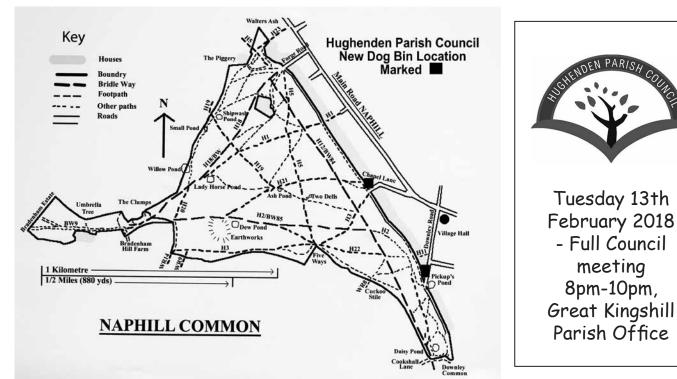
We councillors met to discuss the next steps in January along with Councillor Gieler, Chairman of our Services Committee. A briefing will now be submitted to Council in February with the outline requirements so that we can get an idea of what can be achieved and at what cost.

We have also asked separately to understand what remedial work is required to reinstate the wooden bridges, swings, etc for when the better weather arrives.

The Playground on the crick should by now have received another top up of bark under the equipment.

Your Parish Councillors

Martin Burch, Chris Waterton, Peter Williams and vacant seat. email nawa@hughendenpc.org.uk website www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk



# **Points of Interest**

Although February brings slightly longer days they can still be dull with murky mists and overcast skies. In these conditions there are still many car and van drivers who persist in driving without any lights whatsoever and safety is further compromised because many more modern cars are equipped with permanent bright sidelights so that in a line of traffic they are easily seen whilst darker cars without lights become almost invisible. I cannot be alone in seeing the inherent dangers of this situation and I think it is about time that legislation be introduced to make it compulsory for all cars to have side or running lights when moving. It is required when raining but is never enforced by the police and it would not involve expensive technology to link the lights automatically being switched on when the windscreen wipers are operating. Road safety would be improved if all cars had to have automatic running lights.

On the issue of road safety why do some drivers persist in driving too fast in situations of potential danger? Such situations can be regularly witnessed along the Main Road at Walters Ash where cars parked at the roadside should slow down the flow of traffic but there are many drivers who appear to see it as a challenge to pass through this congestion at 30 miles per hour and above. I have never supported a 20 mph limit along this stretch of road as conditions do not always require it but it should be common sense to drive at appropriate speeds when road conditions demand it.

Richard Pushman

### **Black Lion**

Happy New Year to all of our customers, we hope everyone had a good Christmas. We were busy serving our Christmas menu throughout December and had a great party on New Year's Eve with a free buffet and glass of bubbly to say thank you to our customers.

Food is served 12-4pm every Sunday and throughout February and March we will be offering a roast dinner with all the trimmings for only £8 per person. Come and enjoy roast beef plus either pork, chicken or lamb next to our roaring fires and have a day off cooking! Homemade puddings also available. *We regret that this special offer is not available on 11 March, Mother's Day - please see our Facebook and website for menu and booking details for this special day.* 

We are still serving food early on Friday nights, from 5-9pm. Come in early and feed the children with 20% off the kid's menu between 5-6pm.

We are proud to be hosting a Race Night on Saturday 3rd February in aid of Breast Cancer Care. Food is being served 6-8pm with the children's menu, side orders and bowls of either chilli con carne and rice and vegetable curry and rice for only £5. Horses can be bought before the night for a chance to win a bottle of prosecco. You can also sponsor the race to get a mention on the night. Lots of tote betting on the night with free entry so please come and support this fantastic cause.

#### Food is served

Tuesday – Saturday 12-3pm / 6-9pm (from 5pm on Friday's)

Sunday 12-4.

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Jack, Sian and the team.







# A Brave Soldier Remembered

Ron Crutchfield was born in November 1924, just six years after the First World War. His father had fought in the trenches and was probably somewhat disappointed that his son would be off fighting 19 years after Ron was born and just 27 years after his father had returned from the War to end all Wars.

After the war, Ron married Millie, they moved into Anne's Cottage and gained a Poodle and life was good for some time. Ron drove bulldozers for 50 years, for the local firm, Smiths. They own that yard where the tyre fitters are, opposite the allotments).

While driving bulldozers and clearing old houses and sites, it gave Ron access to unlimited quantities of 'stuff' to accumulate at home! Scrap metal was his favourite, they would weigh it in with the mobile 'Totty Man' and the money it generated paid for a summer holiday every year. His wife was definitely not keen on the rest of the stuff that Ron brought home and she curbed his worst excesses. After Millie died in 1986 (I think), it gave Ron the rest of his working life to accumulate the piles of things we see today, littered around Anne's Cottage. All of it may 'come in handy' at some point!

Ron's memory never faded, his recall of events from long ago was crystal clear, with his war-time exploits at the forefront. Not many foot soldiers could drive at that time, Ron could, which meant he was selected to drive a Willy's Jeep for the 'Ruperts', much of his war. After fighting his way up Sword beach on foot, June 1944, he was issued his first jeep, with others following in Italy and North Africa.

Ron wasn't always the easiest person to get along with but when you got to know him, he was funny, articulate and had so many good stories to tell. He was always grateful for company and news from the locality and always ready with an opinion! We salute this fine solider from the Kings Shropshire Light Infantry and will miss him!

Neil McDonald

# A Hero of Naphill

At 1000hrs on 6th June 1944 Ron Crutchfield of Naphill stepped from a landing craft into the sea off Sword beach in Normandy. He was in the second wave of British soldiers on D-Day. He carried a 0.303 rifle, 50 rounds of ammunition, two bren gun magazines and a few grenades. He was an infantryman of the Shropshire Regiment. He went on to participate in the attack on Caen, which took six weeks (it was defended by a Panzer division). His regiment then fought the German army through northern France, Belgium and Holland into Germany. He finished up at the end of the war in Bremen in northern Germany. He was aged 19 years 7 months when he stepped ashore. Nearly a quarter of the men in his regiment were killed. Like nearly all the men who fought in the British army in the Second World War, Ron was a civilian conscripted into the army, given a rifle and ammunition and some basic training then sent into action. It was a war to the death and Ron did his duty. He survived to live a long life back here in Naphill. He was a true hero, recently recognised by the award of a Légion d'Honneur medal by the Government of France for his contribution to the liberation of France. The Légion d'Honneur medal is France's highest award. He passed away at the age of 93. We shall miss him.

Mike Mason





Please come to our AGM on Friday 9th February in the Village hall, starting at 7.30pm. Our speaker is Mike Fisher of Fisher's Brewing Co on Bellfield Road. It is also vital that we hear your views about the Common, about our organisation and about what we are doing or not doing. The Common is probably the village's greatest asset – certainly it's most attractive feature. You don't have to be a member to come to the meeting, but we will be pleased if you join.

It is not surprising that with all the felling and dragging out of timber, together with the winter weather, much of the Common is in a rough state with an abundance of ruts and mud. However, this phase of the felling is nearly complete and, with good fortune, the spring will show the Common with much more greenery than we have seen since the 1950's. We will be planting out a few more juniper bushes later in the year. They were grown from berries collected from our existing bushes.

This Christmas there were very few holly berries to gather. This was partly due to the amount of bushes that have been removed, but I suspect that the main reason was that snow just before Christmas encouraged the birds to strip the trees. This is supported by the fact that there were not many bushes with berries in areas away from the Common. Of course, in holly the sexes are on different trees so, as in humans, at least half won't produce fruit.

We hope to address the problem of the Great Beech that has fallen into Dew Pond, completely covering it. Wessex Woodland Management has agreed to attempt to remove the main trunk and larger branches without damaging the pond lining, and we hope to tackle the rest through our working parties. However, there are complications. First, the lower section of the tree contains the rare Lion's Mane fungus, Hericium erinaceus, and that must be preserved if at all possible. Second, the tree has fallen across the ditch of the (probably) Iron Age enclosure and we don't want that damaged when the tree, or part of the tree, is removed. Third, the pond itself may be ancient - a fragment of Iron Age pot has been found in it so we don't want to see the pond damaged. We will consult with various experts, including an ecologist, an archaeologist, and a fungus expert as well as someone from Wessex Woodland Management.

The work parties are continuing to meet to clear paths, remove scrub and maintain the ponds in good order. If you would like to help please check the web site (www.naphillcommon.org.uk) or contact the organiser, Peter Davis for details. Tools and training (where necessary) are provided.

You are also welcome to join our walks. The short walks (2-3 miles) are led by Chris Miller starting at 10.30am from the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of each month. Ron Collins leads the longer walks (about 5 miles) on the third Monday of each month. Meet at the Village Hall at 9.25am for a prompt start at 9:30am. Members and non-members are equally welcome. These are the usual arrangements, but as there is sometimes a need to make changes it would be wise to consult our website, posters or the two leaders to confirm the details.

Chris Miller Chairman









#### The Wheel

We would like to wish everyone in the Village a very Happy New Year and hope you all have a healthy and prosperous 2018. Also thank you to the Christmas Tree lights team. They were amazing as always.

It feels like such a long time since I was last writing an article for the gazette, but that's because so much has been going on. Christmas has been an extremely busy month and we hope we haven't had to turn too many of you away over December due to the Christmas bookings. Its been a strange month with Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve falling on a Sunday which has only ever happened once before in nearly 12 years of us being here.

New Years Eve was a brilliant night with so many of our locals celebrating and dancing lots, (you know who you are)!! Mark and I would like to thank Tony for being our DJ on the night. We would also like to thank Chefkins and all the staff for all their hard work over the festive period. Anyone who works in the hospitality trade over December needs a massive cheer, so well done to all at The Black Lion and all the other pubs in the area too.

It was brilliant to have all the snow and it was great to become the après-ski venue on the Sunday, as our snow boarders were out in force, and then enjoyed the afternoon while the kids kept themselves entertained having snowballs thrown at them by their Dads. Here's to more snow (I know some may not agree, but I like it)

This month it is all about Rugby and The Six Nations, as always Chloe and I are rather excited and looking forward to completing our Risborough Rugby Club Sweep Stake forms. The more that join in the better, and all games will be shown so you know how well you've done. We also need to win the Pub challenge this year.

Functions this year, the majority being held on Saturday nights, which should be entertaining. Just a little bit of forward planning for you all, Mother's Day is very early this year and is the 11th March, so remember to book

Once again thank you to everyone who supports us and to all our wonderful staff. We hope the staff enjoy their well-deserved time off this month.

Thanks, and see you soon.

Mark and Claire



### **Bon Ami**

Happy New Year to everyone. We hope you have all had a very happy Christmas and are eager for 2018.

On 4 January we started back after an extravagant two week break with our families xx had dropped off. This day is Vera's birthday and this year we were thrilled to celebrate Vera's 97th birthday at Bon Ami. Nineteen of Vera's friends joined her and it was a very happy event. Vera made a short speech thanking everyone for coming and looking forward to her 98th birthday celebrations. We hope you like this special picture of the event.



We have continued to be busy since returning. Our soup of the moment is Tatties & Neeps with Haggis. This is always a huge favourite and in recognition of Burns' Night on 27th January.

We hope that many of you are reading "The Dry" by Jane Harper in readiness for our first book club meeting on Thursday 1st February, 7pm at Bon Ami. If you are planning to come along please do let us know so that we can plan our tables.

As always, we look forward to serving you and meeting you very soon.

Best wishes Amanda and Ruth.

# **1st Naphill Brownies**

#### Happy New Year!

I would like to begin by complimenting Sonia on the amazing job she does in editing our village magazine. There is so much that goes on behind the scenes before we receive our published copies and we are very lucky to have her in the editor's chair. Thank you, Sonia.

Towards the end of 2017, we enjoyed a great evening of Cheerleading with Alice from the Cheer Academy. It was such fun that we decided to show our efforts to everyone at our Annual Carol Service. The Carol service involves much singing alongside short entertainments (on a Christmas theme) from each of the Guiding units of the Hughenden District: A very sociable way to end the year. The Brownies are now back after the Christmas break and are enjoying all sorts of Spring themed activities and traditions from a variety of different countries – Australia Day, Chinese New Year, Mothers Day and Easter.

With World Book Day and National Storytelling Week also falling this term we will be working towards our Booklovers badge. I am hoping the girls have read some good books over Christmas which they might tell us about. Wycombe Library has kindly agreed to show us around the library to find out more about the range of resources available and how to care for these resources. There is a lot for us to look forward to.

> Brown Owl (Ruth Daly) 565571 :ruth.daly3@btinternet.com

### Thank You!



I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who visited our tacky Christmas lights at the top of Coombe Lane this year. Unfortunately, they were late going up due to illness but with the help of John Evans we were able to get them ready in time for Christmas.

The windy weather was a challenge this year, trying to keep all the inflatables upright felt like a full time job. It was great to see so many of you and to get to have a chat with a few people who ventured down the drive. We are always amazed at how generous people are for our charity collection: thank you for your kind donations. This year you've helped to raise £90 for BURPS at Stoke Mandeville to help support the work they do for premature babies and their parents. Many of you will be aware that our granddaughter was born prematurely and had to spend 12 weeks in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit The whole family were very grateful to them for looking after her so well and giving her a great start in life. Over the last 4 years you have raised over £320 for the baby unit. I know they appreciate the help you give them and so a big thank you to all of you and have a great 2018.

Further information on BURPS can be found here: http://burps-smh.btck.co.uk/

Janet & Trevor May

# A Great Naphill Artist Remembered

### Susan Wharton 1926-2017



Susan was a very gifted and accomplished artist. Her great drawing skills were strong and exhibited her renowned draughtsmanship style. For many years she took part in the annual Bucks Open Studios Exhibition and the public enjoyed visiting her in her woodland based studio which was crammed with her wonderful work. I so well remember that there were always cups of cold tea on the side which she had made but forgotten about because she was engrossed in her work! Her printing press was in constant use! The visitors to her studio spent ages looking around as there was so much to see.

Susan was enthusiastic and helpful to new artists, she always had an encouraging comment. We often met her at a local life drawing class in Stokenchurch. She would end up with charcoal and carbon over her because she was so engrossed in following a contour.

Susan will be sadly missed by her artist friends, the Bucks Open Studios and the Bucks Art Society where she regularly exhibited.

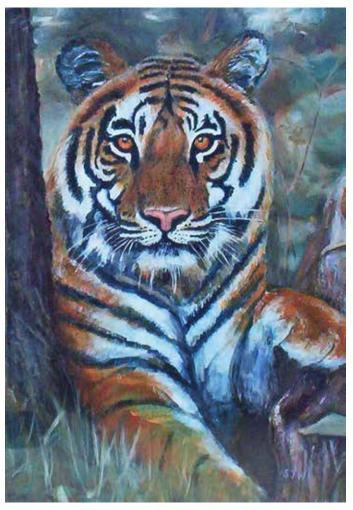
Veronica Wilkins

Photographs of Some of Susan Wharton's Paintings - internet site Susan Whartion.co.uk



Take Me Home





Thats Far Enough

Otter



NAPFEST 2018 is here (well nearly), book the dates in your diaries. This year the theme is '1928' Celebrating 90 years of the Village Hall, so Charleston down to the Naphill Crick for a weekend of family fun and entertainment.

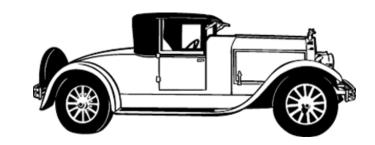
Starting Friday evening 8 June 2018 at 6pm, we have Live Music on the Crick. The music is suitable for all ages, from toddler to grandmother, so come along and strut your funky stuff. Don't forget that there will be a bar and food stalls. Tickets can be purchased online or through local businesses.

Saturday 9 June 2018, brings the Annual Village Fete starting with the procession from the Scout hut at 1200hrs where our Fete Prince and Princess will officially open the proceedings. Please contact us ASAP if you wish to be included in the procession. All afternoon the Arena will host various entertainments, and of course there will be the Dog Show and don't forget the amazing stalls and rides.

If you would like to hold a stall at the Fete, no matter how big or small, or if you have any form of entertainment that you would like to showcase in the arena please email the Fete Committee on nwafete@hotmail.com.uk for further information.

Linda Clark

Chair of the Napfest Committee





# Chiltern Hills Arboriculture – Seasonal Notes

Well, Christmas is well and truly over and if you are anything like us at CHA you have probably gained a pound or three around the waistline. Time to catch up on the gardening and start preparing for the beginning of Spring. It's just around the corner.

With the leaves gone it's a good time to check your larger trees for any structural damage/split limbs/ pests and diseases. The correct time of year for trimming beech trees is between November and February (Dormant Period), so it's pretty much the last opportunity before next winter.

February is an excellent time of year to prune some of your fruit trees. Apple and pear trees are dormant now, and the lack of leaves makes the job easier. Next month the sap will start to rise. However, leave any plum trees, cherry trees and apricots until summer, as pruning now will leave them susceptible to Silver Leaf disease. This is a fungal disease that enters the tree through cuts and wounds, causing a "silvering" of the leaves, and the death of the affected limbs.

If you have any deciduous hedges now is a good time to trim them back. They will "green" up during spring and it will ensure you don't disturb the birds during the nesting season.

Happy gardening!

Mike & Danny Chiltern Hills Arboriculture 07961 825814

# **Growing Your Own**

February is the month for enriching the soil by the application of farmyard manure. I obtain a load of 1.25 tons, some of which goes on the back garden and in the greenhouse but most goes on the allotment, a different patch of soil receiving this "manna from heaven" every year. So, after a few years, nearly all of the allotment soil will have been manured. I spread and leave the manure on the surface of the soil and plant out larger vegetable plants such as brassicas and leeks directly in it. By the second year the manure on that patch of soil has rotted down and one can grow most crops in it. The worms take it down into the soil; there is no need to dig it in (digging destroys the soil structure and the habitat of our precious soil micro-organisms). In February I shall be finishing off any fruit tree and fruit bush pruning and generally get ready for the challenges of another gardening year.

The news that the price of vegetables rose by 5.7% in October 2017 compared with a year earlier improved my morale. It meant that my efforts to grow my own have been rewarded with a 5.7% pay increase, with no extra income tax or national insurance to pay. Whilst that gives me great satisfaction I am still affected by the increase in meat prices of 3.9% over the same period. I could become a vegetarian and live completely off the land but I don't intend to!

Regarding my crops in storage or still on the allotment or in the garden and greenhouse, there is a mixed picture. The extreme drought in the winter and spring of 2017 and right up until the last week of July meant that my potatoes were deprived of water at the most vital part of their growing period. The abundant rains of August and autumn came too late, so my potato crop was not as large as usual. Ditto my cucurbits (the marrow and pumpkin family). My onions rotted in storage and I don't know why; all those problems could be the result of the most unusual weather in 2017. On the other hand, I have had a massive crop of carrots and the soft fruit in summer was exceptional (we put a lot in the freezer for winter). My crop of parsnips was very good with virtually no canker and my salsify were good. My sprouts were very late in cropping and all my leeks bolted; again, I suspect the unusual weather pattern. The overwintering salad plants (lamb's lettuce, Chinese mustard Green in Snow, mizuna) in the garden have done very well despite being buried in snow and being subjected to severe frosts. The watercress in the greenhouse has been rampant, even climbing the tomato plants - yes, watercress as a climber!

Roll on the growing season of 2018. I wonder what the weather pattern will be like this time?

Happy gardening!

Mike Mason

# Wycombe Photographic Society

New Year, New Opportunities to get out there and start taking those photographs.

So what is going to happen in February 2018 at Wycombe Photographic Society?

Thursday 1st February there is a talk all about "The Art of Monochrome" by Micki Aston.

Micki is a prominent figure in the world of photography. She has been widely published in a variety of books and other photographic publications, as well as having had her work regularly exhibited in the Cotswold Monochrome Exhibition. She judges both inter-club and county competitions throughout southern England, as well as lecturing extensively on her travel photography.

Micki works as a professional stock photographer and, while specializing in landscape photography, she will happily shoot any subject that she finds interesting. Micki has travelled to many parts of the world, and has an eye for the beautiful and the unusual.

This is one talk not to be missed particularly if you like taking Monochrome images or are thinking of taking monochrome images.

There is no cost to visitors to attend the talk.

There is an away inter club competition and an internal club competition in February.

Do not be put off by the word "competition" think of it as an opportunity to learn some "tips and tricks" about taking that photo which your friends will go "wow" over.

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

We would love to see more members from Naphill and Walters Ash so please come along to one of our evenings.

> David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society

# Letter from Bradenham Vicarage

#### Food for the Soul

A young, charismatic leader discovers a message that changes his life and has the potential to change the lives of everyone who embraces the word. He sets about recruiting a group of around a dozen followers to teach the message to, to help them live the message, and when they have learnt it, to share the message with others using all the means available to them.

As this letter is from a priest, you probably think I am referring to Jesus. Actually..... being a part of Tom Kerridge's Lose Weight for Good programme has been literally life-changing for those of us who took part. There can be no doubt about Tom's passion and sincerity regarding healthy eating and gaining control over weight issues. Twelve of us were chosen to take part for our love of food and the diversity of our backgrounds and 'stories', thus making the message relevant to as many people as possible. And now Tom's message is out there on the TV, the internet, in a book and by word of mouth – being spread by all means possible.

During the making of the programme, I gained a brilliant insight into the world of film......5 hours

shooting in front of the camera might end up as 5 seconds of screen time. How to dress correctly - nothing too busy as it messes with the pixels in distance shots. Having a 'costume' to make identification easy (guess which one I am in the programme!). Having to put everything back exactly as it was for 'continuity' when re-filming a muffed shot. Filming for the BBC had added complications - no mention of any brand names, so you could not talk about doing the hoovering - you had to talk about the vacuuming....and branded products had to be displayed so the brand wasn't fully visible. Then there's all the permissions – someone might walk past in the background whilst you were filming their permission needed to be obtained to be shown in the shot. If they refused, the shot had to be refilmed.

The twelve weeks of filming went by in a flash, I lost a whole stone in weight and have embraced a new way of healthy eating that is actually easy and FUN! I made new friends and got to try out some great new recipes. Did I get paid? No – expenses only and a very fine piece of beef to cook for a specific episode. Did it cost a lot, cooking all this gourmet stuff? This blew me out of the water – our weekly housekeeping bills actually reduced by around 40%! Would I do it again? In a heartbeat!

Like Tom's assorted 'volunteers', Jesus' disciples were a disparate bunch. We don't know too much about most of them, but we do know that amongst their number was an accountant (Matthew the tax collector) and the heir to a prosperous fleet of fishing boats (Peter – there is reference to his fathers' boats). They heard and embraced Jesus' message and it changed their lives for good, spurring them on to spread the word to all they met.

Just hearing the word is not enough. Just reading Tom's recipes would not have helped us to lose the weight – we had to work on the ideas, cook the meals, be active in participating in the programme. Only by so doing, would we see the benefits of his message.

And so it is with the Christian faith. Knowing the Bible stories, studying theology or going to church is not enough. We need to embrace the teachings, the ethos, the whole being of Jesus, incorporating them into our lives to fully see the benefits of Christ's message and know the joy that the Christian life can bring.

May you know the joy and blessing of Christ in your life.

Rev Jenny

*Tom Kerridge's Lose Weight for Good is on BBC2, 8pm Wednesdays or available on BBC iPlayer.* 



throughout, so no-one feels inadequate. We have people that are fit and go for it and others that take it at their own level. This is what I love about the class. It can be challenging enough for the fitter and the not so fit to be all in one class without out anyone feeling intimidated. The class is about the individual "living well & ageing well" by moving the body and encouragement to "fuel the body well" for a healthier lifestyle. Exercise releases happy hormones, helps to change body shape, improves general fitness levels and makes you feel much better! Our bodies are meant to move, so it's important to keep as much range as possible in our joints and keep our muscles strong as we get older and our bodies naturally decline! So why not help yourself to "age well".

I have been in the fitness industry for many years and have been running classes in the High Wycombe and surrounding areas since 1989!! Over those years many trends have come and gone but the most important thing is fitness for your wellbeing. It's not about killing yourself with the hardest hardcore exercise you can do. It's about improving your fitness, to have strong lean muscles to support the joints, feeling good and looking good from the inside to the outside...after all, we all age, it's something that we can't stop but we can slow it down!!

> Rachel Burton 01494 452286, 078984 167016rachel@ rachelburtonfitness.co.uk

# Naphill Neighbours

The decorations have been taken down for another year and our Christmas dinner, delayed by one week due to the heavy snowfall, is a distant memory so our thoughts have now turned to forthcoming events for 2018, particularly to plans for our outings. If any members have suggestions for destinations please let us know. One problem we always have is the need to avoid the dreaded M25 which rather limits our choices.

Our February club meeting will be held on Monday 12th when Peter Mussett gives his illustrated talk on THE PRE-RAPHAELITE BROTHERHOOD'S LOVES AND LIFE. If you are interested in this subject but are not a member of Naphill Neighbours, you will be most welcome to this meeting at 8pm in the village hall.

A reminder to members – if haven't already paid your subscription for 2018 please remember to bring your cheque for  $\pounds15$  to the meeting.

Belated wishes for a healthy and happy new year,

Hazel Vickery, 563977

### New to Area Exercise Class



The class is held at Hughenden Village Hall weekly on a Thursday night 5.30pm. Exercise session starts at 6.15pm & finishes at 7pm, 45 minute workout. The class offers an optional weigh in section from 5.30pm to 6.10pm when we have a brief talk on various things to improve for a healthier lifestyle. This is followed by the exercise which people can just come and join in and avoid the scales. I would say the average class age is between 40-70, although we do have a lovely member in her 80's. The class accommodates different levels of fitness, health problems, etc, giving lots of adaptations

# **Naphill Evening WI**

Our Christmas Party was one of the best. Great food, great company, and a lot of hard work from our Committee.

Now on to 2018. Our first meeting on 18 January will have been Mike Dewey talking about Ordinary People of High Wycombe who led Extraordinary Lives. Then on 15 February we will have a "Virtual Backstage Tour of the Waterside Theatre in Aylesbury" with Cath Campbell. The competition is for an old theatre programme or ticket. (I wonder how many members have spotted the rather amusing error in the February section of their programmes.)

We have a full and varied programme for this year, including Group Meetings in April and October.

The Food Group's programme for the first half of the year starts with brunch at the Black Horse, Lacey Green on 31 January and then lunch on 20 February at the Red Lion, Great Kingshill.

Quite a large number of members met at Bon Ami on 4 January to wish Vera Burgess a very happy 97th birthday. The café had made some beautiful cupcakes for her (and some very tasty cheese scones for those of us who preferred something savoury).

Lots to look forward to in the New Year.

Carol Gilliam.

# Letter from Hon. David Lidington MP

Well, politics can certainly be difficult to predict! I had not expected to be moving posts in government again after less than a year at the Ministry of Justice. But resignations before Christmas meant that the Prime Minister had to make changes to the government and so on Monday 8 January I was asked to go to Number 10.

The Ministry of Justice was a challenging brief but I enjoyed my time there. Part of me was sorry to leave, but the new role as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Cabinet Office takes me to the heart of government.

The Cabinet Office is responsible for the coordination of government business across departments. It services the Cabinet and the network of Cabinet committees through which much of government business is done. The Prime Minister has asked me to chair a number of committees and deputise for her when she is away from others where she would normally take the chair herself. I have an overarching responsibility in government for constitutional affairs, including devolution, and for the implementation of government policy. Oh, and I shall also stand in at Prime Minister's Questions on the rare occasions when she is unable to be there.

I feel excited and honoured by the appointment, and a little apprehensive too at the responsibilities that I have been asked to shoulder.

For those interested, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster is an ancient title that nowadays is given to a senior Minster without specific departmental responsibilities. It is granted by The Queen in her capacity as Duke of Lancaster, the title having been held by the sovereign since Henry Bolingbroke became King Henry IV. I had to go up to Sandringham to be sworn in by Her Majesty.

It's a feature of our constitutional system that Ministers are also Members of Parliament with individual constituencies. Not every democracy works like that. In the United States and the Netherlands, Ministers are not members of the legislature. In others, MPs are elected on regional or national party lists not single-member constituencies.

The Friday after my new appointment I was in Aylesbury hearing from constituents about problems affecting social care and the impact of the closure of RAF Halton. Our system loads more work onto Ministers, but it really does keep your feet on the ground!

David Lidington

# Letter from Hughenden Vicarage

As I put fingers to the keyboard to write these words, a new year lies ahead. I wonder what 2018 will bring. If last year was a difficult or painful one for you and your family and friends, then you will no doubt be hoping for a better time in the months which lie ahead. Perhaps you have made a new year's resolution to give something up, or start something new, to become healthier, adopt a better work/rest life balance, book that long-awaited holiday which you can tick off your bucket list, or vow to catch up with old friends before you completely lose touch.

As I look at the months ahead, I am mindful of a landmark I will be reaching in May – as I celebrate my 50th Birthday... [pause for sharp intake of breath and pleasant comments, such as "Gosh Vicar, you don't look a day over 40!"] I am looking forward to celebrating my half century by watching my favourite cricket team, Somerset, at some stage, and spending some time away with my wife, to mark the occasion together.

This year, I hope to make walking a bigger part of my life – after all, living in such a beautiful location, I have no excuse not to! However, I will be still regularly found in coffee shops to keep a visible presence in the community (Mondays in Hughenden Valley Village Café & Wednesdays in Bon Ami at Naphill – from 10am – 12noon) – but I shall endeavour to exercise some restraint when it comes to the cream cakes and bacon sandwiches.

As Vicar, my hope and prayer is that St Michael & All Angels Church will continue to demonstrate the love and compassion of Jesus Christ in our wonderful community, during 2018, both through word and deed. If you have any suggestions how we might do so, I am always delighted to hear from you, [email: keiththevicar@gmail.com] or to meet you in a café. Perhaps you know of a friend or neighbour, in need of a home visit, or other support, or of a young family who have recently moved into the area, who would like to find out more about our church activities.

As I mentioned previously, Bishop Steven has tasked the Oxford Diocese to become a more "Contemplative, Compassionate & Courageous Church" – and my aspiration is that we might embrace these worthy qualities, just as Jesus Christ modelled for us, and see our communities transformed. Amen

Rev. Keith Johnson

# Overview of Law: Controlling your

dog in public -www.gov.uk/control-dog-public

It's against the law to let a dog be dangerously out of control anywhere, such as:

- in a public place
- in a private place, eg a neighbour's house or garden
- in the owner's home
- The law applies to all dogs.
- Some types of dogs are banned.

#### Out of control

Your dog is considered dangerously out of control if it:

- injures someone
- makes someone worried that it might injure them

A court could also decide that your dog is dangerously out of control if either of the following apply:

- it attacks someone's animal
- the owner of an animal thinks they could be injured if they tried to stop your dog attacking their animal

# A farmer is allowed to kill your dog if it's worrying their livestock.

#### Penalties

You can get an unlimited fine or be sent to prison for up to 6 months (or both) if your dog is dangerously out of control. You may not be allowed to own a dog in the future and your dog may be destroyed.

If you let your dog injure someone you can be sent to prison for up to 5 years or fined (or both). If you deliberately use your dog to injure someone you could be charged with 'malicious wounding'.

If you allow your dog to kill someone you can be sent to prison for up to 14 years or get an unlimited fine (or both).

If you allow your dog to injure an assistance dog (eg a guide dog) you can be sent to prison for up to 3 years or fined (or both).

**NB** If you need further help or advice please contact PC Stuart Baron who is the local police officer specially trained to deal with such matters. He can be contacted by phone on 101.

# Naphill Tennis Club

The Club held a very enjoyable festive tennis event in December with plenty of 'festive spirit' in all senses of the word to keep everyone happy! The first bout of winter snow then arrived which limited play for a few days. During that time, we discovered that a prospective new member had turned up to play!

The new tennis season starts on 1 April and our 2018/19 Annual Newsletter will be available from early March with details of membership, coaching and social events.

If you would like further information, please see our website: www.naphilltennisclub.org.uk or contact myself on 01494 565406 or the membership secretary on 01494 563706.

Our lovely Tiger Turf courts can be played on all year round – though I have to admit snow can be a little limiting – and provide an excellent source of activity to chase away those winter blues. Do come along to one of our club sessions and give them a try.

Jenny Tench

# Sad News

It is with sadness that we learnt of the sudden death of Gill Church,

Gill has been a very reliable deliverer of the Naphill and Walters Ash Gazette for more than twenty years, a voluntary job she enjoyed, often being helped by her Granddaughter.

Our sympathy goes out to her family at this very difficult time, and our thanks for all Gills' hard work.

Michael and Pauline Pool

# Lunch Club

As always, the seniors lunch club is held on the second Wednesday of the month and open to all residents of Naphill and Walters Ash who are 70 years and older.

We enjoyed a belated Christmas meal this month, the snow and ice having caused us to cancel in December. The whole team are now looking forward to the coming year when we hope to cook and serve more tasty meals for you all.

Due to rising costs of food, and rent for the premises, we need to increase the cost each month to £5.00 per person. However, I am sure that everyone who comes will agree it is good value, and enjoyable company.

If anyone wishes to join us please contact Jan Gaunt on 562282.

Good wishes for 2018 from 'The Lunch Club Team'

Pauline Pool

# Naphill and Walter's Ash School

One of the greatest things about our school is the Y6 Buddy Squad.

Run by Mrs Chick, Aisha Liquat and Lucy Pease (the buddy captains), The Buddy Squad makes sure that children always have fun at breaktime and lunchtime by running Positive Play. Positive Play is an area at the top of the playground where the buddies run games such as: Cross My River; Dodgeball; Foxes and Farmers; Stuck in the Mud and other fun games for kids of all ages to play. They also supervise children at the table tennis table and help out in the lunch hall; the midday supervisors are very grateful for their help.

Alongside our Buddy Squad, all of Year 6 are partnered with a Year 1 child to help them in their first proper year at school. For example, the Year 6s helped the Year 1s create Christmas cards for their parents before the holidays.

Thomas, and Orlando

# **Shear Madness**

I hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and new year and have survived the snow and the January blues. Thank you for your patience during the festive period as the queue was horrendous at times.

At last we now have a real proper phone!! As you know the mobile phone signal in the village is awful and I'm fed up with hearing Dawn say "can you hear me now?" whilst pacing up and down the shop so we got rid of the old number and put in the new one 01494 563006. I was very sad to hear that dear old "Deaf Ron" as we called him had passed away. I will always have very fond memories of him and his cheeky chats and that twinkle in his eye. I would like to personally thank Eric for bringing him up to the shop, you are a true friend.

I'm sorry to say that there will be a price rise of 50p on the 1st March as my rent has increased, sorry but it can't be helped.

I've no holidays booked in as yet so keep your eyes peeled for notices on the door or on our Facebook page.

Here's to a happy and healthy 2018

Mandy

# Notes to Photographers

My apologies to Alan Ross for not crediting his photograph on the Firework page correctly in the last edition of the Gazette. To help avoid mistakes I would ask that in future photographers, who require their work to be credited to them, should please digitally sign their photographs when submitting them for publication.

My husband, Paul Goby, referred to by his everloving wife as Himself, is the newly appointed Gazette photographic coordinator. He will be working closely with our web master, Peter Davis, another brilliant local photographer, to ensure that our cover photographs continue to be of the same high standards set by my retiring assistant editor, Richard Holroyd. If you wish to submit a photograph as a possible Gazette cover please contact Paul email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org. uk.

Paul and Peter will be publishing general guidelines regarding Gazette photographs in the near future.

Sonia

# Last Word

My thanks to Richard Holroyd for this month's "Dragon Tree" cover which I love. Our new photographic coordinator has a hard act to follow!

As always, my thanks to all our contributors and advertisers. A polite reminder! Please do not send in formatted articles with beautifully cropped photographs. Photographs in this format will not print properly! Thank you to those who made hardcopies of their map and poster available so that Himself was able to photograph these with some high-tech equipment and so make them to the required print specification. He is able to do this upon request.

Copy date for the March issue is 15 February and I look forward to receiving all your contributions for what I hope will be a bright, cheerful SPRING issue!

Sonia



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058







VISA

T: 01494 565648

Maestro





# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

#### **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY

# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

#### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

#### 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

#### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



#### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

#### **KENT MURRAY**

#### GENERAL BUILDER & HANDYMAN

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com

## Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



#### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
- Flooring
   Partitions
- Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







#### Before and After School Club Holiday Club

 \* NAPHILL AND WALTERS ASH SCHOOL \* Ofsted Registered – Last inspected 2016 HOME FROM HOME CARE Highly trained staff. Review us on Netmums Lorna Crook Tel: 07803 415695 info@saplingchildcare.co.uk

www.saplingchildcare.co.uk





The F.I.T. program is simple and hassle-free whether your aim is weight loss or toning

> For more information please call HEATHER 07756 994087 / 01494 563499

FOREVER

Consumer unit upgrades and certification

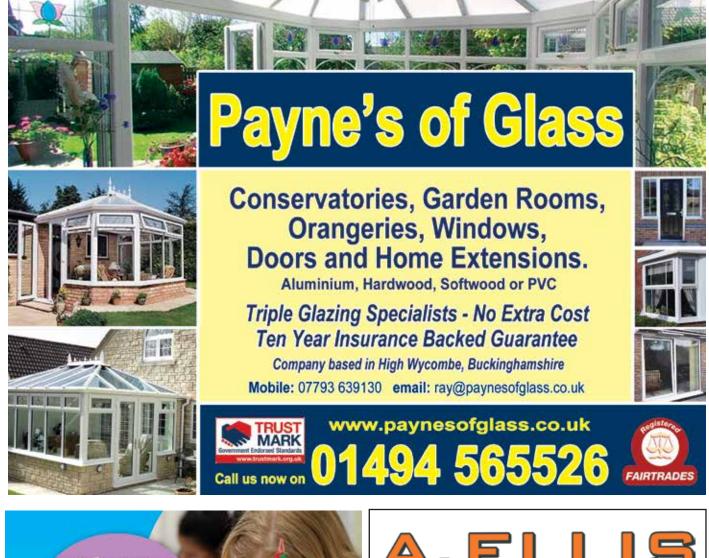
**Contact Ross Electrics for Power Flushing** 

01494 565707 07831 801747

**⊠**Vaillan†

Valiant Boiler's approved installer

40



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.

# A Cut Above **Garden Services**

For ALL your gardening needs From mowing your lawns to felling your trees Call your local gardener from Naphill & Walter's Ash!

Call now for your free quote:

# 07724 499 456 01296 708 086

# MOORE PLASTERING

- Interior & Exterior
- **Conversions & Refurbishments**
- Rendering & Pebbledashing
- Floor Screeding
- Artex Ceilings Covered
- Tacking & Coving



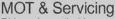
**Over 25 years experience Competitive Prices Insurance Work Undertaken** Work in progress may be viewed



23 Bradenham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks



opposite the top of Bradenham Wood Lane in Walters Ash, High Wycombe HP14 4UX



Did you know that because we work exactly to the manufacturers schedule, we can service your vehicle without invalidating your warranty?



Courtesy cars

We have a fleet of new loan cars at your disposal whilst we service or repair your car. Best of all - they are FREE OF CHARGE! All part of the service you have come to expect from Coles & Blackwell.



₩RΜI

air conditioning batteries & exhausts crash repairs diagnostics tyres, clutches & brakes vehicle servicing

Book online at: www.colesandblackwell.co.uk

# 01494 563102



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness



Mandy Dearden Tel: 07742 361711 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk

Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

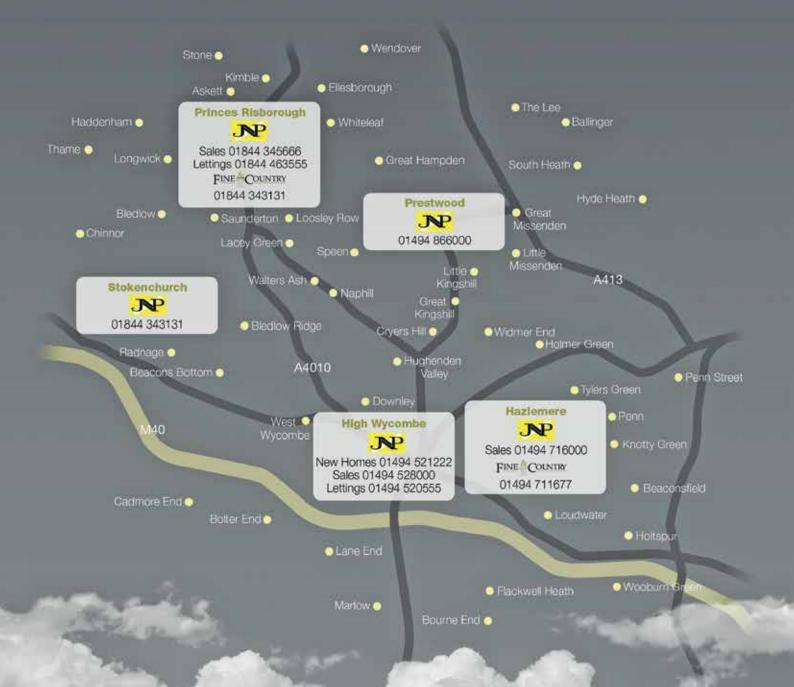
The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

#### Experts in our field



wyecountry.co.uk

# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



# We've got it covered.

Call today for a FREE valuation from the number one agent

#### Services

see above for contact numbers Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country | Mortgage Services | Conveyancing







**Grightmove**.....k





# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

# March 2018





Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing





#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Viewings hosted by us 7 days a week qualified in advance and followed by prompt feedback Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



#### **Call Rachel & Julian in The Chilterns** 01494 917051

had th

# ASTON HEARING

We know how important your hearing is for helping you to stay connected and live life to the fullest. We are a family-run hearing centre, established for nearly thirty years, based in Amersham and Thame.

Recognised as one of the leading independent hearing consultancies in the UK and recently awarded European Audiologist of the Year



#### Services available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing Consultations Latest Hearing Technology Ear Wax Removal using **Micro-suction** 

**Children's Hearing Screening Ear Protection & Advice** 

WWW.ASTONHEARING.COM Thame Amersham 01844 396057 01494 733840

#### Look out for our **Hear Today Events**

Monthly Drop-in Coffee Mornings

1st Friday & 1st Tuesday of every month in Thame and Amersham

Qualified advice Personal experiences Talks Refreshments Support for all hearing concerns All welcome Free of charge

see www.astonhearing.co.uk for details or call 01494 733840 to register your interest and we will keep you informed.

## BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



## 



## All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





#### SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

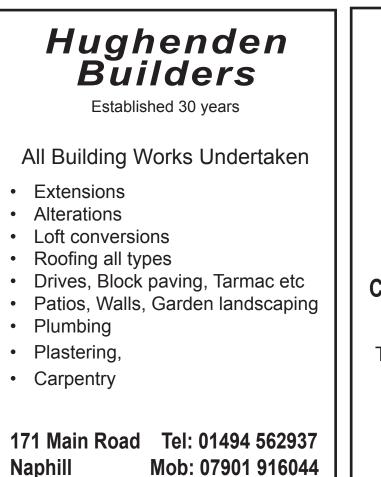
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

#### Sure-Build Built on Quality

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





# Kim Johnson Plumbing



## Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

## Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

#### Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



#### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

## 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

#### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



#### P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- **Barn Conversions**
- **Kitchens**
- **Bathrooms**
- **Bedroom Refits**
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

#### **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- **Engine** oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





- Brick and Inglenook fireplaces
- No chimney no problem Fencing, decking and patios



# **DAVID HUSSEY**



Builder

Over 30 years experience locally **Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations** Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

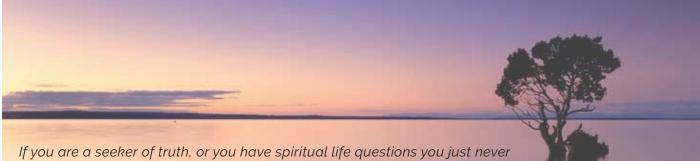
01844 344379 🖾 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

#### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette March 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: <u>photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

#### Copy Deadline for the April 2018 edition is 15 March 2018

**Contacts Directory** 

	Contac		Ji y
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk
Hughenden Parish Clerk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Marin Burch	566047	martin.burch@hughendenpc.org.uk
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk
Naphill & Walter's Ash Preschool	Debbie Conn (Supervisor) Judy Pope (Ad- min)	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT	
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275

	and Walter's Ash					
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact			
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121			
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933			
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45-7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com			
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com			
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk			
Training Sessions	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332			
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash				
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767			
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332			
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089			
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk			
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green				
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday in the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977			
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469			
Residents Association	Second Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com			
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com			
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282			
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706			
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406			
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 9.30am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.15-7.30pm Saturday 0.045am updar 7a		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com			
Village Hall Council	Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk			
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or	Sheila Draper 563670				
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018			

#### Editorial

I like to think that March really is the start of Spring and that Winter is on the way out. Hopefully this is a bright and cheerful Spring issue! Amid the cold, the rain, snow, wind and mud, (the mud is definitely some sort of magnet for our long-haired Chihuahua), there are signs of SPRING! Himself took me to Swyncombe church to see the beautiful snowdrops which even on a very grey, rainy day cheered me up, not always easily done I have to admit. I have chosen a snowdrop photograph as our front cover this month to hopefully spread the cheer amongst you all. My thanks to Himself, Paul Goby, for this photograph.

The last two weeks in January and the first three weeks of February are always incredibly busy in the wonderful world of the Naphill and Walter's Ash Gazette! Our incredibly efficient treasurer, Mike Pool, sends the advertising invoices out in early December and some of our advertisers, as efficient as our treasurer, pay up in order to book their place for the coming year. Rather a lot of people put their account on the "will sort it after Christmas" pile and some do remember to pay after Christmas. So in January Mike starts the chase to get the accounts settled and he informs me of any spaces which might be vacant so that I can begin to allocate these. By the last week in January I start phoning and texting the advertisers who have still not paid and today we are now saying, to the last three, "please pay immediately or we will remove your advertisement"! Alongside this Mike balances our books and publishes the end of year accounts which we are publishing in this edition. My sincere thanks to Mike for his hard work and ongoing support!

As always, our advertising space is in HUGE demand! Very few people have not renewed their advertising space, I have added two extra colour advertisement pages to accommodate more local advertisers and I still have a waiting list for space. To do this we will always be publishing 44 pages and when necessary we will publish 48 pages. Thank you to all our advertisers, old and new and readers please take time to look through the advertisements and support our advertisers when you can.

Of course, this month we have Mother's Day/Mothering Sunday. Being OLD myself my own dear Mother is long gone but it is an opportunity to remember all the love, care and happy times we shared. For those of you lucky enough to still have your Mums with you please treasure the opportunity to make a special point of telling her how much she is loved. As I say each year, "It is not the price tag on the gift or bunch of flowers that matters, it is the hug, the kiss and being told that you are loved which makes the day!" Happy Mother's Day to all our local Mums.

Sonia

01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwaltersash.org.uk

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) In the 4 weeks to 8th February 2018 were discussed and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

**Planning Applications: 17/08435/FUL. 209 Main Road Naphill HP14 4SE. D**emolishing of existing two storey residential building (209A&B) and factory/office (Buckshouse) and construction of 5 dwellings (3 x 2 beds and 2 x 3 beds), detached carport with 3 bays, gardens sheds and associated landscaping. Target date for Determination: 07.03.2018 (No Objection)

**18/05033/FUL 22 Braeside Naphill HP14 4RY** Construction of Single storey rear extension to form Kitchen and conversion of existing Kitchen to Ground Floor Bedroom. Target Date for Determination: 09.03.2018

Wycombe DC Planning Committee on 14.02.2018 considered 17/05605/FUL Timber Yard formerly Shana in GB/Chilterns AONB/on agricultural land. Appn. of 7th March 2017. Reminder. Application included extension of an existing workshop and erection of a new workshop (with all the additional noise neighbours may suffer), new offices for businesses in addition to business of storage and distribution of building and fencing materials, and extra parking.

**Strong 3 minute objection by NAWARA** voiced at the WDC Planning Committee meeting where Mr Michael Bryant's application was considered. NAWARA pointed out that WDC in allowing change of use from an equestrian establishment to an industrial centre, (which is inappropriate on GB/AONB/agricultural land) had limited its approval in 2014 by Conditions. Condition No.9 stated "..the land and/or buildings shall be used ONLY for the purpose of storage and distribution and FOR NO OTHER PURPOSE." Reason. "..to enable the Local Planning Authority to retain control over the use of the land and in the interests of protecting the residential amenities of nearby residential properties."

During their discussion (a) WDC did not address major breaches of planning controls on the site which NAWARA pointed out. (b) They brushed aside request that opening time at Timber Yard should be moved from 7 to 8am, because WDC had permitted 7am in 2014 (c) Little unease about the added noise residents might suffer from another noisy workshop (noise can be reduced through insulation they said); or the concerns about further businesses on the site and the extra traffic. (d) Not enough people had complained about noise to warrant WDC action. (e) A councillor commented that it was good to have a growing industrial centre in the GB/Chilterns AONB because it could offer more work on the village doorstep. So no councillor objections on that score. (f) Complaints about the ongoing problems and noise of HGVs entering and exiting the site was mentioned but not discussed because it is a Highways problem (g) Mr Michael Bryant's clearance of foliage and trees in GB/AONB mentioned by a concerned councillor was also not discussed because that was

said to be a matter for an environmental department.

WDC Planning Committee voted 100% to support Michael Bryant's application 17/05605/FUL for industrial expansion at Timber Yard, Walter's Ash. In doing so it put aside the WDC Head of Planning's overriding Condition 9 of 2014 related to initial application 12/07953/FUL.

# Report from Hughenden Neighbourhood Action Group

Fraud (cons and Scams). Last year fraud and cyber offences made up half of all UK crimes (and that is the ones reported!). There were 3.6m fraud and 2m computer crimes up to September last year, resulting in individuals being scammed for £6.8Bn. There are many examples and new cons appear daily. Ones include HMRC Office Gateway fakes seeking your bank details and Debenhams fake on-line shopping receipts allowing damaging software to be downloaded if you click on it. Suspect anything that offers you something for nothing, anything that seems wrong and only click on links you are totally confident with. If in doubt phone the company for confirmation.

#### **Hughenden Street Association**

Monday Mingle at Bon Ami 2-3pm every Monday. On a cheerful note, Helen Cavill again invites you to join friends and neighbours at Bon Ami on Mondays for a good gossip with the added pleasure of those delicious drinks and home-made snacks served up by Amanda and Ruth.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Treasurer's Report 2018

Another year has flown by. They say that a year to a five year old seems a really long time but when you are in your seventies it is no time at all. How true.

This has been another successful year although rather more expensive than previously. Sonia has done a great job by introducing even more colour to the magazine which has created a far more interesting presentation. Whereas the average cost of the magazine each issue in 2016 was £1200 it has risen to £1400 this last year and we have been advised that there will be further increases in printing costs this year. This may be mitigated by reducing the thickness of the paper in the central part of the magazine. Since we did not increase either the subscription rate or the fees for advertising last year this has meant that we have had a loss of £1595.55. We are not concerned about this as we have sufficient reserves in hand to cover the loss.

Income from subscriptions was very good this year being only slightly less than expected. Of the £2810.85 collected £2764.15 was paid in to the bank account and the remaining £46.70 used to top up the amount of cash in hand. The latter has been used throughout the year for incidental expenditure, such as postage, envelopes etc. We are obliged to send a copy each month to the British Library and The Agency for Legal Deposit Libraries.

In spite of the increased costs we have decided to keep the subscription rate at £3.00 for this coming year but may have to increase this to £4.00 in 2019.

Please make sure you have your money ready when your deliverer calls at the end of March with the April issue of the gazette.

As far as the advertisers are concerned the majority paid up promptly after receiving their invoices last November. Others had to be chased up in January in an attempt to get everything settled by the end of the financial year, but there are still some who have yet to pay. This makes life difficult for Sonia as she is unsure if they will continue advertising and she has to get everything set up by the middle of February. There are people on the waiting list who would like to advertise in our popular magazine and would welcome the opportunity to fill any vacant space.

Donations from the Methodist Church and Hughenden Parish Council were the same as previous years and for these we are most grateful. With the possible demise of the Methodist Church this may not be the same next year.

Interest on the small sum we keep in our reserve account remains at an insignificant amount.

There has been a significant increase in our general expenses mainly to enable our editor to improve the quality of the art work in the magazine.

Altogether quite a good year.

*Mike Pool* Treasurer

Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette - Financial Statement 2017-2018										
INCOME		31-Jan-17		31-Jan-18	EXPENDITURE		31-Jan-17		31-Jan-18	
Adverts	£	11,825.70	£	9,853.90	Printing	£	13,385.31	£	13,994.78	
Christmas Ads	£	80.00			Expenses	£	104.73	£	679.49	
Collections	£	2,764.00	£	2,764.15	Web Site	£	240.00	£	140.00	
Donations	£	600.00	£	600.00	Refunds on Ads	£	328.00			
Interest	£	1.31	£	0.67						
TOTALS	£	15,271.01	£	13,218.72		£	14,058.04	£	14,814.27	
					Surplus/Loss	£	1,212.97	-£	1,595.55	

#### Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields

Council Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairmans Report**

On Monday the 22nd. of January, Lord Gardiner from the Department of Environment and Rural Affairs visited the village hall as part of National Village Halls week. Lord Gardiner was shown around the village hall and was interested in how the hall was used for the community. The visit was organised by Community Impact Bucks who also later in the week had a meeting of local village hall members that Sarah Bacon and I attended.



At the monthly meeting of the village hall it was confirmed that the concrete bases had been laid for the seats to be installed on the crick. Jonny Goddard came to the meeting to tell us that the fundraising for the table tennis table would start off with a car wash at the village hall. He also said that other fundraising ideas were for a charity football match, a fun run and lawn mowing. the events will be publicised on Facebook. Linda Clark outlined the Napfest programme for this year. As the R.A.F. is 100 years old there will be many R.A.F. personal in uniform at the event and they have donated £1000 for fireworks at the end of the music evening on the Friday and will also fund the bands for the event. The treasurer, Paul Riglar proposed that the Luncheon Club's annual rent be waived and a vote confirmed this. Some of the hall's lets had problems with the heating and steps will be taken to rectify this.

The roof over Bon Ami and the changing rooms was discussed and after a vote it was agreed that WDS would do the work and had agreed to have it finished before Napfest. We have a quote to have the sycamore tree reduced and will ask the tennis club to assist with the cost. The play area was discussed and Hughenden parish council will only pay for the safety inspections and we have been advised that some of the equipment needs replacing. It is hoped that we can apply for a grant to help with the cost as it seems that the total cost may be over £15,000. The maintenance of the hall continues with quotes being sought for repairs to the roof over the scout/guides hall and the guttering. Inside the hall the small hall needs a new floor covering and decorating. The posts in the car park also need replacing and so the list goes on! The village hall is your village hall and without your support we would not have such a great asset.

> *Clive Lawrence.* Chairman, Naphill Village Hall.

#### **Naphill Brownies**

At Naphill Brownies we are busy finding out about Spring traditions from around the world, allowing us to try a variety of international crafts, games and songs. We have looked at New year's celebrations, Australia Day, Chinese New Year, Mothers Day and still have Easter to consider. Not to mention the Scout and Guide's own celebration day – World Thinking Day. If you happen to know a Naphill brownie, she may well have done you a Thinking Day good turn in recent weeks. We are trying to do one a day every day in February until Thinking Day (22nd).

Talking of spring traditions, the Brownies and Guides Jumble Sale is coming up on 3rd March (1:30pm). We hope you have all been doing some spring clearing out and saving your jumble for us. We look forward to seeing you all there. I'm sure there will be plenty of bargains to be had.

National Storytelling Week was at the beginning of February. In recognition of this, we played some creative storytelling games and made puppet characters. We were amazed at the fabulous and imaginative stories and puppets the girls created. This was also part of our Booklovers badge along with making fancy bookmarks and a visit to Wycombe Library in a few weeks time.

Isn't it great to see the evenings starting to draw out? Soon we will be able to get out for egg hunts and lots of other spring fun.

Happy springtime everyone

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



## Guide & Brownie Jumble Sale

3rd March Naphill Village Hall 1.30pm

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

#### NO ELECTRICAL GOODS PLEASE!

#### Naphill & Walter's Ash School

On the 18th March, Year 6 are going to Rhos y Gwaliau (an outdoor activity centre in Wales) for a week! After a six hour coach journey, Year 6 will arrive and stay there till Friday 23rd. There are a variety of different activities: rock climbing, canoeing, gorge walking, orienteering and map reading, and mine exploration. The week helps the Y6's independence and fitness as well as being fun!

In past years, pupils and instructors alike have been very polite and the food is delicious! Every year, whoever has gone has thoroughly enjoyed the experience and relished the tough challenges at the centre.

Y4 also spend 3 nights at Woodrow High House. They also have many challenging activities such as archery, low ropes, orienteering etc.

On the 9th February, we dressed up for Be Bright Be Seen. This is an event which encourages children to

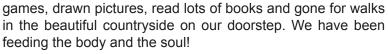
dress up in their brightest clothes as they would when crossing the road in the dark. Our Junior Road Safety Officers, Finn Dalby and Ishi Burmi decided we would do this and Mrs Cooper, our lolly-pop lady, joined us for an assembly.

Thomas and Orlando



#### The School Half-term Holday

When the school holidays come around it is so tempting to fill the children's days with outings, activities, clubs... all in fear of them getting bored. But on the contrary, I am starting to realise that what my own two children need to do is to slow down a little and reconnect with themselves, with us and with the world around them. So, we have spent this half-term holiday at home. We have friends visiting from abroad and so, with the children, we have enjoyed cooking lots of delicious food using different recipes from many parts of the world, we have played



Here are my favourite photos:

One of my daughter looking at the beautiful sky ahead.

One summing up our very European group made up of French, Czech and Slovakian friends who live in Berlin accompanied by us Macedonian/English and all agreeing unanimously how lucky we are to live in this beautiful place!

Gordana





#### **Our School Reading Challenge**

These dark months! The days are short and the evenings are long but little minds are always hungry for adventure and learning. This year Naphill and Walters Ash School are running 'Reading Challenge 2018' to stimulate the children's minds, develop their reading skills and encourage them to read for pleasure and for purpose. As a busy Mum I groaned at the idea but set about reading THE CHALLENGE!!

The ability to read is something that, as adults, we pretty much take for granted but I stopped for a moment and thought that without this skill I would not be able to help my boys with this challenge, and if I did not read to them, then they would not grasp the importance of learning to read for themselves. Learning to read is not an insignificant skill but one which can be overlooked and has to be taught. So, this half term holiday, time to make a start, twenty-five steps in all, so take a deep breath and ON WITH THE CHALLENGE!

Our progress so far! The easy ones!

- 1. Read a picture book
- 2. Read a book and watch the film version
- 3. Read 2 books by the same author
- 4. Dress something as your favourite character from a book
- 5. Take a photo of you doing 'extreme reading'
- 6. Re-design a book cover

Six done without much effort, so nineteen to go! On to choosing and following a recipe next.

I love watching and helping my sons learn and I cannot wait to see how far these two young minds will grow!

Beth Foster









Thank you to all those who came to our AGM. I hope you will agree that it was a good evening with an interesting and informative talk by Mike Fisher of Fisher's Brewery in High Wycombe. It was enlightening to learn of the skill, enthusiasm and perseverance needed to produce just the right range of beers: and if you got a chance to taste some I am sure you will agree that Mike has succeeded.

But it was not all about beer; we had some business to do. The existing committee was re-elected, consisting of Chris Miller Chairman and leader of our short walks, Sheila Draper secretary, Peggy Ewart treasurer, Lynn McMinn membership secretary, Ron Collins leader of our long walks, Peter Davis leader of our work parties, Philip Hussey and Trevor Hussey. Our Chairman sketched out what we have done over the last year and some of our ambitions for the next twelve months. Lynn reported that our membership stands at 118, which is slightly down on last year. If you would like to join or re-join please do. Our large membership is our main strength in negotiating with those who have power over the fate of the Common. In her treasurer's report Peggy explained that we had a lot of expenditure over the last year, mainly on equipment needed by the work parties – but if you have seen the what they have achieved, especially the transformation of our ponds, I think you will judge the expenditure to have been worthwhile.

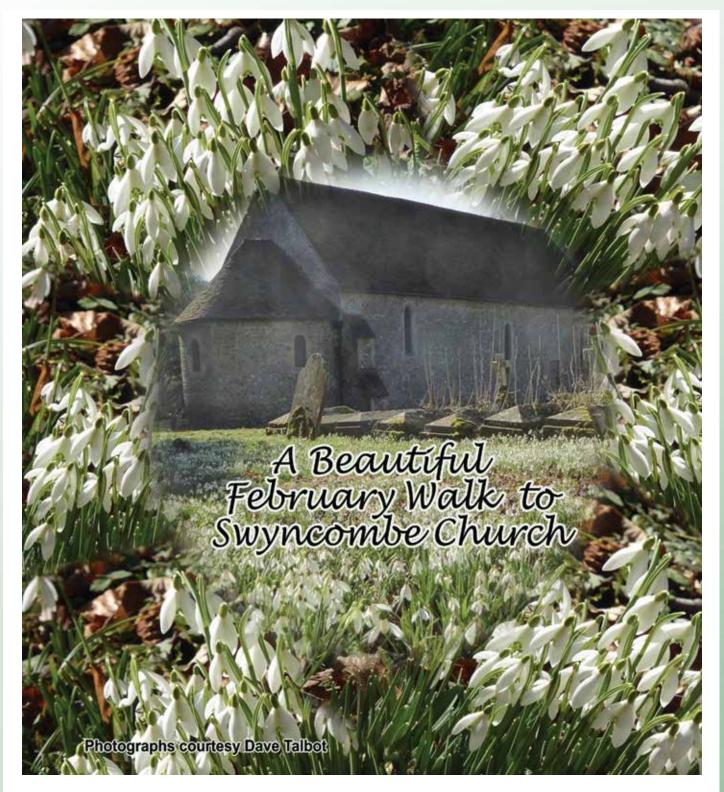
With spring coming we will soon have to cease work around the ponds. Frogs will already be preparing to spawn in late January and newts will start to reemerge in February, while toads spawn in March. Frog spawn is familiar and easy to spot, but toads lay long strings of eggs, up to 3 m long, wrapped around the stems of plants. Newts lay up to 300 eggs but each is laid individually and wrapped in the leaf of a water plant. Later dragonflies will arrive. Some species inject their eggs into the stems of plants while others scatter them into the water. You can see why we have been careful to leave plenty of vegetation in our ponds.

We can look forward to our migrant birds returning. We should have at least three of the commoner warblers: chiffchaffs, willow warblers and blackcaps (some of the latter have been with us all winter), but our more open woodland might eventually attract wood warblers and garden warblers. Greater spotted woodpeckers will soon be drumming and we also have green and, perhaps lesser spotted woodpeckers. Look out too for nuthatches (with their heads down) and tree creepers (heads up) working their way up and down the main limbs of the trees.

Wessex Woodland Management have almost finished this session of felling and, after the common has had a chance to dry out a little, they will try to level some of the ruts and clean up the area. Once the worst disturbance is over and our open areas become green we should see more deer – not just muntjac, but also roe and fallow deer. Hares often visit the Common and more low vegetation may encourage them further. The changed conditions may help hedgehogs to find a living – they have declined dramatically in recent years and need all the help they can get.

The last major task remaining is to remove the Great Beech that has collapsed into Dew Pond. Let's hope we have a fine spring during which the Common can mend itself with a little help from us. Please enjoy its recovery.

Chris Miller. Chairman



The Friends of Naphill Common host two regular monthly walks which meet at the Village Hall. All are welcome to join us on these friendly and enjoyable events.

The short walks (2-3 miles) are led by Chris Miller starting at 10.30am from the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of each month.

Ron Collins leads the longer walks (about 5 miles) on the third Monday of each month. Meet at the Village Hall at 9.25am for a prompt start at 9.30am.

is sometimes a need to make changes it would be wise to consult our website, posters or the two leaders to confirm the details.

Our latest walk, led by Ron Collins, was from Ewelme to the church of St Botolph at Swyncombe. We enjoyed wonderful sunny weather and the famous Snowdrops in the churchyard were in full glorious bloom.

Ron Collins

These are the usual arrangements but as there



# Hughenden Parish Council Spring Report

Belated Happy New Year to everyone. It does seem like it has been a very long winter and I know everyone is looking forward to longer days and hopefully better weather. The winter months have brought about some challenging weather conditions meaning the Council had to deal with several fallen trees due to the weight of the snow and high winds. Thankfully no injuries suffered, only the usual inconveniences that these conditions bring.

With Spring just around the corner, the start of the Allotment season is fast approaching. There are several vacant plots on both the Louches Lane & Walters Ash allotment sites and to help new tenants get off to a better start, the Parish Council is investing considerably in a much needed "cleanup" of all vacant plots. This will make it much easier for new tenants to get started on working their plots. The Council is also upgrading the water supplies at each allotment site meaning all taps will comply with health and safety standards.

If you would like to become part of the ever increasing "grow your own" population, then please get in touch with either Jill (Deputy Clerk) or myself in the office and we will be more than happy to help you. There are so many benefits to being an allotment holder not least that you get to enjoy the great outdoors and you also enjoy your own home grown fresh produce. The cost for half a plot is £23 and a whole plot is £35.

The Council have been busy over the winter months in Cockshoot Woods. In January, The Chiltern Rangers with the help of volunteers, cleared holly & laurel overgrowth as well as moving some saplings and dead trees to let more light into the wood to stimulate healthy growth. Cockshoot Woods is a beautiful little wood situated on the outskirts of Widmer End. The Council also owns and maintains three ponds in the Parish, Cockpit Hole in Great Kingshill, Vincent's Pond in Naphill & Walters Ash Pond. Work is about to begin on the Winter maintenance of these ponds - cutting back overgrown shrubbery and clearance of debris in the ponds to ensure they are in good condition for the rest of the year.





