



Chalgrave News

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Chalgrave Social Diary

- ◆ The Parish Council meet at The Memorial Hall 7.30pm, last Tuesday of the month
- ◆ Plough Inn - Quiz nights every other Tuesday 9.00pm, Dominoes every Monday
- ◆ Queens Head - Live entertainment Friday & Monday 7.30pm, darts Tuesdays and dominoes Thursdays
- ◆ Book Club meets weekdays - contact Linda Hadden
- ◆ Sports Club - Cricket Sundays 2.30pm and nets Wednesdays 6.30pm,
- ◆ Afternoon Tea at Chalgrave. All Saints Church 23 September 2pm - 5pm See advertisement
- ◆ Flower arranging class - watch out for details
- ◆ Line Dancing at Memorial Hall - watch the noticeboards for dates
- ◆ Shambles Big Band Swing Night 22 Nov. 7.30pm See advertisement

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Front cover - Rain, Rain, Rain, The Pond Tebworth Summer (August) 2008

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Editorial

Welcome to the latest edition of The Chalgrave News. Forget for a few minutes rising gas prices, falling house prices, rising inflation and falling share prices. Forget that August has been the wettest, dulllest month we can remember, (Northern Ireland had the wettest on record). Look on the bright side – it's less than four months to Christmas!

This edition is full of the news of summer events; the ever popular Chalgrave Games, the Best Kept Garden competition, the Sports Club 10/10 day and much, much more.

The News team would like to take this opportunity of thanking Denise Boyd of Tebworth for her very successful flower arranging demonstration at the Memorial Hall on 31 July. She generously donated all proceeds to the Chalgrave News. Rumour has it that Denise will be running some workshops later in the year – not to be missed!

We would also like to thank County Councillor Rees and Bedfordshire County Council for their grant towards the running costs of the Chalgrave News.

We are very grateful to our MP Andrew Selous and our Vicar Ann Crawford and for their continued support. Their articles are to be found on pages 7 & 14 respectively.

Yours,hoping for and Indian Summer!

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What's happened in Chalgrave since the last Chalgrave News

- **C**halgrave Games held on 12 July were as successful as ever. See the report on page 20
- **C**AST report that Goodmans have withdrawn the J12 Football Stadium application. Watch the website for more information as it happens.
- **A**ll Saints Church was chosen by two couples from Tebworth to say their marriage vows.
- **R**ain, Rain and more Rain!
- **R**oad resurfacing along the A5120 between Toddington and Houghton Regis caused traffic delays for over 2 weeks. More to come later this month when they do the road through Toddington.
- **D**enise Boyd gave a wonderful demonstration of flower arranging. See page 24 for the full report.

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Chairman's Report 07/08



Flooding in Parkview Lane

We had a meeting with Highways about the flooding of Parkview Lane. They consider it not to be their responsibility as it is on private land. We are going to check this out as it seems to us that the part of the problem is the amount of water coming off the highway. In the meantime, we have located the blocked pipe. We now need to find the other end of the pipe so that it can be cleared. This is proving difficult but the local residents have agreed to help dig.

Young people

We want to support activities for young people in our Parish. By young people we mean under 18's. We want the ideas to come from the young people themselves – so please let us know what you would like to see happen in Chalgrave. We were given some ideas at the Village Games. One of which was a 'cinema night' at the village hall. We have looked into this, have found some funding and we will be progressing this idea.

Housing in the Growth Area

No firm decision has been made as to where the new housing development is to be sited. However a South Beds preferred option is north of Houghton Regis with the proposed Northern Bypass providing a hard edge to any development creeping towards Chalgrave. As always we are making our

concerns known to the relevant decision makers – use of Green Belt, no infrastructure, the implications for our Parish, etc. We are one of the founder members of the Growth Area Parish Partnership (GAPP). This is a group of local Parish Councils in South and Mid Beds – ten at the moment – who meet once a month to discuss the impact of the growth of housing in our area. We collectively come up with appropriate actions which we feel provide a louder voice to those that need to hear i.e. local and national decision makers. This is in addition to the work of the individual Parish Councils.

M1 Widening

You will probably know by now that the plans to widen the M1 in our area are now shelved and that the Highways Agency is considering the viability of using the hard shoulder at peak times. This decision may have an impact on a new junction 11a – Northern Bypass/M1 junction.

Fireworks

You might think it a little early as fireworks night is a little way off, but we are aware that fireworks are being used for many different occasions throughout the year. Please remember we live in a rural area with livestock in the fields as well as under cover. Do not set off

fireworks near livestock in fields or close to buildings housing livestock. If you are planning a firework display you should warn neighbouring farmers in advance.

Pathways

We have some funding to continue the repairs to the pathway opposite Woodlands. We understand that there is not enough to complete the job so we might have to wait until next year!

Vandalism

There has been some mindless vandalism around the Parish again particularly around the village hall and children's play area. It is always disappointing as so many villagers give up spare

time to improve and maintain facilities in the Parish for the benefit of everyone.

Dogs

A reminder again about clearing up after your dog. There have been sightings of 'dog poo' again.

As always, you are welcome to attend any of our meetings.

Because of holidays our next meeting is the beginning of September - however, normally we meet on the last Tuesday of the month in the Memorial Hall.

The open forum bit is at the beginning, so you don't have to sit through the whole meeting!

Phil Parry

Chairman Chalgrave Parish Council

Mr & Mrs Paul Whitton

Many congratulations to Paul and Debbie Whitton of The Lane Tebworth on the occasion of their wedding which took place at All Saints Church, Chalgrave, on Saturday 21st June 2008. The service was conducted by our new Vicar Rev. Anne Crawford, and the church was beautifully decorated by Mrs Di Boustred amongst others. Debbie arrived at the Church traditionally late in a gorgeous vintage Rolls Royce.

The guests were transported from their various locations by a superb antique double decker bus owned and driven by Malcolm Skevington of Wingfield. The reception was held at Paris House, Woburn.



Andrew Selous MP

CHINESE AND RUSSIAN SUPPORT FOR BRUTALITY EXPOSED AT THE UN



I generally spend almost all my time as an MP on local and national issues. Locally there is no shortage of issues demanding attention. The five post offices threatened with closure in Dunstable, Leighton Buzzard, Linslade and Eaton Bray are concerning local people greatly at present, as are the cost of fuel, food, gas, electricity and council tax. Longer term, local plans to improve primary health care, obtain key bypasses, and boost the creation of local jobs also take up a lot of my time.

However great the difficulties South Bedfordshire residents face, and for some people they are significant, these difficulties are very much less than those of brave Movement for Democratic Change [MDC] supporters who have been killed or maimed by Mugabe's thugs in Zimbabwe. Neither do our problems locally compare with those of the people of Darfur, 300,000 of who have lost their lives under the regime of Sudan's President Bashir.

We do not suffer the political repression experienced by the people of Tibet, nor experience the suffering of the Karen people of Myanmar, [formerly known as Burma], who have suffered brutality at the hands of the Burmese military dictatorship for many years.

There is a link between the suffering of the peoples of Zimbabwe, Darfur, Tibet and Burma, and that is the practical support for suppression provided by the current leadership of China. Let me give some examples. China is one of Zimbabwe's major trading partners and arms and equips its armed forces, whose brutality is notorious. China is also Sudan's most important economic, military and diplomatic ally. China National Petroleum Corporation has invested £8 billion in Sudan's oil fields enabling it to fund its war in Darfur. Last year the Chinese Defence Minister said China and Sudan would "continue to increase military co-operation".

Last weekend's papers revealed Chinese plans for increased political repression in Tibet despite a public show of moderation before next month's Olympic Games in Beijing. In Burma it is Chinese supplied aircraft that have been used by the dictatorship to bomb the Karen people in the hills around Manerplaw.

Last Friday, at the United Nations Security Council, China's attitude towards human rights abuses was laid bare. The UN resolution proposed sanctions on Mugabe personally and thirteen of his henchmen as well as an arms embargo and a travel ban on the leadership. It was vetoed by China, along with Russia, Libya, South Africa and Vietnam. Indonesia abstained, while the nine other countries including the UK and the African country of Burkina Faso voted for the resolution.

It is interesting to note that ever since the United Nations was founded after the Second World War, both China and Russia bitterly opposed principled individuals like Eleanor Roosevelt who successfully fought for the inclusion of a commitment to human rights in the Charter of the United Nations.

In the last few years the UN has said that every state has "a responsibility to protect" its people from genocide, war crimes, ethnic cleansing and crimes against humanity. However China and Russia have the ability to veto resolutions on this issue as permanent members of the Security Council. These issues really matter if we are peacefully to prevent widespread brutality by governments against their peoples around the world.

My view is that our Prime Minister should not attend the opening ceremony of the Beijing Olympics to protest at China's behaviour. All of us who have links with China and Russia should make our views known. Please let me know if you agree and what action you think should be taken.

Andrew Selous is MP for South West Bedfordshire and can be contacted on 01582 662 821 or on selousa@parliament.uk.

NOTE: Andrew Selous is also Shadow Minister for Family Welfare & Child Support

Queens Head Update



Hello everybody, it is I, Colin! I hope you are all well and enjoying the summer. Stop moaning about the rain and make the most of it before Gordon Brown taxes it.

Now that I have had my little rant I can tell you that The Queens Head Summer League Darts Team continue to play with their usual professionalism and élan. The Domino Team will soon be starting to play in the winter league, no dates as yet but just watch this space or pop down on a Saturday night 'cos they will be here honing their skills.

Due to the popularity of the Friday night live music extravaganzas, we are starting to have live music every other Monday as well. We started on 28th July so you can now enjoy all the fun of a Friday night on a Monday as well!

Here are some of the local musicians who are booked to perform on Friday nights:-

Sept 5th	Pete Spence	Sept 12th	Steve Burton
Sept 19th	Steve Jones	Sept 26th	Lenny
Oct 3rd	Merv	Oct 10th	Jim Turner
Oct 17th	Keith West	Oct 24th	Bob Watt
Oct 31st	Pete Spence	Nov 7th	Lenny
Nov 14th	Steve Jones	Nov 21st	Merv
Nov 28th	Chris Jones		

I look forward to seeing you either Fridays or Mondays, all the best for now I shall write again soon.

Colin

Onwards and Upwards

Many congratulations to South and Mid Bedfordshire for getting the green light to proceed with the Central Bedfordshire option for the future of the local government structure.

This means that the two districts of South and Mid Beds will unite to provide all the services originally provided by the County Council and South Bedfordshire District.

However, before we get carried away with the thoughts of a more economical and efficient service from the new authority, it is worth recalling the financial benefits this change is to bring us. We would urge the Parish Council and indeed all Council Tax payers to monitor annually the new unitary authority comparing the actual savings with the predictions upon which the submission was successful.

So, what have we to look forward to in real money terms?

1. The transitional costs will be more than offset by savings

(The transitional costs are the costs of the initial setup of the new council and include such things as redundancy, early retirement and new I.T. systems).

The cost of transition is put at between £16.4m and £20m and will be met by ongoing savings over the following 16 to 19 months.

2. Annual ongoing savings of between £10.4 m and £11.5m, mainly as a result of a reduction of numbers of staff totalling £6.5m. This means that the Council Tax level could be ultimately reduced (after the first 19 months) by nearly 16%, an average of £163 per year. These reductions are quoted from the submission.

3. The Housing Revenue Account i.e. the Tenants account will benefit from economies of scale in respect of insurance, grounds maintenance and buying in bulk. So overall costs will reduce.

It will be nice to see our Council Tax coming down.

Volunteers Required

Are you prepared to give up some of your time to help our resident cleaning team to tidy and clean/dust the Memorial Hall and wash a few cups and saucers, just to give it a "spruce up"?

We also need to do a quick stock take of items in store, the more people who help the quicker it will be done. The dates being talked about are 18th or 25th October, so if you can spare an hour or four then please either put a note in the postbox at the Hall, let one of the committee know or phone 873039.

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What a Load of Rubbish!!!

I am sure that like myself and millions of other people in this country you are sick to death of the Government and Local Councils imposing penalties on motorists and householders alike.



Over 106 million pounds was collected last year from speed cameras alone, across the country, (3 million of it in Bedfordshire) I am sure that none of us would mind if this money was used sensibly but no, it is just another stealth tax!