#### **Black Lion**

Firstly, we are so pleased to finally announce that we have our new playground! The new playground has been installed and we look forward to seeing lots of happy children playing on it when the weather improves. The playground has smaller slides for little ones plus a tower, play frame and swings for older children.



We were delighted to have raised £700 for Breast Cancer Care at our Race Night on 3rd February, thank you to everyone who came, it was a great night.

Mother's Day is Sunday 11th March, please book early to avoid disappointment. We will be serving food 12-6pm and there will be Roast Rib of Beef and Leg of Lamb to tempt you plus Mums get a free dessert.

All other Sundays we serve food 12-6pm. Roast Dinners are available with all the trimming for only  $\pounds 8$ , we also serve homemade puddings for only  $\pounds 3.50$ .

Our popular Beer and Gin Festival will be held on Friday 20th – Saturday 21st April. There will be live music both nights and a large range of gins, beers and ciders. Free entry. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Bring on the sunshine and we look forward to seeing you all in our garden and new playground.



Jack, Sian and the team.



The beginning of 2018 for Hughenden Cub Scouts has flown by. We meet at Naphill Scout hut on Monday nights along with the dedicated troop of parents who help the leader achieve the nightly program. The hidden skills that parent have and share with the pack are amazing! We have had parents in to show how to make bird feeders, carry out pioneering badge and knot skills and a parent Doctor came in to talk about keeping fit and healthy. As the half term breaks, our last session was a trip to a Mosque.

Hopefully, the diversity of our Scouting program and the skills of the community have stood the second year of the pack in good stead. The two packs, Hughenden and Naphill Cub Scouts, joined forces to have a go at Airsoft. Again, with the help of the volunteers, these moments of learning in a safe place are priceless. I would like to thank everybody who helps the Naphill and Hughenden Cub Scouts run as such a happy and successful group.

Beth Foster





Visit England's oldest Smock Mill Its unique timber machinery dates from around 1650 and was in use until 1915. Standing on the edge of the Buckinghamshire Chilterns, it has been restored since 1971 by members of The Chiltern Society. www.chilternsociety.org.uk

Open from beginning of April until end of September on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays from 2 to 5 pm For details of National Mills Weekend (each May) please see our website Admission Charges - Adult: £2.50 Child (5 to 15): £1.00 Free to Chiltern Society members showing membership cards

Lacey Green village is two miles south of Princes Risborough, signposted from the A4010 road between Aylesbury and High Wycombe. The mill is behind 'The Whip' pub. Please park in Pink Road, and walk up path to mill.



For enquiries, call 01844 275871, or see our website
www.laceygreenwindmill.org.uk



It's nearly time for the 32nd High Wycombe Gang Show!

Join us at the 32nd High Wycombe Gang Show from the 28th-31st March.

#### To find out more visit our website www.highwycombegangshow.co.uk

Contact us: info@highwycombegangshow. co.uk

Once again its time for 100 local Scouts and Guides to have fun on stage and raise money for Young Carers Bucks

It is said that somewhere, everyday of every year, a Gang Show is being performed. Sometimes this is in a Scout Hut, a village hall or a local theatre and here in High Wycombe we use the superb facilities of the Lancaster Arts Centre at Wycombe Abbey Girls School.

Now in it's 32nd year, High Wycombe Scout and Guide Gang Show will be taking place from 28th to the 31st March 2018

Our Gang consists of over 100 local members of the Scout and Guide Associations who produce, manage and perform the entire show with a live band and having made all their own props and scenery. If you have never been to one of our shows before, let us amaze you with the enthusiasm and talent of our local cast.

Gang Shows have a rich history, from their London show beginnings in 1932 under the direction of Ralph Reader, to shows of today which combine new and original material, popular music and dance with old Gang Show traditions.

We give local members of Girl Guiding and The Scout Association the chance to have lots of fun, make new friends whilst having a go at singing, dancing and acting simple routines on stage in front of a live audience. We are able to give young people the opportunity to become more confident, learn to work as a team, improve co-ordination and gain a whole myriad of personal experiences.

Our show here in High Wycombe is officially recognised by the Scout Association to be of such a

high standard that is meets all of the criteria for both on-stage performance and back stage management.

Our amazing group would love to welcome you to our show this year. Come along and enjoy the talent of local youngsters and help them raise money for Young Carers Bucks

#### **Naphill Scouts**

We have had an exciting start to the term. We have welcomed six new scouts to the troop, all of whom are settling in well. Our main thrust this term is the astronautics activity badge. For this we will be looking at the theory of rocket propulsion and this will eventually lead to us making water rockets which will be tested on the Crick later in the term. Other aspects of the badge will be covered by a trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester.



We have also managed to squeeze in traditional scout activities such as cooking over fires, and knot tying. The annual pancake decorating contest has also taken place with the Tiger Patrol, led by Jonny Goddard, winning the patrol competition and Dan Crinyion the individual competition. New scouts who have now cooked in the hut and outside over fires will be eligible for their chef activity badge.

Adrian

*I am so pleased to have Naphill Scouts back in the Gazette! We have missed you!* 

#### Village Hall Christmas Tree Lights

We took down the lights on 27th January. My report was therefore too late for the February Gazette, so here it is in March.

The lead climber was Mike Leggett, who has completed 27 years in this role. We had a stroke of good luck in that Paul Johnson of Louches Lane offered the free use of a cherry picker, so we used it on this occasion and have been assured it will be available in future. We are extremely grateful to Paul's company Upward Powered Access Ltd of Oxford and Slough for the loan of the cherry picker. For the second time Daniel Smith was the operator and was assisted up on high by Stephen Fountain of Lacey Green. Neil McMinn was up a tall ladder for some time and the rest of the team on the ground comprised Gary Putnam of Lacey Green, Peter Davis, Ron Collins, John Harris, Kevin Oxnard, Glenn Gavin and myself. We took down the lights in record time (rain was expected and started to fall just as we had finished, so we were lucky).

You will have read in the February Gazette that some of the lights were damaged by a high-sided vehicle. Ross Greenlee and myself have inspected and tested the 23 garlands. The ends of three garlands had been ripped off. Fortunately, it was just the ends, with few sockets lost, and Ross was able to effect repairs so we do not need to purchase replacements. The garlands are now in storage, ready for putting them up again in November!

Mike Mason

#### **Growing Your Own**



One of the delights of March is to savour delicious "allotment soup". This is where I make use of various root vegetables which are reasonably immune to the effects of snow, frost and incessant rain. I start the cooking off with finely chopped leeks, browned in the pressure cooker along with some garlic and perhaps the odd onion. Then I add whatever is to hand, such as carrots, turnips if available, a few parsnips, perhaps a few potatoes, celery, perhaps salsify, and complete the mixture with pieces of cooked chicken. After the pressure cooker has done its work I have the most delicious soup one can imagine. Apart, that is, from simple leek and potato soup with a little garlic added, plus crème fraîche at the end of cooking. Two soups to die for!

I have found a way to stop Muntjac deer from eating my carrots, which I leave in the ground all winter. I simply cover the row with a roll of wire chicken netting and that always works. As for celery, I protect the plants against frost by putting fleece over and that seems to work most winters. Some of my celeriac this winter were about twice the diameter of the largest I have grown before; I cover them with fleece and reserve the celeriac to be eaten as a salad as céleri rémoulade, finely grated along with carrots in a food processor, and with mayonnaise, olive oil and capers added before serving. What joy! After all, the whole point of growing your own is to be able to eat really fresh vegetables and fruit which is rich in nutrients and free of man-made chemicals.

As for work on the allotment and in the garden, March is a month for tidying up and completing the spreading of farmyard manure. The greenhouse should be clean by now and all ready for the new growing year. On one side of my greenhouse there is a deep bed in which I grow tomatoes. The soil, over 12 inches deep, consists of almost pure farmyard manure which has been applied over 30 years, so providing a growing medium which is water-retentive and very, very rich in nutrients. On the other side of my greenhouse I have raised staging on which I place 75-litre bags of multi-purpose compost and use them as grow bags for peppers, aubergines and cucumbers. Before planting out I add generous quantities of slow release fertiliser pellets, since garden centre compost has only a small amount of plant food in the mixture. I start off all my greenhouse crops in a dark, warm place and bring them out into the light as soon as they have germinated, then place them on a warm, sunny windowsill. Some other crops such as celery, celeriac and parsley are started off on the windowsill since they seem to need light to germinate.

> Happy gardening! *Mike Mason*

#### **Points of Interest**

Writing these notes on a beautiful morning in February, cold and frosty but a beautiful blue sky, even more appreciated now that the trees in front of my house have been considerably thinned out allowing the sunlight to shine through on my garden again. I say again because having lived in the house for over 55 years I have seen the beech and oak trees become very overgrown and with holly and yew blocking out the light. Photographs taken of the common in 1902 show the frontage of the "Lady's Myle" (spelling as written on Deeds of my house, Middle English, from Old English and from Latin mīlia (passuum), as being open common land with few trees. My Great Aunt, Miss Edith Kennedy, could walk along Number One footpath in her Sunday best, to St Botolph's, Bradenham, for both Matins and Evensong Services.

I can still remember patches of what we called Cumberland grass, a very fine dwarf species which was well grazed by rabbits. I always understood that the Naphill Cricket wicket was created from this turf. Sadly, that patch of grass is now a patch of deep mud and the path is impassable. The similar situation two years ago, turned out not to be so bad after the paths and bridleways were "levelled" and the summer sun dried up the mud and restored a semblance of grass and vegetation. Last year I thought that the Common had benefitted from the thinning and I am hopeful that the present muddy morass will again be just an unpleasant memory when Summer returns!

I read recently that Buckinghamshire was the 'pothole' capital of the Country which I think was rather unfair as all local authorities are struggling to maintain their roads on very reduced financial support. What a difference could be the made if the 50 billion pounds to be expended on HS2 were used instead on our existing failing infrastructure. I feel sorry for the County Council as it struggles with an ever-increasing need for social care and the funding of both adult and children's services whilst at the same time facing severe cuts in central government support. One certainty I can foresee, is an increase in Council Tax from April onwards!

Richard Pushman

#### **Naphill Neighbours**

At our February club meeting we announced that Naphill Neighbours would be changing to an afternoon club from January 2019. Your committee has been aware for some time that members are finding that it is becoming less "enjoyable" to attend evening meetings during the winter months, hence the change. Hopefully, too, this might attract new members to the club. Something to look forward to.

Meanwhile, our next club meeting will be on Monday 12 March when Alan Jaycock will entertain us with his intriguingly entitled talk "FUR, FEATHERS AND FINS".

#### Plans are afoot for our 2018 outings:-

• March (date to be clarified) Wycombe Magistrates Court. (a.m.)

- Wednesday 25 April. Theatre trip to Milton Keynes for "The Play That Went Wrong". Tickets £35. (There are still a few tickets available). If you have already booked, please remember to bring along your cheque to the March club meeting.
- **Tuesday 19 June.** South coast day at the seaside (destination to be decided). Cost-coach only.
- Friday 10 August. Saville Gardens Runnymede – boat trip with cream tea. £22.50 plus coach.

For further details about all these outings, please ring me.

Hazel Vickery, 563977

#### Shear Madness



#### Happy birthday to us!

Wow, 7 years, can you believe it? Thank you so much everyone for your love and support over the years, it means so very much to me to have great customers and true friends. The villages are

amazing at pulling together as a community during good and bad times, it's nice to know that there are people willing to help in all kinds of matters. Keep up the good work !!

Cheers, here's to the next 7 !!

Mandy

#### The Wheel

As I write this we have finally made it into February and my word, has January been a very, very long month, and the wet weather hasn't helped. Thankfully we are now in in Feb and 'Dry' January is over so hopefully we will be seeing more of you back out again! This is one of my favourite months as it's the start of the 6 Nations Rugby season and we have had lots of entries into our sweepstake, it will be interesting looking at all the results as they unfold, as the competition between everyone in here is so strong.

Mark and I would like to thank Chloe, Julia and Chef for looking after the pub when we went away to Pembrokeshire, which was a much-needed break and greatly enjoyed. As always you and the team did an amazing job, thanks again.

The week we were away was not an easy week in

so many ways, but most importantly the sadness and shock that the village has had to endure with the passing of Roscoe and Seth. Our thoughts are, as always, with the families and everyone affected.

We have been very busy over the last few months as we have been doing a fair amount of improvements to the pub and its grounds. Lots of tree work has been done (thanks Chiltern Hills Aboriculture), we have also had the side carpark improved (Thanks Coles Gardens) and Mark has been very busy painting in the pub.

March is going to be a busy month as we still have all the 6 Nations games, Mother's Day and then Easter! Let's hope the spring weather starts soon. For everyone who is organising Mother's Day please remember to book so you're not disappointed.

- Book early for Mother's Day 11th March
- Easter weekend Fri 30th March Mon 2nd April

We would like to thank Chris Marshall who left us in Feb to go into the Army, we wish you well and good luck. As Chris leaves we welcome Jack Spice to the team and hope you all give him a proper Wheel welcome.

Thanks, and see you soon.

Mark and Claire

# Naphill Tennis Club

Spring is here and a new tennis season is on the horizon!

Our Annual Newsletter for 2018/19, giving details of membership, coaching, club sessions and social events, is sent out to members in early March. Copies are available in the clubhouse or from myself (jttench@gmail.com).

Please note the following:

- Membership fees paid before 1st April attract a discount and there is a special rate for new members.
- Junior coaching will take place on Friday evenings starting 20th April.
- Under-7s coaching will be on Saturday mornings starting 21st April.

Our Annual Newsletter has all the details.

During the autumn/winter, the courts were smartened up by our **billy-goat** which enjoyed eating the leaves and seedpods that fell from the nearby trees. *A billy-* goat did I hear you exclaim? Whatever next! I have to say he has proved to be cheap to maintain and most efficient in gobbling up the debris on the courts. The only additional food he requires is a little petrol.

Come and join us on the courts and see for yourself.

Jenny Tench

## **Naphill Evening WI**

Mike Dewey started our year with a most interesting talk on three ordinary men from High Wycombe who led extraordinary lives, including a newsagent, Jacob Popp, who flouted Sunday trading laws to bring us our newspapers, etc. The name Popps can still be seen above what is now a "Subway" in Frogmore.

February will have seen us having a virtual backstage tour of Aylesbury Waterside Theatre and in March the talk will be "One Woman and her Sheepdog – and no sheep" by Dinah Latham. I hope she brings her dog.

The Food Group are looking forward to an evening meal at The Boot in Bledlow Ridge on 23 March and the Craft Group have met and started to plan projects for the year. Some of us will be making an 'animal' for a competition at the Annual Council Meeting in May and more cushions have been made for the chairs in the Village Hall, as they have proved very popular.

The committee are hoping to organise a garden visit in June and a couple of members are off to see "Strictly Sequins", organised by the BFWI, where they will see costumes from Strictly Come Dancing.

We will also be back at Bon Ami at the end of February for another member's 'special' birthday.

Carol Gilliam.



## Letter from Bradenham Vicarage

Our calendar year literally Marches on. Named for Mars, the god of war, the third month of our year sees the Spring Equinox – from now on there are more hours of light in our day than dark. This day marks the astronomical beginning of our Spring. The long dark days of winter are gone and bright, happy days now lie before us, to be followed by the lush, bountiful days of summer. The sun will not be at this height in the sky again until September 21st.

The Spring or Vernal Equinox was a cause of great celebration in ancient times. The pre-Christian community of Britain called it Ostara, from where we get our word Easter. The word Easter also has associations with Eostre, the Germanic goddess of the spring. The new season marked the time of planting and new crop cycle. In a world that lived much closer to nature than we do now and where life and death depended on the fertility of your soil and livestock, appeasing the deities was vital. If you didn't make the right offering, a god could be offended and withdraw their blessing.

In our modern world, we no longer appease the gods of nature – we have created our own nature. If apples fail in England, we buy them from South Africa or France. Strawberries, tomatoes, grapes and avocadoes are now plentiful throughout the year. For most of us winter snow is a mere inconvenience – our cosy, centrally heated homes see to that. Reservoirs and our water agencies ensure that long, dry summers (remember those?) do not end in crop-devastating droughts. Yet in taking for granted our modern lifestyles, have we lost something?

The Christian Church challenges us to view our lives through the lens of eternity. It will hold its most important celebration at the end of this month and the beginning of next – Easter. During the final weeks of March, we will retell the story of how a young, outspoken teacher in a small outpost of the Roman Empire was hounded to death as a matter of political expediency. A sad story that has many echoes for us now in the stories of those such as Thomas More. Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Ken Saro-Wiwa to name but a few. But where the Christian story differs is in what happened 3 days after Jesus was put to death. In a world-changing event that no one at the time saw coming, Jesus Christ overcame death and returned to life - an event known as the Resurrection. This event means that Christians no longer need to live in fear of the capricious gods of nature, but can now live in friendship with the one God of the whole universe.

With every blessing and wishing you all a very happy Easter (in case you get your Gazette after 1st April!) Letter from Hughenden Vicarage

### Lent is here. Are you ready?

Lent is most commonly associated nowadays with the giving up of something (usually chocolate, TV or Social Media for 40 days) – I even spotted a British Heart Foundation advert that nimbly tiptoed around the topic of Lent and didn't mention it, but still encouraged people to give up chocolate for a month – in support, of course, of a very worthy cause.

It is quite common for Lent to catch us rather unawares, and we are often several weeks in, with Holy Week in sight, before we begin inviting God into our hearts and lives in a manner which befits such a holy season which has been observed by Christians for centuries.

I would like to invite you instead to prayerfully consider taking up something new for Lent this year. Why not do something which improves your spiritual wellbeing or leaves footprints upon the earth and the lives of those around us, which are a blessing to others?

I took an assembly in a local school recently and gave the children this very same challenge. Doing something new can seem like a novelty at first, but repetition can become a godly habit which enhances our character and blesses others. I encouraged the children to perhaps be nice to their brother or sister, to tidy their bedroom (neither of those suggestions went down terribly well!), make a new friend at school who is lonely and doesn't have anyone to play with, and so on. Afterwards, one girl who had been concentrating very hard throughout, declared to me that she was going to pick up litter every day during Lent – my heart was warmed to hear that, and I praised her – acts of kindness can replicate and spread.

I wonder what you and I might embrace this Lent?

The most important thing we can do in order to prepare ourselves before almighty God, is to admit how we might be in need of him in our lives, how often we shut him out, and soldier on alone, and how much better our lives are with him at the centre.

If home life is busy, or you fancy a change of scenery, then perhaps you can set time aside with God by going for a walk, a bus or car journey to somewhere peaceful for a period of quiet contemplation, or pop around and spend some time doing so with a likeminded friend.

My hope and prayers are that you will find that place of quiet contemplation this Lent and give the Lord the space to speak words of love, peace and reassurance in your hearts and lives.

Rev Keith Johnson

Rev Jenny Ellis



# Local Children Raising Funds for an Outdoor Table Tennis Table on the Crick

Last September, I had the idea of getting a table tennis table installed onto the Crick as another fun addition to things that people can play on. After consulting with my family, friends, and people in the community, I joined in a Village Hall Committee meeting to ask if they would allow the idea to go forward.

The request turned out to be positive and the Village Hall Committee all thought that this was a good idea. They were pleased that we offered to do some fundraising to help with buying this because these tables are quite expensive. We had had several ideas to help fundraise, so I used the most popular one: the charity car wash and I got lots of uptake for helping out with it. A couple of weeks before the event I held a planning meeting with my friends to work out how we would run the day. And we still have many other great fundraising ideas left!

From 1pm to 4pm on Saturday, people drove their cars into the Village Hall car park to get them cleaned by a large group of us, and so in the 3 hours that the car wash was on, we managed to wash around 50 cars (that was many more cars than I was expecting to come!) Whilst people waited for their cars to be washed, they went into the Village Hall to enjoy the café which was selling hot drinks and delicious homemade cakes. There was also a bouncy castle and a visit from the RAF fire engine to keep visiting children entertained.

By the end of it, everybody was exhausted! But we had some great news: we managed to fundraise

£713, which is over halfway to our target. Thank you to everyone who came and supported us! We are sorry if you were turned away when we had to close to more cars.

A huge thank you to all the amazing children who cleaned the cars. We couldn't have done this without the help of all the parents and are very grateful for their hard work before and on the day. We would also like to say a big thank you to our sponsors for funding the bouncy castle, tea and coffee supplies and car washing equipment:

- Karen Davis at Chicken/egg
- Volvo
- Coles & Blackwell
- Planet Wheels
- Co op
- Manor Garage

Still to be counted are the generous collection buckets from The Black Lion and The Wheel.

We are happy for anyone to run a fundraising event for the table tennis table! The Girl Guides have kindly offered to raise money at their jumble sale café.

We have set up an online donation link at:

https://mydonate.bt.com/charities/ naphillvillagehallplayingfields

Thank you

Jonny Goddard

# Hughenden Street Association Celebrates its 1-Year Anniversary!

Hughenden Street Association launched in February last year with a grant from the Police and Crime Commissioner and now has 89 Street Members covering 59 streets in Hughenden Parish with a third of members from Naphill and Walters Ash.

Members serve as the eyes and ears on their street working together to keep their neighbours safe and well. They receive up-to-date information from professionals about scams and isolation along with a toolkit to direct their neighbours to specialist support if needed. The Street Association has worked with Naphill's Bon Ami to establish Monday Mingle coffee meet-ups encouraging residents to get to know their neighbours and enjoy company over a cuppa. Meet ups are 2-3pm every week.

If you'd like to start a conversation with your neighbours or help build an even stronger community where neighbours look out for each other, get in touch with HughendenStreetAssociation@gmail. com or call 07392 683500 for an information pack and join a growing group of residents who care.

Helen Cavill

# Squash and Racketball

Welcome to your local Squash and Racketball Club. Whether you're looking for a new sport for yourself or the family, or simply wanting to get back into the game, Holmer Green Squash and Racketball Club (HGSRC) is offering a free one month trial membership which will give you a chance to see the club, meet some members and hear a little more about this friendly community club. We are also holding a taster session on Saturday 24th March between 14:00 and 16:00.

Squash and Racketball are a great way to exercise:

- Can be played all year round
- Can be worked into busy schedules, with games of 45 minutes
- Play one opponent or join in group evenings and leagues

A welcoming club with great facilities:

- A friendly atmosphere no matter what your level of experience
- 3 high quality courts
- Quality coaching for all ages and levels of experience
- Club Nights and a Ladies Racketball Club morning
- A thriving junior programme
- Friendly bar to relax after a game or to join social events

The club is managed by an enthusiastic group of local volunteers. Please contact Lynn O'Regan (membership@hgsrc.co.uk) for more information on the taster session and free one month trial membership.

David Albin

HGSRC Chairman (chairman@hgsrc.co.uk)

# Bon Ami

We had a great first book club meeting. There were sixteen in attendance and we reviewed the book "The Dry" by Jane Harper. Everybody had different opinions of the various aspects of the book. We discussed the setting, the plot, the style of writing and many other aspects. Thank you very much to Sue Chalker for the idea and guidance.

We are now all reading "The Farm" by Tom Rob Smith and look forward to discussing it on Thursday 1st March at 7pm in Bon Ami. Everyone is welcome. If you cannot make it but would like to be included then please do call in and add your email address to our correspondence list.

We have had a very busy half term despite lots of rain. Lots of walkers have needed warming up with homemade soup or cakes. Not to mention the hundreds of hot chocolates that have been served with or without cream and marshmallows!

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Kind regards,

Amanda & Ruth



# Napfest 2018



# Music 8 June Fete 9 June Classics 10 June

If you would like to hold a stall at the Fete, no matter how big or small, or if you have any form of entertainment that you would like to showcase in the arena please email the Fete Committee on nwafete@hotmail.com.uk for further information.

Linda Clark

Chair of the Napfest Committee

### Wycombe Photographic Society

It seems that February is the month for our new members to show the members who have been in the club for some time that they "mean business" when it comes to their photographic skills. Last year the new members "rocked the establishment" and at the last competition night for February 2018 the "2017 newbies" did the same thing with high scores and the "establishment" were left "back in the pack".

Our guest speaker in February was Micki Aston who gave a talk on "The Art of Monochrome" which "opened many an eye" of those present. There were a number of visitors to the talk and some of the visitors have decided to join Wycombe Photographic Society.

Our March program includes a couple of internal competitions, plus a number of external competitions where we go to other clubs and let them see the high quality of images taken by our members. I know that it appears to be all about competitions but these are a great way to improve your photography as judges do make suggestions and comments about the images they are judging and if you listen it is amazing what little hints and tips you will pick up.

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

Come along to one of our meetings where you will be made very welcome and as I always say in these articles..... every member started off as a "club

# Classics on the Crick is BACK!

Hello all, just a quick word this month to let you know that preparations for Classics on the Crick 2018 are well under way. The main change this year is that we are now officially an Air Ambulance fund raising group. This means we are covered under their insurance and have a lot of back room support as well as on the day assistance.

This year we hope to be bigger and better than ever with some interesting attractions, great food stalls and of course the bar. Let's hope the sun shines!

As always, I will beg for volunteers on the day, without your help we cannot put on what has become a great day.

Thank you in anticipation of your support

The Classics Team

newbie" at one point in time so do not think that your photographic skills may not be that good.

We all learn something each meeting which helps our photography.

David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society

### Last Word

My congratulation to Jonny Goddard and his team on their fabulous car wash day! There are certainly some gleaming vehicles in Naphill this morning and hopefully you have raised lots of cash towards your goal, an all weather table tennis table on the Crick!

Special thanks to the two Mums who wrote articles and supplied photographs about their children's half term holiday activities. My thanks, as always, to all our contributors.

Copy date for the April, Easter edition of our magazine will be 15 March and I look forward to receiving all your contributions on or before this date please.

Sonia

## **Editorial Disclaimer**

Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

# **Small Ads**

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

**PIANO SERVICES.** William Woodruff CGLI. Established 1985. Piano tuning, repairs and restoration. High-quality service at competitive prices. Phone 01494 533860 Mobile 07469742664. Email william.woodruff@btinternet. com. Website www.woodruffpianoservices.co.uk.

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**GROVEWOOD FOOT CLINIC** General foot health and hygiene care in your home - high risk feet, diabetes, peripheral arterial disease, arthritis, fungal, ingrown, corns and calluses, verruca, athlete's foot, dry/cracked heels, massage and sports injuries. Telephone: 07714 207180 Email: annablen324@gmail.com

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk. **CURTAIN MAKING,** alterations, and general soft furnishings. Based in Naphill, I have 25 years' experience. Hazel Lowe – Phone 01494 564343 or mobile 07796 527836. Email hazel.lowe1951@ hotmail.co.uk

**LOCAL AFFORDABLE ACCESSIBLE CHILDCARE** Wise Owls Nursery and Pre-school is conveniently located on the Greenwood estate, Walters Ash. The setting has a dedicated baby room, Toddler room and Pre-school and children are welcomed from 3 months to 5 years. Wise Owls offers high quality, caring EYFS childcare. Please contact Annabel on 01494 563881 or wiseowls.nps@gmail.com for a prospectus.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for those visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail.com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private selfcontained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 - email stefan@zacharydesign.co

Advertising requirements please contact the Editor. All the details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

# QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

# 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

# DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



# & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

# **KENT MURRAY**

# GENERAL BUILDER & HANDYMAN

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



# N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
   Flooring
- Flooring
   Partitions
- Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







# Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

# PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

# Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

# Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

## Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Car, Van & High Performance Tyres
- Specialist Wheel Alignment Service
- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

# Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

# Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

# **Based in Upper North Dean**

# Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

# SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

# **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance 07961 825814 / mike@chilternarbor.co.uk 07555 831391 / danny@chilternarbor.co.uk www.chilternarbor.co.uk

# Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness Barbers



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

# Experts in our field



wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

# April 2018



### blacklionnaphill.com







117

Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

DOMESTIC

INSTALLER

# **ELECTRICAL**

**Electrical Installation Contractors** 

APPROVED

Member No:041067

CONTRACTOR

 $\vdash$ 

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

- PLUMBING
- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

# **For Free Estimate Please Call:** 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

### GAS

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



### PUPPY & DOG TRAINING CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

# John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES ETC.

free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com

Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH





# ASTON HEARING

We know how important your hearing is for helping you to stay connected and live life to the fullest. We are a family-run hearing centre, established for nearly thirty years, based in Amersham and Thame.

Recognised as one of the leading independent hearing consultancies in the UK and recently awarded European Audiologist of the Year



## Services available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing Consultations Latest Hearing Technology Ear Wax Removal using Micro-suction Children's Hearing Screening

Ear Protection & Advice



WWW.ASTONHEARING.COM Thame Amersham 01844 396057 01494 733840

# Look out for our Hear Today Events

Monthly Drop-in Coffee Mornings

1st Friday & 1st Tuesday of every month in Thame and Amersham

Qualified advice Personal experiences Talks Refreshments Support for all hearing concerns All welcome Free of charge

see www.astonhearing.co.uk for details or call 01494 733840 to register your interest and we will keep you informed.







# SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

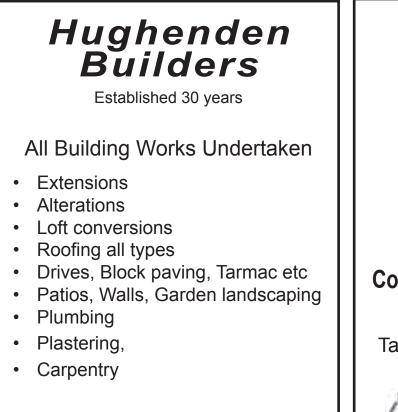
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

### **Sure-Build Built on Quality**

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





171 Main Road Tel: 01494 562937 Naphill Mob: 07901 916044

# Kim Johnson Plumbing



# **Complete bathroom installations**

Hot and cold water tanks Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



# P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

# **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com







Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



If you are a seeker of truth, or you have spiritual life questions you just never received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

## **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette April 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

# Copy Deadline for the May 2018 edition is 15 April 2018

Contacts Directory							
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk				
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk				
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Marin Burch	566047	martin.burch@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy						
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Naphill & Walter's Ash Preschool	Debbie Conn (Supervisor) Judy Pope (Ad- min)	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk				
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk				
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm				
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com				
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT					
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275				

Naphill and Walter's Ash Clubs and Organisations						
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact			
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121			
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933			
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com			
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com			
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys Training Sessions	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk			
	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332			
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash				
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767			
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332			
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089			
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk			
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green				
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday in the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977			
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469			
Residents Association	Second Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com			
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com			
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282			
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706			
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com			
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 9.30am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.15-7.30pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		Jenny Tench 565406 jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com			
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk			
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670					
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm Naphill Village Hall Juliet Shortall 565018					

## Editorial

I seem to remember, when I wrote the editorial last month, that I had placed an order for wall to wall sunshine and I certainly did not mention any "Beast from the East" or anywhere else, blasting "Sunny Naphill" with wind, ice and snow! Obviously fun for some but not for everybody! As always, our amazing community pulled together, those with big 4x4 vehicles helped people home safely and got those in essential roles to work. Neighbours looked out for one another and the RAF base Commander offered their help too. A GREAT community!

As always, I sent out to our regular contributors reminding them that copy date for the magazine is the fifteenth of the month and thankfully the articles poured into my inbox. Now I have to tell you, seeing the inbox filling up with contributions is always a HUGE relief, I rely on all this input and without it there would be a very limited newssheet. However, when I sat down to start collating everything I realised that we were lacking colour and apart from my hair, I really don't do grey, I love to see the magazine with as much colour as possible. Never shy to ask, I sent out a plea on our great village Facebook page and by yesterday evening I was inundated with lots of lovely, colourful photographs from our local dog owners, all the local canines you didn't see at Crufts but all of which are much loved family pets and I look forward to sharing as many of these as possible with you in this edition.

My photographic coordinator, alias Himself, and I had spent some considerable time mulling over the cover photograph for this month. The options were the classic scenic variety with seasonal daffodils, all very beautiful. Quite late last evening I received a series of photos featuring the latest addition to the Dalby family, Chester the Labrador puppy! Unable to resist these I promptly chose one for this month's cover. Thank you, Pete Dalby for allowing me to use this, not quite the traditional Easter photo but one which hopefully still shares the new life and happiness message!

On the subject of the front cover, this is NOT a reserved space for the few! The photographs have to meet some criteria but ALL are welcome. Please send to photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk. We may not always be able to use them on the cover, we may store them for a later date, but please do send them.

This month I have several charity appeals. James Foster is undertaking a marathon cycling project and 9-year-old Elliott Burggy is undertaking a 2.5km swim for Great Ormond Street Hospital. Please read their stories in this magazine and support them.

HAPPY EASTER!

#### Sonia

01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

# Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields

**Council** - Registered charity number 300309

### **Chairmans Report**

The meeting of the village hall committee took place on 5 March. and we were updated on Napfest. The R.A.F. will sponsor the four bands on Friday night so there will be good music all evening with fireworks to finish off at 11.00pm. The R.A.F. are also providing a ferris wheel and dogems for Napfest as well as a few bouncy castles which will keep the younger ones entertained and possibly on the Saturday there will be a flypast by the R.A.F. The fancy dress parade will start at 12.00 midday. Hopefully the weather will be nice and we all can have a good time.

The work on the flat roof above Bon Ami and the changing rooms will have started by the time you read this and then we have the roof over the scout and guides hall to do some repairs on.

We are waiting for quotes for the outdoor table tennis table and we should be able to order it very shortly and have it installed for the summer. The fund raising car wash was a great success and with online donations the total is just under £1000 with the village hall start to the fund of £500 and we said we will match the amount fundraised by Jonny and his friends so the total fund stands at £2450 and the cost will be around £2650. Well done to all those involved and great to see so many people enjoying themselves and helping to improve our community.

Back to more mundane business, the radiators in the hall need replacing to improve the efficiency of the system, hopefully this will be done shortly. We are still considering the information from the safety report on the playground and trying to obtain more on the status of the equipment, but it looks as we will have to replace some of the equipment at a cost of several thousand pounds. We hope to apply for a grant to help with the costs. There is an update for the data protection regulations and this will have to be reviewed and kept up to date. Health and safety was discussed and it was decided to try to find someone local to help with this. So if you are able to help quide us on this issue please get in touch via the website, any help is most welcome.

Dani Bowman would like us to consider supporting the new 'There But Not There' campaign to recognise the fallen of WW1 and we agreed to consider this. The AGM of the village hall will take place on 26 March, all are welcome to attend.

> *Clive Lawrence.* Chairman, Naphill *Village Hall.*

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) In the 4 weeks to 8th March 2018 were discussed and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

Planning Applications: 18/05295/FUL. Barn Hips Stocking Lane Naphill HP14 4NE. Householder application for insertion of new front door and side window and construction of open-sided pitch roof front porch. (Received on 31.01.18 Target Date for Determination: 28.03.2018.) 18/05215/TPO. Clematis Cottage Downley Road Naphill HP14 4QY. Remove lower branches that overhang Downley Road and crown reduction by removing 4 metres off the height and 2 metres from the side to 1 x Fir Tree (T1) as overhanging road and interfering with electricity cables, crown reduction by removing 2 metres off the height and 1 metre from the side to 1 x Holly Tree (T2) as overhanging Downley Road and driveway and crown reduction by removing 4 metres off the height and 2 metre from the side to 1 x Fir Tree due to branches interfering with electricity wires. (Received on 12.02.18 Target Date for Determination: 09.04.2018). 18/05342/ CLE. Hogtrough Smallholding Louches Lane Naphill HP14 4QH. Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use as B8 (Storage and Distribution) for classic cars, their spare parts and machinery (Received on 06.02.18 Target Date for Determination: 03.04.2018). 18/05378/ MINAMD. Land Between And At Rear Of 73 And 74 Woodcock Avenue Walters Ash. Proposed nonmaterial amendment to permission for erection of 2 x 3 bed semi-detached dwellings with amenity space and parking granted under planning ref. 17/05974/FUL. (Received on 09.02.18 Target Date for Determination: 09.03.2018). 18/05412/FUL 245A Main Road Walters Ash HP14 4TH Change of use from A1 (Retail) to A3 (Cafe) (Retrospective). Received on 13.02.18 Target Date for Determination: 10.04.2018.

# 5.6 Acres Of Chilterns GB/AoNB Agricultural Land Off Clappins Lane, Smiths Field

There has been significant opposition to New WDC Local Plan Policy RUR 7 in particular section 5.5.51 which states, "The site is proposed to be taken out of the Green Belt and allocated for residential purposes." WDC propose a major residential estate of 64 dwellings on our fragile, diminishing Chilterns Green Belt/Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty outside the village boundary.

WDC inform us the total district-wide number of responses to the Local Plan consultation (closed 4 December): is 2196

### Total responses to RUR7: 189

Total number of objections to RUR7: *184* Total number in support of RUR7: *5* 

**1/12th** of all responses to district-wide policy changes in the WDC New Local Plan were objections to

environmental violation of Smiths Field as set out in Policy RUR7. An unusually high response.

**Finance**. Local donations received to fund opposition to RUR 7 including the Chartered Planning Consultant's fees have reached £3,375 but basic expenditure will amount to £3,953 (excluding unforeseen costs). NAWARA will provide some funds from reserves and has applied for a grant of £700 from HPC to cover contingencies. Any unused grant to be returned to HPC.

**Timetable to Decision Date**. WDC Planning Policy Officer Simon Barlow informs us that WDC will submit the Local Plan to Secretary of State in March. An Inspector, who will set the timetable, will be appointed to hold an examination which might take place in June-July. The Inspector's decision is likely by December.

The WDC Programme Officer will be in touch with all those who submitted representations and will advise on details such as the examination hearing dates. The information will also be on WDC website.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

### **Doppler Scanner Appeal**

Harrison Gallagher, the son of Dr Anthony Gallagher at the Hughenden Surgery has set up an appeal for a Doppler Scanner. You may be a patient at the Surgery and want to donate to this appeal. A Community Doppler Machine is an important piece of equipment for scanning patients suffering from leg pains who might, for instance, have Deep Vein Thrombosis, and who might have to wait months for a hospital appointment if the scan can't be done at the Surgery.The Doppler Scanner costs £2,700. If you would like to find out more and make a donation please go to https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ hughendenvalley

## **Points of Interest**

Many readers will already be aware of the Government's decision to be minded to approve the County Council's recommendation that the County become one Unitary Council replacing the four District Councils and the County Council with just one Unitary Authority. I have to admit that this was the scheme that I supported rather than the four Districts submission of two councils which would have split the county of Buckinghamshire into two parts. The savings to be made by just one authority were also greater than the districts' scheme. The savings on staffing and on councillors' costs, by a reduction in numbers, are significant and as council tax payers are to be welcomed.

The detailed proposals will be out for consultation soon and members of the public will be able to have their say and although old loyalties are significant we live in challenging times and I hope we can all agree that much of our governance needs modernising. The Unitary status will mean a greater involvement and responsibility of Parish and Town Councils to look after local issues affecting our own communities.

Having just returned from a week in the New Forest I envy those who live there on their being in a National Park with planning being strictly controlled to protect that special environment. Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty were to have a similar status but I don't think this was ever appreciated by planners and developers and like the Green Belt is forever being chipped away. I appreciate that we need more housing to accommodate an ever-increasing population but building on such an industrial scale by large property developers is gradually leading to a "sameness" throughout the country and local characteristics are fast reducing. You can see this effect at Thame, Aylesbury and soon in Princes Risborough. Let us hope the Chilterns AONB will offer us some protection.

Richard Pushman

## **Growing Your Own**

April is the month of frenetically sowing seeds, trying to catch the season – if the weather is good enough. Getting the plants off to a good start can make such a difference when it comes to harvest time. Meanwhile, let us talk about worms, the friends who dig my allotment for me.

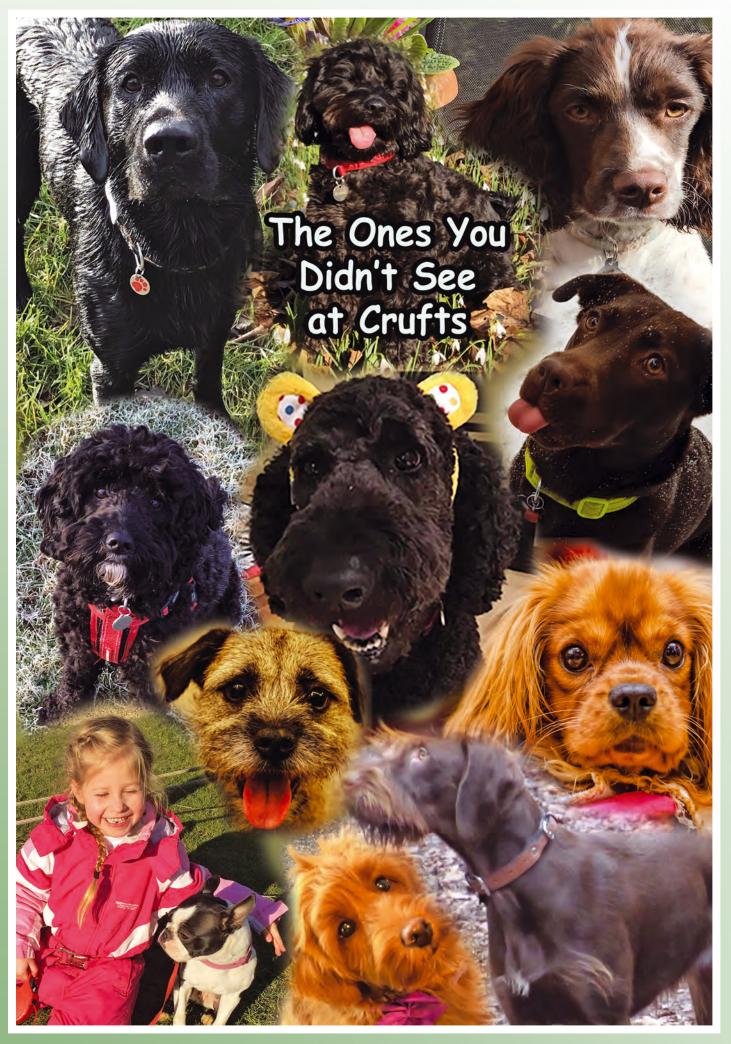
Worms are the big beasts of the wonderful world of soil. There are around 7 billion species of soil microorganism in a handful of soil, but nearly all of them are very small indeed, being bacteria and fungi and the like. Worms eat soil and leaf debris and produce castings which are twice as rich in organic material as ordinary soil. The worm casts have 7 times as much phosphate, 10 times as much potash, 5 times as much nitrogen, 3 times as much magnesium and 1.5 times as much calcium as ordinary soil. Castings are left on the soil at a rate of about 8 ounces per square foot per year, and that means about 0.75 tons per annum on my allotment. Worms have no brains, no eyes, no teeth and breathe through their skin. They need moist soil so there are not many worms in sandy soil. My allotment soil at Walter's Ash is classed as clay loam which, in addition, has clay underneath, and with all the farmyard manure I have applied over the years must be a fairly perfect and moist habitat for worms.

There are believed to be about 7,000 species of earthworm in the World, but we have only 27 species in the UK, with about 8 species in the average garden. Healthy farmland has around 1,750,000 per acre which works out at about 50 per square foot – I probably have more than that in my garden and on my allotment since my soil is so rich. Worms are very good at reproducing, and they reach breeding maturity at only 3 to 4 months. Nearly all species are hermaphrodites (having both male and female reproductive organs). They can live to 15 years old. Their predators are badgers, for whom worms comprise 80% of their diet, hedgehogs and moles. My favourite worms are the great, snakelike creatures up to 9 inches long that burrow deep into the soil and bring up precious trace elements from the depths then deposit them on the soil surface in their casts. I say favourite, but they do cause me angst at times when they pull up my newly-planted onion sets and leave them upside down blocking the entrance to their vertical burrows when the onions are too large to be dragged down. My second favourite species of worm are the brandlings. These are the bright red earthworms about 3 inches long that live in compost heaps and play a large part in breaking down vegetable matter and turning it into compost. Let's hear it for the worms!

Happy Gardening!

Mike Mason









## **Proudly Sponsors**

#### 'Music on the Crick'

#### 8 June 18

Come along to the Naphill Crick on 8 Jun 18 from 1800hrs to see the RAF100 'Music on the Crick', fabulous live bands, large fun fair rides for all ages, incl. Dodgems, Ferris Wheel, licensed Bar, Hog Roast, Pizza, Candy Floss and Popcorn. The evening will end at 2300hrs, when there will be a firework display.

#### Fete on the Crick

### 9 June 18

Saturday 9 June 2018, brings the the Annual Village Fete, starting with the procession from the Scout hut at 1200hrs, where the Princes and Princesses will officially open the Fete. Please contact us ASAP if you wish to be included in the procession. All afternoon the Arena will host various entertainment, and of course there will be the Dog Show and don't forget the amazing stalls and large fairground rides.

If you would like to hold a stall at the Fete, no matter how big or small, or if you have any form of entertainment that you would like to showcase in the arena please email the Fete Committee on nwafete@hotmail.com.uk for further information.

## **Fete Silent Auction**

Friends of Naphill Common (FONC) will be having a stall at the fete and will once again be holding a Silent Auction. Last year, with your help, we were very successful and raised £1173.50. all of which went to the Village Hall, a facility of huge benefit to our community.

We are hopeful we can do even better this year but are very much in your hands. So, what do we need? Well, what we are looking for is a wide range of items that would appeal to potential buyers. In this regard, you can just let your imagination run riot as the spectrum is really that wide. From simple things like offering several hours gardening or ironing to baking a cake once a month for say three months. If you have artistic skills can you donate a picture or some handicraft or perhaps some tuition to share your skills. Perhaps you, or someone you know, could provide a course of keep fit, yoga or Pilates, a beauty treatment, a hair shampoo/cut. Do you attend a restaurant or pub regularly and can you encourage the owner to donate a voucher? If you own a holiday home would you consider donating a weekend perhaps in an off peak period. Do you know a celebrity who could provide an experience, attendance at a show or an autographed item. If you have a boat could you offer an afternoon outing.

As you can tell from the forgoing if something has value we can auction it! Within the village we have residents who will work in a wide range of professions and industries. So, can you please think whether there is anything you do or are associated with that can be offered to us. If you can't help then perhaps a family member or a friend can. We will be most grateful for your support.

Do ring me 01494 562240, email: ron13collins@ gmail.com or Neil McMinn 01494564667, email: ngmcminn@hotmail.com, if you can help.

We hope to hear from you.

Ron Collins



Beef or Veg Lasagne followed by a selection of desserts Bar with a selection of beers, wine and soft drinks (pre-order available)

For tickets (and details) please call Emma on 07773 270238 or Gill on 07887 691381

## Naphill & Walter's Ash School

On Thursday 8th March, we celebrated World Book Day. Unfortunately, we could not celebrate on World Book Day (Thursday 1st) due to snow but, when we held it, it was a great success!

As always, Mrs Wallace organized the day. She gave us the task of creating sock puppets of our favourite book characters and bringing them in to show in assembly. There was a wide range of different characters from The Invisible Man to Paddington! We also had the name of our new library mascot announced and we can reveal it is Mr Page Turner! His name was created by Emily in Y5.



Different classes partnered up to share their books with each other. The Year 6s read with their Year 1 buddies. This made a thoroughly enjoyable morning. At lunchtime, the library was open for anybody to sit and listen to stories read by Mrs Wallace. The afternoon was spent 'tasting' each other's books to see if we liked them.



The week after, six boys and six girls from each year in KS2 were chosen to compete in cross-county at Monks Risborough with other schools: St. Johns, Longwick, etc. We are proud to announce that we had two gold medals (Daniel Waterton in Y3 and Nicole Banks in Y4) and Y4 and Y6 won in their respective year categories. Overall our school won the cross-country competition.

This week has also seen our fabulous Y5 children take part in the Energize performance at the Wycombe Swan theatre. The show was called History Matters and featured many famous faces from history like Florence Nightingale and William Caxton. Year 5 danced and sang with fantastic energy about Boudicca. They had amazing blue make-up and fabulous costumes. Well done to both year 5 and their teachers for putting on a spectacular show.





With spring underway there is a lot to enjoy on the Common and an excellent way of doing so is to join in with our walks. The short walks generally involve the Common and they are between 2-3 miles, led by Chris Miller starting at 10.30am from the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of each month. The longer walks are led by Ron Collins and are about 5 miles, generally some distance from Naphill. Join them on the third Monday of each month. Meet at the Village Hall at 9.25am for a prompt start at 9:30am. Members and non-members are equally welcome. These are the usual arrangements, but as there is sometimes a need to make changes it would be wise to consult our website, posters, or the two leaders to confirm the details.

As you walk, listen out for the summer visitors: the song of the Chiffchaff is the easiest, being a repetition of its name. The name of the Willow Warbler is also something of a clue to its song since it consists of a short burst of notes starting high and ending low. The two birds are almost indistinguishable in appearance: both are a muted grey-brown above and pale yellow - almost white - below. The Chiffchaff builds a spherical nest situated low down in brambles, it has a side entrance, while the Willow Warbler builds a little domed nest on the ground amongst grasses or heather. Hence both are vulnerable to being found by dogs. The only systematic bird survey of the Common that I know of was done between 2010 and 2015: it listed fifty species including three warblers - Black Cap, Chiffchaff and Garden Warbler but, strangely, no Willow Warbler. Obviously the Common is a valuable host for birds.

Our Common may be of considerable ecological value for another reason. You may have seen in the press recently a report concerning wood beetles from the International Union for Conservation; an organisation that keeps track of endangered species of both animals and plants world-wide. Their report shows a considerable drop in the number of saproxylic beetles – those that depend on dead or decaying wood. Many

European species are endangered and several appear to be heading for extinction. Part of the problem is the decline in the number of the veteran trees that provide what they need. Commercial industrial forestry is partly to blame. However, here on the Common we have at least 35 veteran trees (23 Beech; 9 Oak and 3 Yew) all with a circumference of over 3 metres. We have recorded them and ensured that they were not included in the trees felled by Wessex Woodland Management.

We have evidence that Naphill Common really does make a contribution. FONC assisted a survey of invertebrates carried out by M. G. Bloxham in May 2009, which found a saproxylic longhorn beetle Anaglypta mystica; an uncommon and notable species. (A second notable saproxylic species, the Cardinal beetle Pyrochroa coccinea, was found in Stocking Lane Wood.) Among the 62 insect species found during the survey there was also an uncommon brown ant Lasius brunneus which inhabits old woodland; two craneflies, the large Dictenidia bimaculata (a very local species) and Prionocera subserricornis (a Red Data Book species and new regional record), plus a notable hoverfly Xylota xanthocnema. The area around Dew Pond was particularly rich. An earlier survey of 1996-7 also found saproxylic species. Evidently it is essential that we preserve our old trees, preferably standing even when dead.

The work parties contribute to maintain and improve the biodiversity of the Common, by clearing paths, removing scrub and maintaining the ponds. If you would like to help please check the web site (www.naphillcommon.org.uk) or contact the organiser, Peter Davis for details. Tools and training (where necessary) are provided. Whether you are wandering with your head in the air, listening to the birds, or head down searching for insects, or just wandering, we hope you enjoy yourself on the Common; and if it reminds you to renew your membership of FONC, all the better.

Chris Miller. Chairman.

#### James Foster's Cycle Challenge

54 miles a day for 54 consecutive days from Monday 7th May to Friday 29th June 2018 raising funds for Marie Curie.



#### My story:

16th September 2001 and my life was torn apart. My dad passed away after a very short and brave battle with cancer.

He was diagnosed in the May of 2001, and by September he succumbed after an incredible battle. It was hell. I know there is never an ideal way to say 'that final goodbye' to a loved one, but this had happened too quickly. His death literally tore my immediate family apart. As a very young and immature 23 year old, neither I, nor my family, had the skills to cope with his death.

We had experienced an emotional, turbulent, roller coaster ride for the 5 months leading up to his death, then once he had passed away we were left to get on with it. Empty and lost is the only way I could describe how I was feeling at the time. We were not made aware of any resources available to us to help us to cope and grieve his death. For me, my Mum, or my brother to be offered the chance to speak to someone external about what had just happened would have been a godsend. I have since come to learn of the information and support that charities, such as Marie Curie, can offer families at such times.

Ever since he passed away I wanted to do something 'epic' to remember him. Turning 40 last year made

me realise it was time I got my act together.

My Dad, Roy Foster, was 54 years old when he passed away. He was a great man. An inspiration. A loving, and loved, husband and father. A man who, in my mind, requires an 'epic' challenge to make it worthy and to raise money in his memory. I've always liked the idea of cycling Lands End to John O'Groats and back again. End to end to end. But with work, a family and other commitments the idea becomes somewhat unrealistic. If I was to attempt this, I would want to do it solo so I would need back up, volunteers and financial input.

Organised charity rides, as fantastic as they are, for me, seem a bit like cheating given the amount of cycling that I do, so I want something that will challenge me and take me beyond my current limits! I need to feel that for my Dad I have achieved beyond anything else I have undertaken.

After sitting down with my better half, brainstorming ideas and possibilities, we eventually settled on the idea of cycling 54 miles a day for 54 consecutive days. Dad was 54 when he passed away, hence the 54! My daily commute in and out of work is usually around 30 miles. That's 'only' another 24 miles a day. Oh, plus the weekend rides and the fact that I don't get a day off for 54 days. I got the thumbs up and started to plan.

Which charity? As I've already mentioned, reading about Marie Curie and the support their nurses provide has been an inspiration. They give care and support to people living with any terminal illness and their families, bringing light in the darkest hours.

M memory of Dad Foster. ding 54 miles ecutive danc

When? Timing is important. May to June, spring and early summer, will hopefully bring some good weather and riding conditions. I can make the most of the long days and the motivation that spring always brings. So what exactly does riding 54 miles a day for 54 consecutive day involve?

It's a minimum of 2916 miles over the 54 days. Each day I must ride a minimum of 54 miles. The 54 miles can be made up of multiple rides. All my rides are uploaded to Strava for 'added proof'! I will have to fit this challenge into my everyday life; family and work.

I'm looking forward to the challenge. The events along the way. The highs, the lows, and the sense that I will be achieving something 'fantastic' in memory of a fantastic and inspirational man.



Please visit my website/blog page to know more about me and how I'm getting on. More importantly there is a link to my just giving page. Any donations, however big or small, will be hugely appreciated.

www.sittingonwheels.com

James Foster



## **Naphill Brownies**

Many thanks to all who collected jumble for the Brownies and Guides Jumble Sale at the beginning of March. As you know we had to postpone it due to the snow. The new date is 14th April. We do hope you have saved everything for us and we really look forward to seeing you there.



We were rather proud of our beautiful Mother's Day gifts which involved pottery painting, making paper pot plants and a bit of oldfashioned macramé.

Our thanks must go to Jane from High Wycombe library who gave up her

evening to show us all the great things available at the library and talked to us about storing and caring for books. The brownies were really enthusiastic, whilst still being polite and respectful. We were really proud of them.



So, little time left before we break for Easter and we still have lots to do including enrolments, egg hunts and more.

#### Happy springtime everyone!

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

## Letter from Hughenden Vicarage

#### The Empty Tomb

On Saturday evening, 19 June 1815, a few kilometres South of Brussels in Belgium, the battle of Waterloo was over. The British had won. Wellington needed to send news of his victory to London. Not having the advantage of modern technology, unlike ourselves, Wellington couldn't have a one-to-one with George III on his mobile, or post a victorious message on the internet, via his lap-top – instead his men set up a series of line-of-sight communication stations and a coded message was sent. But, only the first part of the message reached London. Half way through sending the message, the fog set in, and the signallers could not see each other. All the English received was the terrible news: "Wellington defeated..."

Imagine, if you will, how the closest friends and family of Jesus Christ felt after witnessing his brutal death on a cross, on a hillside outside the city of Jerusalem. Devastated, lost, numb. Understandable feelings for those who mourn the loss of a loved one. But Jesus had claimed to be different, and he had left such an impression upon those he met that they truly believed with all their hearts that he was the one who had come to save them.

In the time between Good Friday and Easter Sunday, friends and family of Jesus probably gathered together in hushed groups in private, to comfort one another. They would probably have been too afraid to be seen in public – was this really the end of the story?

On the Sunday morning, first a few and then many met with the risen Christ, and their mourning turned into dancing – hope restored, faith reinvigorated – men and women who would follow Christ for the rest of their lives, and in many cases would become martyrs of the early Christian church. All because they not only believed in what Jesus Christ said, but they witnessed how he backed up his words with actions.

Back to the story I began with... later the fog lifted and the whole message could get through, "Wellington defeated Napoleon at Waterloo!"

Christians believe that the horror and the apparent failure of Christ's crucifixion turned into the hope of resurrection, and you and I can also share in that risen life, if we put our faith in him. God does not ask us to be perfect, just as well, or I wouldn't be doing the job I do! God invites you and I to share in a personal relationship with him, through his Son Jesus Christ – why not ask him to come into your heart and life and experience that risen life too!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed – Hallelujah!

Rev Keith Johnson

## Message from Bradenham Vicarage

#### Spring cleaning and other 'stuff'.

How's it going for you? Have you finished it yet?

Spring cleaning I mean.

Do you still do it?

Traditionally, now is the time to have a good sort out of clutter and get to grips with deep cleaning the house (you know – toothbrush around the window pane type of cleaning)

The origins of 'spring cleaning' may have their roots in the thorough ritual cleaning Jewish households did around this time of year in preparation for Passover. Alternatively, in some parts of the world, spring cleaning is associated with the new year, clearing out the old and making way for the new. In the northern hemisphere, before cleaner forms of energy arrived, coal and wood were the principal sources of heating. They inevitably left deposits of soot, so households were deep cleaned when the weather became warmer and the need for heating was reduced.

If you look up 'spring cleaning' on the internet, the definition is 'the practice of thoroughly cleaning a house

in the springtime. The term is also used metaphorically for any kind of heavy duty cleaning or organizing enterprise. A person who gets their affairs in order before an audit or inspection could be said to be doing some 'spring cleaning.' It is good to make space and clear away clutter – TV programmes that show the lives of compulsive hoarders highlight the effects of allowing stuff to accumulate.

Just what is our fascination with 'stuff'? The modern west is living in an era of unprecedented affluence. Levels of disposable income are high and global trade ensures there is an unending supply of merchandise, the acquisition of which is supposed to make us happy. Much of it is 'stuff'. How many of us ever used that 'must have' popcorn machine (a heavy lidded saucepan works just as well) or that trendy doughnut maker (gift, used once - the doughnuts were rubbish!). Just what do you do with all those logo bearing mugs that Easter eggs/shaving sets/pampering kits came in? If you are like me, those mugs go unused because I already have a favourite mug and tea really does taste different when made in it (scientific fact - it's actually to do with the way different types of pottery and china conduct heat). Our modern world encourages us to gather more and more stuff, feeding us with it at every marketing opportunity, and convincing us it will make us happy.

But having everything we thought we wanted isn't making us happier. It's bad for the planet. It's cluttering up our homes. It's making us feel stressed.

Trend forecaster James Wallman has a word for this. He calls it 'stuffocation' and in his book of the same name, he explores the world's growing sense of 'stuffocation'. We have more stuff than we could ever need - clothes we don't wear, kit we don't use, and toys we don't play with. Wallman's solution to our clutter crisis suggests that we have to transform what we value. We have to focus less on possessions and more on experiences. Rather than a new watch or another pair of shoes, we should invest in shared experiences like holidays and time with friends.

Wallman's work is considered trend setting, up to the minute, popular philosophy. Funnily enough, it's not actually that new. Two thousand years ago, an itinerant preacher and healer in a troublesome (to the Romans) province of the Middle East spoke much the same message. Jesus urges us "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.' (Matthew 6:19-21)

Acquiring 'stuff' may be a temporary feel-good fix, but far better are the treasures we create for ourselves and others in the simple acts of kindness, consideration and love that is the only valid currency in heaven.

Every blessing,

Rev Jenny Ellis



## Hughenden Parish Council Spring Report - Part 2

The Council is responsible for the delivery of many services and as such it needs to finance these through what is called the "Precept". This is added to your Council Tax bill each year and although it represents the Council's main form of income, it is also supplemented by rental income from Allotments & fees for burials at the Garden of Rest. Despite increasing costs, the Council has worked hard to minimise this increase by keeping it below the current rate of inflation. At the annual Precept meeting in November, Council decided that the precept would be increased by 2% for the year putting the cost per household up to £52.99 per year, still significantly less than the average for Buckinghamshire.

One of the main areas of expenditure for the Council is "devolved services". These services include the cutting of grass verges in urban areas, maintenance of hedges on Bucks County Council land and prevention of verge encroachment onto footpaths. These services were devolved from Bucks County Council in 2016 and whilst we are very much learning as we go, grass cutting has been the main area of focus and expenditure for the Council. This year we have cut the verges six times but next year we will be increasing that to eight times to help maintain the appearance of the Parish that is so important to everyone. We will also focus more on the hedgecutting element of these services.

Road Safety is a high priority with all residents and this year the Parish Council has, with the help of a donation from Cllr Steve Broadbent, purchased a new MVAS unit to help monitor traffic speeds around the Parish. Of course, these MVAS units do not operate themselves so a huge thank you must go out to all the volunteers who go out in all weathers to ensure they are working and to download the data from each unit. A special thank you also to John Marchant from Widmer End who has been the driving force behind the ongoing success of the scheme over the past few years. The Council is committed to continually improving the services it provides throughout each of its communities. In the past few months the Council has invested in two further dog bins on Naphill Common. And over the coming weeks there is going to be a programme of works focussed on trimming back overgrown hedges and trees under the devolved services contract.

I have been in the role of Clerk now for over a year and I can say that I have very much enjoyed the diverse nature of the job and of course meeting new people and understanding their concerns. Assisted by Jill, we aim to ensure the ongoing delivery of all services and the ongoing improvement of services too. Please do feel free to contact us if you have any questions at all, we are always happy to help.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held this year on Wednesday April 25th at 8.00pm in the Naphill & Walters Ash School. This is an opportunity for the public to hear reports from the Chairman and also from organisations that have received funding from the Council in the last year. It is also a great opportunity for you to meet your local Councillors, ask questions and hear what the Parish Council has been up to throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you there.

Finally, would you like to be involved in decisions that affect your local community? By becoming a Local Councillor you can do just that. There is currently a vacancy in the Naphill & Walters Ash Ward so, if you want to find out more about how you can become a Councillor, what it involves and how you can make a difference not just to Naphill & Walters Ash but to the whole of the Parish, then please contact me or one of your Local Councillors to find out more. Your Naphill & Walters Ash Councillors are: Cllr Martin Burch, Cllr Peter Williams and Cllr Chris Waterton. You can reach them via their contact details on the council website: www.hughendenpc.org.uk

#### Shona Hadwen

The Clerk, on behalf of Hughenden Parish Council

### Naphill and Walter's Ash Ward Councillors Report

#### **Templewood Playground:**

Following the responses to our local survey, a brief has been developed for the redevelopment of the Council playground at Templewood. Council will now be looking at potential partners and suppliers for this project as well as investigating alternative sources of funding in order to expand what can be achieved. This is a significant project and will take some considerable time to complete. It is planned to have some initial thoughts on design by late summer and we will canvass opinion on these as soon as they are available. The current timing plan would have the project completed in the Spring of 2019. We will be investigating low-cost, interim options for improving the facility for the coming Summer season.

You may be aware that the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government has announced that he is minded to proceed with a single unitary council to replace the current two-tier structure of Buckinghamshire County Council and the district council of High Wycombe. There is now a further period of consultation until 25th May 2018, during which representation can be made and the proposal may be amended before going to parliament for approval. At this stage, it is not clear what effect this major change would have on parish councils and the provision of local services and facilities. We will be keeping a close eye on developments and trust there will be more clarity soon. It does seem likely that there will be significant change. If you would like to be involved in helping to manage that change, we are still short of Parish Councillors. Anyone over 18 who lives or works in the Parish and is interested can apply by emailing clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk or contacting one of your local councillors.

Your Parish Councillors,

Peter Williams, Chris Waterton, Martin Burch email: nawa@hughendenpc.org.uk website: www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk

#### Hughenden Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday April 25th 8.00pm

Naphill & Walters Ash School

## Message from Hon.David Lidington MP

Local government in Buckinghamshire faces its biggest shake-up for decades following the decision by Communities Secretary Sajid Javid to abolish the current County and District Councils in favour of a single, unitary council for the whole of Bucks.

All the existing local authorities had agreed that the current two-tier division was unsustainable. The debate was not whether to keep the present system but whether to have one unitary council or two (one for Aylesbury Vale and the second covering the other three Districts).

The argument for a single council was partly financial. The management and administrative costs of one council will be less than those of two, let alone the five we have now.

A unitary council will also be more clearly accountable for its policies and decisions. Under the present system, the District Council bills us for our Council Tax even though most of the revenue from that tax goes to the County. The District takes decisions about housing and planning but it's the County Council that has to plan for roads, schools and social services. Our rubbish is collected by the District but it's the County that has to dispose of it and which runs the local recycling centres.

Getting rid of that confusion will be a good thing. With a unitary authority we will all know exactly which council to praise or blame for our local services.

The strongest argument made by the champions of two unitary authorities was that the extra cost of their preferred option was outweighed by the greater sense of local identity and accountability that having two councils would bring. The new single unitary council will need to make it a priority to ensure that every parish and neighbourhood has a voice.

Another key objective must be to improve further the links between county social services and the NHS in Bucks. A lot of good work has gone into this in recent years but there is more still to be done. I'm frankly relieved that we are not facing the challenge of trying to split social services into two.