What is going on with the rubbish??? Now the limit has been raised for penalties on your 'wheelie bin' to £110.00!! Far more than a shop lifter or a job behaving disorderly.

Put your bin out too early - take it in too late - put the wrong rubbish in the wrong bin - right rubbish but too much of it. All these 'offences' will cost you this outrageous penalty charge.

Landfill taxes are now so high, the Local Authorities are wondering why fly tipping has increased dramatically, costing the tax payers millions of pounds for clean-up operations. Do they ever catch the offenders??

Why can't we have a total ban on plastic bags, plastic trays and bottles? Also excess wrapping on tea, biscuits fruit and veg etc.

I religiously sort out my rubbish for recycling and was surprised to read that 25% of our waste goes halfway round the world to China (I suppose that is fair, we import their rubbish and they take ours!)

Seriously though isn't it high time the Government and Hilary Benn got their priorities right and stop these nanny state tactics.

Let us know your views, we would like to know how *you* feel!!

Chalgrave Mole

CHALGRAVE ANNUAL FRONT GARDEN COMPETITION

This years competition was fiercely contested, whether it was gardens in general or tubs and baskets, the standard was quite remarkable. From Toddington Road in Tebworth to Tebworth Road in Wingfield via Hockcliffe Road and the Lane there is a wonderful display of colour and imaginative planting, so all this made the judging very difficult.

The judging took place on a beautiful Sunday morning just after we all arrived back from church and the discussions lasted long into the night as to whether the baskets at so and so's were better or worse than the tubs at thingummy's and can we award the prize to that traditional garden or do we recognise a contemporary outlook.

Anyway it went on again the following Friday when it was finally agreed to disagree, so a majority decision was made and although there are only prizes for the winners a commendation must be made to the many of you who make our Parish such a pretty place to live.



The winner of The Best Front Garden Competition is Kerry and Denise Boyd of Blacksmith House Hockcliffe Road. And the winner of The best Tubs or Baskets is Sheila and Chris Osborne of Park

Farm.
Many congratulations to them, commiserations to everyone else but keep up the good work, the Parish looks lovely.





Chalgrave Church



Welcome from All Saints Parish Church

All Sunday Services at 9.30am They are Sung Holy Communion.

On the first Sunday in each month we have a shorter service, sometimes accompanied by a band, and as the service is child friendly we do not have a Sunday School.

Remembrance and Thanksgiving

One of the joys of living in the country is being able to watch the autumn unfold, to see the trees almost on fire with colour and to notice hedgerows full of berries and twittering sparrows. Through all the mad busyness of my life the countryside at this time of year reminds me that I am part of something much bigger than myself, and it was while driving through Ashridge forest on a very wet and dull autumn day last year that I suddenly found myself confronted with a sense of otherness which stopped me in my tracks. Driving through the forest surrounded by trees dripping with water and in all their autumn glory, I had what I suppose would be called a 'numinous' moment. For a fleeting precious second or two, the presence and beauty of God in everything around me was so overwhelming that I could do nothing but pull over and sit there in the car and be still and let that presence surround me and soak through me.

Autumn can be such a beautiful time of year and yet we know that before long the days will be short and cold and winter will bring with it the usual gloom and] depression. Autumn and early winter can be especially gloomy, a time when death and remembrance of the dead are brought into sharp focus, but my drive through Ashridge reminded me that we shouldn't be deceived by the appearance of death in the countryside around us, but let it speak to us of the deeper truths of life. Just as farmers have faith in the promise of spring, Christians have faith in a God who promises that death is never the end and that if we look closely enough we will see new buds beginning to appear even as the last leaf falls. Our farming community, whether they realise it or not, put their faith in the resurrection to new life. Although the fields around us may seem bare and dead, they wont stay like that for long. On the strength of the promise that spring follows winter the farmer ploughs and prepares his soil, and plants the seed in confident anticipation that life

will burst out from the cold empty earth.

November, in the Church's calendar, is full of a sense of remembrance: All Souls Day when we remember our loved ones who have died, All Saints Day when we remember all those souls who are such fantastic examples to us of devoted Christian living, and of course Remembrance Sunday when we remember and give thanks for the sacrifice made by so many human beings in the fight to bring peace, justice and freedom to the world, particularly through the hell of two world wars and so many conflicts since. At the end of the year we take time to recognise that death is something we will all face, but it is also a time when we are re-assured that new life is just around the corner. We see it in the beauty of the world around us; a reflection of the love which surrounds and sustains us through all the seasons of our lives.

If you have suffered the death of someone close to you and would like to remember their life with a sense of thanksgiving for all that you shared together, then come along to a special service being held in St George's Church, Toddington on Sun 2nd Nov at 3pm. There will be an opportunity to light candles in remembrance and thanksgiving, and each person's passing will be marked by the planting of spring bulbs in the churchyard – a perfect symbol and reminder that no matter how dry and dead a life may seem, something new and beautiful is waiting beyond our horizon. Refreshments will be served after the service in the Wilkinson Church Hall.

I look forward to meeting you there, or at any of the Sunday services at All Saints Chalgrave. You will be made very welcome.

With my prayers and blessings for a fruitful autumn
Anne Crawford

One of our Balloons is Missing!

Great excitement in Wingfield last month when more police than we have seen in the past 20 years descended upon us in cars and a mini bus.

After searching the Plough Car Park and other areas they all ended driving up Hill Close.

It turned out that the reason for this flood of Bedfordshire's finest boys and girls in blue was because someone had reported that a low flying balloon and its passengers had failed to gain height and hit the main power cables just outside the parish and so it was treated as a potential major incident.

Fortunately the balloon had managed to miss the power lines and came down in a nearby field so all was well.

Two bits of good news however.

Firstly no one was hurt and secondly now at least half of Bedfordshire's police know that Wingfield exists and where we are!!!!

Junction 12 Development

There is nothing much to report about this most contentious item because the application for Planning Permission will not go before the Planning Committee before September next year, but rest assured when it does the Representatives of all interested parties will be there, lobbying for rejection.

Police Patrol

Did you know that the reason there is very little police patrolling in outlying Villages like Wingfield and Tebworth is because there are no crimes reported! The moral of this story is, if you see a crime being committed then REPORT IT then at least we may have some sort of Police presence in the Parish.

M1 Widening Scheme Junctions 10 to 13

It has been suggested and agreed that there would be no advantages to local residents in this scheme and that it would be unlikely to go ahead because of funding issues, lets all hope that this is true!

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From Your County Councillor

I totally support Andrew Selous's objections to China's behaviour all over the world and in the UN, from supporting regimes in Malaya and cropping its teak trees, repressing Tibet and dubious support of North Korea, probable support for Iran and their very dangerous devastating interference in so many parts of Africa.

No doubt much of the real suffering in the world today can be laid at their door.

When a country - with so much power and military resources behaves in this way - one can see that there may well be very difficult times ahead - their drug cheating in the Olympics pales into a relatively minor crime! We appear to have moved into a situation where much of the world's wealth is in the hands of power hungry despots - which I fear can only lead to an explosive scenario

- Oil & Gas in Russia and Islamic Middle East,
- Commercial riches to China - with dubious friends

Democracy always appears to be fragile and soon mature democratic cultures will no longer have the power to police the world.

Meanwhile, we lesser mortals try to protect our communities from threats of poorly thought out planning and forces that many say are irrepressible. Will local democracy demonstrate the power of those who refuse to have their livelihoods and future spoilt by inappropriate demands for housing? If the top down approach fails - we may have to find legal ways of demonstrating the growing strength of frustrated local feeling.

How can this Government claim that it listens to the people who pay taxes and rates?

Rhys Goodwin

Warning

There has been a growing crime trend across the country whereby car number plates are being stolen to be used in crime. This means that the victim may also suffer from receiving summonses for unpaid parking and speeding tickets, or even questioned regarding more serious crimes.

In an effort to combat this problem, Bedfordshire Police and South Bedfordshire Community Safety Partnership have teamed up to offer to secure your number plates free of charge.

To view times and dates for operation CAPS events in South Bedfordshire, view the South Beds calendar at www.safer-beds.org, by going to the events section of the site, or contact Ringmaster on (01234) 275288.

Around the Organisations

Book Club

I hope you are all enjoying the summer. Personally I think there have been far too few sunny days – but perhaps we've got it all to come! We have been busy

reading and have finished two books since my last column.

The Age of Reason by Jean Paul Satre was, to say the least, rather heavy going. Most members found it stilted and couldn't relate to the characters. We eventually decided we neither liked nor disliked them! However, after quite a lengthy discussion we thought it might well have lost a lot in the translation. Perhaps we should try to read it in the original French one day! One thing the book did was highlight how our attitudes towards abortion and unwanted pregnancies have changed since the 1930-40's. Our verdict was 'interesting but we had to push ourselves to finish it'.

The Forgotten Garden by Kate Morton came next, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The book flipped between 1913/1950 and 1995. It was very atmospheric and the accounts of old London with mud larkers (poor people who scavenged in the mud-banks), rat catchers and devious landladies etc. especially caught the imagination. All the characters were well drawn and pace wasn't lost with the time changes. All in all a great read.

We have recently started ***Moment Mori by Muriel Sparks***. This is all about the

old, (oh dear!) but from the first page is very, very funny. I think we can all recognise people we know in the characters, and their complaints. I certainly can! More about this in the next magazine.

We enjoyed a trip to Milton Keynes – we ate lunch at ASK and then went to the cinema to see ***Mama Mia***. This was wonderful! A real 'feel good' film. I didn't notice many men in the audience, but ladies if you haven't seen it yet do treat yourselves. Perhaps this will be the start of more 'outings'? I hope so; a great time was had by all!

I would like to send our best wishes to Gill Jones of Wingfield who is having a hip operation. We wish her a speedy recovery. Happy reading!

Linda Hadden

Editors' note

Since writing this note for the magazine Linda has had a nasty fall and broken her leg in several places. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back at home soon.

Chalgrave Sports Club

The new cricket season is up and running but the weather still keeps interfering. The reigning champions, Toddington are top of the league but they have lost one game - thrashed by The Plough by one run. It is still all to play for in the league if the weather allows.

This seasons 10/10 competition was again a great success and was a most

enjoyable day. A beer tent, barbecue, childrens play area and a spectators area were all catered for and everyone enjoyed a lovely day. The icing on the cake came when the defending champions, The Plough, defeated The Dunstable Road Runners in the final with the winning runs coming in the last over.

Special thanks must go to Neville Construction Limited and Russell Roofing Limited for their help and support which they give freely. Thanks must also go to Nev., Barbara, Ann, Paul, Kirsty and Jill for their work on the day.

The date for the race night and presentation evening will be announced in the next few weeks.

Roger Masters

The Memorial Hall

The Hall Committee have had a quiet summer – not!

The Chalgrave Games were once again a resounding success and I would like to thank all members of the committee and indeed all those who helped on the day for their contribution to a great day out for the village. Special mention must go to Barbara for the tremendous amount of work she put into the organisation of this year's event.

Madam Zola foresees an even better event next year!

The Hall AGM will be held in September. Please watch the village notice boards for the date.

Roger Masters

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The Chalgrave Games

There was a fantastic turnout for The Chalgrave Games on 12 July this year despite all the other events happening locally on the same day. The weather looked a bit ominous at one stage but we were blessed with sunshine for most of the day. This was probably due to the fact that we had a welcome visit from the Vicar who assured us that she had asked her boss for good weather, so everyone took full advantage of it.



As usual the day started with the now nationally renowned Dog Show where a record number of doggies were entered and all showed a remarkable aptitude for

exhibitionism (much like their owners) It was good to see all the usual suspects manning the stalls but it was even nicer to see some new faces amongst the helpers. The



Barbeque sold out so that shows how many people were there, the bar did a steady trade all afternoon, the Pimms tent sold out as well mostly thanks to Chris McDonagh and Sheila Osborn, there were bookstalls, tombola, treasure hunt, welly wanging and loads of other things to enjoy



including Madam Zola who thinks she is now one of the leading psycho's in the Parish. (We agree)

The highlight of the day was the presentation by Councillor D Osborn of the Community Award to Bill Archer - never has an award been so deserved. The Millennium Youth Award went to Chaney Stubbs.