The Government's decision to opt for one council rather than two will please some and disappoint others, but I hope that all our local councils and other organisations will now get on with making the transition as smooth as possible and ensuring that the new system works well.

> David Lidington Email: david.lidington.mp@parliament.uk

## **Bradenham Parish Council**

Bradenham Parish Council Anuual Parish Meeting

14 May-7pm

Bradenham Cricket Club

At the March meeting the parish council looked into a proposal from the R.A.F. on installing some sort of lighting to light the footway along Bradenham Woods Lane from No 2 site to the junction with New Road/ Main Road. They had already approached the parish council about street lighting, but the parish council had asked for details before they would discuss the matter. We have had a few requests during the last 20 years for street lighting, but they had always been turned down as we are a "no street light" parish. After hearing from the public at the meeting, the parish council discussed the proposal. It was decided not to support the proposal for street lighting and the RAF was advised to make private arrangements concerning street lighting. The parish is in the Chilterns AONB and the parish has always valued 'dark skies'. There have been a few flooding problems in the parish, the county council has been informed and they are surveying the drains. We have asked for the drains to be cleared.

To commemorate the end of World War One the Council have decided to purchase a Royal British Legion "Silent Soldier" silhouette as a tribute to those who did not return home and to those whose lives would never be the same again.

The Chiltern Conservation Board have instigated a conservation project entitled "Chalk, Cherries and Chairs – Rough Around the Edges" which is aimed at finding ways the community can help to look after wildlife by creating and developing wildlife habitats. The council discussed this project. At present, there are no concrete plans as to how our community will be involved in this but we would welcome public participation so please do send your ideas to our council clerk, contact details below.

Various other events and concerns were discussed:

- As part of the Wycombe Arts Festival pupils of John Hampden School will be performing a concert on 17th May at 7.30pm in St Botolph's Church Bradenham, details available nearer the time.
- The increase in visitors to Bradenham is causing parking problems and we will ask the National Trust to look into this.
- The National Trust had carried out some footpath repairs, but these now need to be completed.

Our next meeting will be Monday 14 May at 7pm in the cricket club. We will hold our Annual Parish meeting and our Annual Parish Council meeting on the same evening.

Deirdre Hansen, Clerk to the Council email: clerk@bradenham.org.uk www.bucksvoice.net/bradenham-parish-council

## **Naphill Neighbours**

Last week our outings for this year made an excellent start with a small group of members visiting the Magistrates Court in High Wycombe. It was very informative and enlightening and we were made very welcome.

Plans are finalised for our theatre trip to Milton Keynes to see the much acclaimed "The Play That Goes Wrong" on Wednesday April 25.

Everyone will be welcome to join us on a day at the seaside on Tuesday June 19 – we will be taking bookings on a coach to Eastbourne next month so put the date in your diary.

Our next club meeting will be on Monday April 9, when we are looking forward to a return visit from Diane Hayes. This time we will be seeing her illustrated presentation "BRANDYWINE VALLEY, DELAWARE AND PENNSYLVANIA, U.S.A."

#### **Diary Dates:**

- 9 April Next Club Meeting
- 25 April Theatre trip, Milton Keynes
- **19 June** Coach Trip to Eastbourne

Hazel Vickery - 563977

### THANK YOU !

This community really is very special - we have always known how fortunate we are to be living here but, as some of you will be aware, recently we have had cause to be especially grateful and appreciative of the very many kindnesses of friends, neighbours and other villagers. We are truly thankful for all your support.

Sheila, John and Meredith Draper

## A Great 9yr Old's Swimathon for Great Ormond Street Hospital!



My name is Elliott Burggy and I am 9 years old. I have a passion for swimming.

I particularly like swimming long distances and timing myself with my new swim watch, so I have signed up for a 2.5km swim on Saturday 28th April 2018.

I would like to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH), my sister is a patient of GOSH and I know what great work they do for her.

So please sponsor me and help me raise as much money as possible for this great cause and obviously so that I can brag not only about my swimming prowess but also my money raising prowess.

Elliott

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/elliott-burggy

## Naphill Evening WI

The "Strictly Sequins" day was great. After learning how the costumes for Strictly Come Dancing were made and how many hundreds of sequins and beads are either sewn or glued on, we were able to try the dresses on! One very slim lady looked great in Debbie McGee's tiny outfit.

The virtual backstage tour of Aylesbury Waterside Theatre was very interesting and we were told snippets about the trees etched on the underside of all the seats and the reasons for the lovely autumn colours. Our speaker also told us that it was a very eco-friendly building.

Our committee are hoping to arrange an outing to a water mill at Mapledurham later in the year, which could also include a boat trip.

The Food Group's outing to The Boot was changed to the Grouse and Ale but I'm sure they had a good time. Their next event is lunch at The Swan in Kimble on 26 April.

The Craft Group are making plans as well as chatting over our own knitting and sewing. It was quite fun reminding one member how to cast on. She hadn't knitted in a while but it was like riding a bicycle – you never forget.

We have Resolution Briefing Meetings coming up soon, when one or two members will hear about the 2018 resolutions in more detail prior to our voting in May. We also have our Annual Council Meeting in May to look forward to, when the main speaker will be Christine Walkden on "The Life and Times of a Gardener". This is always a great day out.

Carol Gilliam

## The Wheel

As I sit here writing this it is noticeable the nights are getting lighter and when I walk the dogs it is great to see some colour with the daffodils and crocuses appearing. It's been a brilliant month with all the Rugby and you have been out in force, no matter which Nation you've been supporting. The atmosphere has been amazing, and we need a bigger front bar for all you fans. It has also been the time of year that we are all trying to get our holidays in, thankfully I think we've all achieved it now so we should be fully refreshed and ready for the summer.

March has been filled with family events, with a very busy Mother's Day and of course Easter. I would like to thank Karen Elliot for the lovely flowers that we gave to all our well deserving Mums.

A not so family event was St Patricks day and the Guinness was flowing and lots of silly hats were worn, it still makes me smile how much we celebrate this whether we are Irish or not (hopefully we will see you all out this month for St. Georges Day). We are really proud of our new menu and the great new design, so much time and effort was put in, it does feel like it taken ages to finalise. It's now here so do come down and join us for a great meal and a drink, where you get the choice of the dining room or the bar, whatever suits your needs most.

During April we have very little planned as we will be getting ready for May and the summer months. On the 12th May we will be closed from 5pm for a very important private function (Marks 50th Birthday) and this party is invitation only. We will also be planning on having a party at the pub for the Royal Wedding, so watch this space for more information.

Here's our usual overview of the dates for your diary;

- 12th May Marks Big 50th Drinky Poo Party
- 19th May The Royal Wedding
- 8th, 9th, 10th June Napfest
- Sun 17th June Father's Day

As always there is so much to look forward to, not just with us, but throughout our fantastic village. I hope you all enjoy the start of spring and let's keep our fingers and toes crossed for a blazing hot summer. Thanks as always to all our customers for your support and to the staff for their hard work.

Claire and Mark

#### Pony Espresso

*Happy Easter everyone!* Let's hope Spring arrives soon, after the long, grey winter and the outside chairs and tables will be in the sunshine!

There have been some changes at Pony Espresso that the keen-eyed may have noticed. Firstly, we have new staff. We welcome Samara, Lorna and Shelley who have been thrown in at the deep end, but have coped admirably to keep things running smoothly. Thanks to all the customers who somehow knew to come in one after the other instead of all at the same time while they were finding their feet. And a big thank you to Laura and Junita, the Saturday girls, who never get flustered however busy we are.

Secondly, the opening hours have changed slightly and I have decided to close on Sundays. I realise we have our regular Sunday customers but this has been carefully decided - for the time being. It's not set in stone but right now there is a work/life balance that had to be struck! For those who enjoy their Sunday breakfast/coffee and read of the papers, hopefully one of the other six days will suffice.

Thirdly, well.... there is no thirdly! We are into our 6th year now so a huge thank you to everyone who has made us a success! Come and eat, drink, use the free Wi-Fi, play a board game...and meet the new team!

We look forward to seeing you.

Blaine



## **Naphill Tennis Club**

Naphill Tennis Club, situated on The Crick, has 3 all-weather artificial grass courts, a practice wall and a clubhouse.

Our new tennis season is well under way and we have the following delights to offer you:

CLUB SESSIONS: SUNDAYS - 1.30 PM

WEDNESDAYS – from 11 AM TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS – 10 AM THURSDAY EVENINGS – 6 pm (starting 5 April)

Event	Date	Comment
RUSTY RACKETS/ IMPROVERS' COACHING	Wednesday mornings starting 25 April	9 – 10 am. Not played for a while? 6 week course £30 members/£50 non-members
EASTER TENNIS CAMP	Friday 6 April and Friday 13 April	5 year olds – teenagers.
ADULT TENNIS CLINIC	Saturday 14 April	2 pm – 5 pm. All standards of player welcome. Members/non-members
JUNIOR COACHING	Starts Friday 20 April	4 pm - 7.15 pm during the school summer term.
UNDER-7s CLUB	Starts Saturday 21 April	9 am - 9.45 am during the school summer term.
FUN FAMILY adult/child TOURNAMENT	Saturday 28 April	4 pm – 6 pm. £5 per member pair/£10 non-member pair
GREAT BRITISH TENNIS WEEKEND	Saturday 12 May Sunday 13 May 10 am – 4 pm	For members of the public to <i>have a go</i> at tennis FREE of charge.

#### Come and try out our Tiger Turf courts!

*For further information and details of membership, please see our website: www.naphilltennisclub.org. uk or contact our Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel, on 01494 563706.* 

Jenny Tench

#### Squash and Racketball

April is a busy month for Holmer Green Squash and Racketball Club (HGSRC). The club finals take place on Friday 6th April and then two weeks later we are holding our charity event. This year we are holding a 24hr Racketathon (24hrs of continuous squash and racketball) and raising money for local charity Arctic One. Arctic One aims to give opportunities to disabled people to "Get Involved" in sport. The event starts at 17:00 on Friday 20th April. Please do come along to support the players and also to try squash and racketball (all equipment provided).

For more information visit www.hgsrc.co.uk or contact Lynn O'Regan (membership@hgsrc.co.uk) for more information on the free one month trial membership.

David Albin

HGSRC Chairman (chairman@hgsrc.co.uk)

## Wycombe Photographic Society

March and going into April sees the end of our internal competitions for the competition year which winds up at the end of May.... but.... there are still activities and events happening throughout the coming months – workshop evenings, outdoor photoshoot days, so plenty still happening.

April is the month of our biggest event in the year – our Annual Exhibition which over the past couple of years has been held in the Eden Centre in High Wycombe.

The Annual Exhibition is where all members have the chance to show to the world, yes we do have overseas visitors to the exhibition, their photographs consisting of prints and projected images.

The exhibition runs from the 28th of April through to the 5th May and is open from morning through to late

afternoon, so if you are in town during these dates please drop in and have a look at our talented members' photographs.

Gentlemen, looking at great photographs is far better than standing watching clothes being bought – trust me!

There is no cost to come and have a look. A number of the prints will be for sale by the members as well as a large collection of gift cards.

April's workshop will be all about Creative Techniques using Photo Enhancement Software.

How to get rid of that protruding "selfie stick" or perhaps the very happy "Photo Bomber" that appeared as you were taking your shot, maybe lightening up the very black shadow right across the foreground.

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

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

We all learn something each meeting which helps our photography.

David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society

## **Black Lion**

It was fantastic to see a packed restaurant for Mother's Day, we hope you all had a lovely afternoon.

Our popular Beer and Gin Festival will be held on Friday 20th – Saturday 21st April. There will be live music both nights and a large range of gins, beers and ciders. Free entry. With a bigger range of drinks and fantastic live music this is an event not to be missed! We look forward to seeing you all there.

Over the Easter bank holiday weekend we will be serving food on Easter Sunday and Easter Monday 12-4pm.

Another date for your diary is Saturday 9th June – we will be hosting a hog roast family day with free entry from 1pm. Come and enjoy the sunshine (fingers crossed!), a hog roast and the children can play in the garden.

The new playground is settling in well and looking forward to some nice weather! I'm sure the children are too.

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Jack, Sian and the team.

## Shear Madness

#### Happy Easter one and all !!

Thankfully we have all put the snow and sicknesses firmly behind us and thank you for being patient with me when it was my turn to be poorly. I am now fully recovered and back to business as usual, until my next holiday of course. I still haven't got round to booking one yet but it will probably be sometime in May so keep your eyes peeled for notes on the door.

Let's hope that we have a gorgeous spring and we can get out and about once more, I feel like I've been cooped up for so long and hopefully the dog will be less muddy !

Sending my love to the families of the ones we have sadly recently lost, Seth, Roscoe and June, all such lovely people who will missed by all.

Fingers crossed for some good weather and a decent summer this year.

Take care!

Mandy

### **Last Word**

SPRING? Sat here with a healthy covering of snow glaring at me through the window, I have my doubts and I can certainly get by without any more of it!

As always, my grateful thanks to all this month's contributors and my sincere apologies for not managing to fit all the great dog photographs in, they are safely stored and I will use them in the near future.

Please do not send in LAYOUTS! I do understand that you want to see the finished product and perhaps you feel that I won't get it right but the carefully cropped, tiny photographs come in at 70dpi. All photographs have to be 300dpi to print hence why I need the large file from your camera, logos, clipart, etc, not resized to fit so that I can scale them to the printer's specification. There are several layouts in this magazine which look so simple but have taken me a lot of time to sort!

I really do hope that we have seen the last of Winter and that you all have a lovely Easter.

Sonia

## **Editorial Disclaimer**

Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

#### New Small Advertisement:

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite.com/info

## **Small Ads**

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

**PIANO SERVICES.** William Woodruff CGLI. Established 1985. Piano tuning, repairs and restoration. High-quality service at competitive prices. Phone 01494 533860 Mobile 07469742664. Email william.woodruff@btinternet. com. Website www.woodruffpianoservices.co.uk.

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**GROVEWOOD FOOT CLINIC** General foot health and hygiene care in your home - high risk feet, diabetes, peripheral arterial disease, arthritis, fungal, ingrown, corns and calluses, verruca, athlete's foot, dry/cracked heels, massage and sports injuries. Telephone: 07714 207180 Email: annablen324@gmail.com

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

**TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES,** Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk. **CURTAIN MAKING,** alterations, and general soft furnishings. Based in Naphill, I have 25 years' experience. Hazel Lowe – Phone 01494 564343 or mobile 07796 527836. Email hazel.lowe1951@ hotmail.co.uk

**LOCAL AFFORDABLE ACCESSIBLE CHILDCARE** Wise Owls Nursery and Pre-school is conveniently located on the Greenwood estate, Walters Ash. The setting has a dedicated baby room, Toddler room and Pre-school and children are welcomed from 3 months to 5 years. Wise Owls offers high quality, caring EYFS childcare. Please contact Annabel on 01494 563881 or wiseowls.nps@gmail.com for a prospectus.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for those visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail. com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private selfcontained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 - email stefan@zacharydesign.co

#### Advertising requirements please contact the Editor. All the details on page 15



## AIRS HOUSE PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

## QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

## 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

## DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



& SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



## NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027EVE: 01296 330206British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

## KENT MURRAY

## <u>GENERAL BUILDER &</u> <u>HANDYMAN</u>

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: **07831 541552** Tel: **01494 527532** email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com



Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



## N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber
   windows and doors
   in pine, hardwood
   or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
- Flooring Partitions, walls
- Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk





FENSA

## Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



## Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

## Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk



## Reliable, Friendly Service

**Emergency Spares and Repairs** Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

**Based in Upper North Dean** 

## **Paul's Plumbing** 07786 175123



**Registered Company** Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean No Daytime Call-out Fee **Free Estimates** Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

## David Kirtley

## Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance **Based** locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

## VILLAGE **ENVIRONMENTAL** SERVICES

Established 1979

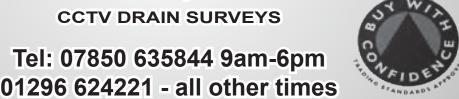
## **Proprietor Dennis Cook**

## BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs



**CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS** Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's **maths and English** study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

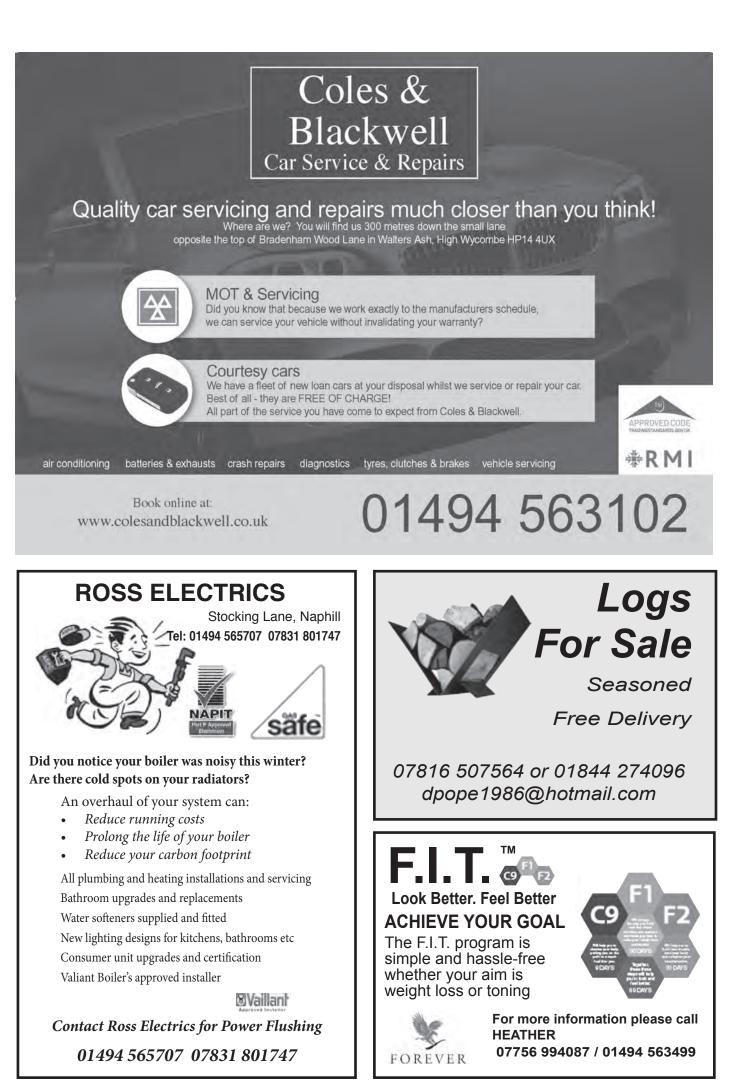
For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre





All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens

Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys

**Full Public Liability Insurance** 

07961 825814 / mike@chilternarbor.co.uk 07555 831391 / danny@chilternarbor.co.uk www.chilternarbor.co.uk

## Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

Δ

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA

Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care

IOG

Corporate Me



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness

Barbers



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



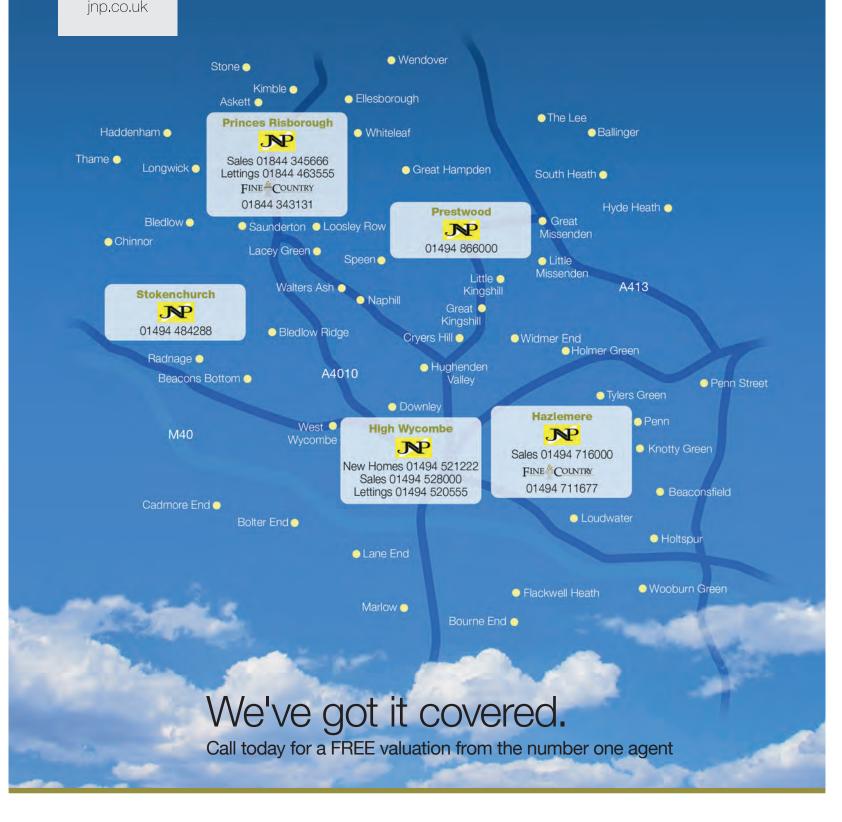
ountry

129 Main Road Naphill Bucks HP14 4SA

wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country



PrimeLocation.com Zoopla.co.uk in jnp estate-agents

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

## June 2018



### blacklionnaphill.com



Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

## **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

## Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

## 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

#### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

#### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



## Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

## **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

## BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



## 



## All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





## SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

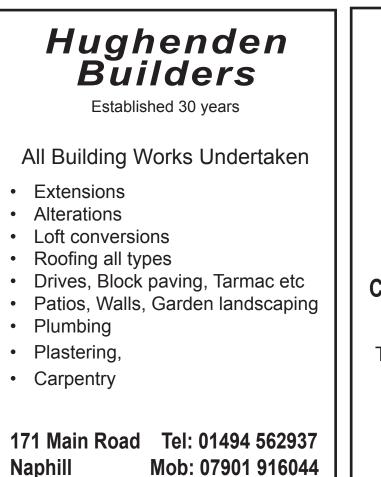
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

## **Sure-Build Built on Quality**

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk

## Sunbodies Tanning Hair & Beauty Ultimote Treatments Include.... Sunbeds OSMS • Nails • Gellux Threading • SD-LiPO body contouring ·Waxing • Fat freezing Tinting · Cavitation • RF face and body tightening • Facials CND Shellac • Hifu facelifts Hair Dressing by Mcola (07554424617) and Lauren (07769992040) Cut - blow-dry - highlights - balayage & ombre - tints - ladies & gents bridal hair & hair up 81 Main Road Naphill - 01494 565619



## Kim Johnson Plumbing



## Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

## Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

## Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



## **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

## 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

## **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



## P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

## **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

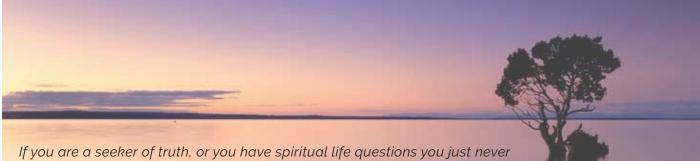
01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

#### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



### DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



### Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette June 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

#### Copy Deadline for the July 2018 edition is 15 June 2018

Contacts Directory						
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk			
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk			
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk			
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Martin Burch	566047	martin.burch@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy					
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk			
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk			
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm			
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com			
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT				
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275			

	and Walter's Ash			
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact	
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121	
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933	
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45-7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com	
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com	
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk	
Training Sessions	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332	
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash		
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767	
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332	
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089	
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk	
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green		
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday in the month 1.30-3.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977	
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469	
Residents Association	Second Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com	
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com	
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282	
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm Naphill Tennis Club		Sarah Dengel 563706	
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406	
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm Saturday 0.0 45am under 7a		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com	
Village Hall Council	Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk	
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670			
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018	

#### Editorial

As we all know, "time flies when one is having fun!" So, this has obviously been a FUN year. The fifth great NAPFEST is with us already! As in previous years, I have spent a lot of time compiling this year's NAPFEST centre fold so time to start on putting in this month's plethora of articles and photographs.

Once again, our community has pulled together to help and support one another. There has been a huge amount of concern over a wandering collie dog with a great number of people trying to get him home. Should he wander again please contact the great "Naphill Hub", alias The Wheel, Claire has all the details and will make sure that he gets home safely.

As you all know, I am a lifelong dog lover. Our two Chihuahuas are not well behaved but they are controlled. The law is very clear regarding controlling our dogs and as owners our dogs are our responsibility at all times. Personally, I firmly believe that as with all our property, our dogs should be insured. Himself, on a photographic course in the Lake District, was less than amused when an out of control hound knocked his camera tripod over destroying several thousand pounds' worth of camera equipment. The owner of the offending dog beat a very hasty retreat, without so much as an apology, and we are left to claim on our insurances.

Over the last few weeks there have been several reports regarding spurious door to door salesmen. There is a new WhatsApp group dedicated to getting news out to us quickly, if you want to join this please let me know, and of course our two community Facebook pages also do a great job. Please keep an eye out for reports and be aware that "vulnerable neighbours" might need a little help to cope. The official advice is still to report any concerns on 101.

I rarely get any comments on the Gazette articles but this month I received a lovely email from a lady regarding the "old Naphill" photograph which space allowing, I will share with you. Thank you too for the missing cat follow ups which I have passed to Jon.

My best wishes for a GREAT NapFest, do please support and enjoy. The deadline for next month's Gazette will be extended for NapFest news and photographs until 18 June. Gary and Tom Britton will be heading my photographic team for Music, the slightly older members of this team are less keen to volunteer for this one and I am hoping that Richard Holroyd will be with us for the Fete and Classics but PLEASE, as always, all your photographs, reports and comments are very welcome!

#### Sonia

01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

#### Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields

**Council** - Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairman's Report**

The village hall committee meeting was held on 30 April. There was an election for chairman and vice chairman and I was re-elected chairman along with Sarah Bacon as vice chairman. Three co-opted members were also re-elected they were Dave Evans, Tanya Stevens, and Judy Whitehouse.

Jonny Goddard came along to the meeting and was delighted to hear that we are ordering the table tennis table and hopefully it will arrive soon.

There was a debate about the playground and it was decided that we would replace some of the equipment that was removed by Hughenden Parish with a toddler multi play unit made of stainless steel. We have had a quote for this item and it will cost £15,600. If we spend all of our allocated money on this there will not be any more money spent on the hall for this financial year, so we need to raise some money for this equipment. We are looking at some grant funding but even applying for a grant from Hughenden Parish the paperwork runs to 7 pages plus copies of constitution, bank statements, accounts, charity commission return and list of members, quite a folder! We hope to hear whether it is successful after the full parish council meeting. We have applied to three other trusts and await the outcome. The good news is the flat roof over Bon Ami and the changing rooms has been replaced with a rubberised cover and is guaranteed for 25 years. This has cost £17,871.60

The fete, Napfest, will be on 8-10 June. The music evening on the Friday will have some great bands and music to suit all tastes and this year to mark their 100th anniversary the Royal Air Force are sponsoring the bands. There will be a bar and food stall and at the end of the evening, fireworks. The Saturday will see our fete which will start with a procession around the Crick. There will be many funfair rides and inflatable activities, a drum band, flight simulator, Sumo suits and much more. There are 40 different stalls and activities. Do please come along and have a great time. All profits go to help with the village hall costs. There will be donation buckets by the rides for the RAF benevolent fund as the rides are also sponsored by the RAF. There is hopefully a flypast but this is weather dependant so let's hope for sunny weather. On the Sunday of the Napfest weekend there is the Classic Car Show and all the proceeds go to the Air Ambulance Fund. One of the other fundraising events is the fireworks evening in November and the committee has already had their first meeting, we do have a facebook page to keep you informed.

> Clive Lawrance Chairman Naphill Village Hall

#### Friends Of Naphill Common

By the time this appears the NAPFEST will be almost with us. We hope to see you at the FONC stall where we will be repeating our Silent Auction. So please come along and bid for something from what we hope will be an attractive array of items.

The Common is in full leaf and well worth a visit. The current phase of felling is over, a few months later than had been planned because of the wet winter we have experienced. The Great Beech has now been successfully removed from Dew Pond and the main trunk has been laid to one side. Its collapse was a big shock and disappointment but at least it will end its days lying near the place it grew for perhaps four hundred years. We hope that the rare fungus that lives in its hollow trunk will continue to live and fruit.

We are very grateful to West Wycombe Estate and Wessex Woodland Management for seeking our advice and involving us in the felling process. Although parts of the Common are unavoidably rutted by the heavy equipment used, we know from experience that it will soon recover, and that the newly opened areas will improve access and eventually, as new growth takes hold, its beauty.

We have five more juniper bushes ready to be returned to a suitable location on the Common. They began as cuttings from one of the few remaining old specimens. Unfortunately, it is likely that they are all males so we need a few female junipers to keep them company. The National Trust has been planting junipers near The Clumps (at the Bradenham end of the Common, near the Manor) and, with luck, there will be females amongst those.

#### Friends of Naphill Common Forthcoming Events

Marian Miller will lead a walk around the village to discover some of the lost pubs and ale houses of Naphill. This will be on Tuesday 26th June, meeting at 7pm outside The Wheel for a guided walk around the village, which should take around two hours and will include sections of the common, so please choose suitable footwear. The walk is free of charge and open to all.

Our working parties continue to clear footpaths and open areas from holly and other obstructions (remedial work on ponds is suspended for the amphibian breeding season). In addition to the Sunday morning parties led by Peter Davis (for dates, please consult our web site at http://www. naphillcommon.org.uk/activities.html), we now have an additional working party every Thursday morning commencing at 9.30am, though anyone wishing to help can turn up at any time during the morning. We are currently working along the area between Chapel Lane and the footpath that comes in off Downley Road and will be doing so for some time to come. Enquiries to Ron Collins on 01494 562240.

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

Chris Miller. Chairman.

#### Friends of Naphill Common at the FETE

### Silent Auction

Lots of exciting items already donated, including a Wycombe Wanderers package for two hosted by ex players in a box at a league match. You will also meet some of the current stars.

Two tickets to a sell out Wycombe Wanderers ex players dinner at Adams Park on November 24. Mix with great names from the past and current heroes and relive some great moments in the club's history.

### Many more wonderful items to auction, so come and bid!

MORE ITEMS WELCOME!

Contact Ron Collins on 01494 562240 or Neil McMinn on 01494 564667

Are there any ladies interested in joining us for some not too serious games of badminton?

We are a small, friendly group of 'mature' ladies who meet on Tuesday afternoons (1.30 to 3.30pm) at Hughenden Village Hall. Please contact: Nancy Hussey on 563767.

#### **Shear Madness**

Firstly, I must apologise because when this copy arrives I will already be on holiday! I did try and tell as many of you as possible and there has been a sign on the door. I will re-open 9.30 am on Tuesday 12 June , hopefully by then I will be well rested, relaxed and possibly a little chubbier!

We have had recent reports of "Nottingham Knockers" hanging around our villages, please don't answer the door and if you can report to 101 the non-emergency police line. Please can we keep an eye out for our venerable/ elderly neighbours. Hopefully the knockers will move on sol So Napfest is coming up soon and I do hope you all have an amazing weekend and the weather is great, it sounds like it is going to be bigger than ever this year!

Have a great June!

Mandy

#### Naphill Evening WI

What a lovely day for our Ploughman's Lunch at Jenny's on 14 May. We were able to sit in her and Bill's lovely garden and enjoy the glorious sunshine.



The Annual Council Meeting in Aylesbury was, as usual, a really good day out. We had talks from the High Sherriff of Aylesbury, Professor Ruth Farwell, Stephen Irons, Resilience Officer for Bucks County Council and Joyce Sheard and Martin McElhatton on the charity "WheelPower" based at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. The main speaker was Christine Walkden the horticulturalist and TV gardener, who recalled her rise to fame in a most entertaining and amusing way.

At our May meeting, as well as hearing about 40 Years of Bomb Disposal, we will have discussed and voted on the 2018 WI resolution on the subject of Mental Health provision.

The Craft Group have recently met and are beavering away at various projects, whilst the Food Group have lunch planned for 29 May at the Spade Oak in Bourne End and also on 25 June at Bella Vita, Princes Risborough.

We have a games evening coming up soon, as well as our Birthday Party on 21 June. So, lots to look forward to.

Carol Gillam

#### Sad News from Naphill Methodist Church



After over 165years of worship at Naphill Methodist Church regrettably, the final Sunday service will take place on Sunday 1st of July at 10.30am. The service will be led by the Reverend Nick Thompson, Superintendent of the High Wycombe Circuit. All are welcome.

Thank you,

Janice Slocombe

#### **Elliott's Swimathon**

So, the time had come - my family and I made our way down to Risbourgh Springs Swimming Pool, I was nervous as this was the first Swimathon I had done.

I was in a lane with 5 other adults, however they were very nice and kept saying good comments to me as I was swimming.

I had my Mum, Dad, Ellenore, Grandma, Grandpa and my swimming instructor cheering me on. Most of the swim I swam front crawl and two lengths I swam breast stroke.

Once I was in the water and swimming my nerves went and I really enjoyed it. It took me 1 hr and 5 minutes to complete the 100 lengths of the 25m pool. Once I had finished everyone cheered and I got a medal, I was so happy.

A BIG thank you to everyone who supported me and helped me to raise £1,030 for GOSH. Until my next Swimathon, THANK YOU!

Elliott Burggy





#### Goodbye to Naphill Common's Oldest and Biggest Beech Tree

On the night of 14th November 2015, our oldest and largest beech tree on Naphill Common succumbed to age and a strong wind. Pollarded at an early period in its long life, it had grown into three large trunks, two of which had already fallen. Hollowed out completely at its base, it no longer had the strength to resist a strong wind and fell into Dew Pond, blocking the sun from most of the pond.

The Friends of Naphill Common agreed that it needed to be removed, but there were several problems – it weighed over 6 tons and moving it would be far beyond the capabilities of a working party; its removal must not damage the clay lining of the pond or the adjacent bank and ditch marking the boundary of a Romano-British farmstead; and it was home to the very rare "Lion's Mane" fungus (Hericium erinaceus), which needed to be preserved, if possible. The recent felling on the Common, paid for by West Wycombe Estate and organised by Wessex Woodland Management, gave us an opportunity to tackle its removal. Through some expert chain-sawing and the use of winches on two tractors, carried out by Roderick Wilson Forestry, the Beech was cut through at the edge of the pond, the branches lopped and removed, and the remaining large section of trunk (around 4 tons) dragged out and placed by the side of the pond.

We hope that the Lion's Mane will continue to appear as the tree slowly rots down to form once again the floor of the Common. FoNC are very grateful to Sir Edward Dashwood, David Hunt of Wessex Woodland and Rod Wilson for their help and for continuing to consult with us regarding tree management on the Common.

> Chris Miller Chairman Friend's of Naphill Common Photogaphs courtesy Peter Davis & Chris Miller





### Music on the Crick Friday 8 June





## Fete on the Crick Saturday 9 June

Classics on the Crick Sunday 10 June







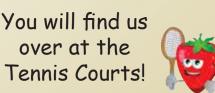


Delicious....

### STRAWBERRIES & CREAM at Naphill Fete

and enjoy some fun with the

### BALL MACHINE GAME





This year we will be using the cloakroom in the village hall for delivery drops and storage, so please bring your donations to Naphill village hall. It is often open for village activities and bookings and we will be there regularly from Tuesday 8th MAY to Friday 8th JUNE, to accept and sort your books ahead of the Fete on the 9th. If it is closed please drop them into Bon Ami between 10-4 on weekdays or 10-3 on a Saturday between those dates.

#### Please come along to the stall on Fete Day to browse and buy!

Thank you, Sheila Draper Naphill Neighbours Cake Stall Our slightly older residents need your help! **WANTED** Homemade Cakes & Bakes for FETE Day! Please deliver prior to fete day to:



HAZEL Irving Cottage 89 Main Road Tel: 563977



NAPFEST FETE DAY - WANTED -

Suitable prizes for the tombola, to be delivered please to Andy & Judy Pope, Greenways, Chapel Lane, Naphill (as early as possible). Thank you very much for anything you can give – toiletries, booze and chocolate are the most popular items.

Please visit our TOMBOLA stall on Fete Day!



### Welcome to NAPFEST 2018 Friday 8 June – Sunday 10 June 2018 Theme '1928' – Celebrating 90 years of the Village Hall

Wow, another year has passed and here we are at NAPFEST 2018. This year you will see that NAPFEST is much bigger than last year and this is because the Royal Air Force are celebrating their 100 year anniversary and have sponsored the Friday Night Activities. I would like to say a massive thanks to all our amazing volunteers who give up their valuable time every year to ensure that this brilliant weekend happens. I would also like to thank our sponsors and the organisations that have donated prizes and so much more.

The Committee and I cannot wait to see everyone over this amazing weekend, and we are certain that during the threeday event there will be something for everyone. The Theme '1928' was chosen to celebrate the 90 year anniversary of the village hall, so we really hope to see everyone in fancy dress.

We hope you all have an amazing time and enjoy it to the full. Special thanks to my team, they have been fabulous.

> Linda Chairman of the NAPFEST Committee



# Music on the Crick 2018

'Music on the Crick' (Sponsored by RAF100) will be another night to remember as we watch you all dance the night away. Come and enjoy this brilliant family evening listening to some fabulous music. Just to remind you all the ticket prices will increase on the night so make sure you get your tickets early from either The Wheel, The Black Lion or www.napfest.eventbrite.co.uk.

Gates open from 5.30pm

#### Get your tickets NOW! www.napfest.eventbrite.co.uk The Wheel and The Black Lion (Cash Only)

#### **Ticket prices:**

£25 for a family ticket (2 adults, 2 Children) - £30 on the gate. £10 per adult - £13 on the gate. £5 per child (5-12yrs) £7 on the gate. Under 5's are free.

#### Music Includes:

Disco by our local DJ Sean Salter.

RAF Cover Band.

California Dreaming - covering music from the golden era of the 1960s/70s/80s.

LFX—LFX - covering the biggest club anthems, from 90s dance to current chart.

There will be a Licensed Bar, Hog Roast, Pizza, Ice Cream, Popcorn, Candy Floss, Large Fairground rides, including Dodgems.

#### Fireworks at 11pm (ending the evening)

# NAPFEST ROYALTY

We are so excited this year to present to you the Naphill Fete Princes and Princesses.



Ladies first, so let me introduce, Jamie Marley. Jamie is over the moon to have been chosen because she just can't wait to put on a pretty frock and parade around the field. "It will be such fun," Jamie told me. Jamie's favourite colour is turquoise, her favourite animal is a dog and she will be flick flacking her way through the future as a gymnast wearing a gold medal.



Keeping Jamie company on the day, and looking equally princess like, is Lucy Dixon. "I am just so thrilled to be a princess for the day as it will give me the chance to wear mascara without getting in trouble! I just love wearing makeup." Lucy's favourite sport is netball and she's enjoyed playing for the school team this year. In the future, Lucy hopes to continue her art by winging her way around the world as a famous photographer.



And now to the Princes. William is delighted to have been chosen to play the role of a Prince for the fete as he has always wanted to be treated like royalty. A regular visitor to the Naphill Fete, William will enjoy being the centre of attention, "I love cars but the whole experience will be great fun." In the future, William hopes to be a number one tennis player. His favourite food is cheese and his favourite tennis player is Andy Murray – watch out Murray!



Last, but by no means least, is Dan Kelly. "Having seen my sister swan about as a princess three years ago, I've always fancied a go myself." Dan is looking forward to being suitably glammed up for the occasion and enjoying himself at the fete afterwards. He longs to be a footballer in the future and loves kicking a ball about at lunchtimes. His favourite team is Manchester United and his favourite animal is a cheetah.

#### Have a great day, NAPFEST royalty!

# NAPFEST FETE DAY

Fete on the Crick is our traditional English Fete which is such a great family fun day with stalls and rides to entertain all ages. The Grand Draw Raffle could win you £200 so make sure you get your raffle tickets. This brilliant day is run by very many volunteers from Naphill and Walters Ash and this brilliant day would not happen without them. So as always I thank them very much.

#### Stalls and Events - Subject to change

Cake Stall - Naphill Neighbours (marquee) St Michael's Church - Children's Activities (marquee) Bar - Men's Club (supplied by "The Wheel") Silent Auction - Friends of Naphill Common Strawberries and Cream - Tennis Club Teas and Coffee - WI (Village Hall) Tombola - (marquee) Dog Show - Sponsored by Jollyes BBQ – the Dads of Naphill and Walters Ash Bookstall – Sheila Coconut Shy - Naphill Scouts Tiger Bouncy Castle Gladiator Duel Soft Play Activity Centre Ice Cream Van Cocktails Candy Floss and Popcorn Sumo Suits Dodgems First Aid National Trust *And much much more.....* 

#### Arena Display and Schedule

- 11:30hrs Procession of Participants to arrive in Village Hall car park and be alphabetically ordered.
- 11:45hrs Judging of Procession Costumes
- 12:00hrs Procession starts led by Princes and Princesses
- 12:00hrs RAF Fly-past (to be confirmed)
- 12:10hrs Fete opened by Princes and Princesses
- 12:15hrs Procession Prize Presentation by RAF High Wycombe Stn Cdr Gp Capt Rob Woods
- 12:20hrs RAF 332 Sqn Air Cadets Marching Band (TBC)
- 12:30hrs Children's Sack Race
- 13:00hrs Adult Sack Race
- 13:15hrs Iron Man Timed Obstacle Course Continuous throughout the Day
- 13:15hrs HUW Drums
- 13:30hrs RAF Halton playing in Marquee for an hour
- 13:40hrs Zumba/Fitness with Sal Higgins
- 14:00hrs RAF Fly-past (to be confirmed)
- 14:05hrs Children's Egg & Spoon Races
- 14:30hrs Tiger Martial Arts Performance
- 15:30hrs Iron Man Prize Presentation

Judges for all Fete events: RAF High Wycombe Stn Cdr Gp Capt Rob Woods and Clive Lawrence, Chairman of the Village Hall Council

#### Dog Show Timings (Timings amended from those previously published) Entries taken from 12:15hrs

13:00hrs - Prettiest Bitch	14:00hrs - Best Rescue Dog
13:20hrs - Most Handsome Male	14:20hrs - Waggiest Tail
13:40hrs - Veteran	14:00hrs - Dog the Judge would most like to take home

# **Classics on the Crick**

Raising Funds for Thames Valley Air Ambulance



Classic Car entry 10 am -12.00 midday Show open to the public from 12 noon to 4 pm Public Entrance Prices Adults £5.00, Children £2.50

Once again we promise a fantastic display of Classic cars and bikes on the Crick.

Entries are coming in from across the South East as the reputation of the show continues to grow. However, we are keen not to rest on our laurels and we have added several other attractions to this year's event. The Wycombe Remote Control Racing Club will be setting up their mobile racing track and inviting all visitors to try their hand at this exciting sport. For slot car racing enthusiasts, we shall also have a 6 car scalextric track with an exciting prize for the best time of the day.

2018 sees the return of the very popular tribute Artist, G Elvis who will sing the King's greatest hits. Also taking the stage will be Kirsty Fuller, who will sing a lazy afternoon set of familiar acoustic covers.

Finally, as the show grows, we need more help to make the show run successfully. If you can spare a few hours to help out with various tasks, please click the volunteering link on our website, www. classicsonthecrick.co.uk.

We look forward to seeing you all on the 10 June,

The Classics on the Crick Team.

APJ553H

#### **Naphill Brownies**

Naphill Brownies are doing their 'Out and About badge' this term. So far the weather has been kind to us and we have managed to get out and about every week

We have navigated our way around Naphill following written directions. We practised our compass skills with a game out on the Crick. These new skills were put to the test when seven of our girls took on the County Competition Hike. This is the first time Naphill brownies have taken on this challenge and I am delighted to say that the girls worked together to navigate the whole of 5km route without getting lost and without needing any help.As well as navigation games, we have been out on the Crick playing all sorts of other games – Capture the flag, Parachute, etc. – I expect many of you have seen us out there.



May would not have been complete without a bit of May Day 'knotting' – brownie style.



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

See Our Naphill Brownies in the NAPFEST Parade



#### **Naphill Scouts**

Thirteen intrepid Space Cadets were up bright and early to catch the coach to Leicester for our visit to the National Space Centre.



Fortunately none were blasted into space and all made it back to base in one piece.

We invested one scout underneath a Soyuz space capsule. Not sure how often that happens.



Back on earth we have been practicing our fire lighting skills over the past few weeks, and I can report that it is now possible for the scouts to light a fire with two sticks. (As long as one of them is a match!)

Adrian Curtis naphillscouts@aol.com

#### The Wheel

What can I say...The first two weeks of May have been mayhem (excuse the pun)!

The Bank Holiday weekend was amazing due to the fabulous weather and instead of relaxing on a beach or getting caught up in loads of traffic, you all enjoyed a full weekend of sun in our beer garden. The VIP area was well used again, and it was great to see everyone smiling, it's amazing to see what a bit of sun can do for us. I am really proud of Maxii who seems to be getting the rule of not leaving the garden although I think that may have more to do with the food being eaten (fingers crossed she's learning).



So on to Marks 50th Drinky Poo Party...What а night!!! Firstly, Mark and I would thank like to evervone who came and also for all the cards and gifts (he's liked more than he thinks)!! We had loads of friends

who came from all over and it was especially great to see Mark Chambers and Bristol. The night was cracking and definitely jumping. Shaun Salter put on an amazing disco to which everyone danced, some more than others (you know who you are). The drinking was plentiful by everyone and as you can expect Mark was a little wobbly although he says the doors and walls were moving on their own. Lastly thanks to all the staff for their hard work during the evening.



NAPFEST is this month and we cannot wait to get involved and be here to support the whole weekend. The Wheel staff will be manning the bar again on Friday night, so if you run out on the night there will be plenty of choice. As always the staff are busy putting costumes together for the parade on Fete day and are going with the theme of 'Peaky Blinders'. Our flag bearer this year will be Adam Creech who gets this great honour after winning the team bowling, back in Feb at our Christmas party. For Classics on the Crick we are open as usual, and this can be a very busy lunch so it's always worth booking tables especially if the weather isn't great.

The main event coming up for us now is the Dog Photography Day on the 21st July. This is a great opportunity to get a professional photo of your dog by Nick Ridley. If you want to take part you need to book your dog in with me at the pub, to get your slot. If you don't have a dog it is a very entertaining day in the garden anyway!!

Mark would like to thank everyone again for his Birthday, and we would both like to thank all the staff and customers for the last month.

Cheers and here's to the summer months.

Claire and Mark

#### Children take part in Peppa Pig Muddy Puddle Walk for Save the Children

"If you want to jump in muddy puddles, you must wear your wellies"! This is Peppa Pig's favourite catchphrase and what child doesn't like wearing their wellies and jumping in muddy puddles?! Add the opportunity to raise money for a worthwhile charity and we are on board of course! Save the Children hold an annual sponsored walk raising ever needed funds where the youngest are encouraged to take part. Nurseries, toddler groups and childminders can all register and on a chosen day between 23-29 April were able to take part in an indoor or outdoor walk.

Myself and another childminder from the village, Sarah Matthews, thought it was a good idea to bring the village community together and do our walks through the week at the various groups we help to run with the little ones at the RAF Oakeshott centre. Luckily for us everyone who attended were enthusiastic and loved the idea, so we started with the baby group on Monday where we had an indoor little circuit walk/crawl for the babies ending in their own "puddle" for a splash! Babies and water was a definite win and we were off to a great start raising just over £15.



On Wednesday's Stay and Play session we organised a scavenger hunt where the children had to walk all around the Oakeshott Centre, including the café, where they made many customers smile as they looked for their favourite Peppa Pig characters. It was a long walk for little legs and hard finding all of Peppa's friends but they did it and were rewarded with a certificate while the mummies and daddies generously sponsored their efforts, bringing our proceeds up to £35.



Thursday's Toddlers session was our last opportunity to reach our aim of £55 and this time we went for a walk outside in the playground by following and counting George Pig's dinosaur's footprints and finishing with a splash in a muddy puddle! The children also painted their own puddles and this time to reward them there was a "Muddy Puddle" chocolate cake waiting at the end which was shared with the parents.



Our biggest surprise was when we counted all the money and realised that we had surpassed our original aim and the total raised was £85, which with gift aid is over £100!

From children for children, isn't that a lovely thought. Little feet walking, splashing, having fun and from their efforts if we raised £55 we would have supplied a food basket for family caught in a disaster feeding them for a month and the £100 they actually raised would provide a family in Iraq with clean water for a month. Every child should get the chance to learn, play and grow up healthy and happy no matter where they are born. We are proud to have helped change lives and hopefully while doing so we are teaching our little ones to be kind, considerate, thoughtful and caring for the world around them.

The Oakeshott Centre on the RAF base have 3 different playgroups where civilians are welcome. Please come and join us with your little ones. It is a great community welcoming new friends. For more info on how to join in please feel free to message Gordana's Childminding on Facebook or send me a message 07531273942. The groups run on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Gordana Tranceva Cobley

### You Don't Have to be an "Oldie" to Join - Everybody is Welcome!

A little bit of history! Naphill Neighbours started life in 1963 as a group of Young Neighbours who used to meet in a house on the common. Over time they out grew the space and the club moved to the Village Hall, eventually meeting in the evening as their members' families and commitments grew.

The club still meets regularly and they always have interesting speakers, events and outings! We are about to lose the last church in Naphill let's not lose our Naphill Neighbours Club too!

New members will be so very welcome. The annual subscription will be £15 and the club will meet in the Village Hall on the second Monday of the month at 1.30pm for two hours with a speaker, a cup of tea and a sociable get together. During the year various outings are organised.

If you are interested, please get in touch with Hazel 563977.

Hughenden & Prestwood Patients' Group Talk on Pain Management by Dr Krishna Bakhshi Consultant Anaesthetist & Pain Specialist 26 June at 8pm doors open 7.30pm Prestwood Village Hall Admission FREE - Refreshments Provided

#### Hughenden Parish Council

#### Factoid #21

- A Parish Councillor must be at least one of the following:
- A UK or Commonwealth citizen
- Citizen of the Republic of Ireland
- Citizen of another member state of the European Union
- and qualifies for election, by being at least one of the following
- they are an elector of the parish
- during the whole of the last 12 months they have occupied, either as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish.
- their principal or only place of work is in the parish
- they live within 3 miles of the parish boundary

Sadly, we had to say our farewell to Cllr Martin Burch who has worked tirelessly these past 18 months representing our local community, helping deliver services to meet local needs, and improving quality of life. During that time, Martin has made a valuable contribution to the Parish. As well as participating in a number of our working groups, such as Playgrounds, Road Safety and Communications he was heavily involved in drafting a number of the Council's essential policies. Being a Parish Councillor is almost always squeezed into any number of other responsibilities in life. It has been a pleasure working alongside him.

One of the areas in which Martin had been engrossed was our playgrounds. Cllr Williams is now part of the Working Group focussed on redeveloping the Templewood play area as well as partnering with Naphill Village Hall (and 3 other Village Halls in the Parish) to maintain theirs. A small team of residents have volunteered their time to help with the design and costings for Templewood for which we are very grateful given the task facing us. If you too would like to help out then please do get in contact.

We held the Council's Annual Public Meeting this year at Naphill & Walter's Ash School. The Chairman gave an update on the past 12 months and an overview on the next. The biggest challenge facing us is what will happen with the other elements of Local Government that serve us all, as they attempt to modernise. Attendees also got an update on the state of the Parish Finances which are generally healthy, with funds in place to help realise both short and long term plans. There was a useful presentation on Permitted Development given by Mr Charles Power of Wycombe District Council's Planning Department. We were also delighted to welcome a number of representatives from local organisations and groups who have received grants from the Parish Council. Each of them gave a short presentation on what they do and what they plan to do with the money they receive from us.

It's Napfest time again. This is a fantastic opportunity to come out and show your support for where you live,

have a good time, meet up with friends and neighbours, as well as raise funds for one of our vital and thriving community assets - the Village Hall and playing fields. See you on the Crick!

Your dwindling Parish Councillors,

Chris Waterton & Peter Williams. email nawa@hughendenpc.org.uk website www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk

#### **HPC Diary Dates**

**Tuesday 12 June** - Full Council meeting 8pm-10pm, Great Kingshill Parish Office

**Thursday 21 June** - Planning Committee meeting 8pm-10pm, Great Kingshill Parish Office

Wednesday 27 June - Finance & Policy Committee meeting 8pm-10pm, Great Kingshill Parish Office

#### Letter from Sir David Lidington MP

The Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty probably has more people living on its doorstep than any other protected landscape in Europe. It's official guardian is the Chilterns Conservation Board.

The Chilterns AONB straddles Oxfordshire, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire as well as Bucks, and covers many different local authorities. The Conservation Board's Chief Officer, Sue Holden, explained to me that she and her colleagues are trying to think about the future of the Chilterns as a whole. With population growth and new housing in London and all the Chiltern counties, it'll be more important than ever to look after the "green lung" provided by the AONB.

That means ensuring that people can have access for recreation (few new homes these days have large gardens) while at the same time giving proper priority to conservation and the need for tranquillity.

I was pleased to see that the CCB has developed good ideas like Chilterns vineyard and brewery trails. I've suggested adding a political trail in too! There's Disraeli's house at Hughenden, his father's home in Bradenham, and connections with Hampden, Wilkes and Burke, not to mention Chequers. Perhaps even Clement Attlee's and Harold Wilson's retirement homes in Prestwood and Missenden respectively might be added to the tour. (One of my favourite Attlee stories is of when, by then in the Lords, he excused himself early from a Lord Mayor's banquet- white tie, medals, Garter and all- to catch the last Green Line bus back to Prestwood)!

The National Trust is of course one of the most important guardians of our countryside and I welcomed

the chance to visit Hughenden Manor to discuss their latest plans for our area. While I did know that Naphill and Bradenham Commons are hidden gems of the Chilterns, I hadn't realised quite how much land around the Hughenden Valley was owned by the Trust or affected by covenants.

The NT told me that they were trying to think holistically about the land for which they have the responsibility of stewardship. They are working out a long term strategy that strikes the right balance between different interests: access, biodiversity, sustainable and profitable farming.

They are also planning a new exhibition to highlight Hughenden's wartime role and the secret work done at the Manor to analyse aerial photographs of occupied Europe. It should be well worth a visit.

David Lidington

#### **Points of Interest**

The Council for the Protection of Rural England or CPRE as it more usually known, was founded nearly a century ago to protect the Green Belt from ribbon development. Never has an organisation been more needed than in today's environment where there are more pressures on our countryside than ever before. Ribbon development was rife in the 1920's as can be seen locally along Risborough Road out of West Wycombe known locally as "Pictonville", named after the builder. There are many other examples throughout the country. The Green Belt Act was created to introduce Local Planning powers to thwart this type of development and CPRE was instrumental in ensuring local plans were adhered to by local authorities and developers. The name of CPRE has been changed in recent years to become the Campaign to Protect Rural England. The organisation is funded entirely by membership subscriptions and voluntary donations and bequests and its small staff fights well above its weight in lobbying parliament and its members. It is a well-respected organisation, as it is not against required housing need but it argues that buildings must not destroy the countryside by inappropriate over development. I thought it pertinent to make this the subject of my notes this month as we are facing local pressures in Clappins Lane and land at Air Command. Readers who would like more information should visit the Buckinghamshire Branch website on www.cprebucks.org.uk .

The decision on the future of local government in Buckinghamshire was expected last Easter but is now further delayed by the recent change in the Secretary of State who will make the decision. In the meantime, councils are awaiting their fate and decisions regarding the next District Council Election due in May 2019 are in abeyance as the new Unitary would be expected to start in 2020. Parish Councils remain unchanged although I expect them to have increased powers and responsibilities after the re-organisation of Districts and the County.

#### **Growing Your Own**

June is the month when we are finally free of the fear of frosts. We can now sow anything we like in our gardens or on our allotments without the worry of losing the lot. Successional sowings throughout the warmer months are a good idea, for example radishes, dwarf French beans and spinach, so that the crops are young and fresh when picked. The brassicas should all be planted out into their final positions by mid-June so that they can grow on slowly and be really big at the onset of winter. Towards the end of June one can sow Florence fennel, a great favourite but difficult to grow since it can bolt if the weather is hot and dry – but they taste so good, either raw or cooked. On the allotment in early June I plant out my outdoor tomatoes (variety "Outdoor Girl"), peppers, aubergines, pumpkins, marrows, courges of various kinds, vegetable spaghetti and courgettes. As for crops in June, one can continue to take asparagus until the end of the month, the first strawberries should be available - and rhubarb in profusion.

Can plants move? Well, they have not got little legs but they can certainly pivot daily about their roots. A good demonstration is to sow some cucumber seeds in 3 inch pots on the windowsill. As soon as they are up they consist of a very thin white stem and two leaves which unfurl and turn towards the light during the day. At night they turn the opposite way to point at the electric light. Then, next morning, as soon as the curtains are opened they turn back to point at the daylight. All the time they are very mobile, desperate for the light which will turn their two initial leaves green as they seek sunlight for their chlorophyll, taking the Sun's energy, turning it into more fibres from carbon dioxide in the air and water and nutrients in the compost. Another example of plants being able to move are climbing French beans and runner beans, also planted out in early June. They climb up the canes, winding round in a clockwise direction (viewed from above) as they chase the sun as it moves daily from north-east through south to northwest. And there is the example of sunflowers moving their massive heads as they chase the sun during the day. Yes, many plants chase the sun to maximise their daily dose of energy from the light. The plants' leaves take in carbon dioxide from the air and give off oxygen (almost all the oxygen we breathe comes from plant leaves).

Good gardening!

Mike Mason

#### **Allotment Vacancies**

There are none on the Walter's Ash allotments at Clappins Lane but the following plots are available on the Naphill allotments at Louches Lane: 2, 3B, 7, 11B, 12B, 13B, 15B and 16B. Please have a look and phone the parish clerk on 01494 715296 if you would like one.

Richard Pushman

#### **Bon Ami Gazette**

The sun is here and we are loving it at Bon Ami. Iced coffee, cold drinks and ice creams are proving as popular as our clotted cream teas. It is always lovely to have a full terrace of customers of all ages.

We are getting ready for Napfest. Although we are not able to open on Fete day we are preparing for the busiest day of the year; "Classics on the Crick". This is our local classic car and motorcycle show organised to raise much needed funds for the Air Ambulance charity. We will be open all day on the Sunday providing hot and cold drinks, bacon baps, sandwiches, cakes and pastries. We look forward to seeing our regular customers and many more!

Our book club is going really well. At our last meeting, everyone expressed their individual views on the book that we had read. They were varied! Our next book is "If nobody speaks of remarkable things" by Jon McGregor. We will meet on Thursday 14th June at Bon Ami at 7pm. Everyone is welcome, however, please do call in and let us know so that we can have sufficient refreshments ready for a small charge.

As always, we look forward to welcoming you to Bon Ami anytime, whenever you are free.

Ruth & Amanda

### Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

**Planning:** The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 16th April and 10th May 2018 were discussed, and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

18/06037/FUL 58 Main Road Naphill, HP14 4QB Householder application for part single storey part two storey extension partly over existing ground floor extension including change of flat roof to pitched roof, insertion of Sun Tube to main roof and insertion of two windows to first floor south east elevation. Received 19.04.18. Target Date for Determination: 14.06.2018. 18/05714/FUL: 314 Main Road Walters Ash. HP14 4TH HA for construction of front porch and erection of 1.8m high fence to side boundary Received 16.04.18 Target Determination: 11.06.2018.18/05903/FUL Oak Cottage Christopher Close Naphill, HP14 4SF HA for erection of single storey side/rear extension with raising of roof & insertion of a dormer window & new window to gable & velux window to front, a dormer window to each side & two dormer windows to rear, all in connection with loft conversion. Received 17.04.18 Target Determination: 12.06.2018. 18/05954/FUL. 60 Main Road Naphill.HP14 4QB. HA for construction of single storey rear extension and associated external alterations. Received 12.04.18. Target Determination: 07.06.2018. 18/05961/FUL Chiltern Cottage 101 Main Road Naphill. HP14 4SA HA for construction of first floor side extension Received 12.04.18 Target Determination: 07.06.2018.

Decisions Permitted: 18/05515/FUL.1 Cherrycroft Drive Naphill. 18/05412/FUL 245A Main Road Walters Ash. Change of use from A1 (Retail) to A3 (Cafe) (Retrospective).

**Deciions Refused by Natural England and WDC** 17/05586/FUL .Heatherlands, Naphill Common. "Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 3 x 4 bed detached dwellings with double detached garages and creation of new access." WDC found no problem with the proposed dwellings. WDC Reason for refusal. "The proposed development would involve the creation of a new access across a currently undeveloped portion of the Naphill Common Site of Special Scientific Interest and the Chiltern Beechwoods Special Area of Conservation.....and also have a detrimental impact upon... local ecology and wildlife, as well as the Green Infrastructure Area." This decision by WDC followed an ecological survey by Natural England and a determined effort by many local residents over 14 months to safeguard Naphill Common with some 100 written representations following the application(s).

#### Naphill Has Entered The Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition

#### Naphill Was Highly Commended Last Time. Let's Go For A Win In 2018!

The Judges will inspect Naphill any day between 1st June and 7th July. I've requested they avoid the Napfest weekend.

The whole village will be judged but the Judges will look critically at the Village Hall; the Crick (playing field); the VH children's playground; Naphill Common; Vincents Meadow and Pickups Pond; the areas round The Wheel and Black Lion pubs as well as the shops; the bus shelter; notice boards; the War Memorial and small garden around it; the green area on the corner of Chapel Lane/ Main Road and the area surrounding the Methodist Chapel. I am sending the groups responsible for those parts of Naphill the comments by the Judges of the 2016 BKVC so any problems they found can be sorted out before judgement day.

The Parish Council is going to make sure the road signs, dog bins and notice boards are cleaned. As it is the nesting season HPC can't do any hedge trimming just now and their contractors are due to do only one more verge trim before July. However, if each of us can keep our front gardens looking neat, the verges in front of our houses trimmed, the pavement and roadway adjacent to our properties clean and free of rubbish, we could get an even higher mark than we did in 2016 for "Overall effort, lack of litter and evidence of community effort."

With luck, we could even find ourselves at the BKVC Winners ceremony at the Village Hall in August!!

Gloria Leflaive - 563634



#### Message from Hughenden Vicarage

On Sunday 22 April, our annual meetings took place at St Michael & All Angels Church. We welcomed Nick Devlin as a new churchwarden, and Julia Grant was reappointed as a churchwarden, during our annual vestry meeting. Our annual parochial meeting included the appointment of sidesmen, PCC members, a financial report by our PCC Treasurer Ian Faulkner, and an annual report by the Vicar.

This was an ideal opportunity for us to look back over 2017 as a church, to reflect upon all the good things that God is doing in and through our church and its members, to consider those significant moments which help to define us, and to consider what our challenges are likely to be during 2018 and beyond.

Please do request a copy of our annual report if you are interested in reading more about the life and worship of our church but haven't done so yet.

I sought to evaluate the health and wellbeing of our church family through the lenses of two documents – a passage of scripture from the book of Acts, as well as our Mission Action Plan.

Acts 2:42-47 recounts a remarkable and unique time in the life of the early Christian church, after the Day of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church, when Christian believers met together daily, were united, committed, shared sacrificially with one another, without restraint, enjoyed the favour of all the people, thanks to God, and so the Church grew anew daily, as new members were drawn to the attractiveness of the Christian faith, and the remarkable lifestyle adopted by those early believers.

In May 2016, the PCC approved the following three key mission priorities for the following 3-5 years:

- · Catering for and finding roles for our teenagers;
- Finding new leaders and new ideas for evangelism and growth;
- Developing pastoral support for important life events such as baptisms, wedding and funerals.

A family service planning group, chaired by my colleague Rev Helen Peters meets regularly to plan our all-age services, and one of the primary aims of the group is to facilitate and encourage more active involvement from young people. This has begun happening more so in recent months, and we intend to continue developing this crucial goal. I have often stated that our young people are not just the church of tomorrow, they are the church of today and tomorrow.

Early in 2017, I set up a new Discipleship strategy group, whose primary remit is to seek to consider our overall strategy for community engagement, mission and discipleship within our church. This includes facilitating social events to which we can invite guests, providing a warm welcome to all those who attend a service at our church, Alpha and other courses to introduce people to the Christian faith, housegroups which meet regularly in members' homes in the area, with the hope that individuals might then become active members of the body of Christ.

I encourage you to attend one of the wide variety of events on our social calendar this year and get to know other members of our church family.

Our next Alpha course will be running from September 2018 – more details to follow in due course.

With regard to pastoral support, Helen and I have expanded the Marriage preparation to two Saturday mornings, with the extra morning set aside so that couples can be given the space to think about their relationship, using some excellent material from the Marriage Preparation Course by HTB. Ben & Jo Sharp are now running the Marriage Course for the second year running, and Baptism Preparation now takes place on a Saturday in Church House and has been well received by those who have attended.

I consider it a huge privilege to be the leader of our wonderful Church in Hughenden, as well as part of our local community. If you have suggestions about other ways in which the Church can do community and mission engagement in our parish, then I would be pleased to hear from you.

Rev. Keith Johnson

#### SERVICES AT ST. BOTOLPH'S

June 3rd	11am	Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis
June 10th	11am	Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis
June 17th	11am	Eucharist Rev. Allan Barton Patronal Festival
June 24th	11am	Matins Rev. Allan Barton

#### Naphill & Walter's Ash School

Welcome to summer! The sun is burning our eyes out and the smell of sun cream is wafting through the air. The school will be going through the busiest time of the academic year.

May 22nd will have been a fundraiser for UNICEF (an international children's charity) and it will have been Star Wars themed following our visit from Jez Alinson (a marathon running StormTrooper) who received a Guinness World Record in 2016 and kept it in 2017. UNICEF is a charity that vaccinates, educates and protects less fortunate children in need of help; it currently works in 190 different counties. There will be a treasure hunt organized by the JLT that was voted for by the school and we are hoping to raise around £400 in total.

The YRs are also doing their first assembly on the 23rd May themed on princesses and pirates; they have been looking at Cinderella and the jobs she had to do as well as the jobs pirates had to do. They have prepared a lot of songs to show their parents.

Having studied The Greeks for a term, Y5 will be doing an assembly on them. Y6, who have done their SATS, have a busy half term ahead of them and the production name has been announced: Shakespeare Rocks! The lead roles have been assigned and we will be working very hard to perfect it.

On May 9th, for two nights, Year 4 went to Woodrow High House. For some it was the first time they'd been away from their parents, and they thoroughly enjoyed the challenge.

#### **Black Lion**

I am writing this in the sunshine in the garden, long may the summer weather continue!

Our new Spring Menu has been very popular including vegan dishes such as leek and cheddar sausages and butternut squash, avocado and beetroot salad. Come in and try some of our new dishes as well as traditional favourites of steak and rebellion ale pie, Goan prawn curry or beef burger with all the trimmings. From 1st June food is served until 6pm on Sundays. Food is served Tuesdays to Saturdays 12-3pm and 6-9pm (5-9pm on Fridays) and Sundays 12-6pm.

We are all looking forward to another fantastic Napfest weekend 8-10th June. For more information on what is going on and to book tickets visit www.napfest.co.uk.

On Saturday 9th June come and join us for a Family Pig Roast Day. We are pleased to welcome Leni Buckle to the Black Lion who will be cooking us a pig roast on the day as part of her new company. It is free entry with a Hog Roast and pick & mix sweet trolley available so please come along 1-4pm.

We are recruiting for bar staff – if you are over 18 then please email a copy of your CV to info@blacklionnaphill. com or bring a copy into the pub. Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who made the Beer & Gin Festival the best one yet! Thanks to the amazing weather the pub was packed both days with people enjoying the beer, gin and of course the great music. We are already planning the next one!

Thanks again for all your support.

Jack, Sian and the team.

#### Wycombe Camera Society

Our Annual Exhibition held in the Eden Centre is over for another year with Cups and Trophies won by members for the many different classes.

The Naphill Horticultural Society donated two cups to the Annual Exhibition this year - the best Digital Image of a Cultivated Plant and the best Print of a Cultivated Plant.

The two cups will ensure that Naphill Horticultural Society will always have a place at the Annual Exhibition.

Over 100 prints were on display, as well as over 100 projected digital images. Look at our website to see the stunning winning images.

We are now entering our "quiet season" with the finals for the best prints of the year as well as the best digital projected images all happening before the end of June.

This means that July and August are busy times for our members out taking those great photos ready for the start of our new year at the beginning of September.

June is the month when all gardens of Naphill are in full bloom so out with your cameras and take that photo of the colours of Naphill... then send it to Sonia for inclusion in a future edition of The Gazette.

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

#### David Greenwood

Membership Secretary - Wycombe Photographic Society

#### What Will You Celebrate Today?

As Multi-faith co-ordinating chaplain at Bucks New University, I publish a weekly news sheet. This contains details of how to contact the chaplaincy team, where we will be serving hospitality during the week, a relevant 'thought for the week' (accompanied by suitable picture) and a list of the religious observances during that week. Some weeks are very 'lean' on the religious observances, so I have taken to adding UN days. Some weeks are 'lean' on UN days too. Browsing the net for something else suitable, I found a veritable goldmine – www.daysoftheyear.com. It appears there is a day of the year dedicated to almost anything you can imagine!

June's list includes the whacky 'Thank God It's Monday' (1st Monday in June), Hug Your Cat Day (4th) and Fairy Day (24th of course – Midsummer's day). More seriously there is also World Environment Day (5th), Magna Carta Day (15th) and World Refugee Day (20th). There are foodie days – Rocky Road (2nd), Sausage Roll (5th) and Falafel (12th). There are boozy days – Moonshine Day (5th), World Gin Day (9th) and Beer in Britain Day (15th). There are days encouraging us to embrace positive life habits, to be aware of our work environment, to champion the underdog and so forth. You get the idea. A personal favourite is 'Numbat Day' which is not in June at all, but 3rd November. The numbat is a critically endangered, squirrel-like marsupial that on a cuteness scale of 1-10 rates about 72! Look up numbat on Google images and see if I am not right!

These 'days' serve to promote ideals, encourage awareness and provide inspiration. Hands up who is thinking 'I like falafels – what a good idea to have them for dinner on 12th June'...or 'I'll bake some rocky roads and take them to work on June 2nd' ...or 'I like gin...'

Fun or mindful as these observances are (the whole of the month of June is given over to awareness of PTSD), the calendar contains no religious feast days. Perhaps the compilers feel that listing ALL the saints and every feast day, alongside fasting/feasting/pilgrimage observances of other faiths would be overwhelming. Perhaps they feel that religions have their own, well defined, accessible calendars and this one would be superfluous. Or perhaps they think that faith is irrelevant to the modern world. The problem with the latter view is that if you remove faith from the life of the world, you remove much of the motivation for the acts of kindness, generosity, altruism and sacrifice that make this world a much better place.

At its core, the Christian faith can be summed up in what is known as the 'Great Commandment' - Jesus calls us to love God and love our neighbour. This boils down to a life centred in prayer, study and action. St Paul tells us that faith without works is useless, but that good works alone are not enough. We need the balance of a relationship with God to temper our relationship with the world he gave us. How that works out will be different for each of us, but difference is essential to making the world the glorious kaleidoscope that God intended it to be every day of the year.

May you know God's blessing in your life and see it in the lives of others.

*Rev. Jenny Ellis* Associate Priest, West Wycombe Team

#### Chiltern Hills Arboriculture – Tree Maintenance During Summer

Many gardeners assume that pruning has to be done in the dormant season, and certainly if you want to create vigorous bursts of new, rejuvenated growth, then winter pruning is probably the answer.

Usually winter pruning is done when the coldest part of the year has passed and particularly on mature trees when there are no leaves, because removing huge limbs then is lighter, easier work.

People worry about the risk of "bleeding" if they leave winter pruning too late: trees start to bleed if pruned when the sap is starting to rise in February and March and you can see unsightly amounts of liquid leaking from the cuts. But it is extremely rare that this will weaken older trees. The general consensus is that the sap removes harmful fungal spores and bacteria from the wound site, so bleeding can actually be beneficial.

The worst bleeders are Carpinus, walnuts and vines: these are best pruned in late summer or winter, avoiding the rush of sap in spring.

At Kew they do a great deal of summer pruning of trees, partly to avoid spread of disease (disease-spreading spores are most active from September to early spring). However, summer pruning is most often done to slow growth, and is best carried out when the early summer's growth is complete. This reduces the amount of leaf growth, which reduces the food produced, helpfully slowing the plant down. Prunus trees and members of the Rosaceae family are pruned in July and August to reduce the chance of silver leaf.

At Kew, many other young trees are formatively summer-pruned now, so you can see exactly what you are removing. Long lengths of new growth can be shortened back to reduce the risk of being torn about in autumnal gales. If you are just removing the odd stray shoot or bit of diseased or dead wood you can do it whenever the mood takes you.

Wisteria is a great plant to prune in summer. Train-in your main horizontal and upright shoots where you want them to go, but shorten back all the side shoots to four-to-six leaves from the main framework.

With shrubs, flowering comes into the equation, too. Summer flowering shrubs such as Philadelphus and Weigelas can be cut back, thin-out the shrubs by removing maybe a third of the older stems at ground level after flowering to encourage a fresh flowering growth.

Mike Beckley

#### Last Word

As you will see, NAPFEST has taken centre stage in this edition and will almost certainly do so again in our July publication. This great 3 day event involves a lot of work and they certainly deserve our support! Welcome too to our NAPFST Royalty! Himself very much enjoyed photographing them.

My apologies for the omissions this month! James Foster is well into his 50 miles a day for 50 consecutive days bike riding challenge raising funds in memory of his father for Marie Curie. You can follow his progress at www.sittingonwheels.com and there is still time to sponsor him. There are also a few photos and smaller items missing but if I don't stop "trying to fit things in", the very small fonts will get even smaller and this edition will not be delivered to our printer on time!

My thanks to Peter Davis for another beautiful front cover and for his ongoing work and patience with me on the village website.

#### ENJOY NAPFEST EVERYBODY!

#### **Small Ads**

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail.com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private self-contained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 email stefan@zacharydesign.com

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**LAWN MOWING**. Local, friendly, reliable, regular lawn mowing service. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly to suit your requirements. Established for over 10 years. For a free quote please call Alan on 01494 443362 or email: lawns@alandriver.com

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problemds, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenfalleyfootclinic.com



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

#### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

#### 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

#### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



#### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



### NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

#### **KENT MURRAY**

#### <u>GENERAL BUILDER &</u> <u>HANDYMAN</u>

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



#### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
   Flooring
- FI00fillig
   Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







### Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

### 01494 766155

#### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

#### Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

### Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

#### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

#### Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

#### Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

#### **Based in Upper North Dean**

#### Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

### VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

### SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

### **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance

### Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

City <mark>& P</mark> Guilds

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

#### **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



### Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

# May 2018



blacklionnaphill.com



Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing





#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



#### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

# **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

# BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



## 



## All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





### SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

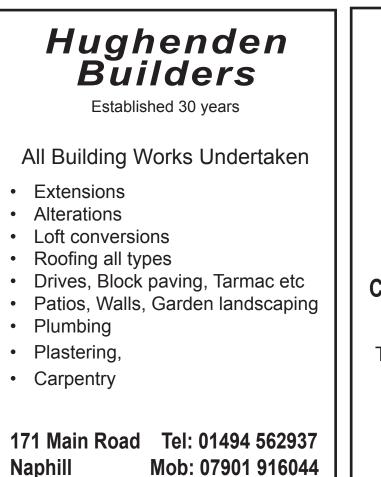
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

#### Sure-Build Built on Quality

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





# Kim Johnson Plumbing



## Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

# Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

### Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



#### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

# 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

#### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



### P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

### **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

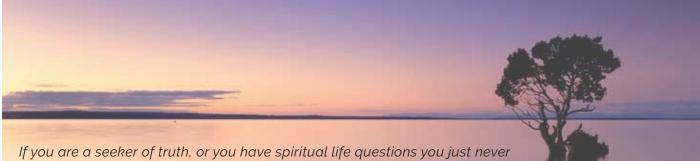
01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

#### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette May 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

#### Copy Deadline for the June 2018 edition is 15 May 2018

Contacts Directory					
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk		
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk		
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Martin Burch	566047	martin.burch@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Naphill & Walter's Ash Preschool	Debbie Conn (Supervisor) Judy Pope (Ad- min)	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk		
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk		
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm		
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com		
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT			
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275		

	and Walter's Ash		Inisations	
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact	
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121	
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933	
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45-7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com	
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com	
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk	
Training Sessions	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332	
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash		
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767	
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332	
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089	
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk	
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green		
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday in the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977	
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469	
Residents Association	Second Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com	
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com	
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282	
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706	
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406	
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 9.30am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.15-7.30pm Saturday 0.045am updar 7a		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com	
Village Hall Council	Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk	
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670			
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018	

#### Editorial

When I send out for the copy for the upcoming edition of this magazine I am in "Gazette mode", my brain is focused, I plan the layout, the articles and photographs flood in and I cannot wait to get started. This month I asked for photographs of favourite local places and comments as to why they are special but I have not received any. Several of the regular article and reports have not come in, so a slow start. Thankfully there are still lots of articles from our contributors to share with you and of course the great NapFest is definitely in top gear "get the show on the road" mode so we have all the latest news from them. Definitely time for me to muster some enthusiasm and start work!

We certainly enjoyed the Easter holiday here! The few sunny days over the past week do bring the hope that Summer really is on the way and the daffodils, planted for us, many years ago, by our very kind next door neighbours, are looking glorious. The two Chihuahua boys love playing hide and seek amongst them with our grandaughter when she comes home from school. In fact they cannot wait for "their girl" to come home and play with "her dogs".

One of the joys of being a retired grandparent is that you have the time to actually enjoy the children without all the need to juggle the other commitments nor do you have sole responsibility for them 24/7. I loved being a Mum but I do remember that there were never enough hours in the day! Now we are very much enjoying having two of the grandchildren living with us, it has certainly changed our lives and the shape of our home though not entirely as we expected.

When the girls came here to live it was all planned out and with a few minor adjustments, it was all going to be so easy. We had enough bedrooms, a few cupboards etc needed to be cleared to make room for their things. The huge dolls house would fit here in the office, bikes in the garden shed and scooter folded under the stairs and an extra car on the drive. I was confident that there would be little or no distruption, our home had never been home beautiful so it would obviously remain much the same.

Just how wrong could I be! Had I actually lost the plot and forgotten what it was like to have a nine year old Naomi in the house plus the existing muddy booted husband and the two spoilt Chihuahuas? Evidently YES! This morning, as I looked around the house, I smiled! Naomi is physically at school but every room, every corner, every surface has "Naomi" in it or on it. Would I have it any other way? Do I yearn to have a tidier, neater home? Definitely not! It is home, there is so much love, so much laughter and so much happiness that I consider myself to be blessed, precious time definitely not to be wasted!

#### Sonia

01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

#### Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields

**Council** - Registered charity number 300309



#### **Chairman's Report**

There was a short meeting of the village hall committee on Monday 26 March. We agreed that the memorial tree would be planted alongside the main road. The seats will have been put on their bases and the Bon Ami roof will have been started by the time you read this. The main topic was that we will need several thousand pounds to replace the playground equipment which Hughenden Parish has removed from the playground. We are completing forms to apply for grants, of which the best paying one is £10,000 and the others range from £1,200. In the past we have only received about 1 in 4 grants that have been applied for so we will need to do more to fundraise. If you have any ideas on fundraising please email me at the village hall website.

After the committee meeting at 8.00pm we had the Village Hall Annual General Meeting. This year we had 4 villagers in attendance for the meeting. In my Chairman's/Trustee's report I outlined the activities that had occurred over the year. The village hall has been busy this last year, not only with lettings but also with fund raising. Napfest was a success with the sun shining most of the day. There were a number of R.A.F. personal that kept us secure and helped with the setting up. The amount raised was £9561.50 which was a great result. On the subject of fundraising the village hall was a nominated charity for the local Co-op and at the end of the fundraising period we received £2,236.54. The fireworks event also had good weather, a great atmosphere and help from the R.A.F. It was a successful fundraising event and made £11,943.02. The Christmas Fayre also raised £1,072.

I thanked all the people who had helped in these fundraising events, the Napfest committee members and the fireworks committee and the ladies who organised the Christmas Fayre. The Christmas tree was lit up over the Christmas period by the hard -working team led by Mike Mason who decorated it with LED lights and the collection raised £738.39 There were plenty of jobs to do in and around the hall and crick, these included replacing part of the hardwood floor by the stage in the main hall. The front of the hall was spruced up and electrical work undertaken. After an incident on the crick the barrier at the playground entrance was replaced with 2 drop down posts. Various trees and bushes were trimmed including the large ash tree by Vincents Way that on its own cost £2,000. The war memorial was kept clean and tidy by Trish Bowen who has now retired after doing a great job for many years. There are a number of projects to be undertaken when the roofing jobs have been completed.

A new village hall website has been set up and it is very popular. There have been 41.430 page visits, with the page for the fireworks most popular. Most of the visitors to the web site were local but we did have some from Scotland, Wales, France, Italy, India and the U.S.A. Many thanks to Jim Cosgrove who set the web site up and keeps it updated. In February there was a visit from Lord Gardiner of Kimble. He came to visit us as part of National Village Halls week and also visited Widmer End Hall and Dunsmore Village Hall. He was very impressed with our village hall and all the activites that are undertaken here. The visit was arranged by Community in Action. Just keeping the village hall open on a day to day basis and making sure the running maintenance is kept up to date, costs £32,000 a year. The income from the lettings, Bon Ami, Mens Club and playing fields is £24,500 so if we did not have the fundraising events, not only the hiring costs would have to increase but also we would struggle to fund the work on major projects that keep the village hall as an asset for the village.

Clive Lawrence

Chairman Naphill Village Hall

#### **Shear Madness**

Has it stopped raining yet? I do hope so, everyone is so fed up with the rain!

I have no news this month I'm afraid so have a wonderful May and let's hope it's a scorcher !!

Just a quick reminder that I close every bank holiday weekend.

Mandy

#### **Naphill Scouts**

We had three scouts attend the Buckinghamshire County awards ceremony to receive awards from County Commissioner James Palin.

Ben Curtis, Callum Hughes and Lewis Bendell all received their Gold Chief Scout Award.

The gold award is the highest award available in the scout section and involves completing all 9 individual challenges, which are adventure, creative, expedition, outdoor, personal, skills, leadership, teamwork and world. Six other activity badges have also to be obtained. I am sure you will agree that this is a significant achievement for these boys. Two other scouts, Mark Andrews and Matt Hillier were unable to make the ceremony.

This term starts with a trip to the National Space Centre in Leicester. 18 keen Space Cadets will undertake the trip. Let's hope not too many get blasted into outer space!





#### **Growing Your Own**

May is a month of living off the fruit of past labours. Apart from fruit put into the freezer the previous summer, from the allotment in May there are fresh asparagus, silver chard, seakale, perhaps some root vegetables, Good King Henry, brassicas, "chicons" growing in the loft – and rhubarb. And, of course, May is a peak month for sowing new crops. Carrots are a major crop for me. It seems impossible, if one is a purely organic gardener, to avoid the dreaded carrot root fly. My solution is to grow really big maincrop carrots. Since the carrot root fly burrows into the carrot only about a quarter of an inch, it is easy to cut out the damage and leave the rest as a completely chemical-free delicious carrot.

Nature seems to rebalance itself. It seems to have rained nearly every day since early September 2017 and it has been very difficult to work in the garden or on the allotment. I cannot remember a period so awful. Yet, the winter and spring of 2017 were exceptionally dry and the dry period extended into the third week of July. Indeed, the consequent reduction of water permeating through the ground into the aquifer has led the water companies to warn of water restrictions this summer. And after all that recent rain!

Bill Blamey said he never sowed before May, but I try to sow anything I can before May if the conditions are right, and cover with fleece if the weather turns very cold. Bill had the plot by the gate (on the Lacey Green side) of the Walter's Ash allotments and told me that his plot had been tended by members of his family for over 100 years. He said that one year some forestry people had been clearing trees down Clappins Lane and had a huge bonfire. Bill shot down there with his wheelbarrow as soon as the ash was cool (and before rain had come to wash away the precious potash) and covered his entire allotment to a depth of several inches in ash. The results that growing season were exceptional, especially potatoes twice normal size. Another story he told me was that when he first came to live in Naphill he brought his mother to have a look. Nervously she asked "Does it flood?" Bill replied "if it floods in Naphill then the folks in Hughenden Valley had better watch out!" Bill was a grand old soldier of World War 2 and served in India in the same area as my father.

Another veteran of World War 2 who had an allotment at Walter's Ash was our recently-departed dear friend Ron Crutchfield who worked his plot for about 54 years. Ron had the best situation possible for an allotmenteer. He literally lived on his allotment since the only path or track to his house was through the allotments. The allotmenteers at Walter's Ash will miss him.

Good gardening!

Mike Mason

#### **Naphill Neighbours**

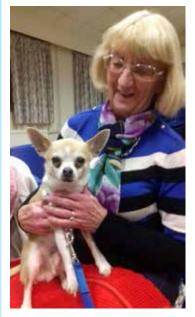
By the time you read this we will have had our first outing of the year – our theatre trip to Milton Keynes and names taken at our April club meeting for our seaside outing to Eastbourne on Tuesday 19 June. We leave the Village Hall at 9am and on arrival at Eastbourne you will be free to do whatever you wish for the rest of the day, leaving for home at 5pm. Seats are still available on the coach (£14 for members and £16 for non-members/guests). If you are interested in joining us, please ring Hazel on 563977. For members, the coach ticket money will be paid at our next meeting.

Just a reminder to members that we will be running our usual fund-raising cake stall at the fete on Saturday 9 June. We rely on donations of home-made cakes, biscuits and preserves, so if you won't be baking we would appreciate a cash donation instead.

Our next club meeting is on Monday 14 May when we will be entertained by Richard Furnival Jones, his subject being THE PALACE OF KNIGHTSBRIDGE – HARRODS.

#### Naphill Evening WI

Isn't it difficult to enthuse about things when it keeps on raining!



We had a disappointment in March as our speaker sheepdog with her was unable to attend. However, we had a lovely talk from a lady who brought along her two pets who are used as Therapy Chihuahuas and told us of the visits made to she such venues as homes for the elderly and children's hospitals. We were all able to cuddle and pet the dogs who were extremely well behaved throughout the evening.

Our April meeting is about 18th-20th Century Fashion in Lace, which should be interesting, and then in May we will hear about 40 Years of Bomb Disposal. Our competition that evening is to see how many words of four letters or more we can make from BOMB DISPOSAL. I've already started on this one and it is surprising how many words there are bearing in mind that there is no 'E'. So come on members, let's all have a go!

29th May will see the Food Group lunching at the Spade Oak in Bourne End and following on from last month, the Craft Group are pleased to report that our member who had forgotten how to cast on her knitting has completed a most attractive scarf.

Both Naphill teams did well in the BFWI Inter-County Quiz, so congratulations to them all. I was helping with the scoring and I found most of the questions very difficult and some of them rather obscure.

As mentioned last month, we have our Annual Council Meeting to look forward to, with, amongst other highlights, Christine Walkden talking on "The Life and Times of a Gardener". All we will need then is for our gardens to dry out enough to work in them.

Carol Gilliam

#### **ABOUT PETS AS THERAPY**

Pets As Therapy is a national charity founded in 1983 by Lesley Scott-Ordish.

We enhance health and wellbeing in the community through the visits of trusted volunteers with their behaviourally assessed animals. We provide a visiting service in hospitals, hospices, nursing and care homes, special needs schools and a variety of other venues all across the UK. For more information visit: **Missing Cat - Have You Seen Archie?** 



Has anyone seen Archie, missing from Walter's Ash for about seven months now.

Archie does not have a collar but he is chipped.

If you know of someone who may have taken him in or who might be feeding a stray please let the editor know and she will pass the details on to me.

Archie is totally black, medium to large size, and his eyes shine golden in the sunshine.

Many thanks

Jon



www.petsastherapy.org

# NAPFEST 8th, 9th & 10th June 2018



### Established 1928 - Celebrating 90 Years of the Village Hall

Where has the time gone, NAPFEST is upon us already! Well, you may be pleased to know everything is in place for a fantastic weekend of fun and entertainment. This month we are announcing the bands playing at Music on the Crick, where to buy your tickets for this great event and telling you more about Fete Day.

#### Friday 8th June - Music on the Crick: - Sponsored by RAF100

#### All New Bands this year!

#### Headlining are:



**California Dreaming** - an international event band featuring some of London's finest players from the session and touring world. They offer a full repertoire of hits from the past eight decades. The Band was formed by James Graydon and James Nisbet, they are joined by Lisa Law, Richard Cottle, Carl Holt and John Miller.



California Dreaming will be supported by *LFX*, who perform a blistering live show covering the biggest club anthems, from 90's dance and garage to current chart music, a truly unique band. Led by the UK Young Drummer of the Year and Artful drummer James Birt, LFX features the talents of five of the best young professional musicians in the UK. The LFX repertoire covers 90s classics from the likes of Artful Dodger and Robin S as well as current chart hits by Calvin Harris, Swedish House Mafia, Rudimental, David Guetta and many more.

Also supporting will be the '*Transmitters*' a local band made up of RAF personnel from RAF Halton and other local camps.

Our local DJ, Sean Salter, will open the evening with a disco for all ages, playing disco classics from the 70's, hidden gems from the 80's, some big box-little box from the 90's, to current anthems.

Advance tickets are available from the Wheel PH (Cash only) and online at: www.napfest.eventbrite.co.uk

£25 for a family ticket (2 adults, 2 Children) - £30 on the gate

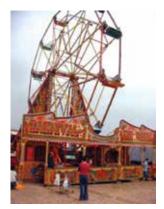
£10 per adult - £13 on the gate

£5 per child (5-12yrs) £7 on the gate

Under 5's are free

### Saturday 9th June - Village Fete

# Starting with the procession at 12pm, led by the Fete Princes and Princesses, who then officially open the proceedings.



This year we have more children's rides and entertainment than ever before, this includes the Dodgems, Ferris Wheel, large Fairground rides and numerous inflatables.

In the arena we have Zumba with Sal, Kids Yoga, Fit Steps with Mia, 332 Sqn Air Cadet Band, family fun for all, RAF Halton Voluntary Band and much, much more!

Don't forget the dog show! Classes start at 1230pm and include most handsome dog, prettiest bitch, golden oldie, best rescue dog, waggiest tail and the best in show. (sponsored by Jollyes)

Stalls include: Naphill Neighbours Cake Stall, Friends of Naphill Common Silent

Auction, Grand Prize Draw, Bath Bombs, trinkets, Fudge and sweeties, greetings cards, The National Trust wooden carvings and many, many more.

Food and Refreshments: Tea and Coffee by the WI, Strawberries and Cream by the Tennis Club, Slush/milk shakes and of course our famous BBQ and Beer Tent, serving hot dogs, burgers, award winning ales and soft drinks.

## Also this year.... WANTED!

# Calling on all Pubs, sports teams, local businesses, Military departments, big groups of friends!!

Napfest 2018 will be hosting a Tug of War competition on Saturday 9 June in the main arena with a Trophy, medals and bragging rights for the winners.

All you need is 8 people (over 18) and a coach / manager – Could you be the strongest team in the village!!!

There will be some training available before the event if teams want it and a £5 team entry fee to help cover the costs of the medals.

Interested? Then register with Gareth at gareth.davies599@mod.gov.uk or call on 07970661596

#### DON'T FORGET YOUR VILLAGER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

This is an award presented to the Villager who has made outstanding contributions to the village in the last 12 months. All nominations should be forwarded to lindaclark894@hotmail.com before 1 June 2018.



Thank you from Linda and the NAPFEST Committee



This year we will be using the cloakroom in the village hall for delivery drops and storage, so please bring your donations to Naphill village hall. It is often open for village activities and bookings and we will be there regularly from Tuesday 8th MAY to Friday 8th JUNE, to accept and sort your books ahead of the Fete on the 9th. If it is closed please drop them into Bon Ami between 10-4 on weekdays or 10-3 on a Saturday between those dates. Please too come along to the stall on Fete Day to browse and buy!

Thank you,

Sheila Draper

# Tombola

# NapFest Fete Day — WANTED —

Suitable prizes for the tombola, to be delivered please to Andy & Judy Pope, Greenways, Chapel Lane, Naphill (as early as possible). Thank you very much for anything you can give – toiletries, booze and chocolate are the most popular items! Friends of Naphill Common

# Silent Auction

# - WANTED -

**Items for Auction** 

We will be most grateful for your support!

Ron Collins 01494 562240, email:ron13collins@gmail.com or Neil McMinn 01494564667, email:ngmcminn@hotmailcom

# Sunday 10th June Classics on the Crick

Less than two months to go and preparations are well under way. Entries are coming in thick and fast, music is booked, catering is booked so now we just need to book the weather! As usual our main aim is to raise money for the Air Ambulance and as usual they will be there supporting the event. Unfortunately, as yet we haven't been successful in finding another classic car to auction off but there is time yet so if you have something tucked away that you would be happy to donate to a very worthwhile cause, please get in touch. All the info you need is on the website, www. classicsonthecrick.co.uk

We still need volunteers to help on the day, without these we struggle greatly so please, if you can spare an hour or two please contact us at classicsonthecrick@ gmail.com or call 07710 869775 and speak to lan, we really need your help!!

Classics team

# The RAF 100 Baton relay Comes to RAF High Wycombe

The RAF 100 Baton Relay is a key event in the 100th anniversary celebrations of the Royal Air Force. The Baton is symbolic of the RAF's century of service to the Nation, being made of wood, brass and aluminium – key aircraft materials throughout the ages – and holding many symbolic messages and etchings. The Baton will be visiting every region of the UK and several overseas locations from 1 April to 10 July 2018, with the Relay designed to promote the key aims of RAF 100, namely to:

- COMMEMORATE our past by involving veterans and visiting historic locations,
- showcase opportunities for sport within the RAF to CELEBRATE the achievements of our personnel,
- INSPIRE the whole RAF family and younger generations.

On 3 April 2018, the RAF 100 Baton arrived at RAF High Wycombe on horseback, with Sergeant Claire Tapp handing the Baton to Station Commander Group Captain Robert Woods outside Lancaster building on Site 1.



The Baton was met by the RAF High Wycombe Station Commander upon arrival by horseback.

The Baton was also met by our VIP Mr Len Cooper, an ex-Lancaster Flight Engineer in the 'Pathfinders' 7 Squadron, who took part in the Peenemünde raids to destroy the German V1 and V2 rocket sites. After his aircraft was shot down over Berlin he was taken as a prisoner of war by the Germans. While in the prisoner of war camp, the Red Cross delivered many letters Mr Cooper had written to his parents, containing incredible stories of bravery during those difficult times.

Mr Cooper was joined by three other engineers: the Station Commander, OC ISW and a Junior Engineer. Bringing together four engineers across the generations of the RAF, with the backdrop of the iconic Hurricane and Spitfire aircraft, provided a fitting tribute to the key values of the RAF 100 Baton Relay, allowing RAF High Wycombe to commemorate, celebrate and inspire.



OC ISW, Mr Len Cooper, the Station Commander and a Junior Engineer outside the entrance to Site 1 celebrating engineering across the generations of the RAF.

The Baton continued its RAF High Wycombe journey with a trip to Hurricane building, where both civilian and military personnel were inspired by the spirit of the RAF 100 and created a 'human 100'. The Baton was transported around the sites by the Stations' new campervan (on its first outing) and throughout the day as many people as possible were encouraged to participate in the celebrations. So, while the VIPs were enjoying lunch in the Officers' Mess on Site 2, the Baton travelled to Site 3, visiting the Station Headquarters and an RAF 100 circuits class in the gym. Later, the Manning Team ran the Baton to Wycombe Air Park, before the Station Commander completed RAF High Wycombe's celebrations by running the Baton to the next station on the Baton's journey.



Civilian and Military personnel were inspired to create a 'human 100' outside the Hurricane building on Site1.



RAF 100 are sponsoring and supporting NapFest



#### **Friends of Naphill Common**

The exceptionally wet spring and the heavy machinery used by those doing the felling has made some areas of the Common almost impassable. This is a great pity because, with the leaves just opening, the woodland is at its most glorious. Felling is still in progress but none-the-less we hope people will venture as far as they can in the clearer, more welcoming areas.

Not surprisingly, a tour of the ponds found that they have rarely contained so much water. If we exclude Pickup's Pond at the end of Downley Road, which is not strictly part of the Common, we have traditionally had seven ponds, but the heavy rain has now created an eighth. A small pond has appeared not far from Willow pond – on the opposite side of the path leading to the Clumps. Dew Pond is still filled by the fallen Great Beech and appears to be the only one with no frog spawn. All the others – Daisy, Ash, Shipwash, Small, Willow, Lady Horse Pond and even the new one – had either spawn or tadpoles: many thousands in Willow Pond.

Our working parties have dragged out some of the weed and left clear water around the edge on some of the ponds and the frogs seem to like that. Newts were spotted in Pickup's pond but they are probably present in some of the others. A pair of mallard ducks is interested in Shipwash but no nest was visible. 'Shipwash' is almost certainly a corruption of 'sheepwash' and it has a promontory down which the sheep were probably driven to be washed. (As to birds, the spring visitors are hardly in evidence yet and the continued tree felling may deter many. The residents are around with greater spotted woodpeckers drumming and countless wood pigeons, magpies, robins and chaffinches. A shoot at Cookshall scatters pheasants throughout the surrounding area, but they are a bird with a reputation for stupidity and soon drift back to where they are fed.

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

Our working parties continue to clear footpaths and open areas of holly and other obstructions (remedial work on ponds is suspended for the amphibian breeding season). In addition to the Sunday morning parties led by Peter Davis (for dates, please consult our web site at http://www.naphillcommon.org.uk/ activities.html), we now have an additional working party every Thursday morning commencing at 9.30am, though anyone wishing to help can turn up at any time during the morning. We are currently working along the area between Chapel Lane and the footpath that comes in off Downley Road and will be doing so for some time to come. Enquiries to Ron Collins on 01494 562240.

We will, as usual, run a stall at the Village Fete, and as for the last two years will be operating a silent auction. Our very ambitious target is to break last year's record when almost £1,200 was raised for the Village Hall. To this end, we are looking for a wide range of items that would appeal to potential bidders. If you can help, or know of someone else who could, please contact Ron Collins on the above number.

Chris Miller. Chairman.



**Naphill School Cricket Team Cira 1929** Ken Hussey, Eric Montague, Reg Aldridge, Ted Shrimpton, Charlie Poutney, Doug Lowe, Hilda Parslow (scorer), Mrs Webb, Mr Cudmore, Miss West, Miss Williams Pete Parslow, Frank Lacey, Lester Parslow, Dan Wheeler, Cyril Carrington,

#### **Courtesy Maria White**

#### An Update on Young Elliott Burggy's Swimathon in Aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH)



connect				
Elliott Burggy Lap Swimming Apr 11, 2018 • Lap Swimming				
DISTANCE 1,800 m	тіме 39:39 h:m:s	AVG PACE 1:58 min/100m	CALDRIES 398 C	AVG STROKES 12 /length
GARMIN		Capta	red with a Garr	nin Garmin Swim

I want to say a BIG thank you to everyone who has supported me so far, I have raised more than I expected and that is down to the great people who have donated. The Swimathon is getting closer each day and I am really enjoying training for it. I am currently training twice a week and am in the pool between 40min and 1 hour. There is still time to donate to this great cause so if you would like to, please sponsor me to complete the 2.5km swim for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital.

I am including some pictures of me enjoying my training sessions and some stats from my much loved swim watch.

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/elliott-burggy

Elliott

#### **Bon Ami Coffee Shop**

Although it is raining (still) as we write this we are sure that by the time you get to read it the sun will be shining, our terrace will be full of customers enjoying the weather, our hanging baskets will be planted up for the summer and ice creams will be selling like hot cakes!

We are looking forward to welcoming some new members to our team so watch out for some fresh faces.

Our Monday Mingle continues to be popular so if you fancy a chat over a cup of tea then do pop down - maybe bring a friend or neighbour, it's very sociable.

The Bon Ami Book Club is due to meet on 3rd May at 7.00pm to discuss our third book. The club was established at the suggestion of Sue Chalker (customer and staff member) and we now have 22 members. If you are interested in joining please let Amanda, Ruth or Sue know.

Finally, a reminder that, with the sun showing it's face, it is definitely Cream Tea Time. There is lots of clotted cream in the fridge and a choice of jams to accompany our delicious scones, freshly made each day. Remember, it's never too early in the day for a Cream Tea - it's always Cream Tea o'clock.

Looking forward to seeing you all.

Amanda and Ruth

#### **Boundary Stones And Prayers**

My house has a really interesting slate roundel on the front wall. It marks the position of a boundary stone, which historically would have been a stopping off place in the ceremony of beating the bounds. In former times, when maps were rare, it was usual to make a formal procession around the parish boundaries on Ascension Day or during the week before - Rogation week. The parish priest with the churchwardens and the parochial officials headed a crowd of boys who, armed with green boughs, beat the parish boundary markers. Sometimes the boys were themselves whipped or even bumped on the boundary-stones to make them remember. The object of taking boys along is supposed to ensure that witnesses to the boundaries should survive as long as possible. Priests would pray for the parish's protection and hymns would be sung.

The ceremony had an important practical purpose. Checking the boundaries was a way of preventing encroachment and memory of the true extent of the parish helped to maintain the integrity of those borders. Modern surveying techniques make the ceremony obsolete but many English parishes carry out a regular beating of the bounds, as a way of strengthening the community and giving it a sense of place.

Beating the Bounds is closely linked to Rogation Sunday – the Sunday before Ascension Day. Rogation Days are four days set apart to bless the fields, and ask for God's mercy on all of creation. On these days, church congregations used to march the boundaries of the parish. They would stop at a number of symbolic places such as an arable field, a well, a byre or a homestead. There they would pray for God's blessing on all fields, wells, homesteads and so forth.

In the Old Testament, the moral, physical and spiritual health of a nation was seen as directly related to the health of the land. Our modern world has lost touch with this concept and forgotten how to live close to the land – it can be no coincidence that we are experiencing some of the problems that we have. In our efforts to acquire ever more 'stuff' we have done great harm to our environment. We hear of polluted streams, air unfit to breathe, the island of waste in the centre of the Pacific – the problem of our exploitation of the world God gave us is a pressing one. Perhaps reviving the customs around Rogation Day might begin to remind us that God intended for us to take care of the earth, not ravage it.

May God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour his blessing upon all things created, and upon you his children, that you may use his gifts to his glory and the welfare of all creation. Rogation Blessing.

(This year, Rogation Sunday falls on 6th May)

*Rev Jenny Ellis* Associate Priest, West Wycombe Team.

#### Services at St. Botolph's

May 6th	11am Eucharis	t Rev. Jenny Ellis
May 13th	11am Eucharis	t Rev. Jenny Ellis
May 20th	11am Eucharis	t Rev. Allan Barton
May 27th	11am Matins	Re. Allan Barton

#### Message from Hughenden Vicarage

I wonder whether you have ever met a member of the Royal family?

My first passing encounter with royalty took place when I was a young child of about 5, standing on the pavement in Bristol with my Nana, and watching HM Queen Elizabeth II drive past with the Duke of Edinburgh in a very grand black limousine, waving to the crowds and smiling.

Do you remember 29 July 1981, when the nation joined together to celebrate the wedding of Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer? We watched for hours on the TV, joined a neighbourhood party, like so many others on that memorable day, and then my Dad drove us down to Woking in Surrey, where we stood on the train platform and watched the Royal Train go past in a few seconds without stopping, as the newlyweds headed off on their honeymoon.

I can also recall being so surprised when the Queen drove past me in a car alone, at the wheel herself (with her detectives in the car behind) that I almost fell off my bicycle in surprise. She had just driven up the royal mile from Windsor Castle, and was no doubt off to visit a member of her family in Windsor Great Park, or perhaps just craved a little bit of alone time.

May marks another special occasion for the nation and for the Royal family especially, as Prince Harry marries the actress Meghan Markle in St George's Chapel, in Windsor, on Saturday 19 May. Whatever your attitude towards royalty, I am sure that you will join me in wishing the couple every blessing on their special day and great happiness and joy in the years to come.

Most of you will be aware no doubt of the royal connections we have at Hughenden Church, through the late Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli, who lived in Hughenden Manor, which is now looked after by the National Trust. He was buried in the crypt under our church, and Queen Victoria visited the Church a few days later to pay her respects, as protocol at the time did not permit her majesty to attend the funeral of a commoner.

Did you know that we also have two permanent memorials to Queen Victoria inside our Church? I'm not going to tell you what they are – so why not take some time out this summer on a Sunday afternoon, and visit our church for a tour, find them for yourself, and then enjoy one of our wonderful Cream Teas in Hughenden Church House (2-5 pm every Sunday in the summer)?

We remember the Royal family in our prayers in church every week, especially praying for the Queen. When times have become turbulent all around, and even within her own family, the Queen has remained dedicated, loyal, hardworking and loved by many. She is strengthened daily by her Christian faith and is a staunch supporter of charitable causes and seeks to celebrate and encourage all that is good within our society, as well as the wider Commonwealth.

I will conclude with the words to a prayer which the Church of England published a couple of years ago, when her majesty became the longest reigning monarch in British history:

"Almighty God, who hast set our gracious sovereign Queen Elizabeth upon the throne of this realm, and given her to surpass all others in the years of her reign: Receive our heartfelt thanks for her service to her people, confirm and encourage her in the continuance of the same, and keep her in thy heavenly wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took the form of a servant for our sake, and reigneth now in glory with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen."

#### **Black Lion**

By the time you read this we will have had our Beer & Gin Festival so we hope you all enjoyed yourselves and we were blessed with good weather!

Our new Spring menu comes out on 1st May so keep an eye on Facebook or our website to see what's in store for Spring.

#### **Diary Dates:**

- Napfest is Friday 8th Sunday 10th June for more information on the fantastic events taking place visit www.napfest.co.uk We will be hosting the bar on the Sunday so we hope to see you then.
- Saturday 9th June for a Family Pig Roast Day. We are pleased to welcome Leni Buckle to the Black Lion. Leni has recently set up a Pig Roast company and we are looking forward to her cooking us a delicious pig roast! Entry is free with the Hog Roast and a pick & mix sweet trolley available so please come along from 1pm onwards after the Fete.

Congratulations to our Crib and Dominoes team who came third in their league this year. It has been great supporting you all every week.

We are looking forward to the sunshine to see everyone playing football and on our new playground.

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Jack, Sian and the team

#### One Hundred Years On

My father, Arthur Richard Nicholls, was born at the end of the 19th century. As a young man he worked on the farms his parents tenanted in Naphill and Lacey Green, but he was also in the Royal Bucks Yeomanry at Aylesbury as a territorial. So when war broke out he had to go, and was one of the first to be called up. He was trained as a sniper. He was in France before the big battles of the Somme and Ypres, because he was always sent forward on reconnaissance missions. One story that sticks in my memory is that he had been moved forward because there was a German spy giving all the information of the movement of the British troops. So dad went up and he found this German, he was in a church belfry, and while dad was nosing around to see where he was that was when he shot at dad and split his sleeve open. Poor man he didn't get another uniform, he had to tie his shirt up with string! But the bullet didn't touch him. And so he laid his rifle in the direction where he thought this spy was, and he stayed still as he thought the German might assume he had killed him. And sure enough, he came out to investigate, and dad killed him.

He suffered two lots of gas during the war, when he was forward and the Germans sent over gas shells. He was invalided out of the army after the second one.

Rev Keith Johnson

His chest was terrible, I don't know how he lived, he was constantly wheezing. You could hear him coming, my sister and I used to joke about the tune his chest played. Despite this though he always worked hard and never gave up his jobs, running two farms. The only transport between them (Naphill and Lacey Green) was his bicycle, and he used to cycle along with his old dog Bob running at his side. His dad had Vincent farm as a tenant farmer, and after his death my grandmother carried on until she couldn't go on any more and then she asked dad to take over. And that's when we moved over the field from Red Cottage to Vincent Farm. My grandmother went to live with an aunt. I was five then (1927).

I wouldn't have this house if it weren't for my father. In the early years of the farm my parents bought the plot for this house and for the one next door. And I'd been married for about a year and was talking about getting a house, and my mum said well you can have that plot of land and build on it, so that's what we did. And the cousin down the road was the architect, so I got that for free as well.

My dad was a happy man. Like everyone else he didn't like going to war of course, but I don't think he was troubled by his time in the war. He worked hard and died aged 67, which was a good age considering everything his body had gone through.

Geoff Nicholls

#### High Wycombe Photographic Society

April and May are the months when we hold our Annual Exhibition in conjunction with the Wycombe Arts Festival and is our biggest event of the year.

The exhibition gives our members the chance to show the residents of and visitors to High Wycombe their best projected images and prints.

The Exhibition will be held in the Eden Centre directly opposite Zara and is open to the public Friday 4th May and Saturday 5th May from 11:00am to 4:00pm, Friday 11th and Saturday 12th May from 11:00am to 4:00pm. The Exhibition closes at 4:00pm on Saturday 12th May.

If you are in town on these dates please drop in and have a look at our talented members' photographs. Looking at great photographs is far better than standing watching clothes being bought – trust me!

There is no cost to come and have a look.

A number of the prints on display will be for sale by the members as well as a large collection of gift cards featuring work by our members.

May 3rd there is an evening Outdoor Photoshoot to which you are invited, however, the location has not yet been confirmed at time of going to press so for more details of the Photoshoot please see our website.

May means that the Bluebells will be in full bloom and the best way to photograph them is to get down and personal with them to get that photo of the best bluebell you have ever seen.

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

David Greenwood

Membership Secretary - Wycombe Photographic Society

#### **Naphill Tennis Club**

Come and visit our stall at NAPHILL FETE on Saturday 9th June for mouth-watering STRAWBERRIES & CREAM. You will find it next to the tennis courts where you can also enjoy 'pitting your wits' against the BALL MACHINE or just watching the entertainment.

Before then, we are opening up the courts to members of the public for the

GREAT BRITISH TENNIS WEEKEND on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th May from 10 am – 4 pm. This is your opportunity to have a go at tennis free of charge. If you haven't a racquet, we can provide.

Junior Coaching and Adult Rusty Racquets/Improvers' Coaching are now underway but it's not too late to join in the fun!

Please contact our Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel (01494563706 sarah.dengel1@gmail.com) for further information or see our website: www. naphilltennisclub.org.uk.

Jenny Tench

#### **Naphill Brownies**

I am writing this as I sit down after a very successful, somewhat-postponed, Brownies and Guides Jumble Sale. Even the sun shone...possibly for the first time this year. I cannot say a big enough 'Thank you' to all the wonderful people who give their time to help. The money raised is used to keep our costs down allowing all Brownies and Guides to participate in all sorts of activities without making them too expensive

So, the summer term is upon us. We will be getting out and about as much as possible enjoying the summer weather (?). Naphill crick and the common provide us with so many wonderful possibilities for games and outings.

What's more, for the first time ever, we are hoping to enter a Naphill brownie team into the Competition Hike early in May. This is a map and compass challenge organised by Bucks Girlguiding. Last year the brownie event was won by Walters Ash brownies. I'd like to think we can muster a team to put up a challenge.

On top of all that we will be playing an active part in Naphill fete.

So much to look forward to.

Brown Owl - Ruth Daly

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



#### New to Area Business: Hampden Car Hire

I retired from the hospitality industry after nearly forty years last year and decided on a new challenge. Having always been active the Private Hire business was an obvious choice. I enjoy meeting people and at the same time offer a local and reliable service. Based in Great Hampden with an executive license and a Mercedes estate vehicle I hope to continue the high standards that I maintained throughout my previous career. If I can assist with any of your travel commitments—airports, seaports, rail stations local or national including business clients.

Please call TIM WINTER on 07787 558405.

#### **Doppler Scanner Appeal**

Harrison Gallagher, the son of Dr Anthony Gallagher at the Hughenden Surgery has set up an appeal for a Doppler Scanner. You may be a patient at the Surgery and want to donate to this appeal. A Community Doppler Machine is an important piece of equipment for scanning patients suffering from leg pains who might, for instance, have Deep Vein Thrombosis, and who might have to wait months for a hospital appointment if the scan can't be done at the Surgery.The Doppler Scanner costs £2,700. If you would like to find out more and make a donation please go to:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/hughendenvalley



Nancy Taylor is showing her iPad prints and artwork from her studio (garage) again this year during Bucks Art Weeks, formerly known as Bucks Open Studios. You will find her at Pine Trees, Downley Rd, Naphill HP14 4QY on Saturday 9th, 16th and 23rd June 11am -4pm or Wednesday morning 13th and 20th June 10am – 12 noon. All Welcome. Plenty of parking www.nancyetaylor.co.uk

#### James Foster's Cycle Challenge

54 miles a day for 54 consecutive days from Monday 7th May to Friday 29th June 2018 raising funds for Marie Curie.



James is training very hard in readiness to undertake this huge Challenge in memory of his father who sadly died of cancer nearly 16 years ago.

You can follow his progress and of course still sponsor him!

www.sittingonwheels.com

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 8 March and 16 April 2018 were discussed, and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website

18/05515/FUL. 1 Cherrycroft Drive Naphill HP14 **4QG.** Householder application for demolition of rear conservatory, construction of replacement single storey rear extension, replace two front flat dormers with two front pitched dormers and new roof light, reduce width of garage door, new front open porch and render brickwork to sides and rear of building. Received 26.02.18. Target Determination: 23.04.2018. 18/05553/FUL Manesty, Stocking Lane Naphill HP14 4NE HA for demolition of existing outhouse and garage, construction of single storey side/front extension, new front porch bridging connection between garage and existing canopy, demolition of existing dormer on rear elevation roofslope and construction of replacement rear dormer window, 2 x side and 1 x front dormer windows and associated internal and external alterations. Received 28.02.18. Target Determination. 25.04.2018. 18/05622/FUL Hideaway Naphill Common Naphill HP14 4SU. HA for extension to the existing garage roof to form a covered car port with open sides. Received 21 .03.18. Target Determination. 16.05.2018. 18/05704/ **CLP Melvern Stocking Lane Naphill HP14 4NE** Certificate of Lawfulness Proposed for the erection of single storey rear extension. Received 05.03.18. Target Determination 30.04.2018. 18/05342/CLE Hogtrough Smallholding Louches Lane Naphill HP14 4QH. Certificate of Lawfulness for existing use as B8 (Storage and Distribution) for classic cars, their spare parts and machinery. This is now being determined by WDC Legal Dept. All correspondence was removed off the WDC website within 2 hours of appearing, being classified by WDC as "sensitive". All those who responded to the application have now been asked to produce their evidence as statutory declarations.

**Wycombe District Local Plan.** The Wycombe District Local Plan was submitted on 28 March 2018 to the Secretary of State and the Planning Inspectorate. The Local Plan covers the whole of the district area and the policy framework for the District to 2033.

Nicola Gulley, the independent Planning Inspector will decide how and when the Examination of the Local Plan will take place. Further information from Programme Officer www.wycombe.gov.uk/ wdlpexamination.

**Submission Documents**. The 2196 responses to the Local Plan including 189 from N&WA (listed alphabetically and by policy) are available on www.

wycombe.gov.uk/wdlpexamination Also available on the website, or at the WDC offices, is the publication version of the Local Plan; the Sustainability Appraisal Report; the submission Policies Map; a Statement of Consultation; and the plan's supporting documents. Any queries contact Planning Policy Team by email at newlocalplan@wycombe.gov.uk or by phone on 01494 421158.

Clappins Field . Grant Application to Parish Council. HPC considered a grant towards cost of the Consultant engaged to oppose WDC policy RUR7, that 5.6 acres of Smiths Field at Clappins Lane be taken out of Green Belt and made available for an estate of 64 houses. To make sure the 97% opposition to RUR7, evident in the written responses to the Local Plan, was reflected in the N&WA population as a whole, HPC asked for a petition. It was requested in the Easter break with many families away on holiday. We had only 2 weeks to produce it. So concerned were many to safeguard the GB that 18 people immediately volunteered to help. They visited almost every house between the bottom of Coombe Lane in Naphill to the end of Grimms Meadow in Walter's Ash, not deterred by the constant drizzle. The results are not dissimilar. The figures rounded show 5% support RUR7 but 95% oppose RUR7. With some abstentions, HPC kindly awarded the grant.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

#### The Wheel

This summer is all about big Birthday Parties, we have lots of celebrations happening during the next few months which does mean Saturday nights are going to be busy and you may wish to give us a call if you are wanting to book a table on a Saturday evening. On the 12th May we would like you all to be aware that we will be closed to the public from 5pm as we have a very big 50th Birthday Celebration for Mark (yes, he is really that old)!!

For all of you that follow the Motorbikes, the Moto GP has started and as always, we will be showing the main race on the Sundays on BT sport, so the front bar will be full of bike fans. As we move in to the summer we also start getting lots of Bank Holidays for you all to enjoy, so just a little reminder that we are open all day on the Bank holiday Mondays. Hopefully you will be able to enjoy the sunny weather and be out in the gardens.

Napfest is coming up fast and the staff are all getting ready for Fete day and choosing their costumes for the parade on the Crick. I can't wait to see all the families out supporting this brilliant village event, this year's Fete is going to be extra special as it is 100 years of the RAF. The committee have been so lucky to get extra money, so there will be so much more on the field. Doesn't matter what your age, the entertainment will be there for everyone. Music on the Crick has a great line up this year and we will be selling tickets for this great family evening at the pub and online. Classics on the Crick is already getting booked and is a great day (its worth booking a table for the Sunday if you are wanting to eat with us).

#### Dates to look out for:

- Mark's 50th Party (pub closed to the public)
- Napfest 9th June 11th June
- Father's Day 17th June
- Dog Photography Day 21st July (data to be confirmed)

The Dog Photography Day is a fabulous day to get your greatly loved pets photographed by professional Nick Ridley who is the UKs leading dog photographer. We do book in times for you to come up and the wonderful thing is you can get prints to take home on the day. We have used Nick before and he is excellent, I know it will be a fantastic day.

Mark and I would like to welcome James Atwell and Chloe Fairbrother to The Wheel team, who have joined to help and will be here over the summer, during the lovely long summer days (here's hoping).

As always Mark and I would like to thank everyone for their custom over the last few very wet months, we appreciate your effort! Lastly, we would like to thank everyone who came out for Roscoe's funeral, which was a fantastic celebration of life. His family were so happy to have all your support.

Cheers to you all

Claire and Mark

#### **Chiltern Hills Arboriculture**

Spring is threatening to burst out any day soon, apparently. The birds are chirping and the sun occasionally pops out from behind the wintery cloud cover. Even the air temperature gets into the higher teens now and again. So, as gardeners, what should we be doing to set ourselves up for Summer? The answer..WEEDING!!! (yes, we all know that weeding is very, very tedious... personally I am a huge fan of the flame gun approach, when appropriate, of course)

All weeds can be controlled without weedkillers, but persistent or deep rooted weeds may be very difficult to eradicate. Ongoing control is likely to be necessary.

Annual weeds (which only live for a year) and ephemeral weeds (which live for less than a year) are the easiest to control, as they are usually shallow rooted. However, they can scatter seed prolifically, so usually reappear and require further control.

Deep-rooted perennial weeds (which die down in the winter and re-grow each spring) will re-grow from their roots if the tops are removed or burned off. They can be difficult to dig out and may grow up through weed barriers in time.

Weeds can be controlled whenever they are troublesome, which is usually in the spring and summer months.

It is a good idea to put weed barriers in place in late winter or early spring, as they work better as a preventative than when an existing problem requires suppression.

Weeds can be controlled by hoeing: Run a hoe over a bed or between rows to kill most weed seedlings. Hand-pulling or hand-weeding with a fork: Pull up annual weeds by hand before they set seed. Perennial weeds should be dug out with as much root (or bulb) as possible, using a hand or border fork. Weed knife and other weeding tools: A weed knife has a hooked end and is a useful tool for weeding between paving slabs and along path edging. Repeated cutting: In large weedy areas, repeated cutting to ground level over several years will weaken and even kill some weeds. This is usually done with a strimmer or sickle-type weeder. Flame gun: Scorch off weeds between paving slabs and on driveways by blasting them with a flame gun. Mulching: Use deep organic mulches such as bark or wood chip to smother weeds around plants. Edging boards or strips: These can be used to edge lawns and grass paths to prevent unwanted grass growth into the border. Root barriers: These can be inserted into the soil to stop the spread of perennial weeds such as ground elder and horsetail into neighbouring areas or gardens. They can also be used to restrict invasive plants such as bamboos, or suckering trees, shrubs and raspberries. A straight barrier can be formed from paving slabs or corrugated iron sheets. Ground cover or landscaping fabrics: These can be laid over recently cleared soil to suppress re-growth of old weeds and prevent new weeds from establishing. They can be woven, spun, or plastic. Each have more expensive or cheaper options. So you have plenty of choices according to your budget.

#### Mike Beckley

**Last Word:** On Monday, when I settled into my office chair, here at World Headquarters, I was a little alarmed as to how or even if there were enough articles or photographs to actually FILL this month's magazine. At least four of the regular reports were not appearing and my plea for photographs had fallen on deaf ears. I really should known better than to fret! Needless to say, as usual, I have spent three whole days and one very long evening fitting everything in! As always, my thanks to all our contributors and to my great webmaster, Peter Davis, who is also a supurb photographer, for this month's glorious front cover.

Next month's copy date is 15 May - the BIG pre NapFest edition when we get to meet the Fete Princesses and Princes. A polite reminder! *There is no magazine without your articles and photographs!* 

Sonia

**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

### **Small Ads**

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**CURTAIN MAKING**, alterations, and general soft furnishings. Based in Naphill, I have 25 years' experience. Hazel Lowe – Phone 01494 564343 or mobile 07796 527836. Email hazel.lowe1951@ hotmail.co.uk

**LOCAL AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE** Wise Owls Nursery and Pre-school located on the Greenwood estate, Walters Ash. We have separate baby, toddler and Pre-school rooms and take children from 3 months to 5 years. Wise Owls offers EYFS childcare. Contact Annabel on 01494 563881 or wiseowls.nps@gmail.com for a prospectus. **ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING. Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail. com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

SERVICED OFFICE SPACE 200 sq ft private self-contained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 email stefan@zacharydesign.co

**YOGA IN NAPHIL** Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost. Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yo-gawithtessa.wixsite.com/info

#### Advertising requirements please contact the Editor. All the details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

### 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

#### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



#### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

#### **KENT MURRAY**

#### GENERAL BUILDER & HANDYMAN

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



#### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights Built-in wardrobes
- and cupboards
- Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







# Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

### Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

# Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Car, Van & High Performance Tyres
- Specialist Wheel Alignment Service
- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

### Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

## Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

### **Based in Upper North Dean**

# Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

# SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

# **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance 07961 825814 / mike@chilternarbor.co.uk 07555 831391 / danny@chilternarbor.co.uk www.chilternarbor.co.uk

# Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness Barbers



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

## Experts in our field



wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

July 2018





Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

### **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

# Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

# 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

# **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

# BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



# 



# All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





# SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

### Sure-Build Built on Quality

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk

# Sunbodies Tanning, Hair & Beauty

### **Beauty Treatments include:**

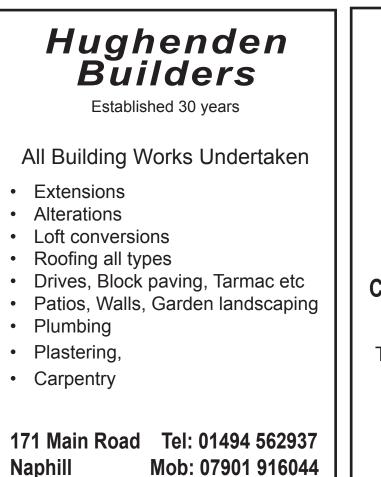
- · Sunbeds,
- Nails cnd shellac, sns & polish
- Waxing, threading tinting
- Eyelash Extension
- Facials 3D-LIPO body contouring
- Fat freezing, hifu facelift,
- RF body/face skin tightening.
- · Cavitation

### Hairdressing:

- for cut & blow-drys, highlights,
- balayage & ombre, tints,
- bridal hair and hair up
- Call: Lauren 07769992040 & Nicola 07554424617

81 Main Road Naphill - 01494 565619

7



# Kim Johnson Plumbing



# Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

# Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

# Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

# 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



## P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

## **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

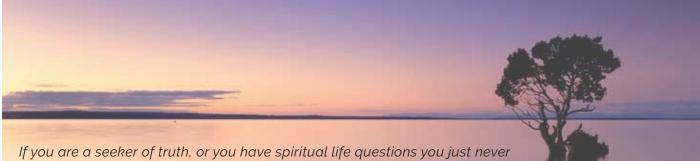
01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette July 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

### Copy Deadline for the August/September 2018 edition is 15 July 2018

Contacts Directory					
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk		
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk		
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk		
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Victoria Austwick		victoria.austwick@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk		
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk		
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm		
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com		
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT			
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275		

	and Walter's Ash			
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact	
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121	
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933	
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com	
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com	
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk	
Training Sessions	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332	
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash		
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767	
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332	
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089	
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk	
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green		
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday of the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977	
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469	
Residents Association	Third Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com	
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com	
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282	
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706	
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406	
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com	
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk	
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670			
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018	



**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

### Editorial

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

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

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



Congratulations Mike and Pauline and my thanks to you both.

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

> Sonia 01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

### Hughenden Parish Council

### Factoid #22

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

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

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

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

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

Another item that was discussed at June's Council meeting was the current situation with the Weight Restrictions that are to be placed on Stocking Lane and Clappins Lane. We have been waiting for over three years now for these signs to be put in place to stop or at least discourage larger vehicles from using these narrow lanes. Cllr Williams has put together a detailed summary of what has happened (or rather what has not happened) with the authorities involved. A number of people have already emailed their support to the Council to ensure that these restrictions are put in place. Please contact us and/ or the Parish Clerk if you would like a copy of the summary and would like to let us know your views on this matter - it will all help when we confront those responsible and hold them to account.

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

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

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

Your Parish Councillors,

Victoria Austwick, Chris Waterton & Peter Williams.

email nawa@hughendenpc.org.uk

website www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk

## **HPC Diary Dates**

10 July	Full Council Meeting		
12 July	Planning Committee		
2 August	Planning Committee		
14 August	Services Committee		
23 August	Planiing Committee		

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

### Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields

### **Council** - Registered charity number 300309 **Chairman's Report**

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

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

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

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

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

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

The flat roof over Bon Ami was completed but unfortunately there is still a small leak, this appears to come from the veranda tiled roof and this will be rectified as soon as possible.

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

Clive Lawrance Chairman Naphill Village Hall

### Last Service at Napill Methodist Church



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

### Sad News



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

With the help of Sarah Rogers,

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



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

### Jonny Goddard

### **Growing Your Own**

In July it is not too late to sow watercress seeds. Long reputed to be a "super-food", rich in calcium, iron and vitamins A, C and E it is believed to be anticarcinogenic. It used to be grown on a vast scale in chalk streams and it is still grown commercially in Dorset and Hampshire. The British are among the biggest consumers in the world and with that popularity UK production is on the increase. But you don't have to construct a Heath-Robinson system to give running water over a gravel bed in your garden. Seeds are now available for growing watercress in the absence of running water. I have been growing such watercress for many years. Initially I transplanted seedlings outdoors into garden soil but rapidly found that they would grow best in my tomato bed in the greenhouse. There they are growing in near 100% well-rotted farmyard manure - a very good source of all the 19 trace elements we need to consume every day. The watercress plants grow like weeds and are quite happy covering the soil underneath the tomato plants. One has to be quite ruthless at times in removing handfuls and putting them on the compost heap. They grow all the year round and provide a delicious salad crop which is appreciated even more in the winter months. It is effectively a perennial since, as its shoots grow across the soil they put down fresh roots every 5 inches or so which enable it to march onwards. To harvest the watercress just nip off the leading 3 inches of the shoot and that "pruning" will cause the plant to push out several completely new shoots near the wound. If left tiny white flowers appear, followed by seeds which germinate in any area cleared of watercress. Thus your first seed packet will be your last. A self-perpetuating "super-food" available for cropping all the year round and which tastes delicious. One of the best vegetables I have ever grown.

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

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

Good gardening!



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

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



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

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

Linda Clark Chairman of the NapFest Committee



# NapFest Music 2018

and the second

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

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

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

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

RAF

Linda Clark

# St. Michael & All Angels CHURCH IN THE PARK | LIVING, LOVING, SERVING

ōws

ð

# NapFest Fete

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

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

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

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

M 1 1 2 8

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

Linda Clark



# classics on the Crick 2018

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Classics Team!

### **The Wheel**

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

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

All our staff looked brilliant for Fete Day dressed as 'Peaky Blinders', we did the pub proud by winning Best Dressed Adults. We had a swell time on the parade and I was called the Queen Bee by so many for our efforts. Julia sadly was not here, but she was at Trooping the Colour in London watching her son Ryan take

part in his first parade in the Household Cavalry (we are all so proud). Julia watched the fly past down The Mall and then 5mins later they came over the pub, so we were a part of each other's special day. The whole Fly Past was amazing and to have the Red Arrows over the pub was spectacular. (Thanks again to the Napfest Team).



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



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

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

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

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

#### Claire and Mark.

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

### Naphill Tennis Club



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

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

### Forthcoming events:

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

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

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

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

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

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



### **Friends of Naphill Common**

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

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

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

The Common is slowly healing after the latest round of felling. We hope to see the ruts smoothed out and the grasses and other vegetation begin to recover. As well as being part of the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Beauty, our common is also a Site of Special Scientific Interest, Grade 1: which means that we, and Natural England, have a duty to protect and enhance its quality as a natural habitat. The rich mixture of ancient and young trees and a ground flora, untouched by agriculture, and the numerous ponds should mean that it is home to very wide range of plant and animal species. At present it is not doing too badly, but there is enormous scope for improvement. The Friends of Naphill Common are determined to help it on its way. Join us if you would like to be a part of the project.

Chris Miller - Chairman.



### **Chiltern Hills Arboriculture**

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

#### Dear Mike,

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

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

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

*Please accept my apologies for the inconvenience caused.* 

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

> Kind regards David

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

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

> *Mike Beckley* Chiltern Hills Arboriculture

### A Point of View

There has been a lot of discussion recently on the role of the Chilterns AONB and the limited powers it has to defend against the extensive building threats which exist under the government's pledge to build more houses at any cost, even allowing some loss of Green Belt protection. A new recent initiative has been to reconsider the protected areas classification and raise it to the status of a National Park. Such an improved protection order has been achieved by the South Downs, previously an AONB and the New Forest in Hampshire. It would make particular sense in this current period of local government re-organisation creating one planning authority for the whole of the AONB and not fragmented amongst the Local Plans of three counties and five district councils.

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

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

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

Richard Pushman

### Naphill Evening WI

Wasn't Napfest fantastic!

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

Some of us recently visited to the garden of Peterley Corner Cottage, a three acre site with beautiful trees and wild flowers and a lovely herbaceous border. We were also served rather good tea and cake.