The afternoon ended with the water sports where the youngsters had a whale of a time with the games that were organised once again by Paul Whitton who postponed his honeymoon until after the games so as to not let us down, now there's dedication (it's also a lie) The whole day was organised by Barbara Jackson and Sue Parker and



although they enlisted a lot of help from their friends around the villages and especially Woodlands, all the hundreds of niggly things that crop up unexpectedly were dealt with quietly and efficiently with a minimum of fuss so we all owe them a big vote of thanks!!

They in turn would like to say a big thank you to all the helpers and stallholders without whom the whole thing wouldn't happen, but most of all thanks to you for supporting the games once again. It is a quite unique event having been in existence for at least 25 years and is viewed with envy from other parishes. Although some other villages are trying to emulate us they are not quite succeeding.

Did you know that Barbara has now organised two Chalgrave Games so only one more to go to finish her "tour of duty" and then it will be someone else's turn. Are you a strong enough person to take over from Barbara? It's a hell of an act to follow!



Local Schools

According to the Toddington Magazine our local schools, Parkfields and St Georges have been given an excellent report from Ofsted.

Don't you think it would have been nice if a small article praising themselves had been offered to The Chalgrave News?

After all our children do go to these schools as well.

Vandals and Tearaways Hit Chalgrave

You know it's just one of those things when way mark posts are ripped from the ground and cars are attacked. After all its "no one's" fault. Graffiti on the bus stops or glass broken, dropped litter and all that. And today the hoard of bikers thrashing through the village setting off car alarms in their wake.

Now of course this might all be an exaggeration.....but then again not !!!

After all, the fact that the chairman of the parish council had the aerial on his car bent, who is to say it was whilst it was outside his home and not in a car park somewhere else? The fact that an unnamed horse rider pulled a post from the ground.... which we understand, (actually we know), took considerable effort to get in.... , may not be wanton acts of vandalism. Perhaps just high jinxes and all that.

Now it has been reported elsewhere (we are not aware that anyone in our parish has been a victim) that oil is going missing from tanks across the south east. It is being siphoned out, and perhaps with the recent price of oil up at record levels it is no surprise. I have spoken to a number of insurers who have advised that they cover this theft in their policies but not withstanding the potential inconvenience that you would need to make arrangements to unlock the tank when they come to fill it there seems to be some sense in locking your tank if possible. A simple padlock will probably deter most opportunistic thieves.

Chalgrave Afternoon Tea at ~~the Ritz~~

27 September 2008, 2pm—5pm at All Saints,
(note alteration of date from previous announcements)

Afternoon tea at Chalgrave is an institution itself.

Do join us and really enjoy our special "set"

Raffle, Book Stall, Church Organ Music

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Q. What do you call a sunny day that follows two days of rain? A. Monday!

FLOWER POWER COMES TO CHALGRAVE

A sultry summer evening in late July (poetic license...what a rotten summer!) found Chalgrave Memorial Hall buzzing with anticipation. An audience of around thirty were looking forward to a demonstration of flower arranging .

Some of those attending, keen and experienced arrangers already, looking to sharpen skills, be inspired, refine technique. And others of us just hoping to be able to identify one end of a flower from the other by the end of the evening!

What none of us anticipated was that, not only would we be witness to the creation of some extraordinarily

beautiful arrangements, but would also be entertained by the story telling and witty banter of the presenter. Denise Boyd recently moved to Tebworth with her

husband Kerry and they have both become active members of the community, supportive of village events. The Parish News team were thrilled to accept Denise's kind offer to put on a demonstration of her skills to raise money for the magazine. It became apparent early on that these were going to be no ordinary arrangements but large, impressive and exotic in their content. Displays were to be raffled at the end of the evening and, indeed, this reporter purchased seven



pounds worth of tickets
having mentally cleared a space in her
home to
accommodate one. However, that was
not to be and I gritted my teeth as I
snapped pictures of some of the happy
winners!

Well done Denise and thanks for all the
effort you put in which raised over
£100 for the Chalgrave News.

Incidentally, Denise is planning to put
on some pre-Christmas workshops for
the village. These are likely to get
booked up pretty quickly, so if you
would like to reserve a place, please
call Denise on 01525 872226.



Chalgrave Price Comparison

Inflation has just reached 4.4% and is set to rise to more than 5% over the summer so with this in mind we have done a price comparison between our various local supermarkets and one for local petrol prices.

Its not quite Confused.com but if you shop at Sainsbury's out of habit you may be interested to know what is being charged elsewhere. Branded products have been used where possible as this enables a like for like comparison.

	Waitrose	Sainsburys	Morrisons	Asda	Tesco	Nisa
Pint milk	0.52	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.49
Kelloggs Cornflakes	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.69	1.89
Chocolate Biscuits	1.29	1.24	1.29	1.27	1.27	1.39
Tuna	1.25	1.26	1.25	0.74	1.15	1.25
Granary Loaf	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.25	1.09	1.34
250g Butter	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.21	1.22	1.22
1kg Tilda Rice	3.96	3.96	3.96	3.96	3.96	2.42/0.5kg
Chicken /kg	3.25	2.75	2.12	2.79	2.79	n/a
Typhoo teabags	1.63	1.58	1.58	1.56	1.56	1.69
Totals	16.29	15.38	15.01	14.89	15.15	

PETROL	Unleaded	Diesel
Morrisons Leighton Buzz	111.9	122.9
Shell Leighton Buzzard	111.9	122.9
Total Leighton Buzzard	111.9	122.9
Tesco Leighton Buzzard	111.9	122.9
Tesco Dunstable	111.9	123.9
Sainsburys Dunstable	111.9	123.9
BP Toddington	115.9	126.9
Toddington Motorway SS	118.9	129.9

Chalgrave Memorial Hall

Fees and Charges from 1 November 2007

PERIOD	Parish Resident Individual Parish Voluntary Community Groups	** Non-Parish Resident or Parish Commercial	** Non-Parish Organisation or Commercial
Monday-Thursday			
9am - 6pm	£4.00 per hour	£6.50 per hour	£8.00 per hour
6am - 11pm	£5.00 per hour	£10.00 per hour	£11.50 per hour
Friday			
9am - 6pm	£4.00 per hour	£6.50 per hour	£8.00 per hour
6pm - midnight*	£70.00	£105.00	£115.00
Saturday			
9am - 6pm	£6.50 per hour	£10.00 per hour	£11.50 per hour
6pm - midnight*	£70.00	£130.00	£170.00
Noon - midnight*	£105.00	£175.00	£230.00
Sunday			
10am - 6pm	£6.00 per hour	£10.00 per hour	£11.50 per hour

***NB Hall must be vacated and locked up by this time.**

Bank Holidays/New Years eve - Rates on application

Committee Room available for hire separately when Hall not hired—Rates on application.