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

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

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

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

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

Carol Gillam

### **Naphill Brownies**

Wasn't the Royal wedding great?

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



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

At brownies, we love being part

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



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

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

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

Brown Owl

Ruth Daly 565571. ruth.daly3@btinternet.com1st Naphill Brownies, Thursdays 5:45-7pm

### Naphill & Walter's Ash School

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



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

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

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

### Bon Ami

What a fabulous weekend Napfest was!

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

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

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

See you all soon,

Amanda & Ruth.

### Letter from Bradenham Vicarage

#### Starry, starry nights

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

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

The Perseids can be seen throughout the Northern Hemisphere, so even if you are on holiday, why not plan a star party. Mosey on down to the beach and look out to sea, or go for a night time walk. If you can, take a flask of hot chocolate (or whatever is your preferred beverage) and some chocolate chip cookies or buy fish and chips and eat them on the beach watching the sky. The BBC now often announces the main meteor showers in its weather forecasts, so listen out for when conditions may be at their best. Do remember to take safety precautions – you know the stuff – let people know where you are going, check the tides etc.

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

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

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

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

When I consider your heavens,

the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars,

which you have set in place,

what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honour.

Psalm 8:3-5

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

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

The heavens declare the glory of God;

the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Psalm 19:1

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

Rev Jenny Ellis

Associate Priest, West Wycombe Benefice

### Services At St. Botolph's

July 1st 11am Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis

July 8th 11am Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis

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

July 22nd 11am Matins Rev. Allan Barton

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

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

### Letter from Hughenden Parish Church

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

Meanwhile in said house, lived Mrs Sharp, who was having a lovely afternoon snooze in her favourite chair in the parlour. She heard the knock on the door, but couldn't see who it was from where she was seated. She felt lethargic, was slightly annoyed that she had been awakened from her nap, and she decided that she was not feeling up to entertaining that day – so she ignored the determined knocking.

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

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

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

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

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

### Alpha Course

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

We consider a wide range of topics including:

Is there more to life than this?

Who is Jesus?

Why did Jesus die?

Why and how do I pray?

How does God guide us?

Who is the Holy Spirit?

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

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

Rev. Keith Johnson

### Letter from Sir David Lidington MP

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

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

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

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

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

David Lidington

### **Black Lion**

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

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

We are delighted to say our next Macmillan Family Fundraising weekend will take place on the August Bank Holiday weekend 25 & 26 August. Please come and join us for this fun filled weekend for a very worthwhile cause. More details on our Facebook page and in the pub nearer the time.

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

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

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

Thanks again for all your support.

Jack, Sian and the team

### **Naphill Neighbours**

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

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

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

Hazel Vickery, 563977



### **Bradenham Parish Council**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Deirdre Hansen - clerk to the council email: clerk@bradenham.org.uk www.bucksvoice.net/bradenham-parish-council

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

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

**18/06280/FUL 5 Moseley Road Naphill HP14 4SQ.** Householder application for construction of rear conservatory. Received on 17.05.18 Target Date for Determination 26.06.2018. **18/06278/FUL 2 Victoria Cottages Downley Road Naphill HP14** 4RG HA for construction of two storey side extension and provision of onsite parking. Received17.05.18. Determination: 12.07.2018.. 18/06353/CLP Melvern Stocking Lane Naphill. HP14 4NE. Certificate of lawfulness for proposed construction of detached outbuilding. 24.05.18 Determination:19.07.2018. Received 18/06105/FUL. 256 Main Road Naphill. HP14 4RX. Erection of attached two storey 2-bed dwelling, widening of access & dropped kerb & creation of four parking spaces to front (2 spaces for use of 256 Main Road) - alternative scheme to 15/07883/FUL Received on 01.06.18. Determination. 27.07. 2018

#### Permitted

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Glorla Leflaive 563634

### **Book Stall**



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

Sheila Draper

### **Last Word**

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

Last month I included a small piece encouraging people to join Naphill Neighbours. Whilst they would welcome you to attend their meetings membership is on an annual basis commencing in January each year. Contact details and meeting times are on page16 of this publication.

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

Happy July everyone!

Sonia

### **Community Events Calendar**

- 28 Sept. Tennis Club Barn Dance/ Supper
- **12 Oct .** Residents Association Quiz Night
  - **3 Nov.** Bonfire Night

Further details in August/Septermber Gazette

### Small Ads

**LET'S GO DOGWALKING/PET SITTING** Walters Ash and Naphill area. Prices start from £3, enquire on 07545336769. For current offers, visit my Facebook page https://www. facebook.com/MGrayLetsgoDogwalking/

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problems, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenvalleyfootclinic.com

**CRYSTAL HEALING THERAPIST** Reiki treatments & Indian Head Massage. Enables your wellbeing & relaxation. I also teach meditation & Reiki. Call Heather 07377 537070 or email mooncrafting@outlook.com. Facebook & Instagram as MoonCrafting, www.mooncrafting.com

**DA ROCHA SERVICES** - Local, young and hardworking team. Providing gardening, painting & decorating and handyman services. Also offering house clearances, gutter cleans and small landscaping jobs. Call Chris - 07540088573

#### Continued on page 38

# Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450 or Jo 07946 153584..

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

**TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES,** Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail.com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private self-contained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 email stefan@zacharydesign.com

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**LAWN MOWING**. Local, friendly, reliable, regular lawn mowing service. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly to suit your requirements. Established for over 10 years. For a free quote please call Alan on 01494 443362 or email: lawns@alandriver.com

# For all Advertising Information please contact the editor,

Contact details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

# 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

### **KENT MURRAY**

### <u>GENERAL BUILDER &</u> <u>HANDYMAN</u>

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
   Flooring
- FI00fillig
   Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







# Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

### Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

# Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

## Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

## Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

### **Based in Upper North Dean**

# Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

# SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

# **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance

# Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

City <mark>& P</mark> Guilds

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

### **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

August/September 2018





good food & traditional ales

#### • Real Ales

- Homecooked Food
- Large Garden and Terrace
- Small & Large Group Bookings
- Family & Dog Friendly
- Food now available til 4pm on Sundays

Opening Hours 11am to 11pm Mon - Sat Food served Tues - Sat 12-3 pm / 6-9 pm Sunday- 12noon to 11pm Food served 12noon to 6pm

Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4SH For all reservations call: 01494 563176 blacklionnaphill.com



# Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th August from 1pm

- BBQ
- Tombola
- DJ Saturday night
- Live Music Sunday
- Penalty Shootout
- Face painting
- Gin & Prosecco Bar
- Plus lots more family fun!

We have raised over £7,500 in the last 3 years!





Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

### **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

# Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

# 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

#### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

# **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

# BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



# 



# All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





# SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

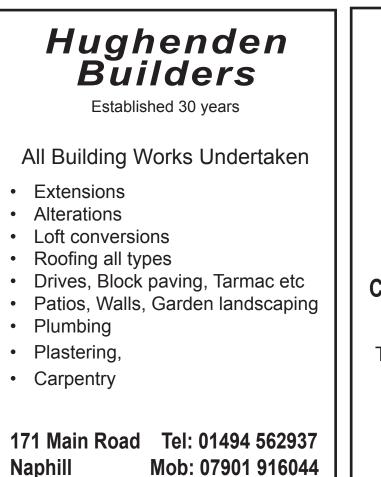
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

### **Sure-Build Built on Quality**

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





# Kim Johnson Plumbing



# Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

# Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

# Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

# 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



# P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

## **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

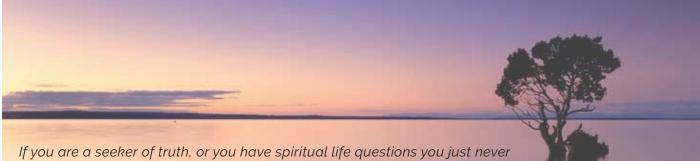
01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette August/September 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: <u>photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

### Copy Deadline for the October 2018 edition is 15 September 2018

Contacts Directory							
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk				
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk				
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Victoria Austwick		victoria.austwick@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy						
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Peter Williams	565695	peter.williams@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk				
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm				
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com				
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT					
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275				

	and Walter's Ash				
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact		
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121		
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933		
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com		
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com		
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys Training Sessions	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk		
	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332		
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash			
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767		
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332		
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089		
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk		
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green			
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday of the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977		
Wednesday Fellowship	Wednesday afternoons 2pm	Methodist Church	Betty Jones 564469		
Residents Association	Third Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com		
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com		
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282		
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706		
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406		
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com		
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk		
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670				
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018		



#### Editorial

The Summer sun is glowing and I for one love it! I had placed my order for a blazing August so that, minus the Gazette for a whole month, I could laze in the garden. I am hoping that the glorious July is going to continue through August and not vanish as it always seemed to do when I was a school teacher!

The end of the school year! All the examinations have been taken and it is now the nervous wait for the results for the older children. For the 11 year olds it is off to secondary school and probably a mixture of excitement and just a little apprehension moving on from being a big fish in a fairly small pond to being a little fish in a huge pond. Good luck and best wishes to you all. Special thanks to our young reporters and to the staff at Naphill and Walter's Ash school who have supported their Gazette contributions this year. I look forward to welcoming a new group in September.

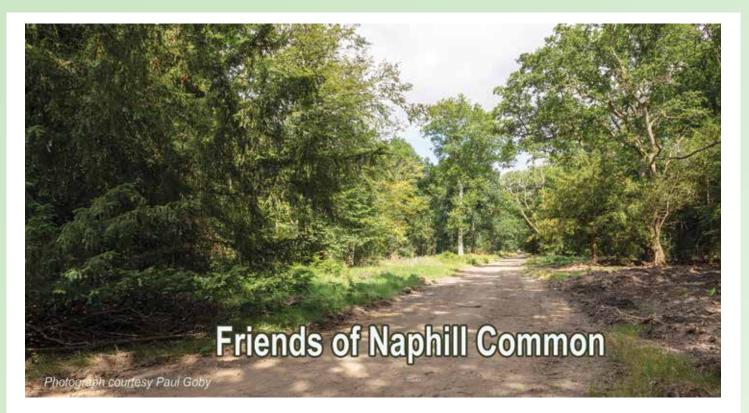
This month I received an advertising request from a local charity, "Hearing Dogs" at Saunderton. Unfortunately, I have no spare feature advertisement space, indeed, it is an ever-growing waiting list, but I assured them that subject to space, the Gazette will always support local charitable events. They asked if they could please have a copy of our magazine and so we ventured down there. What a truly inspiring place! The facilities and the staff, many of whom are volunteers, are amazing. Of course, we had to try the new shop and cafe area and we thoroughly enjoyed an excellent lunch. The cafe opens at 9am every day with a breakfast menu, there is a good lunch menu, including Sunday lunch and no doubt cake, beverages and ice-cream all available until 4pm each day. Well worth a visit!

On the subject of charity, congratulations to James Foster who completed his marathon 54/54 cycling challenge and raised over £2,500 for the Marie Curie charity. Well done James!

Amongst our great village assets are the Village Hall and the Crick! It now seems fashionable to talk about "making memories" for our children, something we have always done but is perhaps made easier with modern technology. Recently we were looking through a file of photographs of our Naomi playing on the Crick and the immediate response from Naomi was "Oh I remember that!" So please forgive Grandma! I have chosen the photo for this month's cover, not for it's photographic qualities but just because it captures the moment, the carefree fun of running full tilt through the willow tunnel on a beautiful Summer's day, and it comes too with a heartfelt plea! Happily, the muchloved willow tunnel is still there but a lot of the other playground equipment has been removed and there will be appeals and possibly events to raise funds to replace this. Please support and help to make this play area a safe and enjoyable haven for our youngsters where simple, happy memories will be created. Thank you, Paul Goby, for taking this photograph.

Finally, a happy August/September to you all, may the sun shine and may you all enjoy!

Sonia 01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk



The prolonged period of dry weather has been a treat for some and a growing pain for gardeners. With a large area of the Common churned up like a ploughed field the lack of rain has been something of a blessing. Now that most, if not all, of the footpaths and bridleways have been marked out by Wessex Woodland Management's bulldozer we have to wait to see how the vegetation recovers.

This is important. The Common was designated as a Site of Special Sientific Interest Grade 1 partly because its soil and vegetation had not been disturbed by ploughing at least since the Iron Age. The ancient earthwork near Dew Pond is thought to be the remains of a farming community who probably ploughed and grazed the land, perhaps 2000 years ago. It seems that it became open grassland dotted with trees – mainly oaks and beech. It evolved slowly while being grazed by cattle and sheep.

Marian Miller has unearthed a delightful description written in 1863 by someone who walked up from West Wycombe: 'Who, in the midst of corn-fields, chalk, flints, and hollow beech-woods, would expect to come on so lovely and wild a spot, on one side of the estate, as Naphill Common? Heather, juniper bushes, and fine oak trees thickly interspersed, and sweet greensward, give the Common all the appearance of an ancient chase; and at every turn the wanderer almost expects to see the antlers of a deer, or if in summer, the graceful doe and fawn grazing in the dewy glades.' Once grazing stopped in about the 1920s the changes accelerated: gorse, juniper and bracken began to overtake the grasses and they in turn gave way to bushes and trees.

The recent felling has changed the soil surface in some areas but has also let in more light. The hope

is that the seeds left in the soil and the surrounding vegetation will heal the wounds. The third phase of felling, planned to start this autumn, will not help. The Friends of Naphill Common has an enormous task ahead to return the Common to a condition where it deserves its SSSI designation.

Meanwhile our activities continue. Both adults and children are welcome to join John Tyler and his Minibeast Safari on Wednesday 8th August, starting from the Village hall at 2 pm. You are also welcome to join with the Bucks Fungus Group who will visit the Common on 21st October. Details to follow. Our guided walks are open to all. The short walks generally involve the Common and they are between 2-3 miles, led by Chris Miller starting at 10.30am from the Village Hall on the first Wednesday of each month. The longer walks are led by Ron Collins and are about 5 miles, generally some distance from Naphill. Join Ron on the third Monday of each month; meeting at the Village Hall at 9.25am for a prompt start at 9:30am. Members and non-members are equally welcome (but as there is sometimes a need to make changes it would be wise to consult our website, posters or the two leaders to confirm the details).

The final reckoning shows that our silent auction at the Naphill Festival raised no less than £2,357, thanks to many generous donations. We will donate £1,250 of this to the Village Hall, leaving £1,107 for FONC to spend wisely. Any suggestions?

Chris Miller

Chairman

### Friends of Naphill Common Diary Dates



#### Naphill Fireworks & Bonfire 2018

Despite being in the midst of the longest heatwave since 1976 and having a garden that resembles the Serengeti, preparations for this year's Naphill Fireworks event are already well and truly underway! The Fireworks Committee has been meeting regularly since April to ensure everything is in place for the evening of Saturday 3rd November.

The Committee remains largely unchanged this year, however after 25 years, Andrew Wasilewski has decided to step down as the Chairman (although he still remains a valuable member of the Committee). I'd like to take this opportunity to personally thank him for doing such a fantastic job since its inception all those years ago and I really appreciate all the help and support during the handover. So, whilst Andrew readies the pipe and slippers, I'm desperately trying to get to grips with all the tasks in hand!

We really hope to see you all again this year, please head to Naphill Fireworks' Facebook group for all the latest information and updates, if anyone has any questions or suggestions, please feel free to post them there.

Thanks and enjoy the rest of your Summer!

Pete Dalby Chairman - Naphill Fireworks





#### **RAF High Wycombe News**

The RAF Centenary Baton Relay involved a specially designed baton being carried to 100 sites associated with the RAF both in the U.K. and abroad, over 100 days. Some of you may have seen it at Napfest this year.

It began its journey at the Royal Court of Justice on the 1st of April and ended its journey on the 10th of July at Horseguards Parade during the RAF 100 celebrations.

During the relay Lady Hillier, service personnel and their spouses, walked the baton along the banks of the Thames to Marlow where it was passed to Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Hillier, Chief of the Air Staff, where it continued along the Thames on a dragon boat on its way to London.



Pictured here is our Station Commander, his wife and some of the RAF High Wycombe team who took part in the relay.

RAF High Wycombe wanted to create a lasting legacy to commemorate 100 years of the RAF, what better way than a community mosaic. Joanna Dewfall from Dewfall Mosaics was commissioned to design a large mosaic based on the RAF 100 logo.

Members of the RAF community were invited to come along and add a piece or two, we had over 200 participants over the space of two days, the youngest was 1 week old!

The first piece was laid by a servicewoman on her first day at RAF High Wycombe and the last piece was laid by Natalie Daly who is due to join the RAF in January,

Group Captain Rob Wood, our Station Commander, joined in too with his family, it was a real community

The completed mosaic will be displayed on 1 & 2 Site before finding its permanent home on 3 Site. It is currently 'lodging' in the HIVE beside the Thrift Shop if

Dani Bowman



#### **Chiltern Hills Arboriculture**

So, with the hot weather upon us, it feels important to keep our grass and plants well hydrated (hosepipe bans not withstanding).

The best time of day to water is late evening once the sun has gone down and the air is cooler. Watering through the heat of the day will just result in surface evaporation, the hydration not reaching the roots of your plants and lawns, and the whole effort being wasted.

Having said that, it is important not to over water. If you grow tomato plants, and your ripe fruits are showing signs of cracking in their skins, this is a sign of over watering, or inconsistent watering. Plants like the "little and often" approach. Over watering or "binge" watering can result in root rot, yellow leaves, and leaf roll (top most leaves turning inwards and upwards, leaving leaves firm , rigid, or crumbly). This condition tends to happen overnight, but does not necessarily mean the death of your harvest.

Down on the allotments, hose pipes are not an option. I tend to look at watering the veg, using cans, as an aerobic exercise alternative to gym membership. It's like lifting weights and using the treadmill at the same time.

If your lawn turns brown, and appears to die off during July and August, worry not. I remember back to the days of my youth. The 'baking' summer of 1976. Temperatures hit record highs, for record durations. On top of this we had the hosepipe ban. Our back garden looked like the outback of Northern Queensland, Australia by early September..... and still the grass was lush and green the following spring.

My advice. Enjoy the weather while it lasts. The rain will be back soon enough.

Mike

Chiltern Hills Arboriculture

#### **Growing Your Own**

If you were to ask me, of my 45 years of growing fruit and vegetables in my garden and on my allotment, which was the most difficult year I would have replied without hesitation, 2018. If you recall, we had fairly incessant rain from January to early May, accompanied by very cold conditions. I normally sow carrot seed at the end of March, but by the end of April the soil was still sodden and cold. I knew that if I sowed small seeds they would lie there and rot without germinating.

Then, after a week of May, we had an abrupt change of climate to sunny, warm and dry. I sowed two rows of carrots and other small seeds, then had the opposite problem. They germinated but were immediately in danger of being frazzled by the intense sun and complete lack of rain. So I had to water just to keep them alive!! I never have to do that!! Usually my soil contains lots of water-retentive material and occasional rain helps a lot. At the time of writing I have heard that this hot dry period will go on through July and August and into September, albeit with the odd short period of rain from time to time. Also, in the south-east of the UK, in June we had 5% of the normal rainfall and it might have been the driest June on record!! That shows how difficult a period it has been when trying to grow your own.

At the time of writing I am ever more grateful for 45 years of applying copious quantities of farmyard manure to my allotment and garden. In addition to valuable trace elements, it has added vast quantities of humus and fibre, which has made my soil very moisture-retentive. The soil level of my allotment has risen 6 to 9 inches compared to the paths both sides. In the past I had an annual load of 4.5 tons of farmyard manure but these days, seeing as my allotment soil is so rich, I have half of a 1.25-ton load, and apply it just where I think I need it most.

Even though I have such wonderful soil, that soil cannot cope with very hot dry conditions where the top couple of inches dries out like dust. I sow seeds by firstly creating a groove with my ridging tool, filling the groove with water, sowing the seeds, then putting dry soil on top and tamping down. If I then have to water for reasons given above I am causing roots to prefer to grow upwards where the water is, rather than down into the permanently-damp soil underneath. I know that watering is all wrong but I have to do it otherwise the seeds would be frazzled. What a dilemma!

Good gardening,

Mike Mason



The Windmill is open on Sunday's 2-5pm. Mike has kindly given me a set of superb photos of the restored interior which I hope to share with you in a future edition of the Gazette. Sonia



#### Naphill Village Hall & Playing Fields Council

Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairmans Report**

On Monday July 2nd. The village hall committee meeting was held. Various items were discussed, among them funding for the new playground equipment. I reported that I had attended Hughenden Parish council finance committee meeting as we had applied for a grant to help us buy some more playground equipment that had been condemned and removed, after some discussion the village hall was given a grant of £5000 but with a couple of provisions, that we match fund the amount and organise events to raise £5000. Also, to provide an invoice for the equipment by 31st. March 2019. Some ideas were put forward for fundraising but it would be good if some of the mums and dads whose children use the playground would become involved, so if you have some ideas and can help, please email me at the village hall website.

The roof was also discussed and although the new flat roof was completed and is watertight there is still a small leak from either the veranda or kitchen roofs where they join over Bon Ami. The problem of finding the source of the leak is this great weather we are having at the moment, it has not rained since Napfest and trying to find the leak with a hosepipe does not identify it. So, we await the rain!

A safeguarding policy was approved for the village hall after some minor amendments and we are moving forward with the new health and safety policy. To apply for some of the grants that may be available, the village hall needs to include a dissolution clause in the constitution of the village hall, this clause has to be approved by the committee and then adopted at the AGM when the public can attend. As the constitution says that the trustees only hold the village hall and playing fields in trust for the people of the village of Naphill the clause will identify what happens in the event of the village hall not being able to continue to operate.

The village hall buildings and contents insurance was renewed at the beginning of June and the amounts were increased on both buildings and contents to reflect present day values and this resulted in an extra premium, so the total was £3,400.

The decision was taken to renew the software licence for the village hall booking system and this cost £180.

Some trustees have expressed concern at the level of responsibility that is implicit in being a trustee and one possible solution is for the village hall to have a smaller management committee of trustees to meet monthly for decision making then a larger meeting for all stakeholders that would take place quarterly. All villagers are welcome to express their views on this.

As Napfest was more of an event than usual, the financial result has not been finalised to date as there are still some bills to pay and monies to come in but we seem to have had a bumper year. A brilliant outcome from Linda Clark and the Napfest committee with loads of help from the RAF.

*Clive Lawrence* Chairman Naphill Village Hall.







#### Goodbye from our School Reporters

As the summer term comes to an end, we are sad to announce that this will be our last addition to the gazette. We have really enjoyed Year 6 and will now tell you some of our favourite moments of this year.

**T**: For this edition I think we should do something special. So we are going to put **T** for what I (Thomas) say and **O** for what Orlando says.

**O:** Let's start at the beginning

**T**: Getting our JLT badges and ties. It felt amazing, I was so happy! Next, we had the 11+ which turned out to be much easier than the hundreds of practice papers our parents had forced us to do for the year leading up to Y6!

**O:** Then, at the end of March, we went to Rhos Y Gwaliau, an outdoor activity centre – it was an amazing experience. But the best day was on Monday, when my group climbed up a freezing Welsh mountain to explore a Victorian slate mine. We had a great time touring the mine and seeing the tools that the Victorians had used such as the mine cart and pickaxe. But then, as we tried to get out, we discovered that the lock was frozen; we were trapped! Hurriedly, our instructor ran back across the mine to use the 150-year-old pickaxe to break the lock. We were free!

**T:** There were also evening activities at Rhos, my favourite was swimming because it was nice to relax in warm water after being surrounded by cold water while canoeing and gorge walking. The instructors were awesome and we wrote letters to thank them for what they did.

**O**: Then at the end of the school year, we started to audition for our play – Shakespeare Rocks! I was lucky enough to be chosen to be Shakespeare.

**T**: And I'm in the back corner doing sound. That was also quite hard because we had to make the sound effects come in at the right time.

**O**: Everyone had to learn their lines, dance moves and song lyrics and it was hard work, especially in the heat. I have always enjoyed acting and felt really proud performing.

We have thoroughly enjoyed writing for the gazette this year and telling you about everything we've done this year. We leave you in the capable hands of next year's Media Team.

#### **Thomas and Orlando**

Thank you Thomas and Orlando! We have all enjoyed your reports and wish you well as you start the next exciting stage of your school life. *Sonia* 



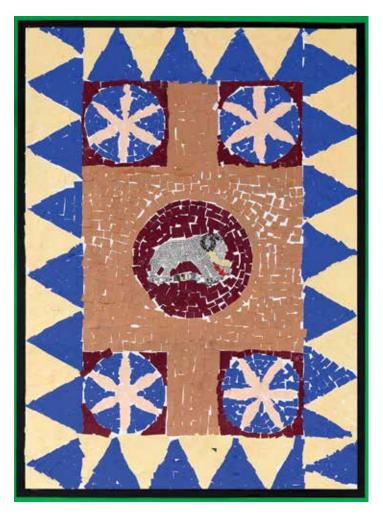
#### A Journey into a Very Satisfying and Happy Year

A brief request on Naphill fb page started a very happy year. A call was put out for volunteers to listen to the younger children read at Naphill & Walters Ash school. I replied to the 'shout out' saying I would love to help, also confessing at the same time that I am a lady of very senior years. This (kindly) didn't put them off and a couple of weeks into the start of the year I joined this very charming and well-mannered school!

I felt very much a nervous newbie on my first day, but no time to be shy, I was expected, and had been allocated reading with year1 and year 4! I was pointed in the classroom direction and so my adventure began!

The year ones were so sweet, I had forgotten how small they were at this age, yet in the main, quite confident, sizing me up pretty shrewdly to see what this new lady was going to be like!

I have got to know these kids over the year, heard their confidences (don't panic Mums! Nothing awful) rejoiced with them on the birth of new siblings or the acquisition of a pet. The biggest excitement of all has been watching them go up the colour bands of their reading books. It is the



most enjoyable thing in the world to be greeted by a very proud and excited child on a Tuesday who can't wait to tell you "I'm now on orange or maybe turquoise" some have even reached the giddy heights of "gold"

I started with reading with year four, but not for long! I was asked if I could sew. I assured them I was no Norman Hartnell but was quite happy to have a go. Year 4 and I spent a term learning to thread needles (unthreading seemed easier!), achieve a basic running stitch (more tacking with some!) We sewed tepees, gave them doors which closed with a hook and eye. Progress was slow so not everyone had a go. Shame but time was short.



But this summer term we were given a project to make two mosaic floors, as the children were learning all about the Romans. Every child had a go this time! And what a wonderful time we all had cutting, sticking and gluing. The result pleased the children, relaxed them, and I think also helped them to talk to a stranger and discuss all sorts of topics while still working.

Never hesitate to offer your services to this school, they are very welcoming, even if you are very mature! It has been a wonderful year and I would love it if they would ask me back again!

Margaret Hunter

**Editorial Comment**: My grateful thanks to the yr.4 children, Margaret, the school staff and Himself. (Paul Goby. the photographer for this article). *Sonia* 









#### Naphill & Walter's Ash School Association

What a fabulous day at WANSA Wonderland ... the weather was perfect, the burgers were juicy and the Pimms was cold!

It was wonderful to see so many of you come and enjoy the day and support the school, we do hope you had a great time!

Many thanks to this year's sponsors:

Naphill & Walters Ash Out of School Club Country Supplies Tyre Team Coles & Blackwell Chicken/egg The Co-Op The Wye Partnership Art & Office

We really appreciate the support!

Don't forget to join our WANSA Facebook page so you can find out more of our events.

Karen Davis

#### **Naphill Brownies**

We've had a great few weeks at brownies

We were very excited when Merv the horse came to visit: Merv belongs to one of our wonderful young leaders. The brownies were able to learn how to approach a horse and then stroke and feed him. We were impressed that all the girls had the courage to stroke him as many had never been that close to a horse before

We spent a fun evening creating all sorts of bubbles experimenting with various contraptions made from string, bottles, socks...etc – some made gigantic bubbles, some made lots of tiny bubbles.

And then there was our bear adventure.

The residents of Downley Road did us proud. There were bears in the windows, driving cars, up trees, having picnics...the brownies absolutely loved going on a bear hunt. Thank you so much to all who made this so amazing.

And then our bears went on their own adventure in the woods – they climbed trees, swung from rope swings, even went down a zip wire – some were very adventurous.



And all finishing up with a Teddy Bears' (and brownies) picnic. It's great being a brownie leader!

Have a nice summer everyone and don't forget to save your jumble for us for our autumn sale.

#### Brown Owl

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

#### Naphill and Hughenden Cubs

It's been a busy few months for the two cub packs. Once the clocks changed the focus has been on outdoor activities and the recent spell of hot dry weather has allowed the most to be made of the great outdoors and appreciate the beautiful surroundings we live in. In addition to the Crick the cubs have been making use of the Common, the Scout hut in Speen and also with kind permission of the Parish Council, Vincent's Meadow, which is a great asset for running wide games.

Some of the activities the Cubs have done in the evenings include cricket, cycling, gardening (including growing potatoes on our local allotment), navigation as part of walks to and from Hughenden Manor and back woods cooking.

The two packs have also come together for a number of events such a kayaking, geocaching, athletics and

most recently a weekend camp at PACCAR Chalfont Heights. 42 cubs along with leaders and parent helpers took part in the weekend camp. The weather was perfect for camping under canvas. Over the weekend the cubs took part in a number of group activities including adventure trails, archery and caving. All the cubs helped to prepare their own food including the vegetables for their foil packet meals before cooking them on open fires and last but not least, there was singing around the camp fire.

It's been a great summer for the cubs and they've earned lots of badges and hopefully learned some new skills. Naphill and Hughenden has one of the largest group of cubs in the area but this is only possible thanks to all the leaders, committee members and parent helpers who give up their time to organise the activities and share their knowledge with the cubs. Thanks to all those who have helped over the past year.

Thoughts have already turned to next year and planning is already underway for the autumn. If anyone has any interesting hobbies, or are members of sports clubs looking to get new people involved, that they would like to share with the cubs then please let one of the leaders know. Email addresses are in the front of the Gazette

Martin Bedows Beth Foster

**Editorial Comment**: The photographs submitted with both of the articles on this page were lovely but the file sizes were too small to process for printing. They possibly have been processed as "resized for web" and at 72dpi and small files, I cannot use them. I am very sorry, I truly do my best and hate to disappoint!

Sonia



#### From Sir David Lidington MP

#### **Reflections on two summer fetes**

The festival of Eid, marking the end of the fasting month of Ramadan, is one of the most important of the Muslim year. Eid is looked forward to and celebrated by our local Muslim communities in Aylesbury and High Wycombe along with their fellow-believers around the world.

In the last few years, the Aylesbury mosque has made a big effort to invite people from all religious traditions and communities in the town to join in their celebrations. A little while ago, I was delighted to join friends from the mosque and beyond in cutting the cake for the Eid Fayre, an event that's rapidly becoming an annual feature of the Aylesbury events calendar.

What I really like is how the Eid Fayre blends two great celebratory traditions: Eid, with its significance to Muslims, and the English love of summer fetes and fayres. I actually went to both the Eid Fayre and the Speen village fete on the same day (and just caught the end of the Risborough festival too!) and was struck by the similarities. Both had stalls fundraising for charity and others promoting local public services and voluntary organisations. Both were selling food and drink. Both had children's activities. Oh, and both had lots of people cheering on England in their quarterfinal game.

Yes, there were some differences: there was no alcohol and no raffle at the Eid Fayre. But the mood at both was the same: a local community coming together to enjoy themselves and inviting the neighbours to join them.

I went home that evening thinking that, whatever our problems and challenges, there are some things in this country that we are getting right. Of course we need to do a lot more to make sure that we as a country get the right balance between national unity and solidarity and respect for the diversity that is a key feature of modern England and modern Britain, but that Saturday afternoon in July renewed my optimism about the future.

#### Update on local government reform

The public consultation has closed on the government's "minded to" proposal to accept the plan for a single unitary council in Buckinghamshire to replace both County and District Councils. Due process needs to be observed, but I have urged the new Secretary of State, James Brokenshire, to make his decision as soon as possible.

David Lidington



#### Naphill Tennis Club

Tennis is in full swing as usual. Our popular Adult Improvers' Coaching on a Wednesday morning has now stopped for the summer holidays but will resume in the Autumn. Meanwhile, we have the following tennis activities coming up for youngsters to enjoy:

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

		Tennis Club	Non
Time	Age	Members	Members
9.30am -10.15am	3-4.5yrs	£5.00	£5.00
9.30am -1.00pm	4.5-9yrs	£15.00	£20.00
1.30pm - 4.30pm	9+ yrs	£15.00	£20.00

Please contact our coach, Melanie Burn, on 07949 128195/01844 343478 or email: melebbles@hotmail.com to book your child's place.





#### **Bradenham Parish Council**

At its July meeting the parish council was pleased to see that after many years of flooding problems on Rectory Lane in Bradenham and many years of urging to have something done, the County Council has placed 2 new drains in the road and put a new soakaway in the adjoining field. Now waiting on rain to see if this works.

The parish council had taken on devolved services, for us this is mainly grass cutting in the 30mph zone, from Bucks County Council some years ago and the contract is coming up for renewal. The parish council is pleased with the way we have been able to manage the services and agreed to continue with the delivery of devolved services. The County Council have promised to continue funding this.

The parish council was pleased to see that Wycombe District Council had done a litter pick on Bradenham Woods Lane, as they were planning on organising one themselves.

Soon you will see a dog waste bin by the pond in Bradenham. The problem of bags with dog waste is not getting any less, so the parish council decided to buy and pay for a dog bin and the emptying of this themselves. The National Trust have agreed to this. It is hoped it will be well used.

Our next meeting will be Monday 3rd September 2018 at Bradenham Cricket club. All residents are welcome.

Deirdre Hansen Clerk to the Council

#### Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 18th June and 16th July were discussed, and any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

18/06411/VCDN Stoneleigh Coombe Lane Naphill

**HP14 4QX.** Variation of conditions 4 (plan numbers) attached to PP 16/06817/FUL (Erection of 1 x 4 bedroom detached dwelling with integral garage and construction of new detached garage for Stoneleigh and associated access alterations) To allow for minor material amendments to be made to the external appearance and internal layout of the dwelling. Received 11.06.18 Target Date for Determination: 06.08.2018. **18/06566/FUL.7 Ash Close Walters Ash HP14 4TR.** Householder application for raising of roof, roof extension/alterations in connection with creation of first floor living accommodation. Received 14.06.18 Target for Determination: 09.08.2018.

#### **Decisions. Permitted**

18/06278/ FUL 2 Victoria Cottages, Downley Road, Naphill. HP14 4RG 18/06353/CLP Melvern, Stocking Lane, Naphill. HP14 4NE.

**REMINDER.** Public Examination by Inspector of WDC New Local. The Hearing on Rural Areas. **Policy RUR7** for housing development on GB/AONB field off Clappins Lane, Walter's Ash, amongst others, is taking place at 9.30am in the Council Chamber on Thursday 6th September 2018. Ian Hall and Phil Conran will represent NAWARA. Public may attend but cannot take part in discussions with the Inspector.

NAWARA QUIZ Friday 12th October 2018. Naphill Village Hall. Another chance to take part and enjoy this popular event. Hot meal. Full Bar, raffle and prizes. Teams up to Six - as far as possible. For tickets, £12 per head, please ring 563634 or 07802 235578. Do book early. See poster for details. We look forward to seeing you.

Gloria Leflaive - 563634

Naphill & Walter's Ash Resident's Association



QUIZ NIGHT Friday 12 October

Popular local Quizmaster

#### PETER OXBROW

Teams of up to SIX

Register your team early Tickets £12.50

Hot meal - Chilli Con Carne

Vegeterian Lasagne, Salad

Prizes, Raffle, Full Bar

Profits shared between Children in Need and NAWARA

#### NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

Doors Open 7pm. Quiz 7.30pm

Tickets Gloria 563634 Jo 07802 235578

If preferred email glorialeflaive@msn.com or jokeattch@googlemail

#### **Shear Madness**

Wow, well all I can say is SCORCHIO! but to be fair I'm sure you can all still remember the awful long, long winter so I think we deserve it. Who watched the World Cup ? I think we did really well and we represented our country perfectly, I also thought is was nice that Gareth Southgate gave every one a hug when we lost, it was very touching.

Sorry, holiday time again. I will be closed bank holiday weekend as usual and from September 21st and open Friday 5th October.

Wishing all the little ones good luck starting school, new year 7's be brave, you will be fine and all my Uni/College babies starting off on their grown up world, don't forget to phone your mum ! Yes I worry about you too, I have seen you all grow into wonderful children/adults and I couldn't be more proud of you all.

Here is to a happy, safe long summer.

#### The Black Lion

We are looking forward to our next Macmillan Family Fundraising weekend on the August Bank Holiday weekend 25th & 26th August. Please come and join us for this fun filled weekend for a very worthwhile cause. More details on our Facebook page and in the pub nearer the time.

We are collecting raffle prizes so if you would like to donate any children's or adult's prizes then please pop them to Jack at the pub.

Just a reminder that we are serving a full vegan menu including a starter, 4 choices of main meals and a dessert. Food is served Tuesdays to Saturdays 12-3pm and 6-9pm (5-9pm on Fridays) and Sundays 12-6pm.

We have recently hosted some private parties – if you would like us to host your event and provide the catering then please contact us.

All of our customers have enjoyed watching the football on the big screen – it has been a great atmosphere so thank you! Let's hope It's Coming Home in 2020.

We look forward to seeing you in the garden soon.

Thanks again for all your support.

Jack, Sian and the team

#### **Naphill Neighbours**

We had a lovely day for our outing to Eastbourne last month – sunny, sea breezes, relaxed. Now we are looking forward - and hoping for the same weather - to Friday 10 August, when we are off to Saville Garden, Runnymede and a river trip with a cream tea included. The coach leaves the Village Hall at 9am.

Our next club meeting will not be until Monday 10 September, when a very popular speaker, Malcolm Nelson, makes a return visit. His subject on this occasion will be "A NATION OF THIEVES".

Wishing all our members a pleasant and sunny break, whether spent at home or away.

Hazel Vickery - 563977

#### Bon Ami

The holiday season is about to begin; Amanda is currently packing her suitcase.

We both have annual leave booked, however, we have some brilliant new staff members helping keep Bon Ami afloat throughout the summer. We will be well stocked with cold drinks, iced coffee, and ice creams to keep you all cool.

Although we are not wishing the summer to be over we wanted to let everyone know that our Macmillan Coffee Morning will take place on Friday 28th September 2018. We look forward to a very busy day making lots of funds for this extremely worthwhile cause.

Have a fabulous summer; see you here on the Crick.

Amanda & Ruth

#### Appeal for Sports Sponsors for Princes Risborough Secondary School

Hoping (and knowing) there are small local businesses, large Corporates and generous people out in our community who consider Sport in our local school PRINCES RISBOROUGH SECONDARY, just as important as the academics taught there - if so, I really do hope you will read on..... Since Government cuts in Education funding, PRS Secondary is unable to give a departmental budget to extra curricular Sport.

Understandably most of the budget goes towards academic / school essentials. I have been 'blown away' with the first class support, teaching & encouragement the entire PRS Sports Department have offered to our own son - for example in Football they regularly win the local District Leagues and Cups, and this year won the U15s Buckinghamshire County Cup! ... It is vital that the school is able to offer our teenagers the extracurricular activities and sport in particular - We all know that sport helps focus our young children, increase selfmotivation and enables them to react well to winning and losing, as well as being good for their health - It also removes them from their gaming devices & phones for a while! .....

So, my plea to anyone out there who may be able to help by becoming a 'Sponsor' of the all important PRS Football teams - equipment that they desperately require are Footballs and Full Kit for younger and older groups - in return, you will have your logo printed on the kit / teamwear, broadcasting of your company via Twitter @PRSfootball, and your company details would be put up in the PRS Community Sports Hall, along with the knowledge that you are supporting our local youngsters who are eager to compete in fantastic events in the community! (Sponsor Packages range from £100 - £600 with options in between) ..... If you would like to know more, or how you can help, please do contact me by direct message and I would be pleased to give you further details. Many thanks for reading.

> Anne Graziano anngraziano@hotmail.com

#### **Hughenden Alpha Course**

Begins Wednesday 19 September 2018 @ 7pm running on Wednesdays until early December

Hughenden Church House, Hughenden, HP14 4LA

Bring your questions to an enjoyable evening which includes a two course cooked meal, a film presentation, and opportunity to discuss the issues of life with others. Alpha addresses questions such as Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die? Why and How do I pray? How does God guide us? How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?

For more information/ to book your place please contact either Frank Hawkins on 07850 150462 or Keith the Vicar on 01494 257569.

#### There is no charge for Alpha Course.

Meet the Manager at the Wye Country, Naphill Office



#### You want to move away from Walter's Ash and Naphill. Wye??

So you have taken the difficult decision to move away from our lovely, friendly, picturesque village surrounded by rolling hills, historic houses and ancient woodlands. Well, if you insist perhaps I can help, but only if you are sure!

Firstly, I should introduce myself. My name is Alan Draper and I have lived in Walter's Ash for 8 years, having moved from a nearby village. I have been married to my wife, Joanne, for 33 years, and we have two (now grown up) daughters who unfortunately do not want to leave Walter's Ash just yet! I served in the Metropolitan Police for 30 years before recently taking up my role with Wye Country estate agents in the village. You may have seen me walking our beloved apricot cockapoo, Daisy, around the village and countryside until she unfortunately passed away a few months ago, and as such it gives me great pleasure to watch dogs passing by my new office with their owners (and sometimes without!).

With this in mind, I thought it would be fun to create "Daisy's Diner" outside the office located at 129

Main Road, Naphill. This is where your dog can rehydrate in the hot weather we have been having. A bag of doggie treats awaits for each pooch that pops in to have their photo taken. Each month I will be featuring "Daisy's Dog of the Month" and their photo will be featured on our Facebook page and in the Gazette.

Having dealt with the purchase and sales of a number of properties over many years, I can fully acknowledge how stressful the buying/selling process can be. I also recognise how, on occasions, Estate Agents can appear to contribute to these stress levels. It is as a result of these experiences that Wye run their offices differently, and places the focus on our customers. Whether you are in the market to buy or sell, the service provision will be tailored to make the experience as efficient and stress-free as possible.

As a member of the community myself, I think it is important to stress that as a local and independent Estate Agent, Wye Country can provide a personalised experience, with in-depth area knowledge. It is my intention to engage with community members and to get to know you better. If you are thinking about selling, buying or letting a property, come in and speak to me or give me a call on 01494 565555. I can advise you on the best way forward or your possible options, no strings attached. If you simply have a four legged friend that fancies posing for a photo in exchange for a treat, please pop in.

> Alan Draper Manager Wye Country - Naphill Office 01494 565555



#### New to Area Business Announcement

#### Let's Go Dogwalking/Pet Sitting

Walters Ash and Naphill area. Prices start from £3, enquire on 07545336769. For current offers, visit my Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/ MGrayLetsgoDogwalking/

**Editorial Comment**: Monika has recently moved to this area and asked for a feature advertisement space. Unfortunately, there are no spaces and the waiting list grows ever longer! Subject to space, I try to fit these business announcements in.

The Chihuahua in this photo is NOT my Carlos! Anybody who knows Carlos will know that there is no chance of him sitting still long enough to pose!

#### **The Wheel**

August has now arrived and we all already feel like we've had an amazing summer. I just hope that the sun continues through the school holidays. July has been a great month with fantastic weather throughout and I know many have struggled especially our fourfooted friends. I personally really enjoy the sun but have suffered with bee and wasp stings which has not been at all fun (I can definitely recommend you don't put a spade through the middle of a wasp nest)!!

The Wheel is known to be a rugby pub, but we have been supporting the England football team throughout the World Cup. The atmosphere in the front bar has been electric and the addition of an extra TV outside made a huge difference from the quarter finals and onwards.

We have had a busy month improving the gardens and we have bought some great high tables for the smoking area and the front of the pub, they look fantastic and are a great asset. We have also been digging up and paving the back garden, it will have a secluded courtyard feel and is somewhere to hide from the heat of the sun in the early evening. Once all of it has been completed we will be making the back garden an Adults Only Area!!

It is now the time of year that all the staff are off on their holidays so lots of shifts will change, we would also like to welcome Alison Strange to The Wheel team. I would also like to congratulate Annabel on getting a 1st in her degree, and we have our fingers and toes crossed for Annie and Jack on their A level results.

Chef and I have been busy in the kitchen and have finished our Christmas menu, yes, it's early but when you all get back from your summer break we will be ready to take your bookings.

Once again thank you to everyone for their custom and to all the staff for their hard work and we hope you all have an amazing summer.

Claire and Mark

#### A Message from Bradenham Vicarage

#### What are we hoping for?

Wow! What a summer we are having. Back in April, when the last of the winter's harsh weather had dissipated, we dared to hope that this year we would finally have a 'really good summer'. At the time of writing, there has been no significant rainfall in the area since 29th May, making some 7 weeks of glorious summer sunshine and heat, with more to come.

Then, as the World Cup football tournament began, we dared to begin to hope, to believe, that this year England might actually win - and for a while it looked as though they actually had a chance. The tsunami of hyperbole that followed their finally being knocked out of the competition highlighted the depth of feeling that can be engendered by 11 men kicking a 16oz inflated ball around a field. Tragic, gutted, catastrophe, disaster all featured in the reactions – my English teacher always used to tell us off for using such words since, were there to be a real disaster/catastrophe/tragedy, what words would we have left to describe it?

Then there was Serena Williams, who dared to hope, believe even, that she would be able to emulate the record of Margaret Court – and for a while it looked as though she actually had a chance....

'Hope springs eternal in the human breast' wrote Alexander Pope in An Essay on Man (1733), but just what do we hope for? Humanity, it seems, is hardwired to hope. The altruistic amongst us may hope for world peace, perfect justice, an end to global hunger and disease – most of us just hope to have our bank accounts still in credit at the end of the month. 'Hope springs eternal....' in the ancient Greek story of Pandora's Box, when all the troubles of the world are released, at the end there is hope.

There is always hope, but when we put our hopes in the talents of humankind or the capriciousness of the weather, those hopes will inevitably be dashed. When the end comes for our beautiful summer, it is likely to include thunderstorms and flash floods. When the end came for this summers' sporting heroes, they had quite simply been bested by their opponents.

But there is one source of hope we can be sure of and with it hope's 'sibling' - faith. The Bible talks a lot about faith and hope; when we put our hope in God, he is steadfast and sure. As the Psalmist wrote 'No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame' (Psalm 25:3). Centuries later, Saint Paul wrote 'Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see' (Hebrews 11:1) – in other words, by putting our hopes, our faith, our trust in God, we our entrusting ourselves to the right thing.

This is a hope that will not end in defeat but in a glorious face to face meeting with the creator of the universe. Now that's something really worth hoping for!

May you know God's blessing in your life and may his love surround you and those whom you love.

Jenny Ellis

#### Naphill & Walters Ash Deliverers What are they?

They are a band of 32 deliverers who, for ten months of the year, deliver your Gazette to you. They don't receive payment, they don't get coerced, and it is done on a voluntary basis.

The age range is vast, as is the length of commitment by this group of people, to this worthy cause.

They try to plan their holidays and personal lives around the Gazette delivery date (not a fixed date).

So, if you wonder sometimes why your Gazette appears to be a bit later than usual, remember, your deliverer may have commitments they cannot change. We allow them just two months off: August and December. This gives them time to rest before not only delivering again but, around April / May, knocking on your door to collect your subscription for the year.

Whilst I truly appreciate being given, with Mike, the Good Neighbour award for 2018, I believe that each of our deliverers, present and past, should hold the title too.

So, deliverers, all 32 of you, whether you deliver 5 or 66 (and all amounts in between) **thank you very, very much,** you are all **'Stars'**.

Pauline Pool Distribution Manager

#### Naphill Evening WI

Our birthday party on 21 June came up to its usual high standard, with members bringing a savoury or sweet dish for the buffet table. We always have such a delicious variety. The hall looked lovely too, set up by the committee with table decorations by Joan.

We have also had our Croquet and Games evening, hosted by Richard and Valerie Pushman. No cardigans needed this year as it was another lovely warm evening. There were not so many of us at this event but we had an enjoyable evening and tried our hands at croquet, clock golf and darts. (Not that many of us managed to hit the dart board.)

As you read this we will have already heard our speaker Peter Hague talking of Yorkshire, Food and Traditions. The Food Group will also have lunched at the Three Horseshoes and be looking forward to afternoon tea at the Red Lion Café in Bradenham on 29 August.

The Craft Group have recently met, but it was rather hot for sewing and quite a few of us were away or unable to attend. However, we will meet again in September when we will be designing a pennant to represent Naphill WI. All WIs in the county have been asked to make one and they will be displayed at county events.

We do not meet in August but our meeting on 20 September will be an open meeting when everyone is welcome. The talk will be on the Work of the Wycombe Homeless Connection, and donations of suitable clothes or food by members would be appreciated.

Hoping everyone has a lovely summer.

Carol Gilliam

#### Senior's Lunch Club

Hello Villagers!

Are you 70+, fed up with always having to cook a meal? Give yourself a treat and come to lunch club once a month.

Held on the second Wednesday of the month at 1245, you receive a two course home cooked meal plus tea or coffee, all for just £5!

To find out more, give Jan Gaunt a call on 562282.

**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

#### Last Word

This edition of our magazine is a bit sad as we have said goodbye to our regular school correspondents, Thomas and Orlando. They have done a fantastic job! I wish all our "school leavers" every success and happiness as they move on.

Thankfully, with the goodbyes, we have a "hello". The manager at Wye Country promises to become a regular Gazette correspondent so, welcome Alan Draper! I am assured too, that when the new yr6 children settle back to school, we will be welcoming new school correspondents so more good news!

As always, my sincere thanks to ALL our magazine delivery team and our contributors! Sometimes I worry that there won't be enough to fill the magazine but you never let me down and I still deem it a huge privilege to be your editor.

There is no September Gazette so the delivery team and contributors get a well earned rest! Copy date for the October edition is 15 September.

Happy, sunny holidays everyone, keep safe and I look forward to talking to you all again soon.

Sonia

## Small Ads

**LET'S GO DOG WALKING/PET SITTING** Walters Ash and Naphill area. Prices start from £3, enquire on 07545336769. For current offers, visit my Facebook page https://www. facebook.com/MGrayLetsgoDogwalking/

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problems, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenvalleyfootclinic.com

**CRYSTAL HEALING THERAPIST** Reiki treatments & Indian Head Massage. Enables your wellbeing & relaxation. I also teach meditation & Reiki. Call Heather 07377 537070 or email mooncrafting@outlook.com. Facebook & Instagram as MoonCrafting, www.mooncrafting.com

**DA ROCHA SERVICES** - Local, young and hardworking team. Providing gardening, painting & decorating and handyman services. Also offering house clearances, gutter cleans and small landscaping jobs. Call Chris - 07540088573

#### **PLUG ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS.** Chartered Electrical Engineer based in Naphill and covering local area. NICEIC registered. No job too small. For a free, competitive quote, call Dennis on 07985 230103. www.plugelectrics.co.uk.

#### Continued on page 34

# Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**VISITOR ACCOMMODATION FOR TWO** Visitor accommodation for two in the village of "Naphill", graded 5 star by Visitor England. Ideal for visiting family and friends, attending special events, visiting local attractions or exploring the Chilterns Please call 01494 564484 for further information.

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail.com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**SERVICED OFFICE SPACE** 200 sq ft private self-contained furnished office (2 desks) shared kitchen and wc, parking Little Moseley House, Stocking Lane, from end Feb 2018 at £560 pcm inclusive heat, light, rates, fast fibre broadband / wi-fi. Call Stefan Zachary 01494562591 or 07711043244 email stefan@zacharydesign.com

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**LAWN MOWING**. Local, friendly, reliable, regular lawn mowing service. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly to suit your requirements. Established for over 10 years. For a free quote please call Alan on 01494 443362 or email: lawns@alandriver.com

#### For all Advertising Information please contact the editor, Contact details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

# 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

#### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



#### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

#### **KENT MURRAY**

#### GENERAL BUILDER & HANDYMAN

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



#### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights Built-in wardrobes
- and cupboards
- Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







# Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

#### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

### Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

# Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

#### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Car, Van & High Performance Tyres
- Specialist Wheel Alignment Service
- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

### Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

## Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

### **Based in Upper North Dean**

# Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

# SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

# **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance 07961 825814 / mike@chilternarbor.co.uk 07555 831391 / danny@chilternarbor.co.uk www.chilternarbor.co.uk

# Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness Barbers



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

### **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

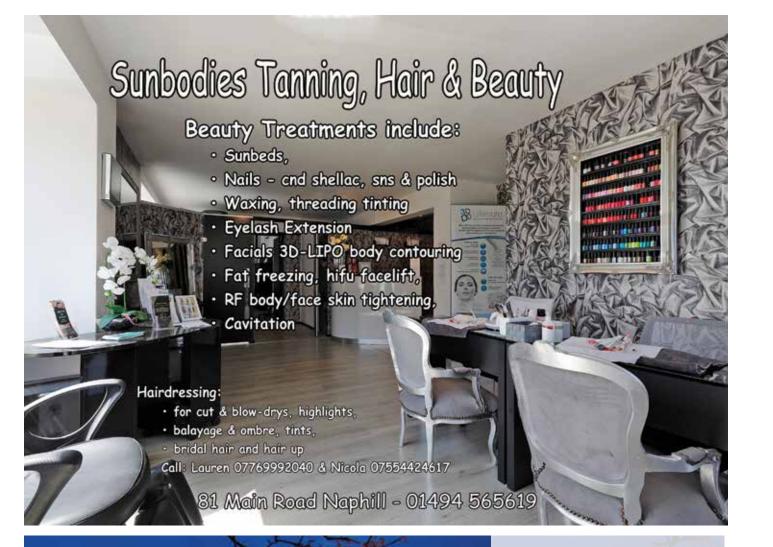
Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

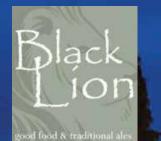
The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

November 2018

1-100





#### Real Ales

- Homecooked Food
- Large Garden and Terrace
- Small & Large Group Bookings
- Family & Dog Friendly
- Food now available til 8pm on Sundays

Christmas Menu out now

2 courses £19.50 3 courses £23.50 per person

Served from 1st December

Winter warmers now added to the menu

Call now to book your table

Opening Hours 11am to 11pm Mon - Sat Food served Tues - Sat 12-3 / 6-9pm Sunday- 12noon to 11pm Food served 12noon to 6pm

Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4SH For all reservations call: 01494 563176

#### blacklionnaphill.com



Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

#### **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

# Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

# 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

#### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

#### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



#### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

# **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

# BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



# 



# All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





# SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

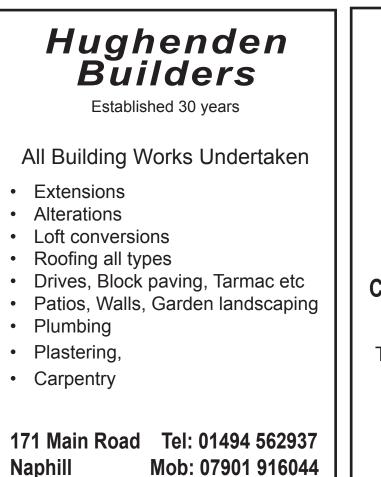
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

#### Sure-Build Built on Quality

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





# Kim Johnson Plumbing



# Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

# Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

# Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

# 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

#### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



# P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

# **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



If you are a seeker of truth, or you have spiritual life questions you just never received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

#### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



# DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette November 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

## Copy Deadline for the December/January 2018 edition is 15 November 2018

Contacts Directory							
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk				
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk				
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton	07968 268067	chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Anita Boekee	07931 795464	anita.boekee@hughendenpc.org.				
Hughenden Parish Council	Vacancy						
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Cllr. Paul Hardinge	07810 038198	paul.hardinge@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk				
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm				
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com				
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT					
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275				

Beavers						
Beavers						
	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121			
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933			
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com			
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.con			
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys Training Sessions	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk			
	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field Bob Hathaway 563332				
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash				
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767			
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332			
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089			
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.u			
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green				
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday of the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977			
Residents Association	Third Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com			
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com			
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282			
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706 sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406 jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter-			
Tennis Club - Junior	Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		rycrooks2001@aol.com			
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.ul			
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670					

If you have a NON business club or activity group which meets regularly in Naphill or Walter's Ash and which you would like to see included on this page, please contact e via email: edtor@haphillandwaltersash.org.uk



#### **Editorial**

It is certainly a grey, miserable Autumnal morning today beyond the sanctuary of my warm, comfortable office. The granddaughters are away, the "Naphill Yappy Society", alias our two Chihuahuas, aren't keen on the great outdoors as there are no birds about to chase and are happily snoozing in their huge faux fur blankets, so peace reigns. POSITIVE!

Way back in the Spring the Clerk to the Parish Council sent a seven page form inviting the Gazette team to apply for the grant which they have kindly paid for many years towards the Gazette costs. They also required a lot of other paperwork! Apparently, we had mysteriously become a "project". One of the last questions on this very long form was "how would we prove that our project was a success?" One of the easier questions I felt. I attached a PDF copy of the July/August Gazette and said that as we had been going for over seventy years, QED! I have just been told that we WILL receive our grant. My thanks to Councillor Paul Hardinge for his help in this matter and to the Parish Council for this contribution.

More good news! This month we welcome a new team of Naphill and Walter's Ash School reporters. Himself was dispatched to take their photographs and this month they have each written a little bit about themselves as well as information about what each school year group are focusing on this term. I am looking forward to hearing more from them each month and thank them and their teacher, Mrs Clark, for including us in the school community.

Some of you will have been aware of the TV cameras whirring away in Naphill. The main reason for this was that we have a star in our midst! The filming for Children in Need was to raise awareness for Rennie Grove Hospice. You see, young Jess Watson, who lives here in Naphill, has had a Rennie Grove nurse pretty much since she was diagnosed with a brain tumour as an 13-month-old child. Jessica is now a beautiful eight-year-old who has debilitating health problems caused by the brain tumour. I will be publishing more details in this edition about Jess, her family and the upcoming Black Lion event to help their cause. Charity begins at home, we all have many calls upon our finances but this young lady and her family need and deserve our help please.

I am working very hard to get all the contributions for this edition to my desk on time this month. One lovely gentleman always sends his beautifully written article with a message, "for your consideration". The occasional article does get submitted in a format which causes me to question why I do this job at all, but thankfully most need very little actual "consideration". But as always, what goes in each edition, how it gets there and the layout, remains an editorial decision. Welcome too to Vivienne Tancheva-Cobley, who at just 7 years old, is our youngest contributor! I am delighted to include her poem and artwork.

So why the rush this month to get the magazine to print? It's FIREWORKS! 3 November on the Crick! The very first year for Pete Dalby as chairman of the firework committee and another fabulous community event for us all to enjoy! Enjoy everyone, I hope the weather behaves and a good time is had by all! This year we have a "firework" cover for our magazine. My grateful thanks to Gary Britton, a local professional photographer, for this month's cover.

Sonia

01494 569428

editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.



#### Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields Council

Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairmans Report**

The village hall committee meeting was held on 1st. October. There were 17 members present. The treasurer reported that the lettings working party had met during September and new hire rates had been agreed. We are now having two types of hire. One is term time hire for 38 weeks of the year with no hire sessions in the holidays and half term. The other hire is for 50 weeks of the year or annual hire. The new prices will be put into effect from the new year. A small increase was also agreed for the WI, the NAWARA and Naphill neighbours with the luncheon club being exempt from charge. The one off hire rates have also been changed and a minimum booking of 3 hours before 5pm will also come into place. The terms and conditions have been slightly changed. All of the changes will be posted on the village hall website. We still appear to be the best value village hall in the area!

The radiators in the main and small hall have been replaced and the only means of increasing or decreasing the temperature is now by the thermostats in each hall. The new doors for the changing rooms have been ordered. Paul Webb has been asked to re-cement the path and wall around the war memorial.

The play area was discussed at length and it was decided in principle on one of the three quotes but we are trying to negotiate the financial terms with the supplier to give the village hall best value. The funding is around 70% and I have received monies from individuals totalling £300 with the promise of £1000 from a local business. The my donate page linked to the village hall website, www.naphillvillagehall. org.uk has received £80. I have had a couple of emails offering help and ideas to fundraise and we are in contact with these people. It was pointed out to me that if we had £5 from each household in the village we could buy the equipment straight away! A Christmas Fayre is being organised and will be held

on Friday 30 November at 6pm. Please come along and get into the Christmas spirit.

The other fundraising event is the Bonfire and Fireworks display on the 3rd. November. This year there will be live music before and after the display. Tickets are available from the local shops and pubs or you can buy them online at www.naphillfireworks. co.uk There is a limit on the amount of tickets this year so buy them before the event to avoid disappointment. We hope to have good weather!

Remembrance Sunday is on the 11th November and there is always a good attendance for this event. I hope you can come along and support all of the events, there does seem to be a good atmosphere at the events and they bring the village closer together.

> *Clive Lawrence.* Village Hall Chairman.



#### Christmas Gift Fayre- Friday 30th November 6pm – 9pm

Stuck for gift ideas, looking for stocking fillers, need a new door wreath?...the list is endless.

Don't panic! The Christmas Gift Fayre Evening is almost here, giving you the perfect opportunity to buy attractive and unusual gifts such as luxury chocolates, jewellery, door wreaths, Christmas decorations, skincare, turned wood items, art gifts & cards, Christmas preserves & so much more.

So why not enjoy a glass (or two) of festive fizz or mulled wine and a mince pie whilst browsing the fayre and make shopping more fun?

There will be stalls in both the main and small halls, so allow yourself plenty of time!

Don't forget to buy some tickets for the Grand Draw which will have a fantastic array of fabulous prizes as always. Tickets are available before the event at The Black Lion, The Wheel, Bon Ami or from any Village Hall Council member.

Now all we need is YOU - make sure you come along and join in this very festive and fun evening. Full details are on the poster in this edition and on the Village Hall website, or you can follow us on Facebook for the latest news.

All profits from the evening will go to the Village Hall Play Area fund.

Cathryn Carter & Moira Harris

https://www.facebook.com/groups/NaphillChristmasGiftFayre

#### **Hughenden Parish Council**

October saw the co-option of a new councillor – Anita Boekee who has lived in Walters Ash for the past six years was co-opted on to the Council at the meeting on 9th October. Anita, who has a background in primary teaching is keen to get involved in the local community particularly around areas such as road safety and playgrounds.

There are now three councillors serving your ward:

Cllr Chris Waterton: chris.waterton@hughendenpc. org.uk – 07968 268067

Cllr Paul Hardinge: paul.harding@hughendenpc.org. uk – 07810 038198

Cllr Anita Boekee: anita.boekee@hughendenpc.org. uk – 07931 795464

There is still one vacancy for the Naphill & Walters Ash ward, so if you are keen to get involved in decisions that affect your local community, please email:clerk@ hughendenpc.org.uk or contact by phone on 01494 715296

To mark the final year of the World War One centenary, the council have purchased three Silent Soldier Silhouettes to say "Thank You" to the First World War generation who served, sacrificed, rebuilt and changed the nation. You can see the "Silent Airman" at Naphill War Memorial and one of the "Silent Soldiers" is placed at the Great Kingshill Village Hall Memorial. These will form part of the Remembrance Day commemorations organised by each village hall. The third "Silent Soldier" is placed at the bottom of Cryers Hill in Hughenden Valley.

The council has recently approved grants for the Naphill Village Hall - £5000 to assist with the purchase of playground equipment and to the NAWA Gazette - £500 to assist with ongoing publication costs. Grants are available from the Parish Council for small projects up to £500. The deadline for this year's applications is 31st December 2018 and it is on a first come first served basis. To find out more please visit: http://www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk/council-information/policies-procedures/

Shona Hadwen - Clerk to Hughendn PC



#### Mike and Anne Beckley's Wedding



So after 14 years of being together, we finally decided to to get wed , not something one should rush into. The proposal was made on a hotel balcony in Phuket last December . Once accepted, a couple of rum and cokes were on the agenda. We tied the knot on 9th September at The Olde Bell, Hurley. A fab time was had by all.... including me.... even though I forgot my trousers , and got married in jeans....yes, you read that right The rest of the evening was sublime.... and very much fun."

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Resident's Association AGM Monday 19th November 7.30pm - drinks and nibbles Naphill Village Hall



#### 8pm "THE HISTORY of BOMBER HARRIS and RAF HIGH WYCOMBE"

In this the RAF Centenary Year, a fascinating piece of RAF history related by the Curator of the (Bomber) Harris Room, former RAF Officer David Brown of Walter's Ash. Don't miss it!

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

Naphill Quiz 12 October 2018. A full house, delicious supper and thoroughly enjoyable evening under the guidance of popular Quizmaster Peter Oxbrow and his team. There were absorbing questions for everyone but the best informed out of the 19 teams were Chris Miller's team, 'The Tufty Club' including Chris Miller, Rob, Julia and Cally Sutherland, John Fitzgerald and Stephen Gore. Congratulations to them.

**PLANNING T**he following are local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 20 September and 11 October 2018. Any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

Awaiting Decision 18/07304/FUL Householder application for construction of part two storey, part single storey side extension and single storey rear extension. Melvern, Stocking Lane, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4NE. Officer Valerie Bailey. Received 20.09.18. Target Determination Date. 15.11.2018. Delegated decision.

18/07326/FUL HA for construction of single storey side extension. Modena, Hunts Hill Lane, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4RJ. Received 26.09.18. Determination. 21.11.2018. Delegated decision.
1807345/FUL HA for demolition of existing single storey addition to rear of main house and construction of replacement single storey rear extension. 253
Main Road Walters Ash Bucks HP14 4TH. Officer Matthew Jackson. Received 21.09.18. Determination 16.11.2018. Delegated decision.
18/07444/FUL. HA for erection of single storey side/rear extension. 62 Main Road, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4QB.Received 18.09.18. Determination:13.11.2018 Delegate decision.