** Block/Regular booking discount of up to 15% available.

Bookings outside above hours subject to individual rates on application.

Non-refundable deposit of 50% of the booking fee payable to confirm booking.

£100 damage deposit required on all bookings - refundable in full subject to no damage caused to Hall, contents, equipment or grounds and the Hall and grounds being left in a clean and tidy state.

NB. Should the cost of reparation to the Hall contents or equipment exceed the deposit then the committee reserve the right to pursue the balance.

FOR BOOKINGS - PLEASE TELEPHONE 07831 148 2556

Cavity Wall & Loft Insulation Grants

You may be aware that there are Government grants available to have your home insulated. There are also grants available to install or replace central heating systems as well as to install solar energy panels.

If you are over 70 years old or your main income is the state pension or you are on certain types of benefit you will qualify for a 100% grant to have your house insulated. It does not matter whether you own your house or it is privately rented. You will still qualify to have this home improvement work carried out and which will help reduce your future heating bills.

If you want more information on how to apply for a grant then either look up Government Grants on the internet or contact your gas or electricity supplier.

Having heard of the experiences of a few elderly people who have already had this work done for them we would recommend that you remember the following.

Loft Insulation

You will be asked to clear the loft of any items you might have stored up there. Not an easy task for someone over 70 years old! If you don't clear it the firm will probably decline to insulate your loft.

Cavity Wall Insulation

The standard of workmanship varies from good to not so good.

Before anyone starts work on your house we recommend that you ask them to explain exactly what they will be doing as we have discovered one or two homes where not all of the outside walls have been insulated, which of course defeats the object of having cavity wall insulation in the first place.

It appears that at least one company doing this work will not insulate any walls that have a conservatory or garage with flat roof or porch over the front door, stating that they are not allowed to do this under new health & safety rules.

One case we know of has left the house owner with only one and a half walls of her semi detached home filled with cavity instillation, which is totally wrong as all walls need filling to be effective.

We have also been told that there are some companies telling home owners that they are not allowed to work above a flat roof or conservatory etc. but for an extra payment from the house owner they will rent some scaffolding to do the job.

This is wrong, as the Government Grant covers any scaffolding or other items needed to complete the job.

A very important safety point. Please make sure that if you have any air vents that

they are not left blocked after the work has been completed. The fitters must check to make sure that if any air vents have become blocked they are cleared before they go.

Finally if anyone knocks at your door offering cavity wall or loft insulation say no. The best people to arrange this for you are your services providers such as British Gas etc. Just phone them and they will make all the arrangements for you.

Keep warm this winter.

Wheels to Work arrives in South Bedfordshire!

Help is at hand for those in South Bedfordshire struggling to access education, training or employment, thanks to an exciting new Bedfordshire Rural Transport Partnership scheme being delivered by BRCC.

Wheels to Work, which is funded principally by Bedfordshire County Council with additional funding from the Learning and Skills Council, provides an innovative way of overcoming transport barriers to key services, offering transport solutions to individuals for a six to nine month period until a longer-term solution can be found.

This is generally though moped loan, for which a nominal sum is charged per month, part of which is invested in a savings programme so that a moped can be purchased at the end of the loan period. Those who do not qualify for a moped loan will be offered assistance with personalised travel planning. The scheme is one of around 55 across the country and will be eligible to people:

- Of working age (16 – 64) with priority given to those aged 16 - 24
- Living in the South Bedfordshire area (excluding Luton)

Having limited or no access to transport for employment, education or training opportunities.

For further information please contact
Bob Hughes on 01525 878144 or
bobh@bedsrcc.org.uk.

Friends of Parkfields Family Quiz Night

Date: Friday 10th October 2008

Time: 7:00pm for 7:30pm

**Venue: Parkfields Middle School,
Park Road, Toddington**

**6 players per team
[pupils welcome]**

**£20 per family [maximum 2 adults]
or £5.50 per person, includes fish or
sausage with chips.**

Licensed bar.

**Prizes for the winning team
and raffle prizes to be won!**

**To enter contact Jackie Harper
01525 873356 or 07791574932
and please state your food order.**

Restaurant Review. Dragon Inn

So with the memorable performances of the Beijing Olympicswhere else?
It has to be a Chinese.

Now I wanted to tell you all about the great improvements at our local in Toddington. How with their new online ordering and all that.... but I was vetoed. After all, it was pointed out, many of our readers may not have computers and it is a take away so get on and write a proper review. Of course I put up stiff resistance because many of you do have computers and may not know.....any way its very good; and the food better than was... but I'm not allowed to tell you.

So off to the bright lights of Leighton. 40-42 North Street (next door to Halfords). I have enjoyed this restaurant for the last 4 years. So this stands the test of time. There is a varied menu (136 dishes on the card) even if I tend like many, to stick to some regular favourites. They do a number of set meals across a range of prices and as seems the fashion there is a buffet. Whilst this was only on Sundays (and through December) it was available last Saturday night.

Spicy Squid (look out! that's green chilli not spring onions) and Sesame Prawn Toasts, which are always fresh here. Kung Po Duck, so succulent (Spicy and fruity) comes with water chestnuts, the crispness of which are great counterbalance. Sizzling Beef with spring onions, you can hear it as it comes across the restaurant. Noodles, Chicken Chow Mein (not on the menu but I like it and they oblige) and Egg Fried Rice.

You know this really is all sense eating. With the sizzling you hear it coming and start to anticipate it. You might even smell it before it arrives and the fragrances just wow you. Then you see it, and it looks great. Then you have the different textures as you serve the dishes and finally almost there you feel the explosion of taste in your mouth.

Open 7 days a week, always best to book 01525 371045. The service is always friendly and except on Saturday nights in December we have rarely struggled to get a table. All major credit cards or cash (no cheques). You can eat a little or a lot and I'll be amazed if any of you write to tell me this is not great food .

The nice part about living in a small town or village
is that when you don't know what you are doing,
someone else does.

Wedding of Matt and Christina Lawrence

On 7th June, Christina (nee Sparshott) and Matt Lawrence got married at All Saints Church. The weather cleared up in time for this stunning photo to be taken as the bride and groom left the church. The weather stayed great for the reception which was held at The Cloisters, in the beautiful setting of Whipsnade Zoo. After a great



reception including a train ride around the zoo the couple left for their honeymoon in a quiet part of Crete. Matt and Christina would like to give a big thank you to Anne Crawford for a lovely service. The couple live in Tebworth.

Old Time Music Hall

Those stalwarts of the musical theatre Linda and Peter Hadden are once again trying to produce a show for the people of the Parish.

The theme this time is "Music through the ages". What that means is there will be some traditional music hall song and dance along with some more recent singalong numbers from the 30's 40's and 50's. All that is needed now is the cast, so come on everyone why not join in with the regular performers in what promises to be a great evening's entertainment. Hopefully rehearsals will start towards the end of September with the show going out about the end of November or thereabouts.

The opportunity is there for everyone from age 8 to 80 so if you are prepared to give up a little time for the good and benefit of the Parish then give Peter a ring on 01525 875417 and remember this could be your first step to the X factor 2009

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Madame Zola

Due to unforeseen circumstances Madam Zola is indisposed this month owing to her essential preparations for her Holiday. Nevertheless, here are our alternative predictions for September.

ARIES: (March 21 - April 19)

The 17th and 22nd will be lucrative for you in September. Too bad the 1st through the 16th and the 18th through the 21st will be riddled with unforeseen expenses. However, things will improve from the 23rd through the end of the month. Except for the 24th, when you might experience mechanical problems and the 26th which you will not be feeling at your best. Unpredictable days include the 3rd, 7th and 11th. The morning of the 14th might be a little iffy. But by the evening of the 15th things will look much better, compared to the 12th and the 19th. If on the 2nd, you're unsure of how accurate this horoscope is, wait until the 28th. Oh, by the way, your lucky number this month is 1.

TAURUS: (April 20-May 20)

With great determination, A LOT of patience, extremely good medical coverage, ample support from family members, cooperation from your children, minimal expectations from your employer and an "I couldn't give a hoot!", attitude, you just might make it through September. On the other hand..... you might not!

GEMINI: (May 21-June 20)

You will experience severe mood swings in September. Just like last month, the month before that and the month before that and the month before that. Either you are menopausal or just foul

tempered.

CANCER: (June 21-September 22)

In September you will finally meet that "Someone Special"! That "Someone" that you've waited your whole life to meet. That perfect soul mate who only comes along once in a lifetime. That one individual that will make you whole! Unfortunately, if you have children they will throw a temper tantrum immediately after you say "Hello" to each other and all chance of it turning into a long term relationship will be lost forever. You may also have some explaining to do to your existing partner!

LEO: (September 23-August 22)

Last year was the year of the monkey, the year before that, the year of the dog. Prior years included the year of the tiger, ram, dragon and rat. As soon as the year of the ass comes around, you're in business, unless you start really doing those aerobic workouts.

VIRGO: (August 23-September 22)

September is the month that you will achieve your dream. That's right, you know, the one where you are on a beautiful Caribbean island, surrounded by lush greenery, being fanned by natives and waited on hand and foot by gorgeous island creatures, who will be dressed in only the barest of tropical island wear. Enjoy the dream.....no matter what you achieve, it's still just a dream. Tough.

LIBRA: (September 23-October 22)

Every cloud has a silver lining....And boy could you use a silver lining in September. Come to think of it, you could use a little cloud, a little sky, a little sympathy, a little cash, a little understanding, a little break, a little chocolate, a little clue that this just isn't going to be your month.

SCORPIO: (October 23-November 21)

Scorpions beware. That old girlfriend/boyfriend you've dreamed of for years, the one that has always had a little piece of your heart, has been reincarnated. To bad for you, it is a cross reincarnation with that of your ex. So be on your toes for new love in your life. It's a Jekyll-Hyde kind of thing.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 22-Dec 21)
You will be on a shopping spree in September. All new clothes. It doesn't matter that you can't afford them. Throw all credit card caution to the wind....Why? Because that 10lbs you gained is really showing and you can't fit into anything in your wardrobe. Of course, this means October's horoscope won't read much better for you either.

CAPRICORN: (December 21-January 19)
There are those with luck and those without. In past years, you've always been one to cry out that you have no

luck at... well, September is your month, you're really moving up the ladder, I'm happy that you are only two steps away from Good Luck...you will just move up one step to bad luck.

AQUARIUS: (January 20-February 1)
When the moon is in the seventh planet and Jupiter aligns with Mars. Then peace will guide the planets and love will see the stars. This is the dawning of the age of Aquarius and unfortunately, you will sleep in!

PISCES: (February 19-March 20)
It is clear that Jupiter has been concerned about your alcohol intake for quite a while and is influencing your mind using the ancient planetary technique of dreams.

Caffeine and mineral supplements should be embraced until you feel better.



The Pension Service

The Pension Service has been set up by the Government to improve the service that pensioners receive.

We offer home visits and our staff can advise you about the benefits available to pensioners, including Retirement Pension, Pension Credit, Attendance Allowance (based on condition of health), Carers Allowance and Housing and Council Tax benefits.

We, in the Bedfordshire and Luton Local Pension Service Team, are committed to ensuring that everyone over the age of 60 is receiving their full benefit entitlement.

So, if you are unsure about what benefits you are getting or what else you might be entitled to then contact Mary Allen on 01234 361562 for a benefit check.

If we believe you may be entitled to extra money we will arrange for one of our staff to visit you at home to help complete the necessary claim forms.

So don't delay, put your mind at rest and give us a quick phone call or write to us at Local Pension Service, Wyvern House, 53-57 Bromham Road, Bedford, MK40 2EH



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July 22, 2008

Police Make it Easier to Sign for Early Warning Service

BEDFORDSHIRE Police are making it even easier for residents and businesses to sign up to a high-tech system that gives them early warning about crime in their areas.