**18/07425/FUL** Construction of stand alone chiller and freezer unit positioned in existing rear yard. **The Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill. Bucks HP14** 4SH Officer Heather Smith. Received 02.10.18. Determination 27.11.2018. Delegated **Permitted 18/06955/FUL 2 Wellhouse Way Naphill.** 18/07116/TPO. 279 Main Road Walters Ash. Tree – Crown reduction. 18/07145/FUL The White Cottage Coombe Lane Naphill.

Next NAWARA Meeting Monday, 19 November, 2018. Gloria Leflaive 563634



#### Sir David Lidington MP

British farming is facing the most far reaching reforms for nearly half a century. In recent meetings at the County Show in August and more recently with the local NFU at their Aylesbury office, I've been listening to the views of farmers and land managers about their hopes and fears for the future.

Inside the European Union, we've been part of its Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). That's meant not only paying significant sums of taxpayers' money in farm subsidies but also structuring those payments in particular ways and following various regulations applying to farms throughout the EU.

Now, with our departure from the EU a few months away, the Government is planning changes to be phased in over the years ahead. Subsidies will continue, but will be linked in future much more directly to farmers providing public benefits such as looking after the environment, public access or making fields available to absorb floodwater in winter and spring.

Farming and conservation have always been intimately linked. Our traditional hedgerows were planted in order to contain livestock. Sheep grazing on the Chiltern hillsides stopped scrub from growing and maintained the ecology of chalk grasslands.

While some businesses, especially the big arable farms, would be able to compete in the market without any subsidy, there's a lot of farmland, particularly in upland areas, which is much less profitable. There, without some kind of subsidy, farms would soon go out of business and those landscapes would rapidly change.

If I look beyond the next few years during which the new system of farm support will come in, there are some big questions to all of us as a country about the future of farming.

Do we want subsidies, even if paid in return for public goods, to continue at their present level? There's a case for saying that we should switch resources from agriculture to education or health or transport. But would we be willing to accept the closure of farm businesses that would follow, and the knockon impact on the landscape and the wider rural economy?

Should we import more food - from countries like Brazil, Australia, Thailand and the USA? Food would be cheaper: I can see a lot of families wanting this. But at the cost of driving our own farmers to the wall and losing the food security that comes from home production?

What do you think?

David Lidington

#### **Naphill Neighbours**

Our October club meeting proved most enjoyable with Jeff Rozelaar – a very talented speaker – telling us about "An Actor's Life".

As promised last month, members were given a choice of possible outings for December and the new year. The committee will now consider their reactions and the viability of some, or all, venues of choice if there is sufficient interest. If so, a date or dates will be available at our next meeting.

We meet again on Monday 12 November, when we hold our brief AGM followed by the speaker, Mike Dewey, his subject FROM RATIONS TO FASHIONS. This will be our last "ordinary" evening club meeting as on our final meeting of the year on Monday 10 December, at 8pm we will be celebrating Christmas together, though not with our usual Christmas dinner. We will, however, be in a festive mood and looking forward to our re-start in January as an AFTERNOON CLUB.

Hazel Vickery, 563077.

#### **Growing Your Own**

Just after the Second World War people in the UK spent about 35% of their disposable income (ie after tax, etc) on food. Nowadays people spend 9 to 11% on food. That is a remarkable reduction, largely because of a 2% per annum real-terms increase in wages enabling the purchase of other things than food. (That 2% per annum increase was the average until the past 10 years when the average dropped to nil.) So growing your own is not so important these days to feed hungry stomachs. One grows not so much as to provide quantity; one grows to provide quality. We grow our own in our gardens and allotments to provide freshness, hence fruit and vegetables which have not lost vitamins in transport or in storage. We grow our own to avoid manmade chemicals. We grow our own to ensure our crops contain adequate amounts of trace elements (provided we have incorporated plenty of compost and farmyard manure in the soil to replace trace elements taken away with previous crops).

November is the month to start planning for next year and for ordering seeds etc. One can purchase online these days of course, but it is still a joy to leaf through seed catalogues. Here is my list, in alphabetical order, of websites to order catalogues: Dobies (www.dobies.co.uk), Kings Seeds (www. kingsseeds.com), Suttons (www.suttons.co.uk), Thompson and Morgan (www.thompson-morgan. com), and Tuckers Seeds (www.tuckers-seeds. com). Sometimes my regular supplier stops selling a particular variety so I do a search on Google to find a different supplier. I have to confess that I buy many of my seeds in France where, for the same money, the packets contain 3 to 4 times as many seeds.

November is not a good month for sowing vegetable seeds since they would just rot in the cold, wet soil. However, early November is the ideal time for planting out fruit trees and fruit bushes. I seem to lose some every year through disease or whatever so have to purchase a few, taking the opportunity to try out newer and better, varieties produced by the plant breeders in recent years.

Regarding taking the crops, I leave root crops such as carrots, turnips, parsnips, celeriac, salsify, swedes and beetroot in the ground and put fleece over if severe frosts are expected. The slugs cause some damage but, since I grow so much, I can afford to cut out the damaged parts. My sprouts, purple sprouting broccoli, red cabbages and cavolo nero seem to withstand any amount of frost. (I protect them from pigeons by covering them with fine plastic netting which stays on until I have finished cropping in spring.)

It's time to dig up my chicory plants and place the roots in soil in large buckets in a warm, very dark place to produce their delicious "chicons". And to tidy up!!

a DFG of £30K but we are fundraising for the £15K shortfall. You can read our full story on the following links.

#### https://www.sullivansheroes.org/projects/room-forjessica/ https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jessicasbedroom

We have a lot of fundraising events taking place over the coming months and have already received some very kind donations. However, I'm a mother on a mission and therefore contacting local businesses, companies and reaching out to our community for help. Hoping to get as many people backing us so that we can get what is required for our incredibly strong, brave and inspirational girl. We had the BBC following us for a week as Jess has been selected to feature in this year's Children in Need. As you can imagine Jess is very excited about this and now sees herself as the local celebrity.

Thanks for taking the time to read our story. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in contact 01494 569 330 or 07577515224

Kindest Regards

Samantha Watson

Good gardening,

Mike Mason



#### More About Our Local "Children in Need Star" – Jessica Watson

My name is Sam and I live in Naphill with my 3 daughters, Jessica, Harriet and Emily as well as my husband, Ben. We are currently raising funds through Sullivan's Heroes so that we can build a ground floor bedroom for our daughter Jessica. Jessica sadly got diagnosed with a brain tumour when she was only 13months old. She's now 8 and has to live with the devastating effects from the tumour and all the treatment she has undergone over the years. Thankfully, after a few rather scary years her tumour is currently stable but her arteries in her brain are badly damaged and Jess now suffers regular mini strokes. This means Jess is unable to get to her bedroom safely at all times. The council has recognised our daily struggles and has given us



#### Naphill & Walter's Ash School

#### Meet the Media Team

My name is Eleanor Lucas and I am a member of Naphill and Walters Ash School. I love dogs – especially dogs as big as a laptop. In my spare time,



I enjoy playing my cello, tap, modern dancing, concert dancing and hanging out with my best friend, who goes by the name of Sara Gajek. At home, I have a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, who is one year old and has the name of Emberlace Dame Tallulah Tuppants (or Lula for short).

My name is Sara Gajek. I am a dog lover who goes to Naphill and Walters Ash School. My best (dancing) friend at school is Eleanor Lucas! I adore swimming



and gymnastics. Two of the colours that I love are black and white. I have one hamster who is called Pysiek – it is a Polish name because most of my family are Polish. I know how to speak two languages fluently (Polish and English) and speak a little bit of Spanish.

I'm Fin Wethered and I am in the Media Team. I love rugby, football and most other sports too. My favourite subject is Maths but I love English as I love



reading – my favourite type of book is fiction and I love reading about detectives. My favourite pet is a dog and my favourite dog is my dog, who is called Hugo (a French Bulldog). I am really enjoying school and love being part of NWAS and Year 6.

I'm Shawn and I'm Chinese. My favourite lesson is Maths, and as you probably know, I'm part of the



Media Team. I was born in May – I'm now in Year 6. Some people think that if you wear glasses you're smarter than the rest. I wear them, but I suppose that comes from my genetics (all of my family wears them).

Photographs courtesy Paul Goby

#### **Our First Report**

In Reception, they have been settling in very nicely and have made lots of new friends. They have been really busy exploring the VIP playground – which is for this year group only. Not only have Reception been exploring, they have also tried out Forest School Training. Their new topic was Julia Donaldson: Hairy Maclary. Well done Reception, what a good start to the year!

In Year One, they have been learning about The Little Red Hen and have been changing the story to make it their own. Their topic is 'Down on the Farm' and recently they have made African paintings using the computers. The children are enjoying using the computers (as they have never used these before) and have been using the paint icon to make their own unique patterns. Good job Year One!

Year 2 have had a busy start to the year. During English, Year 2 have been writing their own naughty animal stories. In Maths, they have been learning how to add, double and halve numbers. In their topic, Year 2 have been practising their African drumming and songs for their amazing Africa topic.

In Year 3, they have been studying all about the Ancient Egyptians. They have been crafting pyramids out of paper and then painting them. Furthermore, they have made some clay Canopic Jars. A great start to the year!

In Year 4, they have been learning about robots. In English, they have been reading and listening to the book 'The Iron Giant'. Using this story for inspiration, they have designed and made tin can robots out of tins, craft materials and anything else they can find – like nuts and bolts. They have also painted pictures of robots using shading in different shades of grey. Year 4 have really enjoyed learning about robots so far!

In Year 5, they have been learning about Excalibur. During English, they have been writing Arthurian legends using expanded noun phrases. Also, based on their Anglo Saxon theme, they have been designing and making brooches (using cardboard, string, foil and paint) and necklaces out of clay. A busy and exciting start to the year!

In Year 6, our topic this term is 'A Child's War'. Everything that we are doing is based on World War Two such as evacuation, air raids, shelters and the blackout. Moreover, there's the JLT, which as you probably know, is the Junior Leadership Team. As well as the JLT, this year all of Year 6 are starting to take on extra responsibilities such as lunchtime buddies, Junior Road Safety Officers, stationery shop, playground buddies and monitors.

# NAPHILL FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR 2018

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL THE CRICK, NAPHILL SATURDAY 3RD NOVEMBER

ALL PROCEEDS TO

LIVE MUSIC FROM 6PM & 7.30PM FIRE LIGHTING AT 6.15PM DISPLAY FROM 7PM

ADULTS £5.50 BEFORE THE DAY £7.50 ON THE DAY CHILDREN (AGES 5 -12) £2 BEFORE THE DAY £2.50 ON THE DAY (UNDER 5s FREE)

www.naphillfireworks.co.uk

PLEASE DO NOT BRING SPARKLERS ETC. TO THE EVENT

# 2018 Naphill Village Hall Fireworks & Bonfire

Event Timings - Hello! So after nearly 9 months of planning, our 2018 Naphill Village Hall Fireworks & Bonfire Spectacular is almost upon us! Just a reminder of the timings. For the first time ever this year we'll have live music at 6pm and 7.30pm and a professional DJ hosting the proceedings, so it'd be great if you could come along a little earlier to enjoy the entertainment. The lighting of the fire will take place at 6.15pm and the fireworks display will be from 7pm with one lucky person having the opportunity to start this year's fireworks display! After the resounding success of last year, we're also running a Build A Guy competition again, judging will take place at 5.45pm, so please ask your kids to put on their creative hats!

**Tickets** - eTickets are selling really well this year, so please don't leave it until the last minute to purchase yours, these are available on our website (www.naphillfireworks.co.uk). Over the years the display has become extremely popular but due to physical space on the Crick we have a limited capacity - don't miss out! When you arrive at the gate on the night with eTickets please make sure you've got each eTicket ready to scan on your phone or printed out so we can try to minimise the queues at the gate. As usual physical tickets are available for purchase in the village shops and pubs until 2nd November.

**Fire the Fireworks Display!** - To enter the draw to be in with a chance of being the person to get the display off with a bang then just add a 'Big Red Button' ticket when purchasing your tickets online. All these tickets will be entered into a draw with the winner being announced at 9PM on the 2nd November.

**No Parking -** Please refrain from driving to the event as there will be no parking at the village

hall or along the main road. Last year we had some people blocking key routes into the village with their abandoned cars. Not only is this inconsiderate it also restricts access for the emergency services, should they need to attend in a hurry. There are buses running regularly to Naphill in both directions from Aylesbury and High Wycombe. Alternatively, if you have space on your drive for additional cars and you live locally, why not offer it up for friends who do not live within walking distance?

**No sparklers or pets -** Please remember not to bring sparklers or other fireworks to the event as we will not let you in. Also, it goes without saying, but please do NOT bring dogs or other pets to the event, they will be turned away at the gate. Please also note that we cannot allow you in if you are wearing a reflective jacket, this is not a fashion preference, it is to allow our marshals and stewards to be easily identified in the case of an emergency.

**Volunteers** - Thanks to all those who have offered to give up some of their time over the Fireworks weekend. It's still not too late, if you can spare some time to help out, we'd really appreciate it. Please either email me or direct message me on Facebook with your contact details, if you can. For all the latest information, photos & competitions for this year's event, please join our Naphill Fireworks Facebook group.

Thank you and from all of us at the Fireworks Committee, we look forward to seeing you all there!

Pete Dalby Chairman – Fireworks committee petedalby@outlook.com Naphillfireworks.co.uk https://www.facebook.com/groups/NaphillFireworks

Photograph courtesy Peter Davis

PH FALSheet

З,

#### Friends of Naphill Common

Good news! David Hunt of Wessex Woodland Management has told us that the third phase of felling on the Common will not start this autumn. It will probably begin in autumn 2019. This is good news because, as we are sure that anyone who walks on the Common will agree, it needs a rest. There has been very obvious and damaging disturbance to the wild life and the soil, and it will be sensible to let things settle down for a year.

It will also give FONC more time to prepare for the next phase. We not only need to mark those trees we do not want felled but, this time, we also need to mark the area of the ancient enclosure or "farmstead". It is essential that no heavy machinery damages the boundary ditches or the surface of the area they enclose. This ancient feature has never been properly surveyed or excavated. What objects have been found by casual searching, on site or in the adjacent Dew Pond, range from flint tools to evidence of iron smelting, plus fragments of pottery, some probably Roman. So, until we can persuade professional archaeologists that it is worth serious study, it remains a mystery which must be protected.

By the time this Gazette appears our Fungus Walk with the Bucks Fungus Group will have passed. It will have culminated at Dew Pond where the collapsed Great Beech was showing several outgrowths of the very rare Lion's Mane fungus Hericium erinaceum. The Great Beech collapsed in 2015. It was probably the oldest beech on the Common, but precisely how old is very difficult to discover. The main trunk was hollow, so counting growth rings is not possible. It had a girth of 18 feet (i.e. 216 inches or 5.5 metres), measured at breast height, but the rule-of-thumb that the age is equal to the number of inches does not apply with ancient trees that were pollarded, probably several times, during their life. Like most of the old beech trees on the Common, the Great Beech had been pollarded at about 10ft (3m) from the ground. This was done to provide new branches suitable for firewood etc. Fortunately, the largest of the branches that were present when the tree collapsed was not hollow, although rot made counting rings difficult. (Thanks go to Jeff Leeks for his help.) The best estimate is 242 rings, which means that the tree was pollarded in 1773. It must have been a mature tree at that time, so perhaps it started life in Tudor times, around 1600. The Common has several other ancient beech trees, but another collapsed earlier this year.

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

There will be an additional walk on Monday 26th November (also starting at 9:30 from the Village Hall), when we will once again be raising money for the 'Children in Need' charity by asking all walkers to donate a minimum of £5 per person. Last month, we were contacted by a BBC researcher for their annual fund-raising 'Children in Need' programme, who wanted to know who could grant them permission to film on the Common. The request was passed on to the West Wycombe Estate, and Sir Edward Dashwood was happy to give his consent. So, if you plan to watch this live tele-marathon (to be broadcast on the evening of Friday 16th November), look out for a short insert featuring Naphill Common.

Our working parties continue to clear footpaths, attend to ponds and open areas from holly and other obstructions. It is intended to use a stump grinder to remove the small stumps of bushes that have been cleared. Sunday morning parties will be led by Peter Davis (for dates, consult our web site at http://www. naphillcommon.org.uk/activities.html), There is also an additional working party every Thursday morning commencing at 9.30am; though anyone wishing to help can turn up at any time during the morning. Enquiries to Ron Collins on 01494 562240.

The six junipers we planted out two years ago are doing fine. They were grown from cuttings taken from one of the last remaining old junipers on the Common. As that is a male we expected all of the cuttings to be male, but it seems that one of them is determined to be a female. We have seven more junipers waiting to be planted. Now that the felling has opened up some more glades they can be planted out this autumn.

Chris Miller - Chairman.

#### Friends of Naphill Common AGM

#### Friday 15 February 2019 - 7:30pm Naphill Village Hall

Our guest speaker will be Michael Kushner who is a guide and lecturer at Bletchley Park, and can tell us about the code breaking work carried out there and the part played by Dilly Knox, who lived at Cournswood in the village. Please come along and give us your ideas and opinions about caring for our common.

#### The Wheel

September and October were very emotional months for us at pub, but as with life we must move forward and look to the future. We have decided to let Maxii have a good 6 months on her own to learn how to be a pub dog, and then look for a second one after that! Maxii would also like to thank everyone for the extra treats and love she's received.

It has been another busy month celebrating 50th Birthdays, which as always means the beer has been flowing and the dance moves have been entertaining. I must thank everyone who didn't do Stoptober. Thanks to Chloe, Julia, Chef and the staff for letting us get a much-needed week away.

Moving forward to the next few months. The clocks will have changed, and the nights will be longer, but as the chimneys have been swept the fires will be roaring to keep us all warm. I would also like to thank Martyn at Bespoke Windows for our amazing double-glazed sash windows as they look brilliant and there's no draughts now. (I think we'll be opening doors to ensure we can breathe on some nights!).

#### Fireworks – Saturday 3rd November

We can't wait for this amazing night and will have our fingers and toes crossed for fine weather. As always, we will be collecting money for the fireworks fund on the night in our garden and carpark as you watch it from here.

Please note there will be two sittings for food – 1st at 5.30pm and 2nd at 7.30pm. Please ensure you book. Box meals will also be available for the front bar and garden.

#### **Remembrance Sunday 11th November**

The Village Hall service is held at 2.45pm and then followed by the laying of wreaths and a minute's silence. The service is always very well attended and if you are wishing to have lunch with us first please book to avoid disappointment.

#### **Christmas and New Year**

Our Christmas menu is now on our website and will be available to book until Sunday 23rd Dec, you can also pick up a copy from the pub. Please ensure you book in advance. All our Christmas hours will be published in the next Gazette along with details about New Years Eve.

With winter here, wrap up warm have a great walk in this beautiful area and we'll then see you for a pint or two while you warm up in a great atmosphere. Smile, winter can be great!

Thanks to you all as always.

Claire and Mark

#### The Black Lion

As the nights draw in, we have lit the fire and put our winter warmers on the menu, so please come and join us for a hearty meal in front of the fire.

We are delighted to be hosting a party for Jess on 24th November 4pm to 10pm. Join us for a night of music, entertainment, face painting, an amazing raffle and Poppet and Betty will be here with their sweet cart. All monies raised will go to Sullivans Heroes and helping Jess. Tickets are available in the pub.

Our Christmas menu is available online and in the pub from 1st December. We look forward to welcoming you in December, whether it is for a family meal or a Christmas party.

We are very lucky to have so many people to help out at the events we run. More thanks go to Sean Salter who has done some fantastic DJ sets for us including the Macmillan weekend. We would also like to thank Maguire Scaffolding for the outside bars they have built for us.

The village is looking forward to Fireworks on the Crick on Saturday 3rd November – you can buy your tickets in the pub in advance.

Plans are being put in place for our very first Christmas family event including Santa's Grotto, Hog Roast, warm cider and a fire in the garden to get everyone in the mood for Christmas. Keep an eye on our large A board or Facebook for the date and more info.

Thanks for all your support.

Jack, Sian and the team.

#### **Shear Madness**

November already! The nights are drawing in and the leaves are turning which can only mean one thing – FIREWORKS! I'm sure it will be an amazing evening as always and it gets bigger and better every year, I am one of the many places you can get your tickets from, right up to the last minute. Wrap up warm, don't forget your ear defenders and have fun!

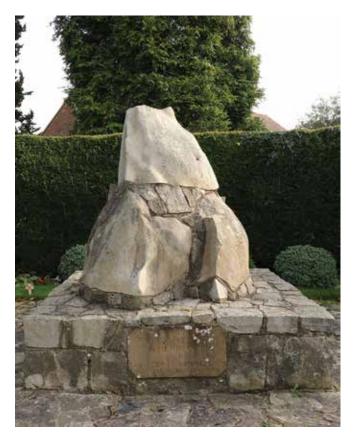
I have heard a few little rumours about my recent absence so to put the record straight I have been diagnosed with Diverticulum, which basically means I have a small pocket/pouch in my intestines. Nothing that a high fibre diet and regular meals can't fix, so I will be here in the community for a long time yet.

Have a great Autumn, enjoy those lovely sunny, crisp, frosty days. Good luck Christmas shopping, although there are quite a few Christmas fayres locally that would be worth a look. Until December stay safe and have fun.

Mandy



## Naphill Village Hall Service of Remembrance



The Annual Remembrance Service will be held at the Village Hall on the Sunday 11th November at 2.45 pm. All are invited.

This year marks the 100th Anniversary commemorating the end of the First World War on 11th November 1918.

Remembrance Day holds a special place on the National Calendar in which we remember, and give thanks to the many thousands of Allied men and women who have given their lives to ensure our freedom from the tyranny of oppression.

We must all remember the gift of their lives for our freedom.

Richard Pushman

# Parents' Open Meeting Beginning Primary School Sept 2019

At Naphill and Walters Ash School

Tuesday 20th November 1:15



#### **Naphill Brownies**

Thank you so much to all who supported us at our Autumn Jumble Sale. Despite the wet weather we had a very successful day and the Guides and Brownies turned out in force to help raise money. The new Girlguiding programme (announced over the summer) has required a number of new resources. Fundraising events like the jumble sale ensure that we can provide these new resources without struggling to find the money.

Back in September, we spent a truly glorious early autumn evening out on the Crick with Walters Ash Brownies doing a wide game involving searching for clues, code-breaking and then a final construction challenge. So many wonderful aspects of Girlguiding all rolled into one – new friends, teamwork, outdoor adventure, creativity...

Amongst other things this term the brownies are doing a 'Wish upon a star' challenge badge which has, so far, involved various activities to do with night time – stars, glow-in-the-dark and bats.



A couple of weeks ago we enjoyed a visit from Julie Hopton and her bat 'Rose'. Rose was injured many years ago and can no longer fly, so Julie cares for her. It

was fascinating to see a real live bat and watch her feed (live mealworms – yum!). Some of the girls could hear her high pitch sound too – something we adults cannot experience.

As we head in to the season of goodwill, we will be focusing more on our wishes for ourselves and for others less fortunate than ourselves and before we know it, it will be Christmas.

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

### An Autumn Poem

by Vivienne Tancheva-Cobley, age 7

Autumn is my favourite because it is my birthday and I like to roll in the lovely, yellow hay.

The leaves are falling off the trees because there is lots and lots of breeze. They are turning green, yellow and red it's time for the flowers to go to bed.

Autumn brings us harvest time the tractors are working the fields in a line. But the thing I like most is Bonfire night and the fireworks colourful and bright.

So let's all celebrate autumn I say because it's amazing, hip hip hooray.



Mandala leaf photo by the Tancheva=Cobley Family

#### **Banoffee Cupcakes Recipe**

makes 12 – 16 cakes



#### **Cake Ingredients**

80g soft unsalted butter 280g caster sugar 240g plain flour 1tbsp baking powder Pinch of salt 240ml whole milk 1⁄2 tsp vanilla essence 2 large eggs 1 large banana

#### Method

- 1. Preheat your oven to 190C (170C Fan). Fill a muffin tin with muffin size cupcake cases.
- 2. Beat the butter, sugar and flour, baking powder and salt together until they look like breadcrumbs.
- 3. Mix the milk, vanilla essence and eggs together and then pour gradually into your bowl and mix well until you've a smooth batter.
- Divide the mixture between your cupcake cases
   I use an ice-cream scoop!
- 5. Mash up your banana and pop one teaspoon into each cupcake case – using a toothpick mix into the cake mixture carefully. You can, of course, add your mashed-up banana into your final mixture before you divvy up but this way you know each cake will get the same amount of banana!
- 6. Bake for 18-20 minutes you'll know they're done when the sponge springs back up!
- 7. Leave to completely cool before you try to decorate!

Always taste test one to ensure that you're happy with the quality ;-)

#### **Topping Ingredients**

500g Icing Sugar

160g soft unsalted butter

50ml whole milk

1/2 tsp vanilla essence

1 large dollop of dulce de leche (and extra to drizzle) (Tinned Condensed Caramel is Fine) Banana Chips or Fresh Banan**a** 

#### Method

- 1. Mix the Icing Sugar with the butter until fully combined
- 2. Mix the Milk with the vanilla essence then pour into your mixing bowl
- 3. Beat on high for at least 8-10 minutes (it's worth it!) until your butter icing is lovely and pale.
- 4. Spoon in your dulce de leche and taste add more if you want a richer icing!
- 5. Using your favourite nozzle (or just spread on) decorate each cupcake generously.
- 6. Drizzle extra dulce de leche over each cake and garnish with a slice of banana!

Obviously taste test one again and then share with family and friends ... Enjoy!

Karen Davis

# Elissabeth Brookes Joins the New Craft Co-op in High Wycombe



My name is Elissabeth Brookes and I have been living around High Wycombe since 2006 and in Naphill since 2010. I have a wonderful husband and two amazing boys. I began making photo transfers for myself and soon had friends and family requesting their own. I started my company Printed In Wood in October 2017. Nearly all my wood comes from Chiltern Wood Recycling. I am passionate about giving the wood I use a new lease on life. Since starting my company, I have seen my products grow and change dramatically. I started with photos on reclaimed wood but quickly moved to quotes on wood plaques and blocks. I also make wooden photo cubes, children's artwork display plaques, stick figure families and family trees, and I take custom orders too. I am so excited to be part of the Craft Coop family and I look forward to meeting all of you in the new shop now open in the Eden Center in High Wycombe. Please stop by and say hello!



Craft Coop is a social enterprise company which supports local craft businesses. We started in Maidenhead in 2011 as a pop up shop, and our main shop is still there. We have also had pop ups in Wokingham and Marlow. The shop provides a platform for local craftspeople to sell their products. At least 80% of the artists represented in the shop are from the Wycombe area, with the remaining artists coming from neighbouring areas. The shop provides a unique shopping experience for the local community, giving customers the chance to "buy local," and the Eden shop will offer handcrafted jewellery, glass, ceramic, and wood products, textiles, candles and soap, prints and paintings, and mosaic kits - among many other unique items.

Our current shop in Maidenhead and previous pop ups in Marlow are multi award winning - including Finalist in the Muddy Stilettos awards in Berkshire and Bucks for Best Gift Shop (3 years running!), Marlow Hidden Gems award for best customer service, and even Best Independent Shop - which we were the National Runner Up in 2014. Providing Town Centre shops is the most obvious way we support craftspeople, but behind the scenes, we also provide training, business support and opportunities to get together socially - an important service for craftspeople who often work in isolation in their homes. In addition to supporting craftspeople, we also work with local charities and groups - providing a space for them to meet and activities to do as well as free craft activities for children and families. The Eden shop will be showcasing the work of Art & Design students from Bucks New University, as well as providing meeting and workshop space for those who would like to use it.

Elissabeth Brookes

#### The Rural Community Defibrillator

Group Registered Charity Number 1162664.



#### Walters Ash Defibrillator

As you may know the RCDG have been raising funds to provide a Public Access Defibrillator for Walters Ash. There is one already outside Naphill Village Hall and others held by the RAF but the Walters Ash shopping parade was thought to be a missing link in the chain.

You may have noticed the collection boxes in the Pony Expresso, Coop, Manor Garage, Shear Madness and Leigh Lewis Optometrist, which have all helped to raise funds for this. We approached your local District and County Councillors and both have found funding so enabling the project to go ahead. So, a big thank you to Steve Broadbent and David Carroll and all involved for their help.

Thanks also to Leigh for allowing her Optometry premises to be used to host the installation.

All of this means that the Defibrillator is now on order and delivery is expected in the next couple of weeks. Installation outside the Optometrist, along with Registration with South Central Ambulance and an Awareness and Confidence Training Session will follow, so watch out for more news on how you can access and use it in an Emergency.

> Paul Rogerson Treasurer - RCDG

#### Naphill Tennis Club

Feedback from our recent Barn Dance in the village hall was a very definite 'thumbs up!'. The event was much enjoyed by one and all and, judging by the small amount of leftovers, the Ploughman's & Puds were popular too.

Date and venue for our Tennis Club AGM is Monday 19 November at 8 pm in the village hall. Calling all members - do come and give us your views on your Tennis Club and enjoy a free drink on arrival.

We have plenty of action taking place on the courts and our next 'fun' event is Festive Tennis on Saturday 8 December at 11 am. This is light-hearted tennis pleasantly fuelled by mulled wine and mince pies with a 'Bring & Share' lunch to follow.

As usual, details of membership and Club activities are on our website www.naphilltennisclub.org.uk or you can contact the Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel (sarah.dengel1@gmail.com) or myself (jttench@gmail.com) for further information.

Jenny Tench

#### Wycombe Photographic Society

#### We are 80 Years Young !

November is "action a plenty" for the club.

We start off with a double internal competition – The Desborough Cup & The Carrington Cup. These two competitions are the only themed competitions that we have. The theme for prints is "Variations on a Theme" and for the Digital Projected is "Something I Am Scared of". It will be very interesting to see how the members interpret these two "themes".

3rd November is Wycombe Photographic Society 80th Celebration Day.

During the month we are competing in a large Inter club competition as well as an internal club competition.

The month is wrapped up on Thursday 22nd November with a talk by Damon Guy – "Abstract Patterns and Art in Your Eyes" - Damon is a writerphotographer. He has run some major websites, a computing department and a digital image library. He started out as a trained teacher and now runs training for digital photographers.

Visitors are welcome to the talk.

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

We would love to see more members from Naphill and Walters Ash so please come along to one of our evenings.

> David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society

### From Hughenden Vicarage

He was born on 8 January 1894 in Poland, to a German Father – Julius, a weaver by trade, and mother Maria, who was a midwife – he had four brothers.

Strongly influenced during his childhood after seeing a vision of the Virgin Mary, he and his elder brother Francis joined the Conventual Franciscans holy order, being ordained a priest in 1918.

When World War 2 was declared, he was living in the monastery at Niepokalanów, which during the war became amongst other things a temporary hospital, a place to provide refuge for 2,000 fleeing Jews, as well as a publishing house for religious works. as the Germans closed down the monastery, and he, together with four others were imprisoned.

Prisoner number 16670 was transferred to Auschwitz Concentration Camp on 28 May, where he continued his faithful witness to the other prisoners, despite numerous beatings and ill-treatment at the hands of his captors.

Two months later, three prisoners escaped from the camp, and so the deputy camp commander picked 10 men at random, to be starved to death as punishment in an underground bunker. One of the selected men – Franciszek Gajowniczek cried out "My wife! My children!", at which point this brave man volunteered to take his place, as he had no dependents himself.

Maximillian Kolbe, as the man was called, continued to witness to the love of Christ as he and his fellow captors were slowly starved to death. He was the last to die.

The man whose life Kolbe saved survived the war, and lived to the ripe old age of 93 – often giving thanks for the gift of life, and paying tribute to the sacrifice of this unassuming Franciscan priest.

On Sunday 11 November 2018, across our nation, and in our Church, we will be gathered together for a solemn act of remembrance for all those who have lost their lives in war. When we observe two minutes of silence at 11am, it will be 100 years to the minute since the cessation of World War One. Sadly, the past century has not always been one of peace and goodwill to all humanity.

When the names of those who died in conflict, who lived in our parish are read out, one cannot help but be moved by their remarkable and inspirational act of sacrifice and love for the common good.

All those who want to become followers of Jesus Christ are not asked to dress like him, eat the same food as him, take long walks up mountains, and wander from town to town telling others about the kingdom of God. However, all those who profess faith in Jesus Christ are called to lay down their own lives, to pick up their crosses daily, and to follow in his footsteps. Those footsteps are characterised by a lifestyle of compassion, love and putting the wellbeing of others before ourselves.

Friends, let us be still for a moment on 11/11 at 11am, to thank God for those who paid the ultimate price, and I invite you to join me in praying for peace in our town, in our nation, and in our world.

May we be inspired by the example of Maximillian Kolbe, but may another such martyr never need to pay such a cost again.

Rev Keith Johnson

He was arrested by the Nazis on 17 February 1941,

#### From our Wye Country Correspondent

Having been publically chastised (well on Facebook) for failing to make the September deadline here goes with my latest offering. My excuse was that I was enjoying a two week break in the Languedoc with just my wife which, of course, sadly meant our first holiday for a while without Daisy, and not so sadly meant without our daughters! What a lovely part of France and I have to say that Montpelier is a splendid city. However, I would not recommend travelling on the tram network without buying a ticket. We witnessed a para-military type operation by 20 ticket Inspectors who escorted quite a few passengers, travelling without tickets, off the tram and subjected them to a €90 on the spot fine. According to our host it is all a bit like paying your taxes in France, everyone tries to get away with it and accepts the consequences when caught. It reminded me of the opening dialogue from "Porridge".

I digress. Daisy's Diner has been a great success and hopefully some of you will have seen my recent posting on the Naphill & Walter's Ash Neighbourhood Facebook page (25th Sept) where I attached pictures of some of my visitors to date. I had thought to put a "Dog of the Month" twist to my articles in the Gazette but that would be unfair as in my eyes and no doubt their owners' eyes, all the dogs are worthy of that accolade.



So instead I am going to feature my most frequent visitors. So this month I have featured Alf (pictured) who has christened me the "biscuit man" and visits with his lovely red waistcoat on. I am looking to build up my portfolio for my next article so please come and visit in the next

week or two. Some of you have pointed out that my little plant box is looking a little tired so, not being a gardener myself, I would welcome any suggestions on which type of plants will survive the colder weather and darker days. Too early for a Christmas tree for sure!

I have been asked a number of times recently about the state of the housing market and more specifically if it is a good time to try to sell. It would be fair to say that it has been quiet of late, but houses are selling if they are realistically priced and potential vendors should remember that if they achieve a lower than expected price for their property then any onward purchase will be subject to a commensurate drop in price as this is a national trend. It is all about the price to change not the value achieved. Now I am sounding like a car dealer!! Estate agents generally are holding high levels of stock so I am sure there will be some deals out there to be had.

Please pop in and let me know about your community events and if I can sell tickets or just help to publicise them I will happily assist. I am currently selling tickets for the Naphill Fireworks Spectacular at The Crick on Saturday 3rd November.

Alan Draper

#### **Day 1 Naphill Post Office**



Here at Day 1 Naphill Post Office we are running a raffle in aide of Friends of P.I.C.U. I expect you are wondering what on earth P.I.C.U. is? It is an acronym for "Paediatric Intensive Care Unit", based in Southampton University Hospital and my wife and I are very, very grateful to them!

You see it is coming up to the 2nd anniversary of the time when our eldest twin baby boy was rushed to this amazing unit for a cardiac procedure which saved his young life! So, each year we hold a raffle here in our shop, to raise funds for this unit and to thank them for their love and care which saved our son.

Last year you all helped us raise an AMAZING £500 for this special baby unit and so we took the twins back to Southampton, on the anniversary of Navnoor's emergency surgery, to thank the staff. It was amazing to again witness the work they are doing and see the extension to the ward and new facilities and of course the staff were delighted to see our healthy twins!

Every penny you all put into our P.I.C.U charity box helps other sick children. Please do come buy some raffle tickets, a strip is a £1, and who knows, you might win one of the lovely prizes so kindly donated by members of our caring community to support this great cause.

Thank you,

Paramvir, Gurpreet, the twins Navvy and Harry, Sharry and all the family at Day1 Naphill Post Office

Rural Post Offices across the country are being closed. If we want to keep this village facility it is vital that we use our Post Office and support the associated business.

#### **Naphill Evening WI**

What a great time we had at Waterperry Gardens when we met up with Napton WI, with whom we are twinned. On arrival at Waterperry about 12 of us had lunch with the same number of their members. We then had a leisurely stroll around the gardens, in beautiful sunshine, before meeting up again for afternoon tea courtesy of Napton.

I think we all learned a lot about the work of the Wycombe Homeless Connection at our September meeting. Sadly there are a lot of reasons for people becoming homeless and it was good to know that there was an organisation that could help them. The lovely ladies of the WI donated many items of clothing and food products for which the Connection were very grateful.

At our Annual Meeting in October we will have elected our new committee for 2019 and had a light-hearted quiz, testing members on their knowledge of 5th November and Guy Fawkes.

The Food Group are meeting at The Boot, Bledlow, on 30 October, for an evening meal when partners are also welcome. Then they are off to coffee at World's End Garden Centre on 16 November when the Christmas Shop will be open.

The Sew and Chat Group (formerly the Craft Group) are looking forward to meeting soon at Sally's new home in Princes Risborough.

We will also have had the Autumn Group Meeting of the Disraeli Group on 26 October when several WIs get together. Naphill Evening WI will have hosted this event and we will have heard about Lewes on the 5th – Spectacular Bonfire Traditions in Lewes, Sussex.

Carol Gilliam

#### Freemasonry – An Open Invitation to Visit Cestreham Lodge 6674

Freemasonry in the 21st century..... what's that all about then?

No doubt, some of you reading this are already on the square and in the craft. Some of you may have preconceived ideas about masonry, and some of you may be interested to understand more about the Masonic organisation, it's history, who we are, and more importantly, what we do.

Here is the Wikipedia definition. "Freemasonry consists of fraternal organisations that trace their origins to the local 'brotherhoods' of stone masons, which from the end of the fourteenth century regulated the qualifications of stonemasons and their interaction with clients and authorities."

Sounds archaic, doesn't it. Well that was seven hundred years ago, things are slightly different today.

Freemasonry is practised world wide. There are six million Master Masons in the world, 200,000 of them fall under

the jurisdiction of the United Grand Lodge of England. If you are a fan of the TV show "Spooks", the opening credits are filmed in front of the UGLE building in Great Queen St, London. Architecturally it's quite impressive. The building and Masonic museum within are open to visits from the general public on a daily basis. No secret handshake required, I promise. One thing I can state publicly is that Freemasonry is not about social climbing, professional advancement, business networking, insider dealing..... or sheep worrying.

Freemasonry in the modern world is about a number of things. Brotherhood, charity, and truth. It is about ensuring a "brother" is not left behind. and his family are supported in times of need or distress. This distress could have come about through a health crisis or financial issues. The Masonic Foundation is in place to assist in these cases, and does a sterling job. It's more about fundraising for charity, supporting worthy causes, and putting others ahead of yourself.

Finally guys, it's about challenging yourself.... to become a better person.....a "stand up guy". As Michael Jackson once sang "I'm looking at the man in the mirror."

Ok, so what does this all mean in real life? Well, we meet once a week for an hour or so, in Beaconsfield. Weekly attendance is not mandatory, but to get the most from your freemasonry it is good to come along as frequently as you can manage. A beer with fellow masons afterwards is always an option. We have social events through the year, varying from informal pub quiz nights right up to black tie Ladies Festival. Again, your level of involvement is all down to you.

Cestreham Lodge 6674 are actively looking to recruit new members to the craft through 2018/2019, and as such would welcome any enquiries from any free men above the age of twenty one who are interested. (for the avoidance of sexism Ladies lodges are also available)

If you would like to know more about Freemasonry or would like to visit our lodge one Thursday evening for a chat I invite you to contact me, mike@chilternarbor. co.uk

www.cestrehamlodge6674.com

*Mike Beckley* – Chiltern Hills Arboriculture

#### From Bradenham Vicarage

#### **Remembering in November**

5th May 2011. That is the day when the horrors suffered by those who fought in WWI ceased to be living memory. Claude Choules died in Australia, the last known surviving veteran of the first world war. Even as I typed those words, I was overwhelmed by a feeling I have no words for. 'First' is an ordinal word – it implies there is more to follow.

This month marks the 100th anniversary of the end of 'the War to End All Wars'. All around our country are war memorials bearing the fading names of those who paid the ultimate price in service of their country. A cursory glance at the century old list of protagonists makes chilling reading. Russia, the Ottoman Empire, Serbia, America, the Austro-Hungarian Empire, the British Empire. Many of these names are now consigned to the pages of history books, but names are identifying labels and can change.

Russia, Ukraine, Georgia, Syria, Iran, Baghdad, Israel, the labels have changed, but the territory they refer to hasn't. 100 years on, unresolved tensions still exist in many of the regions that drank the blood of countless fallen warriors.

Many of us will have seen the graphic reports from the war torn areas of our world which beg the question 'Have we learnt the lessons of history?' Actually, I think the answer is 'Yes' but as every teacher knows, once you have taught one lesson, there is always another to be learnt, but in preparing for the new lesson, the previous one is always revisited. We MUST continue to tell the stories, continue to remember, continue to remind ourselves of what humanity is capable of in every sense. Those stories tell of degradation, deprivation, horror and the squandering of human lives and precious resources. But they also tell of heroism, self sacrifice, generosity, altruism, determination and the triumph of the human spirit over the most overwhelming of circumstances.

In the New Testament, Jesus counsels:

'you will hear of wars and uprisings .... For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom' (Luke 21:9-10).

Jesus' words are not meant to be a tick list of events that will herald the end of the world and the return of the Messiah. Rather it is a comment on the human condition. No one wants war, no one seeks it, yet it happens – this is one of the awful results of what the Bible calls sin. These things will happen and go on happening right up to when Christ returns.

Because peace is so elusive and all human efforts to achieve it seem destined to fail does not mean we should not seek it. Jesus calls peacemakers 'blessed' (Matthew 5:9). Christians are called to work toward and pray for peace, something we should never cease from doing. It seems a difficult, unending task, but each of us can play a part – a house is not made up of a single brick, neither is an ocean made up of one raindrop - many small parts go into making a larger whole. Christians also know that ultimate peace lies with Christ and true world peace will only become a reality at his return. When this will be "no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Mark 13:32). Not knowing should not stop us from playing our part in bringing about that vision. Those we will be honouring at our Remembrance Day services gave their lives in every sense of the word to bring about a better world we will remember them and those who still fight for our peace and security today.

Lest we forget.

Rev Jenny Ellis

#### SERVICES AT ST. BOTOLPH'S

4 November 11am Eucharist Rev Jenny Ellis
11 November 10.50am Remembrance Rev Jenny Ellis
18 November 11am Eucharist Rev Linda Richardson
25 November 11am Eucharist Rev Jenny Ellis

#### Last Word

Another busy edition and my thanks to all the contributors. A few of the contributions, because of the the format used to construct them, have proved difficult to include in the magazine at the required print standard.

The next edition of our magazine is December/January, so Christmas/New Year. I always try to make this edition especially colourful! However, if you want a poster included with your article please drop a hard copy through my door, we do have the equipment to ensure that we can reproduce your poster to a professional print standard. I will not be accepting photographs of posters! Likewise, Word doc layouts! Along with all the "experts" out there, I can change these layouts into a PDF but where the graphic used is of a low resolution it does not miraculously change to high resolution in this process and is therefore still not of a professional print quality. Peter Davis has kindly updated the guidelines for articles and graphics and these can be found on our website www.naphillandwaltersash.org.uk. Copy date will be 15 November and I look forward to receiving your contributions on or before this date please.

I have a copy of an historic photograph from Pam Smith which I have not managed to include in this edition but which I will include at some point, space allowing.

Enjoy the Fireworks, the Christmas Fayres and all the Autumn activities.

Sonia

## Small Ads

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problems, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenvalleyfootclinic.com

**CRYSTAL HEALING THERAPIST** Reiki treatments & Indian Head Massage. Enables your wellbeing & relaxation. I also teach meditation & Reiki. Call Heather 07377 537070 or email mooncrafting@outlook.com. Facebook & Instagram as MoonCrafting, www.mooncrafting.com

**DA ROCHA SERVICES** - HANDYMAN with a VAN - Local, efficient and great availability. House and garden clearances, item delivery & house moves. Gardening, painting & decorating, guttering, odd jobs, flat pack furniture assembly & ebay selling. Call Chris -07540 088573

**PLUG ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS.** Chartered Electrical Engineer based in Naphill and covering local area. NICEIC registered. No job too small. For a free, competitive quote, call Dennis on 07985 230103. www.plugelectrics.co.uk.

#### Continued on page 38

# Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

**TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES,** Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**SPEEN PILATES STUDIO** Newly built Pilates studio. Specialist Pilates classes on a 1:1 or small class 1:6 available, both day and evening. Matwork and Reformer Pilates Foundation Teacher and member of NHSTA. Call Amanda 07733 307475

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail. com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**LAWN MOWING**. Local, friendly, reliable, regular lawn mowing service. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly to suit your requirements. Established for over 10 years. For a free quote please call Alan on 01494 443362 or email: lawns@alandriver.com

**SPORTS MASSAGE.** Beneficial for sports/non sports people alike. Deep tissue treatment to maintain and improve muscle condition. Helps to increase flexibility, range of motion and reduce risk of injury. Steve Sutton 07827 962211 (VTCT qualified)

#### For all Advertising Information please contact the editor, Contact details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

## QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

# 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

## DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



## & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



# NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

## **KENT MURRAY**

#### <u>GENERAL BUILDER &</u> <u>HANDYMAN</u>

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



## N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
   Flooring
- FI00fillig
   Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







# Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

#### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

## Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

# Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

#### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

# Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

# Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

## **Based in Upper North Dean**

# Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

# SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

# **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

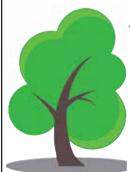
Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance

## Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

City <mark>& P</mark> Guilds

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

### **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



## Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

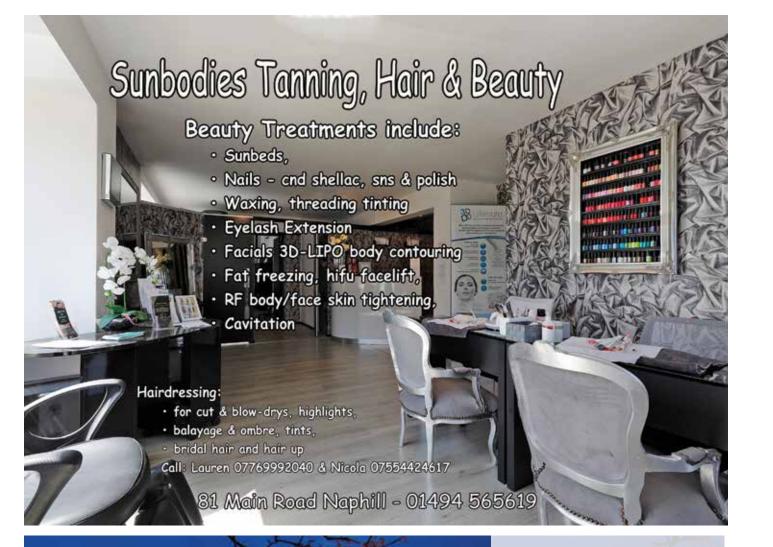
The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

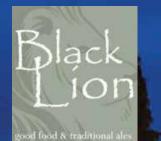
## Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

11

1

October 2018





#### Real Ales

- Homecooked Food
- Large Garden and Terrace
- Small & Large Group Bookings
- Family & Dog Friendly
- Food now available til 8pm on Sundays

Christmas Menu out now

2 courses £19.50 3 courses £23.50 per person

Served from 1st December

Winter warmers now added to the menu

Call now to book your table

Opening Hours 11am to 11pm Mon - Sat Food served Tues - Sat 12-3 / 6-9pm Sunday- 12noon to 11pm Food served 12noon to 6pm

Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4SH For all reservations call: 01494 563176

#### blacklionnaphill.com



Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

#### **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

## Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

## 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

#### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

#### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



#### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

## **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

## BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



## 



## All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





## SURE-BUILD Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

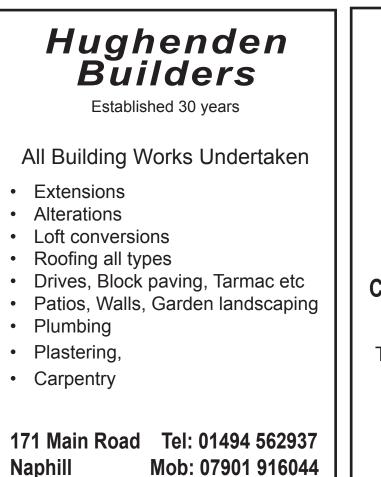
We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

#### Sure-Build Built on Quality

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk





## Kim Johnson Plumbing



## Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

## Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

## Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



#### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

## 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

#### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



### P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

### **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

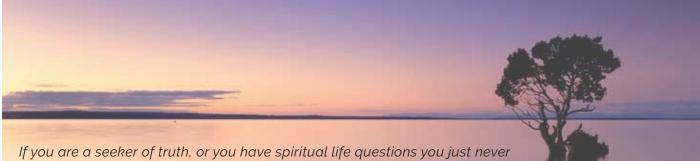
01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

#### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



## DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



## Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette October 2018

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: <u>photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

#### Copy Deadline for the November 2018 edition is 15 October 2018

Contacts Directory							
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk				
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk				
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk				
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton		chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Vacancy						
Hughenden Parish Council	Vacancy						
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Cllr. Paul Hardinge	07810 038198	paul.hardinge@hughendenpc.org.uk				
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk				
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm				
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com				
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT					
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275				

Naphill and Walter's Ash Clubs and Organisations						
Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact			
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121			
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933			
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com			
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com			
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys Training Sessions	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.uk			
	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332			
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash				
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767			
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Sheila Veysey 562332			
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089			
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uk			
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green				
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday of the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977			
Residents Association	Third Thursday in the	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634			
	month 8pm		glorialeflaive@msn.com			
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com			
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282			
Tuesda	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706			
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406			
Tennis Club - Junior	Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter- rycrooks2001@aol.com			
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk			
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or Sheila Draper 563670					



**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

#### Editorial

We are told that time flies when you are having fun! The glorious Summer has certainly flown by and I hope it was enjoyed by you all. The Autumn colours are appearing, the days are getting noticeably shorter and this edition of our magazine is full of Autumn events, the 26th Firework Spectacular, and dare I mention CHRISTMAS!

Just where has the time gone? Is this really my fiftieth attempt at compiling the Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette? Has it been fun all the time? Well if I am totally truthful, not ALL the time, but overall, when Geoff our printer drops the latest edition off, I breathe a sigh of relief and trust that it will be enjoyed by you all.

Over my five years as editor I have introduced a lot of changes to our magazine. It is now 8 pages bigger than when I arrived and as you all know, I love colour, so we now have plenty of this in the magazine which has greatly added to the production costs. Added to this we now have a monthly software subscription to pay and there will be another steep rise in paper costs which will further add to our printing bill. This month I will be meeting with my Gussetteers to discuss the Gazette finances and set the budget for the coming year. We are likely to have to make the first rise in our Gazette subscription charges for several years but more on this next month when our ever-efficient treasurer, Mike Pool gives us the figures and his advice on this.

Here at World Headquarters, like so many grandparents, we had the two grandchildren staying over the school holidays. When it came to the Friends of Naphill Common Bat Walk neither of them was very sure that they wanted to be dragged away from their

technological devices but their Mother insisted! "WE ARE GOING"! So! a reluctant 10 year old and 15 year old sallied forth. They returned over two hours later, enthused to the extent that they immediately sat and scribed all their newly acquired, fascinating "Batty Facts". So thank you Friends of Naphill Common and please can we have more family walks and events to encourage us all to join in and appreciate our environment.

I have rarely lived in a home without at least one canine family member. For many years, these were large or giant breeds. There was nothing I enjoyed more than watching my Afghan hound run free with her gorgeous silky hair flowing as she ran or my huge black, bounding Great Dane foraging in the woods and playing with our children. All our big dogs were well trained, so I am not too sure that I was aware that perhaps they were intimidating to other people, much smaller dogs or that worse still, that they might bowl a small child over. Two Chihuahuas later, and being personally, physically disabled, my perspective has changed! The Crick is a public space and there are notices clearly stating that ALL dogs must be leashed, this makes it a safe area for everybody involved. We do have other places where dogs can run free so folk, however well trained, friendly, slow moving your much-loved pooch might be, please respect the areas where there are restrictions.

Time to start putting everything into this Autumn edition of our magazine. We are missing a few articles from some of our regular contributors. One I believe is in Australia getting married, several are on holiday, other groups are yet to meet and my new school reporters are busily settling into their final year at Naphill & Walter's Ash School. I look forward to hearing from them all next month and sharing their news with you then.

#### Sonia

01494 569428 editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

#### Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields

Council Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairman's Report**

The September meeting of the village hall committee was held on the 3 September. Among the points discussed were adopting the decision making protocol. An equalities policy was circulated and after discussion the committee agreed to adopt the policy. The hallmaster diary/calendar will now be used to enable us to see what activities are taking place on the Crick and if we decide that the more regular users are charging for group activities we feel that a charge should be made for using the facilities.

Approval has been given to the maintenance committee to purchase a new extractor fan for the kitchen. Also replacing the car park posts, putting 2 new doors on the changing rooms and having the pointing done on the path and wall surrounding the war memorial. It was agreed that this would cost £4100. We are also looking into having the audio cabinet replaced with a new system costing £1500 to £2000.

The fundraising for the play equipment is ongoing with the Christmas fayre on the Friday 30 November allocating the money raised to the play equipment fund. A Tack sale will be held on Saturday 27th. October with monies raised also going to the play fund. A local company has promised to donate £1000 and individual donations have also been offered. Unfortunately our application for funding from the Calor Community Fund was not successful, this was the last of our bids for funding. The initial equipment for the toddlers appears to cost in the region of £15000 and when this is in place we will continue to install more items for the children to play on, so the fundraising will continue. If you would like to donate, you can via the naphillvillagehall.org.uk website and click on the link to donate, all donations will be used for the playground equipment.

At the meeting of the village hall committee a proposal was made for a smaller management committee of

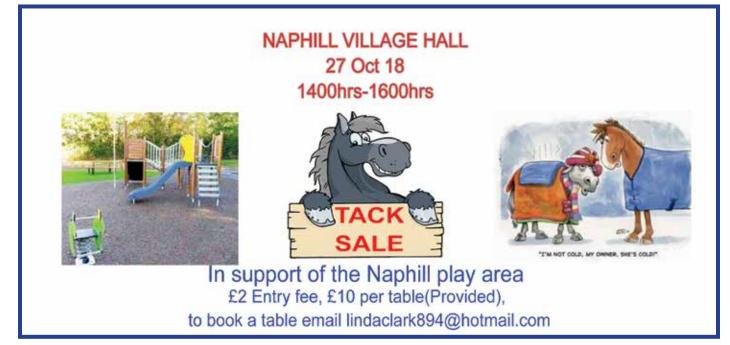
Trustees who would meet monthly for decision making and then a larger meeting for all stakeholders which would take place quarterly. The trustees agreed to consider the constitution of this monthly group before the next meeting where further discussion will take place. Any changes would need to be included as amendments to the Scheme and therefore can only be agreed at the AGM.

The Napfest committee has already met for next year's event and Linda Clark has agreed to be the chairman. The 2019 event will be on 7/8/9 June. The flypast and the marquee have been booked and the theme will be The Circus.

The fireworks on 3rd. November is also going to be a great event with £6000 worth of fireworks, a bonfire and for this year live music before and after the event. Tickets will soon be available from local shops and pubs and also from the website. It is an event that has a good attendance and we have limited the number of spectators to 3000 this year, so make sure that you buy your tickets while they are still available.

> *Clive Lawrence* Village Hall Chairman.





#### What Are We Doing About Our Missing Playground Equipment?



The Village Hall Council is acutely aware of the lack of a facility for young children and is doing its best to fill the space left by the removal of the toddler unit. The activity trail will come later.

At present, our focus is on a replacement unit for children aged 2 to 6. We have some facilities for older children but the little ones are left with 2 swings and 2 springers. There have been some disappointed faces this summer. It is necessary to get three designs and quotes for a new unit because the cost will be of the order of £15,000. This is in hand. Three companies have visited, taken measurements, and are submitting suggestions; the intention is to present these to the Village Hall Council meeting at the beginning of October so a decision can be made. The Parish Council has offered a grant of £5000 provided we match that amount and organise events to raise a further £5000.

Now that the long hot summer is over it is time to raise funds specifically for the playground. This is necessary because the Council has recently had to spend about £20,000 on a flat roof and more roof work is required. Judy Whitehouse, our secretary, has made a number of grant applications on the Council's behalf with no success to date.

Some events and sources of funds are in the

pipeline. We hope the Co-op Community Fund will be helping us again, for this specific purpose. We were very grateful for the £2000 + that was raised for us last year. Linda Clarke is arranging a 'Tack' sale in October (details elsewhere in the Gazette). Profits from the Christmas Fayre on November 30th will go towards the initial £5000 target. Funds can also be donated on the 'Donate' page on our website ( www. naphillvillagehall.org.uk.).

Raising money for the popular table tennis table was a huge success. Can we do something similar for the playground? Once we have funds in place for the new toddler unit, we need to consult our 'juniors' and raise money for a new activity trail to go in the large empty grassy space. At a guess, the cost of this will be getting on for £30,000. SO THERE IS MUCH TO DO.

Ideas and offers of help would be greatly appreciated. Clive Lawrence can be contacted via the website, and I would be happy to hear from people by phone (565969) or email : pegwat1066@btinternet.com. I look forward to being inundated!!!!

I have written at length so there are no misconceptions about the progress we are making, and how much more there is to do.

Peggy Ewart



#### **Hughenden Parish Council News**

There have been several changes in your local councillors over the summer months.

You may be aware by now that, after several years as your ward councillor, Peter Williams has resigned from the council due to pressure of his own work. As he said, he felt able to do this as two new councillors had recently joined the council to represent the Naphill & Walters Ash Ward. Since Peter resigned however, Victoria Austwick has reluctantly also resigned due to sudden pressures in her own work.

Cllr Paul Hardinge was co-opted onto the council in July and along with Cllr Chris Waterton, they are now your local councillors. In his own words Paul says, "I am pleased to have been warmly welcomed as a new Councillor for the ward of Naphill and Walter's Ash and I am looking forward to working with all the parish councillors in helping represent and promote the needs of our local community."

There are two vacancies now in Naphill & Walters Ash and the council are keen to get new councillors on board. If you are involved in the local community and would like to represent your area, please contact Shona Hadwen, Clerk to the Parish Council on 01494 715296.

Both Paul & Chris will of course endeavour to represent the residents of Naphill and Walters Ash to the same high standards set by Peter, who consistently demonstrated his willingness to get involved in practical and constructive ways to find solutions to issues and to progress local projects.

Your local councillors:

*Paul Hardinge* – 07810 038198 *Chris Waterton* – 07968 268067

#### Peter Williams Resigns as a Parish Councillor

Please be aware that in July I resigned from the Parish Council. There is never a good time to leave but given the Council didn't sit again till September it was intended to minimise the impact of my departure by doing this before the summer break.

I always felt it my duty to stay on whilst our residents were underrepresented around the Council table with a depleted number of Councillors, however, I am delighted that this is no longer the case. Naphill & Walter's Ash now has two new Councillors co-opted in June and another has recently joined for Hughenden Valley. With this new injection of enthusiasm and zeal I feel that as the second longest-serving Councillor at the time it was right to step away.

The last 5+ years has seen my family expand and is now rapidly growing up, placing yet more demands on my time as well as my continued need to juggle work and other outside interests. I still believe passionately about where I live and the people who live in it. I will continue to be a local Cub leader, and be active with Naphill Speedwatch. It is my wish to retain some involvement with the Village Hall and also the Templewood Playground Team so I will not be withdrawing from public life - far from it.

Few people realise how indebted our community is to its Parish Council for the work that gets done, largely invisibly and thanklessly, to protect and enhance this wonderful place we are privileged to call our home. The Councillors as well as Council Officers should be

commended for the time and dedication they give.

Peter Williams

**Editorial Comment:** Grateful thanks to Peter Williams for his tireless work as a Parish Councillor and indeed as Chairman of this council. I am sure he will be greatly missed.

My personal thanks to him for all the regular articles he has submitted to the Gazette and for all his support, advice and help.

We welcome Councillor Paul Hardinge who joins Councillor Chris Waterton and we thank you both for supporting our community.

Sonia

## Naphill Walter's Ash Resident's Association



#### The following local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 16 July and 14 September 2018. Any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

#### **Awaiting Decision**

**18/06647/FUL** Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of two 4-bed two storey detached dwellings and a 3-bed detached bungalow all with detached double garages. Heatherlands Naphill Common Naphill. HP14 4RF.Received on 22.06.18. Target Date for Determination 17.08.2018 (NAWARA objection).

**18/06807/FUL** Demolition of existing buildings and clear the site, change the use of the site from redundant B1-B2 (business/industrial) to C3 (dwellinghouses) and erection of 1 x 3 bed low carbon dwelling house which utilizes ground source heat, grey water harvesting, very low U-value insulation and solar power Hogtrough Smallholding

Louches Lane Naphill. HP14 4QH.Received10.07.18 Target Determination: 04.09.2018. (NAWARA objection).

**18/06842/FUL** Householder application for construction of two storey side extension and alteration to path at front of property. 51 Woodcock Avenue Walters Ash. HP14 4TN. Received 19.07.18.Target Determination: 13.09.2018

**18/06955/FUL** HA for construction of single storey front and side extensions 2 Wellhouse Way Naphill. HP14 4QP Received 24.07.18. Target Determination: 18.09.2018.

**18/07116/TPO.** Crown reduction by 1 - 1.5m to 1 x Norway Maple to clear property and cables. Ensuring tree is balanced once done. 279 Main Road Walters Ash HP144UU. Received 13.08.18. Target Determination: 08.10.2018

**18/07145/FUL** HA for demolition of rear conservatory and construction of part two storey, part single storey rear extension. The White Cottage Coombe LaneNaphill. HP144QX.Received 15.08.18.Target Determination. 10.10.2018

**18/07199/FUL** HA for demolition of garden shed and construction of attached garage. Lilac Cottage Purssells Meadow Naphill. HP14 4SG. Received on 21.08.18. Target Determination: 16.10.2018

#### Permitted

**18/06698/FUL.** Hunts Hill Farm Hunts Hill Lane Naphill. HP14 4RJ.

**18/06732/FUL.** Blacksmiths Downley Road Naphill HP14 4QY

Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

## Quiz Night

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October

with popular local Quizmaster

PETER OXBROW Teams of up to Six people

reams of up to six people

Tickets £12.50 a head

includes Chilli Con Carne or Vegetarian Lasagne with Salad and French bread & butter

Prizes, Raffle & Full Bar

Profits will be shared between



NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL Doors Open 7pm. Quiz starts 7:30pm prompt Tickets Gloria 563634 or Jo 07802 235578 Email glorialeflaive@msn.com or jokeattch@googlemail.com

**NAWARA QUIZ** Friday 12th October 2018. Naphill Village Hall. Everyone welcome. Do join us at this popular fund-raising event. Good company. Hot Supper of Chilli or Vegetarian Lasagne with salad. Full Bar, Raffle and Prizes. Teams of up to Six. Doors open 7pm. Quiz starts 7.30pm. Tickets £12.50 per head. To book call Jo on 07802 235578 email jokeattch@googlemail. com or Gloria on 563634 email glorialeflaive@msn. com. Profits shared between NAWARA and Children in Need.

Monday 19th November 7.30pm NAWARA AGM. Naphill Village Hall. Everyone welcome. Enjoy drinks and nibbles. 8pm "THE HISTORY OF BOMBER HARRIS AND RAF HIGH WYCOMBE", a fascinating piece of local history related by former RAF Officer David Brown of Walter's Ash. Don't miss it!

**Best Kept Village Competition** June/July 2018. Congratulations to all for keeping Naphill and the adjacent Common looking so splendid which the judges decided was evidence of community effort. We earned 93 marks, just 3 marks below the winners Cheddington at 96. Lack of cemetery lost us 2 but Full Marks to The Common, Village Hall, Play Area, War memorial, Noticeboards and Bus stops/shelters.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

#### **Growing Your Own**

Well, what a summer! By my reckoning, in Naphill and Walter's Ash we had no rain at all from the end of the first week of May to the end of the first week of August. In addition to the rain problem, it was reported that in our part of the UK it was the warmest summer on record, with temperatures in the 30s on some days. I noticed that the sun was extremely penetrating and official statistics bear that out. This year we had over 30 per cent more sunshine than normal. The extra sunshine benefitted some crops but frazzled others in the hot, dry conditions. Some seeds would not germinate, no matter how frequently I watered. Very few weeds germinated. My allotment soil was like dust for the first couple of inches. Then I made a most important discovery. More on that later.

As for my crops, all my cucurbits (courgettes, marrows, pumpkins and squashes) were eaten by muntjac deer desperate for water. I managed to keep my carrots alive in the early stages by repeated watering. There were a few positive surprises. My beetroot were just amazing; I did not water them but they germinated and grew rapidly, having the ability to seek out water in the lower depths of the soil. This happened to my outdoor tomatoes also. I did not water them at all and they produced the best crop ever.

Now for my discovery, which I have never seen in textbooks or wherever. On 3rd August, with my allotment soil like dust to a depth of a couple of inches, I lifted a brick. The soil under the brick was very moist. In the rainless period a row of carrots grown within three inches of some impermeable black plastic was double the height of an adjacent row further away from the black plastic (see photo). Then it dawned on me that moisture in the subsoil rises to the surface by capillary action and then evaporates into the air. On encountering my brick or impermeable black plastic it could not evaporate so stayed there – and made the soil near my first row of

carrots moist, hence the row grew at twice the rate of the adjacent row of identical seed sown on the same day. This discovery would not have been possible in a normal year but in 2018, with such an extreme level of dryness, the discovery was made.



The forecasters say that such summers will occur with increasing frequency and by 2050 will be the norm. Therefore I shall cut 12-inch wide strips of black plastic and place them between my rows of vegetables to gain from this phenomenon. And slightly ridging the soil between the rows to also gain from run-off when it rains. And no weeds!

Good gardening!

Mike Mason

#### Iris Alma Evans

12 August 1926 – 8 December 2017



Iris was born in West Wycombe and moved to Naphill in 1952 when she married local boy John Evans. She moved into Little Orchard, Downley Road and remained there, raising her children Jonathan and Linsey, until her death last year.

Despite growing up during the Second World War, a time of great privation, Iris had a positive attitude

to life. She is remembered fondly by her friends and family as a wonderful, warm, supportive person with a great sense of humour who was always fun to be around. She was a great listener and a wonderful friend to so many.

Iris played netball for Mill End Road School and later captained the Bucks County Netball Team. She also loved to sing and when she left Mill End Road Secondary School she helped set up an Old Girls Group which put on two Gilbert & Sullivan musical productions.

Iris trained as a fitness teacher attending courses at Bisham Abbey in Marlow and ran keep fit classes in Naphill Village Hall. She also qualified as dance teacher and taught ballroom and national dancing classes in Naphill Village Hall.

Iris met John whilst running the youth club in Naphill,

they had been married for 54 years when John died in 2006. She taught the local children dancing and keep fit, table tennis and other sports. The youth club was a vital part of the village at a time when there was little for young people to do, and many older Naphill residents still remember Iris from this time.

Iris's first job was with Pullin Optics in High Wycombe. She worked in the factory producing high powered lenses which were used in periscopes for submarines and aeroplanes. She loved working in the factory and would speak with fondness of her colleagues and the fun they had.

When Iris moved to Naphill she worked in the Lawrest furniture factory as a sewing machinist. The factory, formerly owned by the Lawrence family, still stands today. She worked happily in the furniture industry until retirement at 70. She was well known in the local furniture industry for her skills as a machinist. Iris always said she had enjoyed her work and never found it a chore.

She was a gifted seamstress and made beautiful clothes for herself and her family. Her beautiful hand knitted jumpers were welcome gifts worn by many friends and family members, their children and grand-children.

Iris's cake baking was legendary. Her Victoria sponges often won first prize at the Naphill Horticultural Society shows and her Lemon Drizzle Cake is still one of the best you will ever taste.

When Linsey started riding Iris became involved as groom and driver for horse shows. She was quickly recruited as a member of the OBH Hughenden Pony Club Committee providing the catering for various Pony Club events.

The house in Downley Road was always full of people coming and going. Iris's ability to connect with people of all ages meant that Jonathan and Linsey's friends would visit freely, never needing an invitation and sometimes just to see Iris. The house was full of life and laughter and Iris always made sure that everyone felt welcome.



Iris was a kind, funny, intelligent, loving, strong, selfless woman, devoted to her children. She lived a full life and enjoyed her independence up until the very end. She will be remembered fondly by everyone whose life she touched and will live on in her family's hearts forever.



#### **Naphill Tennis Club**

By the time you read this, we will have had our Barn Dance & Supper in the Village Hall and hopefully it will have been much enjoyed by all who attended.

We have had a great summer of tennis. Our Ladies' Team came top of Division 7 in the Ladies' Bucks Shield and has been promoted to Division 6 for next year. Our Mixed Team was runner-up in Division 3 and has been promoted to Division 2. When writing this, our Men's Team still had one match to play so no final results to hand.

Improvers' Coaching from 9 - 10 am on a Wednesday is still very popular and is continuing throughout the Autumn. It's never too late to give it a go!

Naphill Tennis Club has a friendly, sociable group of members and plays tennis all the year round. Since our 'tiger turf' courts drain so well, rain and frost are not a problem – you just need to wear a few extra layers in the winter and take a break for coffee and biscuits in our little clubhouse! Details of membership and activities are on our website www.naphilltennisclub.org.uk or you can contact the Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel (sarah.dengel1@gmail.com) for further information.

Jenny Tench

#### Hon.David Lidington MP

The RAF has a strong presence in Buckinghamshire, nowhere more so than in Walters Ash, Naphill and Bradenham.

I recently spent a day at RAF High Wycombe. I was wearing two hats. I am both the local constituency MP and also a member of the National Security Council, chaired by the Prime Minister, which brings together senior ministers with armed forces, civil service and intelligence chiefs to discuss both domestic and international threats to our country.

It was a fascinating visit. I spent the morning being briefed on current challenges, from issues to do with recruitment and equipment through to operational matters. We discussed the steps being taken to recruit more women and more people from ethnic communities, the long timetable needed to procure and design new aircraft and the challenges presented by advances in both air and space technology. Every day of the week, RAF men and women are taking action to deter and protect the United Kingdom and to defend our interests around the world.

A visit of a few hours can only give you a snapshot, but even that helps when you faced with decisions on security policy.

In the afternoon I was honoured to be invited to present awards to RAF people (some in uniform, others civilian staff) who had contributed that bit above and beyond normal expectations of duty.

The recipients were men and women from many different parts of the RAF family. But what their stories had in common were two distinctive features. First, they had all in different ways demonstrated a capacity for leadership, to take the initiative to get something done. Second, they had all shown an ability to motivate and work with others,

In the RAF's centenary year, it was a reminder how much we all continue to owe to their service.

David Lidington

#### Christmas Gift Fayre Friday 30th November 6pm – 9pm



We know it may seem rather early to be mentioning this, but following the success of last year's event, we are once again holding the Gift Fayre on a Friday evening.

There will be plenty of opportunities for

you to make a start on your Christmas shopping with a wide variety of gift ideas from local suppliers, along with essentials like mulled wine & mince pies, and the usual Very Grand Draw!

We still have a few stall spaces left, so if you would be interested in having a stall do get in touch.

Please Save the Date! we want you all to come along on November 30th and enjoy this traditional fun and festive event at the Village Hall.

Cathryn Carter (563233) & Moira Harris (562099)

#### **Friends of Naphill Common**



I'm pleased to report that both the Mini-beast Safari and our annual Bat Walk were very successful, with around 30 in attendance for each. The Bat Walk featured an appearance by Rose, the Noctule Bat, giving us all a close look at one of these fascinating mammals.

Our next event will be to host the Bucks Fungus Group for our annual walk. As usual there will be local and national experts to accompany the walks and assist with identification of finds, including Richard Fortey who has written and presented several BBC4 series on natural history and palaeontology. We will be visiting Dew Pond to view the remains of the fallen Great Beech and check whether the very rare and spectacular (for a fungus!) Lion's Mane has survived the extraction of the trunk from the pond (which it was badly overshadowing).

The fungus walk will be on 21st October and will start at 1pm from the Village Hall. As with all our events, it is open to non-members as well as members, and is free of charge.

Meanwhile our regular activities continue. Anyone who would like to take part in our working parties is most welcome to do so. There is always some light work to be done as well as more heavy work. We have a group working every Thursday morning from 9:30am to 1pm and you can do as much or as little as you wish. If you are up to sitting on our ride-on mower for the odd hour, then we will be delighted to see you – please contact Ron Collins on 01494 562240.

Alternatively, there is a (less mechanised) Sunday morning group who work (usually) on the first and third

Sundays of each month between 10:00am and noon. After a summer break, these are expected to resume from mid-October, when we hope to start work again on the ponds. Any help welcome (don't worry you do not have to go in the ponds) – please contact Peter Davis if you are not already on the work party email list or check our website (www.naphillcommon.org.uk) for more information.

Dates may be subject to change because of weather or other reasons, so for both groups it's always best to contact the respective organisers if you plan to take part. Tools can be provided (though you are always welcome to bring your own), but you will need to bring gardening gloves.

Finally, there are also our monthly walks. The short walks (about an hour, 2 to 3 miles), led by Chris Miller, normally start from the Village Hall at 10:30 on the first Wednesday of each month, but October's walk will be postponed until 10th October to fit in with the Chilterns Walking Festival, organised by the AONB. The long walks (about 2½ to 3 hours), led by Ron Collins, depart from the Village Hall on the third Monday of each month at 9:25am prompt, and usually end with lunch at a rural hostelry for those who wish to join us.

I hope to see some of you there.

Chris Miller - Chairman

#### New to Area Business



I am excited to introduce my new aesthetic business to you, which focuses on educating and helping clients achieve healthy looking, natural skin by providing safe and effective treatments. I have worked as a Registered Nurse for 20 years within the NHS and continue to do so. I completed my aesthetic

training with a leading Consultant Plastic Surgeon and have also trained with the skin professionals, AlumierMD.

This brand focuses on combining light to moderate chemical peel treatments with a luxury, scientific based home care product range. As individuals, we have unique skin profiles, meaning one product does not suit all, so an initial assessment is completed and then an optimal treatment regime is devised. The results for clients with acne, rosacea and anti-aging concerns have genuinely been amazing!

If you have an interest in skin care and would like to find out more about this amazing brand, I would love to hear from you. Other injectable treatments available include dermal lip fillers and anti-ageing muscle relaxing treatments. Please feel free to contact me with any queries, or if you would simply like to find out more information – Mobile number 07788138610 or via FB Page – Holistic Nurse Aesthetics.

I look forward to hopefully starting you on an amazing, results driven, new skin care journey very soon!

#### Village Hall Remembrance Day Service, Sunday, 11th November 2018



Our Annual Service will take place on Sunday 11th November in the Village Hall at 2.45 p.m. and all are welcome to attend. This year marks the Centenary of the Armistice which signalled the cessation of hostilities in Europe

and which had killed millions of service men and displaced millions of civilians. The United Kingdom stood alone until 1917 when the United States joined in the fight against the German Forces who had sought to dominate the free nations of Europe. The total casualties from the British Isles were 704,803. Nearly every community lost one or several of their, mainly young men, in that war.

In this, the centenary year of the Royal Air Force, we must remember that over 55,000 aircrew were killed in bombing operations over Germany during the second world war.

We must never forget the debt we owe to all those men and women, who gave their lives that we might live in freedom.

It was 1970 when I took over the planning and coordination of our village Remembrance Day from Harold Tweedale and the time has now come for me to retire from that responsibility, fortunately Reg Horne has offered his services and will take over from me on the 11th November. My thanks to all who have helped over the years, the scouts and guides, the school, the RAF and the Clergy from the local churches and more recently the RAF Padres, the police and not forgetting our buglers. The village has always been very supportive of this event and attendance has grown over the years to make it one of the largest Remembrance Day services in the rural district. Long may it continue!

Richard Pushman

#### Wycombe Photographic Society

The New Year has started so action aplenty over the next 10 months, starting with our first internal competition and a couple of "away" competitions against other clubs. The "away" competitions are the first in a series against other clubs from the South East and these will continue into 2019.

This year we turn the big 80.... Yes we have been going for 80 years this year.

Following an article published in the "Bucks Free Press", in response to a letter from E.F. (Ted) Harman, High Wycombe Camera Club was formed

on 1st September 1938, after an inaugural meeting which some twenty or so interested photographers attended. In the mid-nineties, the Club changed its name to High Wycombe and District Camera Club, to reflect the broader area from which members were drawn and, more recently, a further name change to Wycombe Photographic Society to capture a wider spectrum of photographic interests extending beyond the camera.

Apart from the 80 Year Birthday Party we have a couple of "no competition" events before the end of 2018:

- Workshop Post Processing Sharpening & Clarity and Managing Digital Noise
- Guest Speaker Abstracts, Patterns and Art in Your Eyes

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

We would love to see more members from Naphill and Walters Ash so please come along to one of our evenings.

> David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society





## Parents' Open Meeting Beginning Primary School Sept 2019 At Naphill and Walters Ash School

Tuesday 9th October 9:15 and Tuesday 20th November 1:15



#### Naphill Brownies

in action

It's been an exciting Summer!

Naphill, Hughenden and Walters Ash brownies joined 150 other brownies at this year's County Brownie Camp in Harefield. It was the first time we have camped out in tents on a brownie holiday, so it was a new and exciting experience for all of us.

The Harry Potter theme gave plenty of scope for fun, with potion-making, magic, quidditch and an opportunity to get up close with a selection of lizards, snakes and big hairy spiders.





All this alongside the more conventional campfiresinging, crafts and wide games. It was an actionpacked, and tiring, weekend for all.

This summer has also brought the long-awaited new girlguiding programme; it aims to ensure that guiding is relevant to the modern era and preparing our youngsters for their future, without losing the fun and adventure. The new programme has ongoing themes running through the various levels from Rainbows through to Rangers. It will be an interesting year as we all get used to it.



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

#### NO ELECTRICAL GOODS PLEASE!

The Brownies & Guides Jumble Sale is on the 6th October. We hope you have all been collecting up your jumble for us. We will be coming around to collect around the village as usual. Doors open at 1:30pm. See you there.

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

#### **Shear Madness**

School half term is fast approaching! I hope our little ones have settled in nicely and haven't lost their school jumpers or PE kit yet, year 7's are getting to grips with the school bus and a whole heap of homework and our university baby's have at least phoned home at some point in between partying. Enjoy your half term break.

Huge apologies again for my recent absences, all I have done this year is be ill !! At the time I'm writing this we still don't know what is wrong and awaiting further tests but rest assured it is nothing nasty just something we need to get to the bottom of. So thank you for your patience and all your kind words it does mean a lot to me.

My heartfelt condolences to The Wheel family, Mark, Claire and staff for their loss of the beautiful Daisy the dog, they really are very much part of the family and she will be greatly missed by the customers too, although they can now eat their lunch in peace, sorry Claire!

#### Naphill Evening WI

August was fairly quiet as far as WI activities are concerned, but some of us met at Hazel's to have a look through the archives she had collected for us over the years. It was really interesting, especially for newer members, to see what we had been up to over time. We also enjoyed tea, cake and a lot of chat in Hazel's lovely garden.

It was a lovely evening for our Games Evening at Valerie and Richard's in July. Unfortunately there were not many of us but we had a really good time with a lovely buffet supper and the usual croquet (with some cheating I think) and other games. I can't say that we were very good at the darts though. Most of the darts landed in the tree or on the ground!

There was a visit to Mapledurham In August, when some of us took a boat along the Thames from Caversham to the lovely grounds of Mapledurham House where we were greeted by the Miller and his wife who showed us round the Watermill and St Margaret's Church. The mill is the last commercially working watermill on the Thames and the church was most unusual, being divided down the centre with one half Church of England and the other Roman Catholic. One of the highlights of the trip was the cream tea with scones made from the mill's own flour. We were also shown the impressive Archimedes Screw thread Turbine located next to the mill which produces electricity from the river flow.



In August, the Food Group had tea at the Red Lion Café in Bradenham. September saw them lunching at the Hit or Miss in Penn.

At our September meeting on the 20th, we will have learnt more about the work of the Wycombe Homeless Connection and donated suitable clothes or food.

Carol Gilliam

Mandy

#### 26th Annual Naphill Fireworks & Bonfire

Hello! Planning for the 2018 Fireworks Extravaganza has been well underway for over six months now, we're making good progress and we hope you're all going to enjoy this year's event.

For the first time ever this year we'll have live music at 6pm and 7.30pm and a professional DJ hosting the proceedings, so it'd be great if you could come along a little earlier to enjoy the entertainment with a mulled wine or a beer perhaps!? The lighting of the fire will take place at 6.15pm and the fireworks display from 7pm.

We'll be offering e-tickets again this year, they will be available on our website in the coming weeks. When you arrive at the gate on the night with e-tickets please make sure you've got each e-ticket ready to scan on your phone or printed out so we can try to minimise the queues at the gate. As usual physical tickets will be available for purchase in the village shops and pubs from mid-October until 2nd November.

As per last year, we will be fencing off the bonfire area two weeks before the event. The site will be open for you to bring your own wood for the bonfire on the two Saturdays before the event but closed on other days to control the amount and type of wood and where it is put. Please note, we will only accept pallets and timber, absolutely no garden or domestic waste.

As with previous years, we cannot run our village Fireworks Spectacular without the help of our fantastic volunteers, willing to give up their time to assist before, during and after the event. If you're able to spare any time at all to help and would like to get involved then



please let me know as there are plenty of roles available.

Please remember not to bring sparklers or other fireworks to the event as we will not let you in. Also please do NOT bring dogs or other pets to the event, they will be turned away at the gate. Please also note that we cannot allow you in if you are wearing a reflective jacket, this is not a fashion preference, it is to allow our marshals and stewards to be easily identified in the case of an emergency.

For all the latest information, photos & competitions for this year's event, please join our Naphill Fireworks Facebook group.

That's it! We hope you're as excited as we are about this fantastic local event and we look forward to seeing you all there!

> Pete Dalby Chairman – Fireworks committee

petedalby@outlook.com Naphillfireworks.co.uk https://www.facebook.com/groups/ NaphillFireworks

#### **Bradenham Parish Council**

At its last meeting the parish council considered the county council's public consultation on Household Recycling Centres. It felt that the Bledlow recycling centre was a useful asset for the local community. If it were closed residents would have to visit the Booker recycling centre. It would be a great inconvenience and the parish council's preferred option would be to reduce opening hours. You are encouraged to make your own response to this consultation at: www.bucks.gov.uk/ hrc-review.

It was agreed that the parish council's local infrastructure priorities are still speed reduction and some road resurfacing.

A dog bin has been installed by the pond carpark in Bradenham and it was also agreed to purchase a 2nd dog bin to be placed at the bottom of the "bunker road" along the A4010.

A meeting had been held with the Chiltern Society looking at pond management in Bradenham. The CS had provided some useful advice and the parish council will use that to put together an action plan.

It was also agreed to create a new free email address clerkbradenhampc@gmail.com

Our next meeting will be Monday 5 November at 7.00pm at Bradenham Cricket Club.

The meeting is open to members of the public.

Deirdre Hansen - Clerk to the Council Tel: 07391-896076 www.bucksvoice.net/bradenham-parish-council

#### **Black Lion**

Firstly, we would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who came along to support the Macmillan weekend, even if the weather wasn't on our side! A special thank you too for all those who volunteered their time to make this event possible.

Our thanks go to...

- · Anne Wilkinson for the tombola staff.
- Lacey Green School for letting us borrow the trestle tables.
- Sue Maguire for the fantastic tea and cake staff, plus to all the lovely people who spent time baking cakes!
- Lee and Cheryl Anderson for their incredible homemade cider where all the takings went to Macmillan.
- Billy Sutherland for running the penalty shoot out which became a game of hitting the ball as hard as you can at him!
- Finally, a huge thank you to Pervez and Jo Razzaq of SureBuild who kindly donated £100 as they couldn't make it on the day.

We raised almost £900 for Macmillan so THANK YOU!

We are now looking forward to autumn and the cosy nights in, we are adding winter warmers to our menu as well as changing some desserts and vegan options. Pop in to find out more.

Our Christmas menu is out now which you can find either on our website or pop in to pick up a pre-order form. We would love to host your Christmas party so visit www.blacklionnaphill.com. Two courses at £18.50 per person and three courses at £24.50 per person served from 1st December.

Thank you for all your custom over this beautiful summer, we look forward to welcoming you to the Black Lion again soon.

Jack, Sian and the team.

#### **Naphill Neighbours**

The summer break seems to have flown by and your committee is once again busy planning the last months' meetings as an evening club and looking forward to our new existence as an afternoon club, beginning on Monday 14 January 2019.

During the summer break we got together in August, spending an enjoyable day visiting the Saville Garden at Windsor and then a riverboat trip on the Thames from Runnymede, enjoying a delicious cream tea en route.

At the time of writing this, Yvonne (our outings organiser) is busy trying to find an interesting outing for the end of the year – not an easy task. We will keep you informed.

I think everyone enjoyed the delightful and enjoyable talk by Dinah Latham, a retired midwife, accompanied by her lovely dog, at our September meeting.

Our next club meeting is on Monday 8 October, when Jeff Rozelaar will be entertaining us, his subject AN ACTOR'S LIFE.

Looking forward to meeting up again with all our members.

Hazel Vickery, 563977

#### The Wheel

So how can I summarise the last few months.....Wasps, Sunshine, Patio and Dog Rescue!!

First thing that comes to mind is Wasps, I can honestly say that I have never seen so many and I would like to thank my hero Colin from Active Pest Control who has spent a great deal of time here dealing with lots of nests. We have also been scanning lost dogs, and we have had a large number that seem to have escaped during the hot weather this year. I am pleased to say that we have got them all back to their owners safely. I was given the scanner by Sarah and Kevin and I can say it's been extremely useful this year and will continue to do so in the future.

Being the oldest pub in the village, it has been necessary to give the building some much needed tlc and we have made many structural improvements over the last few months. The Court Yard (back garden) is now finished and looks amazing for both the summer and winter months, we have had new windows and doors installed and finally treated ourselves and done some improvements in the flat as well.

When we have had the chance, we have snuck out of the pub to be children and play table tennis over on the crick. I must stress that I haven't laughed so much in ages! Long story short, I have two bats and some balls here for you to rent out if you fancy having a go! As the Village Hall is raising money to rebuild the children's play area my suggestion is a Table Tennis tournament.

By the time you read this, the leaves will start to change, and we'll be on our way into the Autumn months. On the up side the fires will be ready, and all the tasty winter specials will also be back from the chef. Our Christmas Menu will have been out for a while and we have already got lots of bookings, so get your preferred date in soon for your Christmas party. We will be running the Christmas Menu from Fri 30th November to Sunday 23rd December.

We are getting very excited for our amazing Bonfire night on Sat 3rd November, and as always, we will be running 2 sittings in the dining area, one at 5.30pm and then at 7.30pm, we will also be running the Box Menu alongside for the garden and front bar. Tickets for this great event will be on sale here (cash only) as soon as we have them.

Mark and I would like to congratulate Annie and Jack on their amazing A level results and we wish them well for the future. Jack is very happy and excited that he's off to Bath University and Annie is taking a year out first so will be with us a little longer. Also well done to Kyle and all those who got their GCSE results too. We would also like to welcome Jackie Johnson to The Wheel family.

Lastly just to prove how quickly this year has gone Maxii has been with us for a whole year which was on the 3rd September, she has had to learn so much and has loved the summer and all the attention from the families.

Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed the atmosphere of the candle lit pub, as we worked hard to stay open with a power cut that lasted 7 hours for us. It was an interesting evening but was also great fun. A massive thanks goes to Annabel and Julia who had to try and work in the dark!

**RIP Daisy Dog** - As many people know Daisy was poorly for most of her life but was always a fighter. She fought so hard and always wanted to please people (even if it was for food). I don't have the words to explain how empty we feel, but I know she brought so much joy to us, our customers and staff. She passed away peacefully in my arms on the 6th Sept.

Thank you to everyone for all their kind words and love.

As always thanks to you all for your custom and to all my staff who have worked well through the hot summer months!

Mark and Claire

#### **Hughenden Art Group**

Some of you might have already heard of us, indeed we have members from the area. But to those of you to whom we are 'strangers', we would like to introduce ourselves, and encourage you to visit our exhibition in October.

We are a friendly art group, that meets on a Monday evening during the school term time in Hughenden Valley small hall. We have forty members, both male and female (we do have a waiting list). Our talents are varied and most will have a go at everything! We have different professional tutors instruct us in various mediums, we have four or five of these a term, the other "relaxed" evenings we practice.

Our annual exhibition this year occurs on Friday, Saturday and Sunday the 12th, 13th and 14th of October. Admission is free, so please pop in and have a look at what we can do.

Maybe it's something you might consider trying, if so you will find forms etc. with the friendly ladies/gentlemen sitting at the desks by the door!

Love to see you there

Hughenden Art Group

#### Alan Lewis: a Reminiscence

It will be a source of much sadness for many but perhaps not a great surprise for some that Alan Frederick Grantley Lewis (AFGL in his original Sunday Times byline) died peacefully at home amongst his family on the 9th of August. Some of us will remember a great man but the village will miss a great character. His talents always tempered by his keen sense of humour ranged from the literary to the musical and he leaves behind a typically idiosyncratic legacy.

Alan was born and brought up initially in Birmingham and he could still render a passing imitation of the sayings of those bards of the Black Country Enoch and Eli complete with the correct Brummy nasal twang. However, as a lad he was translated from the Birmingham metropolis to the rural but backward idylls of Herefordshire where he loved and lost his dog. His schooling must have been good as he was elevated to the world class science and engineering excellence of Imperial College London where, in the Royal School of Mines, he read metallurgy. This proved an interesting choice but not one that fulfilled all his talents. With other foolish undergraduates he sometimes indulged in mischief – famously informing the police that the men in the high-vis jackets digging a hole in Exhibition Road were in fact student impostors and then, in turn, telling those same men in high-vis jackets in Exhibition Road that the approaching policemen were in fact student impostors. Mayhem followed!

Few could play the piano as well as Alan. His sight reading of new music was remarkable and he ranged from the classics to popular music with ease. In recent time he provided a light musical background to the monthly lunches held in Naphill Village Hall and some of us will long remember his meltingly mellifluous rendition of J S Bach's 'Sheep may safely graze' at St John's church, Lacey Green. His literary bent eventually led him to the delicately onerous task of editing the house journal of the Cement and Concrete Association. Following major office reconstruction and refurbishment, the editorial suite was allocated to the former gentlemen's lavatories. Alan thus became the 'First Loo-tenant' soon to be joined by a 'Second Loo-tenant' but a uniform was not prescribed. Alan's special brand of humour combined with a fastidious regard for the English language eventually resulted in him becoming a paronomasiac, or someone addicted to word play. Long ago the Sunday Times benefited from his pithy contributions and a series of 'Weakly through' calendars. Eventually, his minimum opus 'Pundemomium' hit the bookshelves along with a forward by Gyles Brandreth. As the cover explained 'People who engage in wordplay certainly get up to sem antics'. Alan's literary and musical skills combined spectacularly in his joint creation with Trevor Pilling of 'Below Stairs' a musical play set at the beginning of World War 1. It has enjoyed a wide production over the years luring the modern audiences addicted to 'Downton Abbey' to join an older generation reared on 'Upstairs Downstairs'

All these skills were paraded for the delectation of Alan's University of the Third Age creative writing group where as coffee cups were being cleared he occasionally concluded with an impromptu serenade from a fine old Steinway grand piano lurking in our generous host's home.

If Alan's life has enjoyed many of the elements of a theatrical production then it has all been made possible by his co-star and leading lady, Christine, and his extended family in full supporting roles. He has been lucky to have them all just as we have been lucky to have had Alan in our midst.

An Old Friend - name upon request



The Harrow Howls for Charity!

Dog friendly pub The Harrow was crowded with canines on 25 August as Claire Hunter, managing director of a local doggy day care, hosted a charity dog show. The popular Hughenden pub teamed up with Claire's Comfy Canines of Burnham to hold a number of classes to help raise money for local charity, Battersea Cats and Dogs Home Old Windsor.

Crufts gualifier Gemma Buttery had lots of fun judging the categories including Best Fancy Dress, Fastest Agility Round, Obedience, Dog Most Like Their Owner and Junior Handler. The event raised £54.10 and almost every dog that entered the pub took part in at least one of the categories.

Claire Hunter said, "The Harrow is my local pub and as soon as I heard they were thinking about hosting a dog show I just had to get involved. It was really lovely to see people of all ages signing up to different classes and having lots of fun with their dogs. We had some dog lovers who came just for the show but also people who were coming for their afternoon drink and lunch were excited to get involved".

Claire Hunter

#### Pony Espresso



Now that's what I call a summer - just a shame I couldn't spend more of it outside.

Pony Espresso is going into its 7th year!

We've just had a first private party for a baby shower and what a success it was. We had gluten free, vegetarian and vegans to cater for and Samara excelled on all fronts, and Shelley came up trumps with beautiful cake stands she's created.

Talking of trumps, we had a flying visit by Donald himself. Really! A flying visit as in 100 feet overhead. Attempted throwing an egg but missed. Better luck next time.

So, remember Pony Espresso for private parties, I'm always up for one!

See you soon.

#### Letter from Hughenden Vicarage

With regard to the world around us, there should be a conscious willed period of attentiveness each day. It is the will that has to be used to raise the consciousness from the depths of self to the world outside. It is important to notice positively the objects in one's environment, the things in the familiar street, the flowers and trees in the garden and park, and above all the people recognition, just as we need the recognition of others to be fully human. If we do not trouble to recognize others because of inner preoccupation, no one will trouble to recognize us.

It is important not only to recognize and acknowledge the uniqueness of each object and each person but also to flow out to them in silent gratitude for being what they are. All life is awareness is a blessing, and we show this by blessing those around us.

These words were written by Martin Israel, in An Approach to Spirituality, and are a timely reminder to us all, that it can be so easy to get caught up in our own lives and concerns, that we can forget to acknowledge those around us.

What a difference it can make to our lives, if someone asks how we are, and genuinely means it – giving us permission to be honest with our reply. We all have bad days from time to time, but what a difference it can make when someone takes the time and the effort to listen to us, and to console, counsel and encourage us in our troubles.

A day which might begin with darkness and despair, can be transformed into one of hope, as our spirits are lifted as we are listened to by a timely friend. Despite the natural tendency of many to keep our heads down and soldier on, or worse still, shut out the whole world, convinced that all are against us, I believe that God has made us inter-dependent upon one another, as well as dependent upon him.

Although some relationships might be harmful to our wellbeing, the support of good friends and family is crucial to our wellbeing – just as our support of others will impact significantly upon their lives as well.

You and I have been made in God's image. Whether or not we consciously welcome God into our daily lives, there exists a hunger deep within, a spiritual restlessness, which can only be satisfied through a personal relationship with God, through his Son Jesus Christ. We might spend our whole lives trying to fill that God shaped void with other things and other people, but there is only one solution that fits perfectly.

Despite what Simon & Garfunkel sang, no one is a rock, an island on their own, even when we feel that we want to shut out the world, not just hit the snooze button on the alarm for another 9 minutes, but actually turn it off, and hide under the duvet.

If I am having a bad day, I find comfort and reassurance when I open my bible, and am reminded that it does not contain stories of men and women who had their whole lives sorted out, permanently wore a halo, and hovered 5 feet off the ground, as sometimes depicted in art. Although this tendency is often used to depict a Saint, the bible's definition of a Saint, is not a perfect person, but a follower of Jesus Christ.

I can never be a perfect person, but flaws and all, I can ask God for the strength to do my best each and every day, to maybe hit the snooze button a couple of times, but then brace myself for all the day has in store for me, launch myself out of bed, and try to avoid falling over the cats heading downstairs for the first coffee of the day.

Rev. Keith Johnson

#### **A Point of View**

Should you trust the satnav in your car? The answer is a qualified yes, provided you carry a map of the area in which you are travelling! On a recent caravanning holiday in France we entered the postcode for a campsite and followed the instructions, as we had done successfully on previous occasions. We were directed into a housing estate and ended up at a no through road sign! This required a decoupling of the caravan and a difficult turnaround. A nearby French couple came to our aid and kindly offered to show us the way to our site if we followed their car. We followed them for about 3 miles across farm lanes, narrow mud tracks and roads barely wide enough for the car let alone the caravan! When they finally stopped our helpful guide on checking with his phone established that the site had recently closed down and was no longer in existence but that they knew one that was open and to again follow them. After another horrendous trip of about 2 miles we ended up at a very good site on the main road, on which we should have originally been. This anecdote could often be repeated by Amazon delivery drivers, who frequently end up in the Black Lion car park or on my drive, looking for properties along Naphill Common!

Recently, I was fortunate to have a flight in a light aircraft from Booker airfield and was amazed to see the amount of new development taking place in Princes Risborough and Longwick. It was also interesting to see how the Green Belt designation had protected Lacey Green but not Naphill and Walters Ash, where excess infilling has changed the nature of the village and urbanised its appearance. I remember how back in the 1980's the Residents Association and local councillors had fought to have our villages "washed over" by Green Belt protection in the Wycombe District's Local Plan, sadly we failed. Whilst recognising that we do need houses for natural population growth I am not convinced that we can solve the housing problem by the saturation development of our green spaces.

Congratulations to Naphill Residents on achieving a high mark in the recent "Best Kept Village Competition", sufficient to achieve a Certificate of Merit and remarkably close to becoming a winner. Perhaps next year? The competition is looking for an Administrator, someone interested in a part-time job, working largely from home. Expenses and salary are paid, any reader interested please contact me at 564154.

### Letter from Bradenham Vicarage

How was it for you? This summer I mean. Did you glory in the long hot days, the weather forecasters introducing the day's weather with the words 'same old' as we entered in to yet another hot, cloudless day. Or have you been longing for cooler days, planning your shopping trips between stores that have decent air conditioning? This summer was brilliant for me. Not only did I enjoy the heat, but there was a most welcome and unexpected spinoff. Regular readers of the Gazette know that I am the world's worst gardener and that mowing lawns is a form of archaic, medieval penance for me. I didn't have to mow the lawn for months! Yay!

Some of us will breathe a sigh of relief as the year turns, and the weather gets cooler, others will breathe a sigh of sadness as we say farewell to the heat of summer and replace it with the cool of autumn. In spite of this, it is something truly wonderful how each season has its own unique beauty. First, there is the exquisite brightness of the stars on a frosty winter's evening. Then there's the fairy-crystal dusting of hoar frost on twigs and late autumn berries, or the intense, Spartan blackness of skeletal trees silhouetted against early sunsets. As the days darken and our bodies begin to yearn for more sunshine, so we have the brightness of Christmas and the fresh start of a new year to look forward to. Then the snowflakes turn to thistledown and the warmer months are upon us again.

It can be easy to rush through life without stopping to notice much. Paying more attention to the present moment – to your own thoughts and feelings, and to the world around you – can improve your mental wellbeing. Some people call this awareness 'mindfulness'. Mindfulness can help us enjoy life more and understand ourselves better.

The idea of 'mindfulness' and living in the present is fashionable at the moment. Being aware of the beauty that surrounds us is one thing, but it's not just the physical beauty of nature and the ever changing natural wonders that surround us – it is the beauty of the inner self. Long before mindfulness was ever a 'thing', the Old Testament writer of the book of Ecclesiastes, traditionally believed to be King Solomon, stated:

There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under the heaven......He has made everything beautiful in its time. (Ecclesiastes 3:1, 11a)

Much later, Saint Paul wrote:

'whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things'. (Philippians 4:8)

King Solomon was renowned for his wisdom, St Paul for his application of Christianity to the everyday minutiae of life. Why not try out the advice of King Solomon or Saint Paul? Call it mindfulness if you like. I prefer to call it appreciation of the Creator God who made the heavens and the earth.

#### Services at St. Botolph's

7 October 11am	Rev. Allan Barton	
14 October 11am	Eucharist	Rev. Jenny Ellis
21 October 11am	Eucharist	Rev. Jenny Ellis
28 October 11am	Matins	Rev. Allan Barton

### Last Word

I was very sad to hear of Alan Lewis's death and my condolences to his wife Christine, his family and many friends. Alan was the advertising manager when I became editor and was himself our editor some years ago. A charming gentleman with a wry sense of humour!

Commiserations too to the Wheel family who are mourning the loss of their much-loved dog Daisy.

I really have run out of space this month! I have saved these articles and will hopefully be able to fit them in next month,

My usual moan about Word docs. Please can the contributors use the 'enter key' rather than the space bar and make sure that photographs sent as email attachments are attached as large files.

My thanks to Himself, Paul Goby for this month's cover and as always, my grateful thanks to all our contributors. Copy date for our November magazine is 15 October.

Not quite so colourful as usual but I hope you enjoy!

Sonia

### **Small Ads**

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problems, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenvalleyfootclinic.com

**CRYSTAL HEALING THERAPIST** Reiki treatments & Indian Head Massage. Enables your wellbeing & relaxation. I also teach meditation & Reiki. Call Heather 07377 537070 or email mooncrafting@outlook.com. Facebook & Instagram as MoonCrafting, www.mooncrafting.com

**DA ROCHA SERVICES** - Local, young and hardworking team. Providing gardening, painting & decorating and handyman services. Also offering house clearances, gutter cleans and small landscaping jobs. Call Chris - 07540088573

**PLUG ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS.** Chartered Electrical Engineer based in Naphill and covering local area. NICEIC registered. No job too small. For a free, competitive quote, call Dennis on 07985 230103. www.plugelectrics.co.uk.

#### Continued on page 34

Rev Jenny Ellis

### Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES, Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**SPEEN PILATES STUDIO** Newly built Pilates studio. Specialist Pilates classes on a 1:1 or small class 1:6 available, both day and evening. Matwork and Reformer Pilates Foundation Teacher and member of NHSTA. Call Amanda 07733 307475

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail. com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**LAWN MOWING**. Local, friendly, reliable, regular lawn mowing service. Weekly, fortnightly or monthly to suit your requirements. Established for over 10 years. For a free quote please call Alan on 01494 443362 or email: lawns@alandriver.com

**SPORTS MASSAGE.** Beneficial for sports/non sports people alike. Deep tissue treatment to maintain and improve muscle condition. Helps to increase flexibility, range of motion and reduce risk of injury. Steve Sutton 07827 962211 (VTCT qualified)

#### For all Advertising Information please contact the editor, Contact details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

### QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

### 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

### DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



### & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



### NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

### **KENT MURRAY**

### GENERAL BUILDER & HANDYMAN

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



### N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights Built-in wardrobes
- and cupboards
- Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







### Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

### 01494 766155

### PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

### Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

### Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

### Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Car, Van & High Performance Tyres
- Specialist Wheel Alignment Service
- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

### Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

### Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

### **Based in Upper North Dean**

### Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

## VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

### SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

### **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

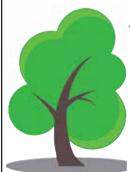
Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance 07961 825814 / mike@chilternarbor.co.uk 07555 831391 / danny@chilternarbor.co.uk www.chilternarbor.co.uk

### Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness Barbers



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

### **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



### Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette

December/January 2018/19





#### Homecooked Food

- Large Garden and Terrace
- Small & Large Group Bookings
- Family & Dog Friendly
- Food now available til 8pm on Sundays

Opening Hours 11am to 11pm Mon - Sat Food served Tues - Sat 12-3 / 6-9pm Sunday- 12noon to 11pm Food served 12noon to 6pm

Black

d food & traditional ale

Black Lion, Woodlands Drive, Naphill, Bucks. HP14 4SH For all reservations call: 01494 563176

#### blacklionnaphill.com

#### **Christmas Menu**

2 courses £19.95 3 courses £23.95 per person

Bar open Christmas Day 12-2pm

**New Years Eve Party** 

Free entry, buffet and glass of bubbles at midnight



Our team of electrical, plumbing and gas engineers are qualified to carry out all type of domestic & commercial works including the following

#### ELECTRICAL

- Extra Socket + Lighting Points
- Full / Part Re-wiring
- Consumer Unit Upgrades
- Electrical Condition Report
- Garden / Security Lighting

#### PLUMBING

- Hot & Cold Pipework
- Repairs & Installations
- G3 Approved Cylinder installers
- 1st and Second fix Kitchen
- Bathroom / WC installations

For Free Estimate Please Call: 01494 700 389 / 07811 946 611

ADING

#### GAS

safe

593817

117

- Landlords CP12 safety certificates
- New Boiler & Central Heating Installation
- Boiler servicing & repairs
- Power Flushing / Magnacleanse
- Cooker / Hob / Fire installation Servicing



M.H. Freeman newsagent, reliable family-run business. Delivering to Naphill and Walter's Ash for over six years and looking to include your choice of newspapers and magazine in our round.

Please ring **01494 526425** with your order

### **PUPPY & DOG TRAINING** CLASSES, 1-2-I's & BEHAVIOUR

In High Wycombe, Beaconsfield, Haddenham & surrounding areas Small classes using reward-based methods Qualified, experienced instructor Member of APDT & CAPBT Tel. 07903 303 472 www.suzannebullworthy.weebly.com

# Personal or Business car & van leasing

(A new car could be cheaper than you think.)

Free advice and guotes available

### 01494 569392

john@westfieldleasing.co.uk

#### Est. 1972 John Bishop Garden Machinery

SALES. SERVICE & HIRE OF GARDEN MACHINERY AGENT FOR BRIGGS, STRATTON & HAYTER

SPARES FOR VARIOUS MACHINES OIL, STRIMMER-CORD, BELTS, CABLES, BLADES FTC.

#### free Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01494 563513 Mob: 07917 106004 E-mail: jonnybish@hotmail.com



Piggotts Hill, Speen Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Bucks HP14 4NH



#### WHAT MAKES US SO DIFFERENT TO THE REST?

- No minimum term contract if you're not 100% happy you're free to walk away instantly No employees our clients only ever deal with a branch owner
- 3. No sale, no fee keeps us focussed on managing the chain and getting your sale to completion
- Powerful marketing Premium listings on Rightmove and Zoopla, amazing photos, engaging descriptions and colour site plans

#### AS LOCAL BUSINESS OWNERS OUR OPERATING MODEL ALLOWS US TO DELIVER AN UNBEATABLE LEVEL OF PERSONAL SERVICE, MAKING US THE UK'S MOST TRUSTED AGENT!



### Call Rachel & Julian in **The Chilterns** 01494 917051

"Rachel really knows how to nouse. Her enthusiasm is completely us to everyone she has contact with my initial meeting with her I had the t confidence in her selling my home the confidence in her selling my home v expe street agent is ast are the future!!



Need advice in an informal setting? Why not join us at one of our free monthly Hear Today coffee mornings?



1st Friday of each month 10am-12pm Flint Barn Court, Church street, Old Amersham HP7 ODB



1st Tuesday of each month 10am-12pm Cobbles Yard, 112 High Street, Thame, OX9 3DZ

ALL WELCOME



"We are your local independent hearing consultancy, working in the area for nearly 30 years - we can help with all things related to ears and hearing.

Don't suffer in silence, book in for a personal appointment. Call or email for more details or join us at one of our Hear Today events"

#### **Duncan & Kate Collet-Fenson Directors of Aston Hearing**

Want to find out more? Why not visit one of our FREE monthly coffee mornings held in Amersham and Thame. The coffee mornings offer a great opportuni-



ty to discuss informally any hearing and ear care concern with our audiology team and experienced hearing aid wearers. See our website for full details.

ALL WELCOME

#### www.astonhearing.co.uk hear@astonhearing.co.uk

Award-winning Family Run Hearing Consultancy Estd in 1989

**OUR SERVICES** Available in Amersham & Thame

Hearing &

Very Latest Hearing Technology

Full Hearing Aid **Repair Service** 

Ear Wax Removal

Children's Hearing **Screening Service** 

Ear Protection

Tinnitus Advice & Support

# **HEARIN**

Seriously

Amersham

HP7 ODB

Champneys

Thame

### BUCKS AERIALS

TV & FM SATELLITE SYSTEMS DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL

- TV & FM AERIALS & SATELLITES INSTALLED
- EXTRA TV POINTS
- VIDEO & SATELLITE LINK-UPS
- ALL AERIALS ELECTRONICALLY ALIGNED
- SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE FULLY INSURED
- FREE SURVEY & QUOTATION
- ALL WORK GUARANTEED
- UNRIVALLED AFTER-SALES SERVICE

Special Rates for OAPs

Telephone 01494 441319

Bucks Aerials is a full member of the CAI (Confederation of Aerial Installer) A registered digital installer



### 



### All Pests and Wasp Nests Treated

Service Contracts One-Off Treatments Wildlife Management

For all your pest control requirements contact:

01494 562325 or 07966 154655 info@active-pest-control.co.uk 9 Christopher Close, Naphill HP14 4SF





### **SURE-BUILD** Quality Without Compromise

Based in Naphill, with over 30 years of experience, we are a construction specialist with experience

in everything including extensions, renovations and general building.

We have the knowledge and creativity to not only help design but also the expertise to deliver superlativequality, no matter how big or small the job.

From start to finish, Sure-Build are professional, reliable and friendly.

### **Sure-Build Built on Quality**

Mobile : 07929 207550 Tel : 01494 266332 Email : pervez@sure-build.co.uk Website : www.sure-build.co.uk

The Window Decto

antee Protection

through GSR

COWUNG & CO

01865 891776

### The Window Doctor **CARE & REPAIR FOR ALL YOUR UPVC & ALUMINIUM WINDOW** & DOOR PROBLEMS

- · Replacement of broken down sealed units - misting up inside glass
- · Adjust front & back doors that do not shut
- · New handles, hinges and door locks
- · Replacement of patio door wheels
- New security handles with keys
- · New door panels and cat flaps
- · New Georgian style or leaded style sealed units
- All insurance work Burglary damage Servicing

PLUS INSTALLATIONS OF NEW UPVC WINDOWS & DOORS



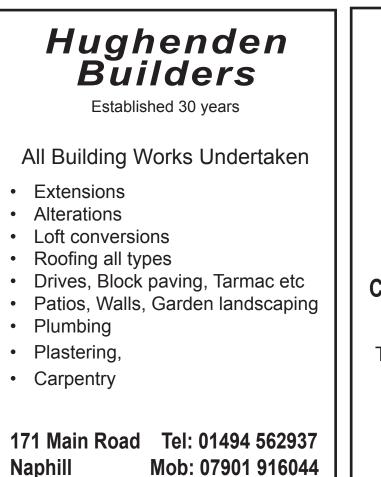
Call us for a FREE Survey and Quotation, No call out charge

Friendly Family Established Business

Cowling & Co.

Mob: 07860 436742 www.windowdoctor.co.uk email: cowlingandcothewindowdoctor@gmail.com

Tel:



### Kim Johnson Plumbing



### Complete bathroom installations

Hot and cold water tanks

Taps, ball valves and immersions.



For a free estimate call Kim Tel: 01494 562757 Mob: 07796 306087



Family Friendly • Dog Friendly • Good Beer Guide since 2008 • Real Fires • Excellent smoking area & gardens

 Great locals and great staff for a great atmosphere!

### Award Winning Traditional British Pub

66 Choose real life or Wheel Life! >>

A quirky pub - it's bigger than it looks! With 2 bars and a function/dining area.

### Excellent homemade food - allergies catered for.



www.thewheelnaphill.com info@thewheelnaphill.com in



### **INDIVIDUAL EYECARE**

Contact Lenses Designer continental specs OCT retinal scan **Retinal Camera** NHS vouchers **KIDS GO FREE** 

247 Main Rd Walters Ash

### 01494 564600





Barnes Garden Outbuildings are a family run business designing and building bespoke outbuildings for residential gardens.

- Sheds
- Summerhouses
- Home Offices
- Garages
- Kennels
- Gazebos
- Fencing
- Decking

In fact any form of timber framed, timber clad garden building can be designed and built to suit your needs. Big or small, basic or fully kitted out.

> 07761 681340 01494 563162 www.garden-outbuildings.co.uk email: barnes@garden-outbuildings.co.uk



With Daily visits we will care for your pets

Tel: 01494 565128 Mobile: 0781 4155182

Email: vivpountney@hotmail.com

Durley House, Downley Road, Naphill, Bucks HP14 4QY

Est. 1991

### **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Specialists**

#### Why You Should Choose Us ...

- Thorough Cleaning & Outstanding Service
- State of the Art Truckmounted Cleaning System
- Most Carpets Dry within 2 hours
- Fully Insured
- Free On-Site Quotations
- Carpet Stainguard with Dustmite & Allergy Control
- Spot, Stain and Odour Removal

07798 742835

PROCARE Carpet & Upholstery **Cleaning Services** 

01494 489804 www.procarecarpetcleaning.co.uk





ACCURATE CAD DRAWINGS PLANNING PERMISSIONS BUILDING REGULATIONS FAST & RELIABLE SERVICE



FREE INITIAL CONSULTATION COMPETITIVE FIXED FEES COMPLETE SITE SURVEYS ARCHITECTURE - INTERIORS

CHARTERED DESIGNERS • LITTLE MOSELEY HOUSE • NAPHILL • HP14 4RE TEL 01494 562591 • E MAIL stefan@zacharydesign.com



### P.B. Carpentry & Joinery

- House refurbishments
- Extension
- Loft Conversions
- Barn Conversions
- Kitchens
- Bathrooms
- Bedroom Refits
- Roofing
- Solid Wood Flooring
- Laminate Flooring
- Skirting and Coverings
- Decking
- Flat Pack Assembly
- Made to Measure Units
- Door Fitting
- Tiling

For a free quote call Paul on 07752 630427 / 01628 485003 01494 866579 pbcarpentry@live.co.uk

### **RJH Garden Machinery**

- Mower servicing and repairs
- Blade sharpening and balancing
- Cultivator servicing and repairs
- Chainsaws/ hedge trimmers etc
- Engine oils

Call Robert: 07799 606949

email: robhastie@gmail.com





Builder

Over 30 years experience locally Extensions Loft Conversions Carpentry Renovations Alterations & Repairs Redecoration

01844 344379 🛣 07738157146



FOR A FREE QUOTE & FRIENDLY ADVICE PLEASE CONTACT US ON

COLESGARDENS1@BTINTERNET.COM

01844 346058



If you are a seeker of truth, or you have spiritual life questions you just never received answers to, then I recommend getting in touch with Ignazio to find out more about QHHT & Meditation, it will be time well invested" **Philip** 

### **QHHT HYPNOSIS - MEDITATION - YOGA - SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING**



### DISCOVER MORE

www.humanspiritualevolution.com

IGNAZIO DENTICI | E: ignazio@humanspiritualevolution.com | M: 07531369589



### Naphill & Walter's Ash Gazette December/January 2018/19

Online now at <u>www.naphilland waltersash.org.uk</u> Follow us on Twitter - @naphillwa

Editor:	Sonia Goby, 158 Main Road, Naphill, HP14 4RU Tel: 569428 email: <u>editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Distribution:	Pauline Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill, HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>distribution@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Treasurer:	Mike Pool, Endsleigh, Clappins Lane, Naphill HP14 4SL Tel: 564226 email: <u>treasurer@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Advertising:	Enquiries to the Editor, Sonia Goby editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Photo Coordinator	Paul Goby email: <u>photo@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk</u>
Webmaster:	Peter Davis, webmaster@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk
Printed by:	PK InPrint Ltd, Unit 8, Wycombe Industrial Mall, West End Street, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire HP11 2QY

### Copy Deadline for the February 2019 edition is 15 January 2019

Contacts Directory				
Bradenham Parish Council	Deirdre Hansen	562254	(Parish Clerk) clerk@bradenham.org.uk	
County Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk	
District Councillor	David Carroll	716967	david_carroll@wycombe.gov.uk	
District Councillor	Steve Broadbent	07471-14418	steve_broadbent@wycombe.gov.uk	
District Councillor	Audrey Jones	563425	audrey_jones@wycombe.gov.uk	
Hughenden Parish Clerk	Shona Hadwen	715296	clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk	
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Chris Waterton	07968 268067	chris.waterton@hughendenpc.org.uk	
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Anita Boekee	07931 795464	anita.boekee@hughendenpc.org.uk	
Hughenden Parish Council	Vacancy			
Hughenden Parish Councillor	Cllr. Paul Hardinge	07810 038198	paul.hardinge@hughendenpc.org.uk	
Naphill & Walter's Ash School	Kerenza Gwyn	562813	office@nap-walt.bucks.sch.uk	
Pharmacy Hughenden Valley Surgery	Enquiries	565458	8.00am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-6.15pm	
Prescription Collection	Penny Leggett Ginny Ratcliffe Celia Duncan Nancy Hussey	562866 563650 564230 563767	dbartonratcliffe@googlemail.com	
Thames Valley Police NON EMERGENCY		101 PRNPT		
Village Hall Bookings	Tanya Stevens	563053	naphillvillagehallbk@gmail.com 07851169275	

Club or Organisation	Meeting Day	Location	Contact
Beavers	Tuesdays 5.30-6.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Barry Reading 447121
Bridge Club	Thursdays 7.15pm	Naphill Village Hall	Margaret Stagg 530736 Rene Ashby 482933
Brownies (Naphill)	Thursdays 5.45 -7.00pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Ruth Daly 565571 ruth.daly3@btinternet.com
Cubs- Hughenden Naphill	Mondays 6.45-8.15pm Tuesdays 700-8.30pm	Scout & Guide Hut Naphill Scout & Guide Hut Naphill	handnhcubs@hotmail.com naphillcubscouts@outlook.com
Football Club Naphill Junior Boys	U6, 7, 8, 9 Saturdays 9.30-11am	NWA School	John Hamill naphillfcjuniors@hotmail.co.ul
Training Sessions	U10, 11, 12 Saturdays 9.30- 11am	RAF Sports Field	Bob Hathaway 563332
	U13, 14, 16 Saturdays 9.30-11am	RAF Walter's Ash	
Friends of Naphill Common (FONC)	Various	Various	Trevor Hussey 563767
Good Companions	First Thursday every month	Hughenden Village Hall	Pat Furness 565501
Guides (Naphill)	Wednesdays 7-8.45pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	Toni Green 562089
Men's Club	Monday to Friday 7.30pm	Naphill Village Hall	Andrew Wasilewski 562770 naphillmensclub@yahoo.co.uł
Mobile Library	Wednesday 10.55-11.30am 11.35 -11.55am 12.05 -1220pm	Naphill Village Hall Forge Road Eastlands, Lacey Green	
Naphill Neighbours	Second Monday of the month 7.45 for 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Sheila Rolfe 562888 Hazel Vickery 563977
Residents Association	Third Thursday in the month 8pm	Naphill Village Hall	Gloria Leflaive 563634 glorialeflaive@msn.com
Scouts (Naphill)	Thursdays 7.30 -9.15pm	Scout and Guide Hut Naphill	naphillscouts@aol.com
Seniors Luncheon Club	Second Wednesday in the month 12.45 for 1	Naphill Village Hall	Jan Gaunt 562282
Tennis Club - Senior	Sundays 1.30pm	Naphill Tennis Club	Sarah Dengel 563706
	Tuesdays and Thursdays 10am Wednesdays 11am <u>Thursdays (April-Sept) 6.00pm</u> Fridays 4.00-7.15pm		sarah.dengel1@gmail.com Jenny Tench 565406 jttench@gmail.com Terry Crooks 562539 ter-
Tennis Club - Junior	Saturday 9-9.45am under 7s		rycrooks2001@aol.com
Village Hall Council	First Monday in the month 8.00-10.00pm	Naphill Village Hall	Clive Lawrece chairman@naphillvillagehall.org.uk
Help with filling in online forms	Judy Whitehouse 562742 or	Sheila Draper 563670	
Naphill Evening WI	3rd Thursday in month 7.45pm	Naphill Village Hall	Juliet Shortall 565018

If you have a NON business club or activity group which meets regularly in Naphill or Walter's Ash and which you would like to see included on this page, please contact me via email: edtor@haphillandwaltersash.org.uk

### Merry Christmas 2018

### Editorial

I am always delighted that so many people want to contribute to our village magazine. This month I have had to ask several contributors to shorten their articles and I apologise if I have not included all the artwork and photographs! I am literally inundated with things to include, to the point where I doubt if I can fit everything in! This will have to be another 48 page edition! My apologies to the delivery team and to the Pools who distribute all the magazines, for the extra weight involved.

This has been another busy, successful year here in our villages! Special congratulations this month to Pete Dalby and his fireworks team for this year's fabulous 26th Fireworks on the Crick and to Richard Pushman for organising this year's Remembrance Day Service. Richard has handed the baton to Reg Horne after many years of organising this event. Reg has kindly written the report for this edition of our magazine.

Several of our local artists have kindly painted Christmas stones and I am including as many of these as I can. My thanks to them! These stones will be hidden for you all to find, so spreading the Christmas spirit, not the bottled sort, throughout our community.

My thanks to Peter Davis for this month's Christmas cover, a beautiful snow scene taken on the common earlier this year.

My long suffering Gussetteers join me in extending our seasonal good wishes to you all.



Sonia

01494 569428

editor@naphillandwaltersash.org.uk www.naphillandwalters ash.org.uk

**Editorial Disclaimer:** Although the editor has made every effort to ensure that the information in this magazine was correct at press time, the editor does not assume and hereby disclaims any liability to any party for any loss, damage, or disruption caused by errors or omissions, regardless of the cause. Any opinions expressed in articles herein do not express the personal opinion of the editor.

### Happy New Year 2019

### A Note from the Gazette Treasurer to our Advertisers

#### Advertising Rates for 2019

For those advertisers who receive, and perhaps read, a copy of the gazette each month, and for potential new advertisers, I would like to let you know the advertising rates for next year.

Because of increased printing costs we are increasing the rate for colour adverts. The rate for greyscale adverts will remain as existing for the time being. The rates are as follows:

#### Colour advertising rates

Full page: - £650 Half page: - £350 Quarter page: - £190

#### Greyscale advertising rates

Half page: £180 Quarter page: £90 Eighth page: £48



I will be sending out invoices towards the end of November so by the time you read this you will have received them. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

*Mike Pool* treasurer@naphilland waltersash.org.uk

### Village Hall Christmas Tree Lights

By the time you read this, the Christmas tree outside the Village Hall should be lit up, brightening the dark winter evenings and bringing festive cheer to the whole village. I'm sure we all feel the stresses of the day fade away when we see the tree looking so wonderful on our way home - some even change their route home just to admire the tree!

Our Christmas tree has brought joy to the community for generations. The lights are put up and taken down each year by a team of intrepid volunteers, led by Mike Mason, who require insurance cover which costs over £200. It has 920 light bulbs plus the sphere at the top which has 350 LEDs. Each garland (we have 23 at the moment) costs at least £90 and there is also the cost of bulbs and electricity. The current equipment was purchased in 2009 and most years the effects of wind and weather take their toll.



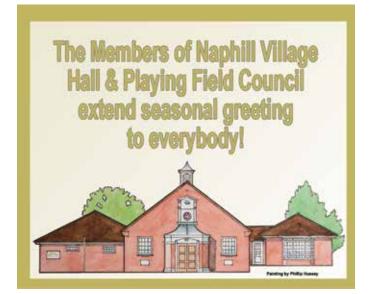
Please make a donation to show your appreciation and to keep our tree alight. Collecting tins are in local shops and both pubs, or you can go online to make your donation:

https://mydonatebt.com/charities/ naphillvillagehallplayingfields

Any donation, big or small, will be very welcome, and any monies left after the

running costs, repairs and insurance are covered will go to the children's playground fund.

Cathryn Carter



### Naphill Village Hall and Playing Fields

Council - Registered charity number 300309

#### **Chairman's Report**

At the meeting of the village hall committee, which was held on the 5th November the two new Hughenden parish councillors were introduced to the committee. They are Anita Bookee and Paul Hardinge. They agreed that one of them would attend the village hall monthly meetings.

It was agreed at the meeting that the overhanging trees adjacent to Downley road would be trimmed, it is hoped that this will be done soon. The play area equipment was again discussed and we will place an order for the activity centre at the beginning of December and should have it installed by the spring of 2019. The roof over Bon Ami was worked on at the end of October but unfortunately there was still a leak. But the good news is that I saw the roofers working on the roof today and they assured me that they had found the cause of the leak and the work they were doing would fix it! The changing room doors have been replaced and the locks are the same keys as before. Mark Booth very kindly donated and fitted a replacement LED light over the clock at the front of the hall. The sound cabinet was appraised by a sound technician and the village hall has agreed to commission a new microphone with radio mike with an external aerial and usb point to play recorded music. This is going to cost just under £1000

The fireworks and bonfire evening was a great success, the weather was good although a little windy at times, the crowd appeared the best yet! The bonfire kept everyone warm and the fireworks were great. I know Pete Dalby has an article in the gazette, so all I will add is my thanks to the whole team of fireworks committee and all the volunteers that turned up to help on the day. There was also a tack sale organised by Linda Clark and the proceeds went to the playground fund. The next event for the village hall is the Christmas Fayre which is on 30 November at 6pm. The lights will be on the tree by the time you read this, thanks to Ross and his team.

The remembrance service was held on Remembrance Sunday and the village hall was overflowing with the crowd that came to remember the fallen in the two world wars. The wreath laying took place after the service with Main Road full of the crowd around the war memorial. The World War 1 silhouette was donated by Hughenden Parish Council, so our thanks to them for the donation. As this article is in the December Gazette, I, on behalf of the village hall committee wish you a Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

> *Clive Lawrence.* Village Hall Chairman.

### Children's Multiplay Unit - progress report

We are aiming to order the Multiplay Unit early in December so it is in place for the spring. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed so far. We do not yet have quite enough money for the new equipment and we will have to keep collecting. Village organisations such as Naphill Neighbours, the WI and NAWARA are contributing from their funds as well as sending round collection jars at meetings.

After Christmas, a group of mothers of small children are planning some special events. Fund raising efforts will have to continue for some time because we need new seats, new springers and a new activity trail. We'll consult youngsters about the trail after Christmas so we have some ideas about what they would like included. The prickly shrubs in the middle of the area have been removed so the space available is more extensive than it was.

We are grateful to a few gardeners from the Manor who have trimmed the willow tunnel and woven in some new growth. These kind ladies are willing to keep the tunnel in good order in future.

Our play area should be a great facility for our children when it is finished! It is hoped that, as a community, we can construct something special to come out of the disaster of the sudden removal of our old equipment.

### **Naphill Brownies**

We were honoured, as ever, to attend the village's Remembrance service on the centenary of the close of WWI. The brownies turned out in force along with their Scouting and Guiding colleagues to acknowledge the 'Good Deed' done by all who have been involved in protecting us and our world.

We have been working on our communication skills in the past few weeks by 'interviewing' each other to find out about what we like and dislike. We have also tried guiding a 'blind' friend around a room to try a variety of touch, taste and smell tests. I have to say that some have more empathy than others on these things.



Our bonfire night themed evening had us learning to strike a match and then light a candle, making fruit kebab fireworks and bonfire cakes. Yum!



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



### Sad News from Christians in the Community

We have been in existence for some 35 years. Sadly the decision has been taken to end the official 'Christians in the Community' – our final event will be Carols by Candlelight in the Naphill Village Hall on the16th December at 4 pm. This event will be a fitting end to our group meetings and we hope that you will join us for this service and of course for a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie before you go home.

The Christians amongst us will continue to work (and play!) in the community and in our local churches.

We look forward to seeing you at our last Christians in the Community event in the village hall

Norma Clarke

### No1 Shop Raffle Report.



At the raffle draw on Sunday 11 November the winners were :-

First prize winner - Sally Slade - A meal for two at The Black Lion.

Second prize winner - Judy Redrup - A nail appointment at Sunbodies.

Third prize winner - Judy Dauncey - Afternoon tea for two at Bon Ami.

All the winners were thrilled with their prizes which were all kindly donated by the local businesses concerned.

The raffle raised £1035. We are thrilled with this amount which was raised by people supporting the raffle and



the kind donations of prizes by the local businesses. Thank you to everyone for supporting P.I.C.U. It is something that is very close to our hearts, an experience we will never forget and we will forever be grateful to them for saving our baby boy's and Harnoor's big brother's life.



### Changes and Challenges at Naphill Neighbours

The Annual General Meeting of the club was held on Monday 12th November. Members paid tribute to Sheila Rolfe as she stepped down as President after 18years in the post. She has been a constant and exceptionally able President, ensuring the smooth running of the club. Her final report highlighted the events in 2018; these were typical of the diversity of activities and outings available to members. Talks had covered subjects such as The Isles of Scilly, Harrods, The Thames Barge, and the work of a district nurse. Prior to the business part of the AGM, local historian Mike Dewey gave an interesting illustrated talk entitled 'From rations to fashions', highlighting the changes that had taken place between 1945 and 1970. This was a nostalgic journey around the shopping centre for many in the audience, as well as being informative for newcomers such as myself who have only lived in Naphill for 20 years!

Outings in 2018 included a visit to the Magistrates' Court, a trip to Eastbourne on a glorious day, a visit to the theatre in Milton Keynes on a very wet day to see a riotous production of 'The play that went wrong', and a river trip, with afternoon tea, along the Thames to the Saville Gardens.

Sheila presided over all these events, ably assisted by the committee whose members have a variety of well executed roles, ensuring the smooth running of the club. A big 'Thank You' to them all. Janet Judge was elected President for 2019, a role for which she is well prepared after many years as Vice President.

This year's Christmas celebration will be a party, instead of a meal, on December 10th. This will be the final evening meeting of the club as we will be changing to meeting on a Monday afternoon from January onwards. Consultation with members indicated that many would prefer to meet in the daylight all the year round. We have over 40 members but it is hoped more will be attracted to come to meetings at the new time.

THE FIRST AFTERNOON MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 14th IN THE VILLAGE HALL. DOORS OPEN AT 1.15pm for a PROMPT START AT 1.30pm The speakers on this occasion will be Ken and June Brazier, talking about 'Mercy Ships'.

They live locally and have been highly recommended.

On February 11th we have a return visit from Tom Way, who is a very popular wildlife photographer.

New members will be very welcome. The subscription remains at £15 per annum.

Peggy Ewart (new committee member)

#### **Naphill Evening WI**

We now have our new Committee for 2019 and happily Juliet has agreed to be our President for another year. Most of us managed to answer some of the quiz questions relating to 5th November, although some took a while to get the bonfire night connection with "which old banger is Del Boy most associated with? " (Of course it was his Reliant Robin.)

We hosted the Group Meeting on 26 October and the talk on "Lewes on the 5th" was very enlightening. They have some strange traditions in this Sussex town. The competition was for a small Guy Fawkes and the entries were all extremely good.