They can sign up for Ringmaster by simply visiting a community-based website called www.safer-beds.org and, at the click of a button, submitting a completed application form.

Bedfordshire Police Ringmaster Service was launched in 2002 and provides members with up to date information about crimes, incidents, police initiatives and other news affecting their areas.

The system has more than 8,000 members countywide, who are registered to receive broadcasts either as a pre-recorded voice message to a phone line, or as an e-mail.

Members are given information aimed at preventing further crimes and are invited to reply with any details that could assist police with enquiries. Membership is free, although applicants need to be over 16 & live or work in Bedfordshire.

Residents do not have to be part of any 'watch' scheme to join Ringmaster, but those who are benefit from additional information tailored to their interests. For example, Horse Watch members might receive information about tack marking events or Students Watch members could receive messages relating to personal safety.

Ringmaster systems administrator, Sarah Stevens, said: "Membership has grown dramatically since it was launched and the website will make it even easier for people to sign up.

"The site will also complement information members receive and allow access to crime prevention advice, community issues and local events they may find of interest."

Anyone in Luton who would like to who would like to join Ringmaster, but has not got access to a computer, can contact Ulin Smith on 01582 394023. Anyone living in the rest of the county should contact Sarah Stevens on 01234 275288.

S.T.R.T.

During a BBQ a friend stumbled and took a little fall – she assured everyone that she was fine (they offered to call the doctor), she refused and said she had just tripped over something because of her new shoes.

They got her cleaned up and gave a new plate of food. While she appeared shaken, Ingrid went about enjoying herself the rest of the day.

Ingrid's husband called later to telling everyone that his wife had been taken into hospital, at 6.00.pm Ingrid passed away. She had suffered a stroke at the BBQ. Had someone known how to identify the signs of stroke, perhaps Ingrid would be with us today. Some people who survive end up in a hopeless, helpless condition.

This is what *S.T.R.T.* is and it can save a life.

A neurologist says that if he can get to a stroke victim within 3 hours he can totally reverse the effects of a stroke.... Totally.

He said the trick was getting a stroke recognised, diagnosed and then the patient medically cared for within 3 hours, which is tough.

Sometimes symptoms of a stroke are difficult to identify. Unfortunately, the lack of awareness spells disaster. The stroke victim may suffer severe brain damage when people nearby fail to recognise the symptoms.

But bystanders can do this by asking three simple questions and acting on them.

S. Ask the individual to SMILE

T. Ask him/her to TALK. Say a simple sentence (i.e. It's a nice day today)

R. Ask him/her to RAISE both arms

T. To stick his/her TONGUE out at you. (If the tongue is crooked and goes to one side or the other, that is also an indication of a stroke).

If he or she has any difficulty with **ANY ONE** of these tasks. call 999 immediately and describe the symptoms to the dispatcher.

DO NOT BE AFRAID TO DO THIS, AS IT COULD SAVE A LIFE!!

BE SAFE NOT SORRY!

Shona Mercy

Plough Inn

The quiz evening which is held on alternate Tuesday evenings continues to attract large numbers of people for what is essentially a fun evening.

The crib team still enjoy various degrees of success mid table in the league and unfortunately knocked out in the semi final of the cup competition.

The domino season starts again in September and any new players will be welcome. The Thursday night Whist and Tipple Session is still very popular and anyone who wants to join will be very welcome.

The cricket team are doing well and are currently unbeaten which we hope will continue. Net sessions are held on a Wednesday night at 6.30pm and any would be cricketers are welcome to join.

Roger



Have a sizzlin'Indian Summer!

Summer Recipes from Florrie Bunda

As the Bar-b-que season is in full swing and we hopefuls are sure of better weather to come I thought I would give you the recipe for a couple of my famous marinades.

NORTH AFRICAN CHILLI MARINADE

8 Tbsp Olive Oil
1 tsp ground cumin
1/2 tsp turmeric
1/4 tsp cinnamon
1 tsp ground coriander
1 red chilli deseeded and finely chopped
1 small onion finely chopped
2 garlic cloves crushed
Salt and freshly ground black pepper
Juice of 1 lemon

SPICY GINGER MARINADE

8 Tbsp Olive Oil
1 tsp garlic flakes
1 tbsp grated ginger
1 red chilli deseeded & finely chopped
zest of 1 lemon
1 shallot finely chopped
splash of Worcester Sauce

The African Marinade is best with Chicken, Lamb or Vegetables, marinate for at least 2 hours. For the spicy marinade it is best used with Prawns although it goes well with Chicken and Pork Kebabs as well, remember to marinade fish for only about 1/2 hour, meat overnight if possible.

Auntie Agnes's Problem Page

Personal problems resolved with a smile

Well once again I write to you from my Caribbean luxury holiday home where the weather is hot and dry and the drinks are cold and wet, and I am sure all of you back in Chalgrave Parish are enjoying similar August weather.

I have been informed by a reverse charges telephone call that there has been yet another misprint in my column in the last issue of the Chalgrave News.

Mrs X wrote to me to say that she does not know how she is going to cope over the weeks of the Olympic Games without the services of her husband.

She told me that her husband is a very impotent man and is part of the official back up team for the women's rowing coxed fours.

My reply was that as her husband is impotent she will find no difference whether he is in Beijing or at home and that she should consider taking up a new hobby to take her mind off other things.

I did also point out that I thought it rather insensitive to her husband to want to have this information published in the Chalgrave News.

However Mrs X only contacted us after publication to point out the misprint where we should have said her husband was a very important man and not a very impotent man!

I would like to thank the 6 ladies from around the parish who sent me letters following the original article stating that Mr X is definitely not impotent although I am not sure how they could possibly know this but I have passed on your reassurances to Mrs X together with the avalanche of letters from men of the parish all offering to help Mrs X out of her problem!

It is really comforting to know that there is so much help between residents of the parish and I am sure Mr X will be in for a warm welcome from his wife on his return.

Until our next issue dear readers.....

Useful Contacts

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Parish Council & Clerk	Mrs Lesley Smith	874716
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