Our talk on 15 November will have been A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Retirement by Cally Foster.

The Food Group's evening meal at The Boot, Bledlow, was most enjoyable. We had to wait a little while for our starters but it gave us more chatting time, which is always good.

The Sew and Chat Group have been busy, also with plenty of chatting time. We enjoyed looking all round Sally's home at our last meeting. She has cut a dip in her hedge so that she can see the lovely horses in the field behind her home.

This year seems to have flown by and we are now looking forward to Christmas events. Quite a few of us will be going with the Food Group to St Katherine's, Parmoor, for Christmas Lunch on 4th December and on Friday, 14th December we will have our Christmas Party at the Village Hall.

Carol Gilliam



### **Black Lion**

The Christmas season is upon us and we are looking forward to welcoming you all to The Black Lion in December.

The Christmas menu is available from 1st December. Visit www.blacklionnaphill.com to see the menu. Two courses are £19.95 per person and three courses are £23.95 per person.

#### Our Christmas opening times are as follows:

Sunday 23rd December Food served 12-4pm	Bar open 12-7pm
Monday 24th December No food served	Bar open 12-11.15pm
Tuesday 25th December No food served	Bar open 12-2pm

Wednesday 26th December Bar open 12-6pm Food served 12-4pm

27th – 30th December Normal hours for bar and food

New Years Eve Party free entry with a free buffet and glass of bubbles at midnight

New Years Day bar open 12-6pm Food served 12-4pm

We are very excited to be hosting our first Winter Wonderland event on Saturday 15th December. Come and meet Santa in his Grotto for £5 per child including a present. Also available on the day will be an open fire hog roast, warm cider and mulled wine. We look forward to seeing you there.

Massive congratulations to everyone who ran the fireworks this year, the event just keeps getting better and better. We were very proud to be one of the sponsors and do our bit for the event. We can't wait for next year.

We are pleased to announce we have two new lagers, Moretti and Peroni and a new cider, Aspalls, so please come and try them.

Merry Christmas to everyone and a special thank you to all of our customers. We look forward to seeing you all over the festive period.



### Wycombe Photographic Society

December means Christmas and the chance to take lots of photos of Christmas festivities.

Photos of the Village Tree festooned in lights. Nice long, but not too long, exposure of the lights and if taken from the correct angle you will have the light trails of headlights and tail lights of the vehicles passing the tree to add that something "extra" to your photo. Long exposure means that you will have to support your camera on something solid and not rely on just handholding or else you will get movement in your photo.

I know that the Gazette Editor will be more than pleased if you submit your photos of the Village Tree in all its glory to her.

Not a lot going on this month at the club, however, we have had success in external competitions against other clubs.

The North West Federation of Camera Clubs commonly called 'The NWFed', was founded in 1959 and currently comprises twelve Clubs who meet each year in groups for a first round of matches; and then in semi-finals and a final to decide a Club and individual champions.

The twelve member Clubs of the Federation are:

Amersham, Chesham, Ealing, Field End (Ruislip), Harrow, Hemel Hempstead, Northolt, Park Street (St Albans), Pinner, Watford, Wycombe, XRR (who are ex Rolls Royce employees).

After two rounds Wycombe is coming first in both the Prints and Projected Images sections.

The Chilterns Association of Camera Clubs (CACC) Rosebowl Competition – is a competition amongst all the camera clubs in The Chilterns (40 clubs) over a number of rounds.

After the first round we are currently in the lead, however, there are a number of rounds still to go throughout the early part of 2019.

All in all a good start to the "season" which started in September.

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

We would love to see more members from Naphill and Walters Ash so please come along to one of our evenings.



David Greenwood Membership Secretary Wycombe Photographic Society



#### A Message from Bradenham Vicarage

#### Stables, Straw and Sprouts.

Am I the only person in the UK who actually looks forward to the clocks going back? For me, the onset of the increasingly dark evenings heralds the start of preparations for Christmas. As a priest, this includes planning services, writing sermons and choosing hymns or carols (being careful to choose songs people will know and enjoy singing without repeating everything we sang last year) – and I love it! Around the beginning of November sees what the church calls 'Kingdom Season', a celebration of the sovereignty of God as the church's year draws to a close. Kingdom Season culminates in the feast of 'Christ the King', the church's New Year's Eve if you like, the New Year for the church beginning on the first Sunday of Advent.

Amidst all the preparation for Christmas, the subtle changes in the playlists on Classic Fm, the gradual introduction of Christmas goods in the supermarket aisles, the replacing of 'normal' cards in the card shops with all cards Christmas, the smart shopping TV shows giving us 'Christmas Specials', one of the saddest things I have heard is a mother complaining that she does not know how she is going to afford Christmas this year. My sadness is not confined to the fact that in our affluent land there are still people living in abject poverty. My sadness includes this whole concept of feeling the need to 'afford Christmas'.

Why do so many of us insist on torturing ourselves by eating food we don't really like (because it's traditional) and spending money we don't really have on gifts that may seldom or never be used?

At its heart, Christmas is a religious festival, celebrating the coming to earth of God Almighty in the birth of his son, Jesus Christ. It is the Christ Mass – a solemn recognition of the bringing of hope to a world in despair, the dawning of light in an era of darkness and the healing of the rift between humanity and its creator. Viewed in this light, the biggest celebration ever would seem to be perfectly in order, but let's go back to the original story of Christmas. A displaced couple, forced to travel at the worst possible time by occupying forces, caught up in a melee of humanity all trying to appease

their ruler. Heavily pregnant, the wife has no option but to comply with the dictates of the emperor. The need to rest on the journey, the slower pace necessitated by her condition means they arrive late at their destination and all the available accommodation is already occupied. Eventually, they find a place to stay in a stable. And it is in a stable that the most awesome event in human history takes place - God Almighty, creator of earth and heaven, is born as a human child – Jesus Christ. No turkey, no sprouts, no pudding, no decorations, no presents (well, not until some time later when the wise men from the east catch up with the family) - just a bed of straw, a feeding trough doubling as a crib and the company of the animals of travellers lucky enough to have a proper room. It does not get much more simple or basic than this. 'No frills' at this level makes our concept of basic 'no frills' anything seem like the ultimate luxurv!

The Christian faith has a long tradition of feasting and fasting, Christmas being one of the principal feasts. It is important to celebrate an event so momentous as God's coming to earth in what we Christians call the Incarnation. But feasting is not the be all and end all of Christmas. It is perfectly possible to celebrate Christmas with a fraction of the expense that the advertising companies try to persuade us is an essential part of the Christmas experience. The question 'how can we afford Christmas' should actually be 'can we afford to ignore the message that Christmas brings'?

May you know the richest of Gods' blessings during this holy season.

Rev Jenny Ellis

#### ST. BOTOLPH'S SERVICES

Dec. 2nd Advent 1 11am Eucharist Rev. Allan Barton Dec. 9th Advent 2 11am Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis Dec 16th 6pm Carol Service Rev. Allan Barton No morning service

Dec.23rd Advent 4 11am Matins Rev. Allan Barton Dec. 24th 5pm Christmas Eve Crib Service Rev. Jenny Ellis

11.30pm Christmas Eucharist Rev. Jenny Ellis

#### Bon Ami

Thank you to everyone that supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning at the end of September. We are pleased to announce that we raised a total of £221.97. This was a combination of very generous donations from our lovely customers and 50p from every hot drink we sold throughout the day. This is an extremely worthwhile cause and we are very grateful to everyone who supported it so well.

Our book club continues to thrive. We have spent some lovely evenings having lively discussions over a wide range of books that have been chosen by our members. We enjoy having a drink and some nibbles while we review the current book. If you would like to join our group then please do contact Amanda or Ruth at Bon Ami or call Sue Chalker on 07813 177223.

Now that autumn and its beautiful colours and sunshine are here SOUP is very much the favourite lunchtime order. We are continuing to make our customers' favourite soups and there may be some new recipes too! Please do come and keep yourself warm with hot soup and a freshly baked roll & butter.

As we are now in Advent we feel we would like to let you know our Christmas opening hours. Throughout Advent we will, of course, be providing our scrumptious mince pies, Christmas cake and festive coffee. Amanda and Ruth welcome the opportunity to spend the Christmas period with their families. We would like to thank all of our customers for their great support throughout the year. Our last day of opening will be Friday 21st December ; please make sure you join us as all of the mince pies and cakes will have to go that day. We will reopen on Monday 7th January 2019. We wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and look forward to a prosperous & healthy New Year.



Ruth & Amanda.

#### Jingle Bells by The Wheel

Labradors, Staffadors Biscuits all the way, Oh what fun it is to run Got a turkey leg from mum! Hey! Dobermans, Greyhounds too short-haired terriers play, Great Danes are huge, it is true Barney's larger than you! Dachshund through the snow, It's a one-dog wonder day Through the crick we go Barking all the way. Woof Woof Woof! My friends' a cocker-spring wagging tails at night, Oh What fun it is to bring A stick into your sight! Jumping logs, like a frog Bounding all the way, Oh what fun it is to hide "COME HERE!" I must abide! Hey! Tennis Balls, Kong toys too, Panting all the way, Oh what fun there is to do. A pub dogs' holiday! Yay!

#### The Wheel

Well what can I say.....simply, I lied in the last gazette!! So, we had a great holiday in Wales and instead of bringing back some souvenirs we brought back a beautiful Chocolate Labrador called Molly. (Yes, I know I said we'd leave it 6 months)! Anyway, she is doing well, getting along brilliantly with Maxii and is a great addition to The Wheel Family.

Thanks so much to the Fireworks committee again this year, it was an amazing night and the fire was huge, although the smaller one on the 5th was more manageable, Clive. The display was one of the best and it was, as always, a great night.

During December please remember to call and book tables as we have lots of Christmas bookings and don't want you to be disappointed if we are fully booked. I have included our opening hours below. New Years Eve will be tickets only as normal and it will be smart dress again this year.

#### **Christmas Opening Hours**

1st – 23rd Dec	Normal Hours and Food
24th Christmas Eve	12pm – 12.30am
	12- 2.30pm / 6-8pm Food
25th Christmas Day	12-2pm Drinks Only
26th Boxing Day	6-11pm Drinks Only
27th – 30th Dec	Normal Hours and Food
31st New Years Eve	12pm – 1.30am
	12-2.45 / 6-8pm Food

1st Jan New Year's Day

Then all back to normal

The Wheel would like to wish everyone in the village a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Thank you for 2018 here's to 2019

Claire and Mark – All the staff - Maxii and Molly

Closed



By Chloe Page



#### **Fireworks Committee Chairman's Report**

After 8 months of planning, countless days and nights spent finalising all the minute details, your local Fireworks Committee delivered the Fireworks Spectacular 2018!

We hope you all thoroughly enjoyed the evening, I certainly did - NOT! When you're helping out at the Fireworks Evening it's very rare that you get to appreciate the fireworks display, you're typically too busy trying to catch your breath. You spend a few minutes deliriously hugging and high-fiving your fellow volunteers and then no sooner have you treated yourself to a celebratory beer when the fantastic fireworks display concludes and the hordes of visitors return back to the bar and BBQ for round two! Eight months of planning, 2 hours of madness and then it's all over for another year!

It's hard work, and you don't enjoy it in the same way as the guests coming to watch the display but helping to deliver an event of this magnitude for the local village is so rewarding. We couldn't do it without the help of our volunteers and this year we had 82 people on our list, all willing to give up their spare time for our local community. It's normally at this point that we'd list the names of the people that helped out at our event and the local businesses that helped sell our tickets and say a big thank you to them all, but to be honest, I'd need a whole Gazette to myself to do that. We'll be reaching out to you individually in the coming weeks and we have a cheeky little something planned as a way to say thank you. A special mention too for our sponsors. This was a bumper year for sponsorship, it's fantastic that so many local businesses were willing to support our event and again, it reinforces the view that this weekend is one of the most anticipated annual events in the local calendar.

We've developed a fantastic working relationship with the RAF for this event over the years and we of course thank them for all their continued efforts and support. This is the last year that RAF station commander Group Captain Rob Woods will be lighting our fire, so we'd like to wish him the very best of luck with his next posting and we look forward to welcoming Rob Woods successor in 2019.



With this year being my first as Chairman, I was desperate for it to pass without incident and having a bonfire that you could have probably seen from the International Space Station didn't help my stress levels! One of our helpers that got close to the fire at the end of the evening, likened the conditions to walking on Mars! I'll be looking forward to seeing my eyebrows again in the Spring. We're very grateful to the RAF who supplied their Fire Engine and crew for the evening, they were very calm and complimentary about the way the bonfire had been built and how it was burning.

We introduced the Big Red Button raffle this year, the 3 children that won the raffle were so excited they didn't actually get to sleep until 11.10pm the night before!



Our 2018 Fireworks display exploded into the night sky. Wow, it was well worth the 8 month wait, the Naphill sky lit up with an array of multicoloured bright tracers, bangs and cracks. Fantastic. Whilst the display was in full flow, we

were desperately trying to restock the decimated bar, for the second time!

As the last firework was plummeting to earth, the crowds departed and a number of people stayed to enjoy the live music from Kirsty Fuller, who was fantastic. We've had lots of positive feedback, so we'll definitely be doing it again next year.

I'm so proud of what we as a village put on together this year! It was a huge team effort, the initial indications are that we have made another record profit for the Village Hall. Our initial estimate is approximately £15,200 profit, which is just incredible for a 2-hour local event and is around £3,000 more than last year! All the revenue that we generate at our event is ploughed back into local projects, such as maintenance and improvements to the Village Hall and playing fields.

Finally, I'd like to say a huge thank you to John Harris who is stepping down from the Fireworks Committee after 26 years of dedication! John has done a fantastic job as the treasurer of our Committee, we would like to wish him all the best as he steps away.

We hope you all enjoyed it this year and we'd love to see you all back again next year on Saturday 2nd November so we can do it all again!

> Pete Dalby Chairman, Naphill Fireworks Committee petedalby@outlook.com





## Naphill Village Hall – Service of Remembrance 2018

The Annual Remembrance Service was held in the Village Hall on Sunday 11 November at 2.45 pm.

This year marked the 100th Anniversary commemorating the end of the First World War on 11th November 1918.

The Hall was packed to capacity and indeed many people listened to the service from outside the hall. It was particularly gratifying to see so many children in their uniforms showing their respect.

RAF Padre Kevin Capelin-Jones conducted the service after which the congregation took their place around the commemorative stone.

The sun shone whilst many local organisations laid their wreaths around the stone.

The Last Post and Reveille were played by our bugler, Adam Pool.

Thanks must go to many people for organising the occasion. In particular, Richard Pushman and his wife Valerie, who have organised this service for nearly 40 years.

The local police were kindly on hand to control traffic on Main Road, during the ceremony at the stone.

Finally, I wish to make you all aware that £402.91p was collected on the day towards this year's British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Many thanks to you all for attending and your kind generosity.

Reg Horne



## Naphill & Walter's Ash School Media Team Report



A small section of the children's HUGE artwork display

**Reception -** Year R have started to look at traditional stories like folk tales. They have made progress because Reception have shown their parents their amazing assembly about how well they have learnt their phonics! In Maths, they have done counting, numbers and shapes. Their teacher said that they are having so much fun while learning those three things. Reception have officially started Forest School which means they are no longer practising on the playground. A really good start to the new half term Year R!

**Year One -** Year One have started to read a new book called 'One Snowy Night'. In Maths, they have been learning how to do addition and subtraction using a number line. In Science, they have been learning how to sort animals into different groups (human and animals). One of the subjects that they are learning is RE. In RE they are learning about different celebrations such as Diwali and Guy Fawkes. Well done YR1 – you have been doing really well since the start of the year.

**Year Two** - In Year 2 this half term, they have been learning about the frozen planet or Antarctica and they have learnt about the animals that live there; e.g. a penguin or a no eared seal. In Maths, Year 2 have been learning how to add and subtract. Year 2 are getting very excited to find out who has the main part in the nativity, which they will be showing to the parents on Thursday 13th December and Friday 14th December.

**Year Three -** Recently, Year 3 have been lucky enough to visit the Ashmolean museum in Oxford. Now even people in Oxford know how well behaved the Naphill and Walters Ash School pupils are! In Science, the Year 3 children have been learning about human biology and they have made giant paper skeletons by putting all of the paper bones together. The Year 3 teachers

and children have made a giant silhouette of a soldier in World War 2.

**Year Four** - In Year 4, they have welcomed a new teacher called Mrs Richardson who has only just joined NAWAS. In preparation for Armistice Day, both of the Year 4 classes made a poppy wreath. Also, they have been practising their awe-inspiring, stupefying Christmas Assembly! For their Remembrance Day activity, they have written the names of men that had a family or that lived in Naphill or Walters Ash.

They also wrote robot poems based on their topic and book 'The Iron Giant'.

Year Five and the Library - In Year 5, they have been studying poetry written about the time of King Arthur. In particular, they have been learning about one poem called The Lady of Shalott. This poem is about a beautiful lady who sits in her tower, day and night, weaving a magical blanket until a dreamy knight comes along - but that is another story!

Also Year 5 have been stepping up to more imperative roles in school, such as librarians. The people chosen, such as Annabelle and Jess, are relishing in the responsibility of this job and enjoying it immensely. Jess's favourite task in the library is scanning books, whilst Annabelle loves to create reading challenges and take part in assemblies. In the library, the junior librarians help the adults who are working in the library, and put the books away. Over all, Year 5 have had a fascinating and extremely busy start to autumn half term.

**Year Six** - In Year 6, we have done revision of what we learnt in previous years and have been recapping what we have read in 'Friend or Foe'. For Remembrance,

we painted poppies with water colours and then wrote famous messages like 'We will remember them' on to the flowers in fine liner. They are now in the hall surrounding a black template of a soldier.

**Armistice Day -** For Remembrance Day, the whole school was set a mission for the half term. The mission was to create a piece of artistry with the theme 'Lest we forget'. Now, all of this artwork that NAWAS have done is in the school hall. The art is really unique; some pieces are divergent textures and some are made out of things that you can recycle. Some children even brought in pictures of their relatives who were involved in any parts of the war. Well done NAWAS, you have done an exceptional job at completing your mission.

**The Special Visitor** - At 2.30pm on Monday 12th November 2018, NAWAS had a very unique visitor to look at our half term homework. The important guest was Station Commander Woods who works for the RAF in Wycombe. The Media Team asked a few questions that we prepared before the guest arrived. The Commander believed that Remembrance Day is a chance for everyone to commemorate the people who gave their lives for ours.

Station Commander Woods served in Afghanistan. Conflict still goes on throughout the world and some colleagues in the RAF fly to countries to bring aid and supplies. He thinks that we can keep these memories alive by celebrating Remembrance Day and by passing the tradition through generations.

He became motivated to be in the RAF when he was

7 years old: his dad smuggled him into an air show and on that day he decided that he wanted to join the Royal Air Force. Because of this, he missed the first day of his recorder lesson. After that, he was never very good at playing the recorder! A big thank you to our memorable guest for visiting our school – we hope you enjoyed our tour.

Eleanor, Sara, Fin & Shawn



Painting by Isla Dalby age 9



## Naphill and Hughenden Cub Scout Groups

The autumn term is drawing to a close, and what a busy term it has been. Both packs have had a packed programme over the past 3 months. It all started back in the long warm days of September with a joint pack camping weekend. The older cubs selected to lead their sections (Sixes) navigated their way cross country from Naphill to Speen scout hut before setting up their tents for the night. The cub sixes then cooked

their evening meal of chicken and pasta casserole from scratch. The aim of the camp was to get the cubs to understand their roles and responsibilities as Sixers and Seconders, as well as getting a chance to do some activities less suitable for the younger cubs.

The theme for this term has been The Community and both packs have been involved with community projects. The Hughenden Pack visited the One Can Trust (www.onecantrust.org.uk) in High Wycombe who run a foodbank to help people in need. The Naphill pack has done a number of activities with the Princes Centre (www.princescentre.org.uk) in Princes Risborough. The centre is a day care centre for older people with dementia or in need of friendship as well as younger people with learning difficulties or mental illness. The pack has organised a number of activities including writing letters to some of its clients, organising a board games and coffee morning at the centre as well as a project to help renovate some of the centres garden furniture. It's been really heart-warming to see the cubs engaging with the people at the centre.

With the nights drawing in, the opportunities for outdoor activities are more limited but a group of cubs attended the High Wycombe Astronomical Society open evening at Woodrow House near Hazelmere to do some stargazing. It was not the clearest of skies but we did get a great view of the Space Station passing overhead.

One of the highlights of the term was the visit to the cubs pack by Andy Green, the holder of the world land speed record in Thrust SSC and pilot of the Bloodhound Rocket car which is attempting to travel at over 1000mph. Andy gave a fascinating presentation about both the Thrust SSC and the Bloodhound Project. The cubs and leaders alike were enthralled by the cutting edge British science and engineering involved in the project. Andy also kindly judged the competition for the rocket cars made by the cubs.

Other activities, also squeezed in, included a visit to High Wycombe Fire Station, a visit from the Hearing Dogs for the Deaf and Halloween Mug painting as well as one of the most important community events, the Remembrance Day Service.

By the time you read this the Group will probably have also had our annual Christmas Carol Service at Hughenden Parish Church. Top secret rehearsals are already underway at the time of writing with each cub pack, along with the beaver colonies and scout groups preparing to do a turn at the service.

I can't remember such a busy programme with the result being a large number of badges being awarded to the cubs. So much so that we have had to recruit our own badge secretary.

With such busy programmes we are also always looking for new ideas and activities the cubs can get involved in. If you have any ideas or have a hobby, sport or skill that will be suitable for an evening session then please let us know.

I'm sure everyone will agree that all the cubs are very fortunate to be given the opportunity to have all these great experiences, but they only happen due to the time and effort given by the leaders and helpers; so a big thank you is needed to all the cub pack leaders, young leaders and parent helpers who support the cub packs. An extra special big thank you is also needed to our two main cub pack leaders (Hamish and Beth) who are the main drivers in putting these programmes together. The leadership team is a constantly evolving group, especially with the changing commitments of our service personnel, which can happen at short notice. At this time the Hughenden pack is very short of leaders and helpers. To ensure that the pack can continue to run we are looking for additional leader. If this is something you think will be of interest then please contact Beth at the Hughenden Cub email address at the front of the Gazette. As someone who has been involved with the Cubs in Naphill for a number of years I can tell you that it is one of the most rewarding things I have done. Not only helping our younger generation to develop life skills and have experiences that they would not otherwise have, but also has allowed me to have experiences (like the Andy Green talk) and do activities I would otherwise not have done, as well as making some great new friends and acquaintances. We have over forty cubs regularly attending pack nights in the village and we would like to be able to keep supporting the local need with two packs, but this will require more leaders and helpers if it is to continue.

Naphill and Hughenden Cubs would like to wish everyone in local area a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

> *Martin Beddows* "One of the cub leaders"



#### **Shear Madness**

Happy new year!

ITS CHRISTMAS! Wow, where has this year gone?

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas and I hope that Santa brings you health and happiness. Sending love to those that are working and to those who can't be with loved ones.

Thank you all for another wonderful year.

Mandy and Zak the dog

#### Christmas opening times

Xmas eve 9.30 - 12 noon Xmas day Closed Boxing Day closed 27th closed 28th 9.30 - 12 noon 29th 9 - 12noon New Year's Eve 9.30 - 12 noon



#### Calling All Budding Footballers!



If you enjoy kicking a football around and making new friends then why don't you come along to the Naphill Football Club Under 8's (Year 3) Team training session. Great fun, fab for confidence building and we have a super team spirit! Boys and girls are most welcome, from complete beginners to those with experience. We train every Saturday morning during school term time between 0930-1100 hours at Naphill and Walters Ash school pitches. There are also competitive matches taking place throughout the season. For more information please contact: David Gunning on 07872 527238 or simply turn up to a training session.

Dave Gunning.

#### From our Wye Correspondent

I would firstly like to thank all of you who offered advice in relation to the re-stocking of my planter which was looking very sorry for itself. Many of you suggested winter pansies but we have opted for a winter heather look to be unveiled shortly. I hope it does not look too attractive to any of my four legged visitors!

Talking of my four legged visitors I have met lots of new dogs over the past month and I will be posting some new pictures on Facebook shortly. It would appear that since Daisy's Diner opened the dogs of Naphill have decided on a change of route for their daily walk, not necessarily with Mum and Dad's agreement. More than once recently a poor owner has been dragged



along Main Road for their canine companion to appear at my door and stare longingly at the jar of treats on the desk. I did feel very sorry for Murphy's mum whom I met going to my car. We duly returned to the shop to get Murphy a treat. Having resumed my journey home I noticed in my rear view mirror Murphy dragging his poor Mum down the road behind me. Dogs learn very quickly when there is a treat on offer! My most frequent visitor this month is "George" (pictured) who usually comes in with his Dad but decided that he was going to introduce his Mum to me and proceeded to drag her through my shop doorway a while ago. Always lovely to meet new people!

I was lucky enough to stay in the small village of Embsay, just outside Skipton, at the start of the month. For those of you looking for a location for a short break I would recommend the area. It is situated in the Southern Yorkshire Dales. It is close to the spectacular Malham Cove, Gordale Scar and challenging Peny-Ghent (smallest of the infamous Yorkshire Three Peaks). I agreed with my good lady that I was going to climb Pen-y-Ghent on the Sunday afternoon whilst she sampled a Yorkshire Cream Tea and had some retail therapy. Unfortunately when we got there this large and striking fell was invisible due to low cloud so I had to join her for the cream tea. The consequence of this was that at my Slimming World weigh-in on Monday I had put on a pound. So I was able to blame my weight gain on the weather rather than the Black Sheep consumed during our stay!!

Skipton Castle is perhaps the best preserved example of a "motte and bailey" medieval castle surviving from Norman times in England and part of it is still used as a residence. It was built by Robert de Romille in 1090 who was the lord of the estates around Bolton Abbey. Bolton Abbey is unfortunately less well preserved but is a must see if you are in the area. The ruin sits on the banks of the River Wharf and the estate is exceptionally well maintained and benefits from a stunning riverside walk taking in the gentle falls at "The Strid". The owners had decorated part of the walk in a Halloween theme for the local families to visit. They also had a nice tea room!!

It was noticeable during our stay in Embsay how the locals supported each other and used the local facilities. The village pub was well supported and was full of locals using their pub rather than travelling to nearby chain restaurants offering cheaper prices. They used the local bus service to travel to Skipton as they knew that oherwise this would be withdrawn which would be limiting to the older residents who preferred not to drive. The local store was always busy and although it offered a limited range at perhaps slightly dearer prices, it was undoubtedly a case of use it or lose it!

This led to me reflecting on my position within our village. As a resident, could I do more to support local businesses and causes and how could I encourage our residents to use me when trying to sell their house rather than some of the non-independent agents whose boards appear to be springing up. It would be so nice to be invited to quote for potential sales as the only agent in the village (no Little Britain pun intended) and talk through what I can offer as a village resident with an in depth local knowledge. I am of course very grateful

to those of you have used me in my first 9 months in office!!

I am more than happy to advertise local events in the window and sell tickets. I have agreed to be quiz master for an event at Lacey Green Sports Club in February. Tickets available from Steph Dell or I can arrange. I am happy to offer my services for other events as quizmaster but unfortunately not as a DJ. Not sure everyone would appreciate two hours of rock blues and prog rock!!

In support of the village, Wye Country will be donating £50 to the Naphill Village Hall & Sports Club and £50 to Naphill and Walter's Ash School Association (WANSA) for each instruction that reaches a successful completion during 2019.

Alan Draper

#### **Nordic Walking**



On a crisp and sunny October morning, I had the pleasure of bringing together two things I love as I introduced a group from Harmony Nordic Walking to the Autumnal delights of the Common.

You may be familiar with what there is to love about the Common, but what about Nordic Walking? It's far more than simply a way to access our stunning countryside. Nordic Walkers use their poles to propel themselves along, turning a walk into a full body work out - think of cross country skiing! With a good technique you reduce impact on your joints, feel lighter on your feet, improve your posture, increase your speed and gain security on uneven terrain. This makes it a truly energising way of getting outside whilst you quietly get fitter, stronger, healthier and happier!

I love talking to the group for many reasons, but I never tire of hearing about the incredible changes that people have brought about due to Nordic Walking: blood pressure levels moving back into normal range, prediabetes being reversed and back pain disappearing to name a few. I have personally experienced its positive effect on mental health and the technique's amazing capacity to re-build core strength and fitness for intense activities such as snowboarding and endurance walks. I've also seen my 72-year-old mum use Nordic Walking for rehab following a hip operation and for it to cause the osteo-arthritis in her feet to loosen up so significantly that her whole-body movement and wellbeing has been totally transformed!

I first got hooked on Nordic Walking with Instructor Charlotte Downing who leads two walks a week around Speen. I also walk, and have now become a Walk Leader, on the other days of the week with Instructor Adele Howlett of Harmony Nordic Walking who offers a variety of walks around Wycombe District.

With many thanks to the Village Hall for the special agreement that enabled us to start this walk from the Car Park, so our gentle-pace group could enjoy the Common. This also meant that afterwards we could enjoy a well-deserved cuppa and delicious soup in the sun on the veranda at Bon Ami!

To find out more about Nordic Walking and how you can get involved whatever your fitness level, do get in touch with Charlotte or Adele.

Charlotte: 07854 249486 chilternsnordicwalking@gmail.com

Adele: www.harmonynordicwalking.co.uk 07711 627828

# Plots Available at Louches Lane Allotment Garden Grow healthy food Fresh air & exercise Family fun, friends & community Plots available November 2018 Annual Rent: Full plot £35.00 Half plot £23.00

For more information contact: Hughenden Parish Council Tel: 01494 715296 Email: clerk@hughendenpc.o

Email: clerk@hughendenpc.org.uk

## **Growing Your Own**

For some years there have been mentions in the press of an alarming drop in sperm count. Results published in 2017 were based upon a sample of 42,395 men in 50 countries, from fertility clinics where samples were routinely analysed and, collectively, made available for the latest research. Men in Western Europe, North America, Australia and New Zealand were covered by the survey.

The results were that there was an average concentration of 99 million sperm per millilitre in 1973 but that had fallen to 47.1 in 2011 – a drop of 52.4%. Our National Health Service state that men are considered to have a low sperm count where it is 15 million per millilitre. The World Health Organisation states that 15 million per millilitre would be abnormally low and if the figure is under 40 men will have a tougher time conceiving. I worked out that the annual drop is 1.9%, thus we shall reach the figure of 40 in 2019. Also, 53 years from now the average sperm count in Western countries will have fallen to 15 where it will be classed as abnormally low and it will be difficult to conceive naturally. BBC News on 25th July 2017 said that, if the trend continues, the human race would become extinct.

What is the cause? Researchers have pointed to modern lifestyles as being the culprit. The average person has 30 man-made chemicals in his/her body, coming from air pollution outdoors, gases coming off soft furnishings, floor coverings and personal care products, perfluorinated food packaging, pesticide residues in food, and smoking and passive smoking. I would like to add another - deficiency in modern diets of trace elements. Indeed, double Nobel prize winner Dr Linus Pauling stated:"You can trace every sickness, disease or ailment to a trace mineral deficiency of one kind or another."

There is an example which points to nutrition being the major factor in the sperm count decline. In an investigation in Denmark a few years ago I recall that researchers found one village in a remote area where there was no decline in sperm count whatsoever. This was an extremely rural area where farmworkers ate their own produce which was cultivated in a traditional, truly organic manner, with animal manures being returned to the land to keep up the trace element content of their soil. Thus nutrition may indeed be the key to the future of the human race. Growing your own chemical-free crops in soil enriched with farmyard manure to put back into the soil the vital trace elements is one thing we can do. Men of Naphill and Walter's Ash - a New Year's Resolution: phone 01494 715296 and ask the parish clerk for an allotment.

Happy New Year!

Mike Mason

## **Chiltern Hill Arboriculture**

Summer is a distant memory. The fog and frosts of early winter have arrived. The clocks went back well over a month ago, and the sun barely raises it's head over the horizon, making dew on the lawn a permanent fixture during the grey winter's days.

So how do we reconcile this with gardening? What is a great passion for some of us during the warmer parts of the year, now becomes a briefly snatched hour or so on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon. What should we spend that precious time on?

Apart from harvesting some mistletoe and holly for Christmas decorations (keep it in water right up until you want to put your decorations up), there are a number of worthy tasks we can carry out during the "bleak midwinter".

It is a great time to carry out some important maintenance which will pay dividends come the springtime. Pruning climbing roses, cutting away any diseased or damaged growth, and tying new shoots to the support frame is always a good use of time.

Wisteria will also benefit from a winter prune. Cut back summer side shoots to two or three buds will benefit the main body of the plant, and promote further growth next year.

If you have hydrangeas, leave the faded flower heads on the plant. They will provide frost protection to any swelling new buds further down the plant stems.

Decorative Japanese Acers and Maples will benefit from a prune at this time of year. If left until spring they will bleed sap after being cut back. This applies to any other trees you need to prune. Winter is the dormant period, so robust pruning at this time of year is unlikely to "shock" any larger trees or shrubs.

On the subject of trees, it is a great time to survey them for distress or damage. Now that their leaves have been shed it is much easier to see any structural damage to larger branches which may be a cause for concern. A proactive "lopping off" of a branch could save an insurance claim.

If the temperatures stay mild and the ground is not frozen, it is a good time to put in some tulip bulbs, ready for some spring colour. Conversely, if you are still growing in a greenhouse and are relying on heaters, make sure they are fuelled up and still working properly. If you have any unharvested vegetables, now is the time lift the last of your crop, before any ground frost strikes.

Lastly, if you are minded to feed the wild birds (as we are), the preferred feeds for species are; Tits like peanuts and sunflower hearts, Robins like fat balls and meal worms, and Squirrels....they will get trapped in your peanut feeder, trying to get at the peanuts, and you will have to cut said peanut feeder apart with tin snips to release the greedy squirrel.

Mike Beckley



## Hughenden Parish Council

#### Signage

Over the past few weeks the council has noticed an increase in the amount of "For Sale" signs being erected on parish council land – particularly at the entrance to Templewood. This is not permissible under the Advertisements Policy of Wycombe District Council. Under this policy, signs can only be erected on the land or building to which they relate. The council has begun the necessary steps to ensure the signs are removed and that all estate agents are aware of the policy. Please see the attached link for more details:

https://www.wycombe.gov.uk/uploads/public/ documents/Planning/Planning-policy/Topic-based/ Advertisements-advice-notes.pdf

With regards to signage generally, the parish council has its own policy so please see the link below for more details:

http://www.hughendenparishcouncil.org.uk/councilinformation/policies-procedures/

#### Allotments

The council have recently completed the grass cutting and hedge cutting for the year at both of the allotment sites in Naphill and Walters Ash. Over the winter months, clearance of vacant plots will be continuing with the intention of leasing these vacant plots to budding gardeners. At a cost of just £23 for a half plot and £35 for a full plot, the cost is far outweighed by the social and physical aspects of becoming an allotment tenant. Not forgetting the fresh produce too! If you would like more information on becoming an allotment tenant, please contact the clerk on 01494 715296 or via email to: clerk@ hughendenpc.org.uk.

#### **Remembrance Sunday**

Sunday 11th November saw the 100-year anniversary of the end of World War One. Your three local councillors attended the Remembrance Day Service at the Village Hall and laid a wreath on behalf of the council. The Silent Soldier donated by HPC will be retained by the Village Hall for use in future years. Around the parish, wreaths were also laid on behalf of the council at Great Kingshill and at Bryants Bottom to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves to secure and protect our freedom.

#### **Templewood Playground**

Plans to refurbish the playground at Templewood have taken a major step forward. The council have circulated the proposals to a group of parents in the area who have been working together to create a new space for the children of the community. It is hoped that the new playground will be open for use before the Easter holidays in 2019. Further information will be available on the council website in due course.

Finally, we are pleased to report that the duck on Walters Ash Pond has been given a new home. With the help of a couple of local residents, the council have provided the duck with a lovely new shelter at the edge of the pond. It is hoped that he will take cover there in the cold winter months ahead.

#### Your local councillors are:

Cllr Chris Waterton: chris.waterton@hughendenpc. org.uk – 07968 268067

Cllr Paul Hardinge: paul.hardinge@hughendenpc.org. uk – 07810 038198

Cllr Anita Boekee: anita.boekee@hughendenpc.org. uk – 07931 795464

There is still one vacancy for the Naphill & Walters Ash ward, so if you are keen to get involved in decisions that affect your local community, please email: clerk@ hughendenpc.org.uk.

The council would like to take this opportunity to wish all residents of the Naphill and Walters Ash Ward a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Shona Hadwin

Clerk to Hughenden Parish Counci

## Message from Hughenden Vicarage

I wonder, are you looking forward to Christmas this year? Does the anticipation of spending time with your nearest & dearest warm your heart? Or perhaps you are struggling to see any further ahead than weeks of Christmas shopping, great expense and over indulgence.

As a Christian, I try to remain focused upon the Christian festival, although no one is immune from the emotions which are stirred up when the latest batch of Christmas adverts are released on our television screens. Many paint an idealist, even unrealistic portrayal of what represents a Christmas to which we can aspire. Understandably, we want a memorable celebration, but surely those around the table, the fireplace & the game of Monopoly that goes on for hours are what makes Christmas special?

Sunday 2 December marks the start of Advent, the beginning of a new Church year. The season of Advent is all but lost to most, as the countdown to Christmas reaches fever pitch. Traditionally Advent has been a time of preparation for the Christmas festival, but also a time to reflect upon our lives, spend some time in prayer, as we invite God to change those areas of our lives which we know need reshaping by the Holy Spirit.

As you read these words, probably seated beside a pile of unwritten Christmas cards and a long todo list, I encourage you to spend some time this Christmas exploring (or perhaps re-exploring) the Christian message of Christmas. The miraculous birth of a King in a stable, who would become the saviour of humanity.

I would like to also extend a personal invitation to you and your family and friends to attend one or more of our Christmas services at St Michael & All Angels Church, Hughenden.

May you know the peace and the joy of the Christ child this Christmas and always.

God bless you

Rev Keith Johnson

## Christmas Services at St Michael & All Angels Church Hughenden

#### Sunday 9 December

3pm Christingle service

#### Sunday 16 December

4pm -Christians in the Community Carol Service Naphill Village Hall

#### Sunday 23 December

6pm Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight

#### **Christmas Eve**

3pm Crib Service

11.15pm Midnight Holy Communion

#### **Christmas Day**

8am Said Holy Communion

9am Choral Holy Communion

11am Family Holy Communion

5pm Carols by Candlelight



## From our RAF Padre

#### Waiting...

Having just returned from 4 months abroad with work, I've been flung headlong into the busy time from Remembrance to Christmas. During that time I spend a lot of time in Airports and Departure Lounges, waiting. Lots of waiting. Particularly when flights are delayed. But it wasn't all bad – I managed to do lots of reading whilst sat there, waiting.

Waiting, it seems, is something that we're not that good at nowadays. The impatience that builds towards Christmas, with decorations and trees going up earlier and earlier; parties and functions from the beginning of December; and obviously the shops turning on lights and stocking Christmas gifts and treats from early September.

And in amongst this busyness we miss the opportunity of Advent. The season of expectation, of waiting. Traditionally, the 12 days of Christmas starts with Christmas Eve. Now Christmas seems to have no defined start, and for many the tree and decorations will be down, boxed, recycled well before 6 Jan (the 12th day of Christmas) due to an impatience to get on with the new year, and fatigue of Christmas lasting so long!

Advent means 'coming', and during which we prepare for the season of Christmas – Traditional Advent Calendars with the scene of the manger, finally arriving at the door for the baby Jesus [Spoiler Alert!], now partly lost with Advent Calendars of Chocolate, Lego, Gin, Wine etc. In churches we light the Advent Wreath, and many churches hold a Christingle service as part of our preparations.

There are scientific studies that show the benefit of Delayed Gratification on our emotional and mental health – (the Wikipedia article on Delayed Gratification is a great start); and if you search 'Marshmallow Experiment' on Youtube, you'll see a number of scenarios where young children are offered 1 marshmallow immediately, or 2 marshmallows if they can leave the first one alone for a number of minutes. The greater our self-control in delaying gratification can have a remarkable impact on many areas of our life and health.

Take the time this advent to yes, put up the decorations, open the Advent Calendar and eat the chocolate from inside. But also to pause, to reflect on the year gone, and more importantly also on what is to come. The meaning of Christmas, the Coming of Christ, the promise of peace. If we can hold off some of the joy of Christmas until Christmas, maybe we'll appreciate it all the more, and our decorations may survive until the 12th day of Christmas.

Padre Kevin Capelin-Jones



## Friends of Naphill Common

We hope you enjoyed the brilliance of the autumn leaves: the golds and browns of the beech and oaks; the red of the wild cherries and the pale yellows of the ash trees. Even the dour hollies have made a real effort this year, with a magnificent crop of berries – more than for many years. The hedgerows are full of haws, sloes and bullaces so, along with the holly, the redwings, fieldfares and mistle (or missel) thrushes will have a feast this winter. And have you ever seen so many acorns and beech nuts? Our common is an open larder for birds and animals – unfortunately including grey squirrels.

Fifty years ago there were numerous juniper bushes on the Common along with large areas of gorse and heather. The spread of trees meant that by five years ago we were down to only four ancient and rather decrepit junipers, a handful of gorse bushes and very little heather. However, we have been trying to recover some of these earlier features. The recent felling will let in more light and encourage them, and we have taken cuttings and seeds from our venerable junipers and grown them into healthy young bushes. We now have eleven little junipers planted out in the sunniest spots; they are protected by wire netting and all appear to be thriving well. (They are alongside paths so you might like to see if you can spot all of them.) When planting them out it became obvious why the area was left as common land rather than being used for agriculture. The heavy yellow clay is so packed with flints that it was difficult to dig a small hole or drive in a stake.

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

As last year, there will be an extra walk on Boxing Day, this year led by Neil McMinn, starting from the Village Hall at 10:30 and heading into the country before stopping at the Le De Spencer's Arms. Once again, all are welcome including families, children and dogs. There was a special walk on Monday 26th November to raise money for the 'Children in Need' charity. Walkers each donated a minimum of £5. Those of you who watched the BBC tele-marathon on the evening of 16th November may have caught a glimpse of our common.

Our working parties continue to clear footpaths, attend to ponds and open up areas from holly and other obstructions. Sunday morning parties will be led by Peter Davis (for dates, consult our web site at http:// www.naphillcommon.org.uk/activities.html), There are also an additional working party every Thursday morning commencing at 9.30am; though anyone wishing to help can turn up at any time during the morning. Enquiries to Ron Collins on 01494 562240.

We hope everyone has a splendid Christmas and a fine New Year. Don't forget our AGM which is on Friday 15th February 2019, at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. Please come along and give us your ideas and opinions about caring for our common. Any criticisms, comments or commendations are welcome, as are volunteers to join our committee – although we all remain (thankfully) hale and hearty, we are none of us getting any younger!

Our guest speaker at the AGM will be Michael Kushner, who is a guide and lecturer at Bletchley Park, and can tell us about the code breaking work carried out there and the part played by Dilly Knox, who lived at Cournswood down Clappins Lane, and who donated the now very large conifer at the front of the Village Hall car park as well as planting many other trees.

Chris Miller Chairman.

## Friends of Naphill Common AGM

## Friday 15 February 2019 - 7:30pm Naphill Village Hall

Our guest speaker will be Michael Kushner who is a guide and lecturer at Bletchley Park, and can tell us about the code breaking work carried out there and the part played by Dilly Knox, who lived at Cournswood in the village. Please come along and give us your ideas and opinions about caring for our common.

# Naphill & Walter's Ash Residents Association

**PLANNING:** The following are local planning applications received by Wycombe District Council (WDC) between 15th October and 19th November 2018. Any responses by NAWARA appear on the WDC website.

**18/07782/MINAMD**. Proposed non-material amendment to permission for construction of part two storey, part first floor, part single storey front and side extension with porch canopy to front and installation of flue to side elevation. granted under householder planning ref **18/06879/FUL.** 

**6 Battingswood Gardens, Naphill. HP14 4SR.** Officer: Heather Smith. Received 24.10.18. Target Determination 21.11.18. Delegated Decision.

**18/07811/FUL**. Householder application for a twostory front and rear extension including internal alterations. Works to existing driveway to create additional off-street parking and bin store. **Drumlin, Louches Lane, Naphill. HP14 4QJ.** Officer Valerie Bailey. Received 29.10.18. Target Determination 24.12.18. Delegated.

**18/07895/FUL HA** for the construction of single storey rear extensions replacing existing porch and proposed pitched roof over existing garage incorporating rooflight. **Pine Trees, Downley Road, Naphill. HP14 4QY.** Officer Valerie Bailey. Received 31.10.18. Target Determination. 26.12.18. Delegated.

18/07689/FUL. Alterations & sub-division of dwelling to create 1 x 2-bed & 1 x 3-bed dwellings, new access & associated parking.
Bristows Barn, 380 Main Road, Walter's Ash. HP14 4UU. Officer: Heather Smith. Received 07.11.18. Target Determination. 02.01.2019. Delegated.

**18/07690/LBC** Listed Building application for alterations & subdivision of dwelling to create 1 x 2-bed & 1 x 3-bed dwellings, new access & associated parking.

**Bristows Barn, 380 Main Road, Walter's Ash. HP14** 4UU. Officer: Heather Smith. Received 07.11.18. Target Determination. 02.01.2019. Delegated.

#### Permission

18/07504/MINAMD Proposed non-material amendment to permission for construction of single storey rear extension granted under planning ref 17/08303/FUL (allowed at appeal). Lark Rise, Stocking Lane, Naphill. HP14 4NE.

#### **Unitary Authority**

On 1st November 2018 Secretary of State James Brokenshire announced that Bucks would be controlled by a single Unitary Authority rather than the two Council system favoured by the four District Councils.

All that is known at present is that the five Councils in Bucks will merge, there will be one chief executive rather than five, and shadow authorities will be formed to draft the necessary changes to put before Parliament. The Unitary Authority will come into force in 2020. Council staff and Councillor reductions are a concern, but for the time being Council work will carry on as normal.

## Wycombe Local Plan Examination Update. – Clappins Lane Field

The Inspector will be publishing modifications to the Wycombe Local Plan for consultation at the beginning of January 2019, possibly earlier. She expects to provide her final report to the District Council by 28th March 2019.

We will then know whether we have managed to persuade the Inspector that the 5.5 acres of Chilterns AONB/GB field off Clappins Lane should retain its Green Belt status and be protected from urban development and a 64-dwelling estate. We hope for the best.

Next NAWARA meeting, 8pm Monday 10th December 2018 in Naphill Village Small Hall.

A Very Happy Christmas and New Year to All.

Gloria Leflaive 563634

## **Naphill Tennis Club**

The courts have been well used this autumn, and our next social event is the Festive Tennis on Saturday 8th December at 11 am: light-hearted tennis, mulled wine, mince pies and a 'Bring and Share' lunch.

Our teams have had an excellent year. In the Bucks Shield 2 Pair League the Ladies were top of Division 7, winning all their matches, and the Men were 2nd in Division 9. The Men's Aylesbury League team and the Mixed team in the High Wycombe League were both runners up in their divisions, and all the teams have gained promotion.

By the time you read this, the AGM will have taken place. The committee will start to plan activities for next year, to provide coaching, social and competitive tennis in a fun and enjoyable club environment. As usual, further details are on the website www.naphilltennisclub.org. uk or can be obtained from the Membership Secretary, Sarah Dengel (sarah.dengel1@gmail.com)

Wishing you all a happy Christmas.

Terry Crooks

## A Point of View

The coming of the 'Festive Season' is a statement of political correctness, in that it seeks to redefine what is really the celebration of Christ's birth, a fact often forgotten in the commercial promotion and shopping frenzy that always surrounds us at this time of the year. It is the time when one reflects on the past events of the year; the broken resolutions, the holidays enjoyed and the friends lost. It must be a product of ageing but there appears to have been so many more funerals this past year and one can only hope that 2019 will see a slackening of the pace! Remembrance Sunday has come and gone and what wonderful attendance there has been at the numerous commemorative events that have taken place, including a packed Naphill village hall, full to overflowing. 'We will remember them'.

The announcement by the Secretary of State for Communities that he was minded to create a new Unitary Council to replace the county and four district councils, was announced in November. Whilst the county council had hoped for this decision, the district councils were disappointed as they had hoped for a north and south divide. After much reflection I think that the Sec of State got it right, as the majority of services that the county council provides are on a county wide basis and a county wide authority will naturally keep these services without having to divide them into two, with the consequential need of two sets of officers and the added costs involved. Planning control will need to be more localised and the county had the original intention, when unitary status was first mooted, of having local or neighbourhood 'hubs' to make decisions on building applications.

The New Year will have some interesting political developments, hopefully Brexit will not dominate the news agenda and other important domestic concerns will be addressed. We shall see a firming up of plans for the Oxford/Cambridge road and rail link routes and the considerable housing developments which will fill in the land between Milton Keynes and the existing settlements in North Bucks and around Luton and Hertford. I suppose this is the inevitable consequence of a population increase of around two million persons and the subsequent increasing birth rate and the current demand for housing.

Richard Pushman

## Bradenham Parish Council

At its last meeting the parish council considered the costs of refurbishments works in and around the pond area in Bradenham. The parish council took on responsibility of looking after this pond when it installed, with National Trust permission, more than 10 years ago a pond liner and persuaded Buckinghamshire County Council to install a filter for the road run off. Even though the road run off has caused a great build-up of silt in the pond, the pond is healthy. It has been looked at several times and we have always been surprised how the pond and the area around it teems with wildlife. The Chiltern Society have helped us in the past and recently gave some guidance on the management of the area. With National Trust permission ( they own the land) the parish council plans to improve the area so it becomes a more pleasant public amenity.

The parish council is pleased with its 'Silent Soldier" placed on the green in front of the church by its WWI memorial, which this year has had a substantial refurbishment.

Although we have installed a dog bin in Bradenham by the pond, it is not well used, people are sill leaving "doggie bags" in inappropriate places. Please use the bin. We are having a 2nd one installed as you leave the track onto the A4010.

The budget for 2019/20 was discussed and will be finalised in January.

We wish you all a Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year.

Our next meeting will be Monday January 14 2019 at the cricket club. All Welcome.

Deirdre Hansen, clerk to the council. Please note the new email address: clerkbradenhampc@gmail.com Please use this in future. www.bucksvoice.net/bradenham-parish-counci

Naphill artist, Nancy Taylor. invites you to join her at a Christmas Craft Fair 1st December 10am-12 noon at Saint Mary' Church, Princes Risborough

## Last Word

Definitely a creative use of space edition! I apologise for omissions and errors and I thank everybody for their contributions which have gone to make this a festive edition of our magazine.

Season's greetings to you all and I am sure that by 15 January 2019 I will be looking forward to compiling the February edition of the Gazette.

Sonia

## **Small Ads**

**HUGHENDEN VALLEY FOOT CLINIC** Foot problems, toenail reconstrucion and routine foot care. Fully qualified MCFHP, MAFHP, DBS checked. For appointments call Sarah 01494 913187. www.hughendenvalleyfootclinic.com

**CRYSTAL HEALING THERAPIST** Reiki treatments & Indian Head Massage. Enables your wellbeing & relaxation. I also teach meditation & Reiki. Call Heather 07377 537070 or email mooncrafting@outlook.com. Facebook & Instagram as MoonCrafting, www.mooncrafting.com

**DA ROCHA SERVICES** - HANDYMAN with a VAN - Local, efficient and great availability. House and garden clearances, item delivery & house moves. Gardening, painting & decorating, guttering, odd jobs, flat pack furniture assembly & ebay selling. Call Chris -07540 088573

**PLUG ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS.** Chartered Electrical Engineer based in Naphill and covering local area. NICEIC registered. No job too small. For a free, competitive quote, call Dennis on 07985 230103. www.plugelectrics.co.uk.

Continued on page 38

## Small Ads

**CLEAN & TIDY DECORATORS.** All aspects of the trade, internal and external. 25 years' experience, reasonable rates. Professional, friendly and reliable. Based locally, Main Road, Naphill. Please call Steve on 07932 749510. 'If a job's worth doing then it's worth doing well'.

**PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICES.** Domestic, Spring Cleans, End of Tenancy, March Outs, Moving Home, and End of Build Cleans. Local, Trustworthy and reliable. References available on request. Fully insured. Call Una 07808 518450

**PILATES WITH PAMELA.** Local classes am and pm classes 4 days of the week !See full timetable on website. http://pilates-with-pamela.heyweb.com/ Please call to register/for more info Pamela 07759 831706

A J KEEN APPLIANCE REPAIRS. Repairs to all makes of washing machines, dishwashers, cookers etc. including Bosch, Neff, Siemens and Miele. Very competitive rates, over 30 years' experience. Same day call-out if available. Call Alastair 01494 565255 or 07785 522623.

**HEAD MASSAGE/REIKI,** Fully qualified Therapist offering Head Massage to help alleviate headaches, stress, tension etc. REIKI to help you sleep and rid the body of toxins aiding a healthier life. Dee on 07765884363 or deebangel43@yahoo.co.uk.

**MASSAGE:** Relaxing or Remedial. MASSAGE to help alleviate pain in shoulders, neck and back etc. Experienced therapist offering therapeutic, deep tissue, sports or acupressure massage. Home visits possible. Pamela Wilson 07759 831706 (ITEC/FHT registered).

**TAILORING AND ALTERATION SERVICES,** Menswear and womenswear, 30 years experience, a collection and delivery service is included. Sean 07864 843610 or 01494 562316

**TK PLUMBING & ELECTRICS.** For all your plumbing and electrical needs. City & Guilds qualified. No job too small. All work guaranteed. References can be supplied. Call Tom on 01494 580518 or 07716 440916.

**MARLIN uPVC LTD.** Stockists and installers of uPVC fascias, soffits, bargeboards, cladding, guttering, etc. FREE local deliveries. FREE quotations. 20 yr guarantee. Advice for DIY enthusiasts 01494 712110 Email mark@ marlinupvc.co.uk. www.marlinupvc.co.uk. Or call at Fittalls Yard, Spurlands End Rd, Gt Kingshill.

**YOUR LOCAL HANDYMAN.** CML Property Services for general woodwork, painting/decorating, tiling, flooring, kitchens, bathrooms, home and office maintenance, furniture assembly, garden services, removals and more! No job too small. Phone Mark Lyford on 07772 252752, email info@cmlpropertyservices. co.uk. and visit www.cmlpropertyservices.co.uk.

**ROOFING SERVICES - W. WHITE ROOFING** Provides a modern, professional and friendly service. Call William White for your Roofing requirements, free estimates and advice! TEL 01494 355187 MOB 07832 146427 EMAIL william@wwhiteroofing.co.uk

**LOCAL WINDOW CLEANER** Friendly professional service & Fully insured. Cleaning windows the traditional way. Also available, Solar Panels, Conservatory Roofs, Gutters, Fascia & Cladding Cleaning. Supported by The Princes Trust. Call Mathew 07818644583 Email. powell.cleaning@hotmail.com

**SPEEN PILATES STUDIO** Newly built Pilates studio. Specialist Pilates classes on a 1:1 or small class 1:6 available, both day and evening. Matwork and Reformer Pilates Foundation Teacher and member of NHSTA. Call Amanda 07733 307475

**GREENVALE GARDENS** All aspects of garden care & maintenance. Friendly & professional service Qualified & fully insured. Call Ben on 07496 670 754 or Email ben. greenvalegardens@gmail.com

**HAIR STYLIST.** Fully qualified with 23 years' experience. Fully fitted log cabin salon or have your hair done in the comfort of your home. Also gel manicures. Call Sam – hair 2 dye 4: 07843 257689. Email: samjwoods@hotmail.co.uk.

**GAS TIGHT ENGINEERING.** Offering a quality service in all aspects of plumbing and heating, including boiler servicing, breakdowns, gas safety checks and landlords certificates, plus full heating and bathroom installations. Gas Safe Registered. Call Jason on 07515 642971 or email GasTightEngineering@yahoo.co.uk.

**MOBILE BEAUTY THERAPIST** 17 years experience Manicure, pedicure, shellac nails, waxing, facials, eye lash extensions, pamper parties, makeup for special occasions Www.ivermeehomebeauty.co.uk 07921622357

**CHRISTINA BOHANE FITNESS** Increase your fitness level and feel both energetic & younger! Nordic Style Healthy Living for Busy people: Personal Training, Nutritional Advice & Classes www.christinabohane.com Call 07740880966 email Christina.bohane@gmail. com

**LOCKSMITH:** Local Locksmith available 24/7 for emergency repairs & boarding up. Locks supplied, fitted, opened or upgraded. No call out fees, fast response Tel: 01844 274229 (day) or 07702 809477 (night) www.rpclocksmiths.co.uk

**YOGA IN NAPHIL**L Tuesdays during term time 1.30-2.45 pm, Village Hall. All abilities welcome Improve your strength and flexibility, reduce stress, give body and mind a boost.Termly and drop in rates available. Enquiries to Tessa: 07941966004/ email: tessayoga@icloud.com www.yogawithtessa.wixsite. com/info

**11 PLUS TUITION** Excellent 11 plus tutoring right here in the village! Available term time and week ends, for 1 to 1 tuition. 6 years experience. Excellent results! Call Jo on 07976 626769, or 01494 563776.

**SPORTS MASSAGE.** Beneficial for sports/non sports people alike. Deep tissue treatment to maintain and improve muscle condition. Helps to increase flexibility, range of motion and reduce risk of injury. Steve Sutton 07827 962211 (VTCT qualified)

Accents Interiors. Lady Decorator. Professional painting & decorating service. City & Guilds Qualified. Call Silra van Praag Stanley on 07184 243499 or email accentsinteriors@outlook.co

## For all Advertising Information please contact the editor, Contact details on page 15



# AIRS HOUSE

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

for

## QUALITY CARPETS, TILES, VINYLS & WOOD FLOORING

## 01844 342546

Station Parade, Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough E-mail sales@airshouse.co.uk

## DELUXE ROOFING CONTRACTORS



## & SUPPLIERS LTD

John Mulry Mobile: 07860 845343

\*NEW ROOFS \*RE-TILING \*SLATING \*FLAT ROOFS \* SARNAFIL & SINGLE PLY \* LEAD ROOFS \* APPROVED CONTRACTORS \* FREE ESTIMATES

Binders Industrial Estate, Cryers Hill, High Wycombe, HP15 6LJ Phone 01494 716184 Fax01494 717384 Email johnmulry@deluxeroofing.co.uk



## NKW LOCKSMITHS

ALL TYPES OF LOCKS SUPPLIED AND FITTED

- \* Insurance Work \* Burglary Damage
- \* Woodwork repairs and replacement doors
- Fitting of insurance rated locks and multi locking systems
   \* Security surveys

TEL: DAY 07774 190027 EVE: 01296 330206 British Locksmiths Institute Advance Course Certified

## **KENT MURRAY**

## <u>GENERAL BUILDER &</u> <u>HANDYMAN</u>

ALL WORKS UNDERTAKEN PATIOS, FENCING BRICKWORKS, PAINTING DECORATING ANYTHING INTERNALLY/ EXTERNALLY FREE ESTIMATES

Mob: 07831 541552 Tel: 01494 527532 email: kentmurryhmp@btconnect.com Need a Plumber?

Leaky Taps to full Bathroom Installation

Jonathan Dell 07786 386912

We are a Local Family Business and we operate a fair price policy. continually comparing prices locally and nationally.

www.facebook.com/aquadellplumbing



## N.K. WEST CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

- Fine quality A rated, ovolo profile UPVC windows with high security locking
- Composite doors in any colour or design -NEW keyless remote locking
- Bespoke timber windows and doors in pine, hardwood or oak

- Double glazed units
- Design and build staircases
- Garage conversions
- Velux roof lights
- Built-in wardrobes and cupboards
   Flooring
- FI00fillig
   Partitions
  - Partitions, walls Radiator cabinets made-to-measure

Phone: 01296 330206 or 07774 190027 email: nkw@nkwest.co.uk

#### www.nkwestcarpentry.co.uk







## Karen's Mobile Hairdressing

for beautiful hair at a reasonable price

Call: 07748 128 420



# Formerly Ovenclean now independent

Your local oven cleaning service

All makes of ovens, hobs, extractors, microwaves and BBQs restored to their former glory by reliable and fully trained experts

# 01494 766155

## PRIVATE TUITION NEED A LITTLE MATHS HELP!?!

I teach MATHS up to GCSE level ALL AGES AND STAGES, Confidence building for adults and children

> fully qualified and CRB checked contact Irene on 01494 562963 cretchley4sa@btinternet.com

> > Pilates for Back Pain Also Rehabilitation following Joint Replacement Surgery

## Diana Cliffe MCSP HPC

Chartered Physiotherapist

Tel: 01494 562899 Mobile: 07767096609 physiodiana@gmail.com

## Piano lessons - Home tuition



Learn to play the piano or keyboard in the comfort and convenience of your own home

- Both fun and educational for children.
- For parents, you could guide, assist and play duets with your offspring, or just learn to play for your own enjoyment.
- Learning a new skill is said to be effective in delaying dementia in the elderly. Is there a more pleasant skill than learning to play the piano.

Call Roger on 01494 562953 to learn more.



Domestic and Commercial Installations

## Local Electrical Contractor

- Rewires
- Extensions
- Heating systems
- Test and inspections
- Maintenance

Part P installer to the new 17th edition electrical regulations



Tel: 07786803701 or 01494 636311 Email: info@propertyelectrical.co.uk





- Truck & Plant Tyre Specialist
- Trade/Accounts Welcome
- Wheel Balancing
- 4 x 4 Tyres

## Stockists Of All Leading Makes Of Tyres





VISA

MasterCard

T: 01494 565648

Maestro

## Reliable, Friendly Service

Emergency Spares and Repairs Drains, Leaks, Loos, Taps Water Softeners, Tanks Bathrooms, Kitchens

Problems investigated, alternative solutions proposed and the best fit to your requirements carried out.

## **Based in Upper North Dean**

## Paul's Plumbing 07786 175123



Registered Company

Local to Naphill, Walters Ash, Lacey Green, Speen, Hampden, Hughenden, North Dean

No Daytime Call-out Fee Free Estimates Paul Newman Ltd 01494 565573

# **David Kirtley**

Electrician, Decorating & Maintenance Based locally

- Fully qualified electrician undertaking all electrical work, including extra points, full re-wire, testing and fault finding
- Specialist high quality decorator, interior and exterior
- All small maintenance jobs.

References available and happy to give you a price.

Call David on 01494 863051 or 07703 783383, Email dvdkrtly@hotmail.com

# VILLAGE ENVIRONMENTAL

## SERVICES

Established 1979 Proprietor Dennis Cook

## **BLOCKED DRAINS CLEARED**

NO CALL OUT CHARGE No Extra Charge for Evenings, Weekend or Bank Holiday Call-Outs CCTV DRAIN SURVEYS



Tel: 07850 635844 9am-6pm 01296 624221 - all other times



FULL PUBLIC LIABILITY



New centre now open



Kumon's maths and English study programmes work to build your child's confidence and inspire a passion for learning.

To unlock your child's potential, contact your local Instructor for a free assessment.

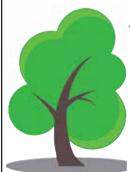
Princes Risborough Study Centre Ruth Wingrove 01844 344 211



kumon.co.uk



Fully Qualified & Insured Tree Surgeons



We undertake all aspects of hedge trimming and tree surgery

For a free, no obligation quote please contact us

T: 01494 817234 M: 07709 491589 E: info@aellistrees.com www.aellistrees.com

For fencing enquiries call Mike on:

T: 01494 868466

Fees vary. Please refer to your local study centre.



01494 565707 07831 801747

FOREVER

07756 994087 / 01494 563499



All Aspects of Tree Surgery / Hedge Cutting Commercial Sites / Domestic Gardens Estate Maintenance / Tree Surveys Full Public Liability Insurance

# Beautiful lawns at affordable prices

# Your lawn, our expertise...perfect!

City <mark>& P</mark> Guilds

Call for a FREE no obligation quotation 0800 326 5017 www.lawnmaster.co.uk Or just text 'lawn' and your postcode to 60777 and we will call you.

professional lawn care



SEE RESULTS IN JUST

10 DA



Based in Naphill, High Wycombe, I believe in delivering excellent customer standards by providing a high quality, reliable and personal service.

Many other services available and both private and commercial contracts welcome, call or email Paul for a free, no obligation quote 07808 056109 / 01494 563784 or email p.munday@hotmail.co.uk Shear Madness



Mandy Dearden Tel: 01494 563006 Email: s.madness@yahoo.co.uk Open: Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm Saturday 8.30am-3pm CLOSED Thursday

245 Main Road, Walter's Ash, HP14 4TH



01494 565555 wyecountry.co.uk

Incorporating Wynyard-Wright & Ellis



ountry

The same great team now part of the Wye Country group, successfully selling and letting properties within the Chiltern villages, covered by our branches. Please contact us for a free, no obligation, market or rental appraisal.

## **Experts in our field**



wyecountry.co.uk



# Thinking of selling or letting in these areas?



#### **Services**

see above for contact numbers

Residential Sales | Residential Lettings | Mortgage Advice | Conveyancing | Land & New Homes | Fine & Country

Ø

Relocation rightmove (Complementation.com Zoopla.couk find in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pestate-agents ) (in pertate-agents ) (in pertate-ag

The JNP Partnership is a trading name of JNP Estate Agents Ltd. Registered Office: 2nd Floor Gateway 2, Holgate Park Drive, York, YO26 4GB. Company Registration Number 376 4697