

The Chronicle

Parish Magazine for Aston Abbotts

PRE-LAUNCH ISSUE

Inside: What we hope to do in future issues.

Who to contact if you want information, news or views to be placed in THE CHRONICLE

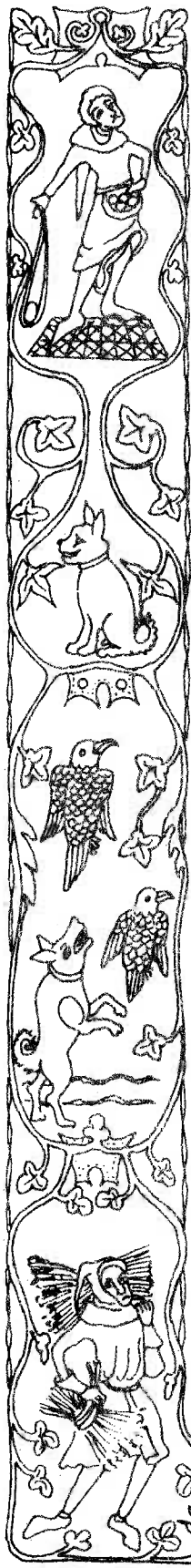
News of this years Village Festival

COLLECTION FOR FESTIVAL STALLS

NEXT MONDAY EVENING - JULY 18th -
members of the Festival Committee will be raiding
all houses seeking donations for the various stalls
We need:

small gifts for the Brantub; tins; packets;
bottles - the promise of a cake for the cake
stall; plants for the plant stall; books -
in fact anything that you can spare.

If you can put something to one side -
ready for collection on Monday evening
we would be very grateful.



ABOUT 'THE CHRONICLE'

The Parish Council has accepted the responsibility of producing a monthly newsletter for the village and somehow or other I appear to have been given the job as editor - the principle reason for the dubious honour is probably that I was not at the meeting when the position was discussed.

The hope is that this will become your newsletter and my job will be to put the contribution together and organising the printing. The 'North Sea Gas' article is an example of how you can make use of 'THE CHRONICLE'

In future editions we hope to have regular features including gardening tips, meal of the month, a quiz page, and articles on village life and characters. However the main purpose of 'THE CHRONICLE' is to inform and if you have any news of events planned or reports on events past please let me know.

HOW TO PASS ON ARTICLES/INFORMATION FOR 'The Chronicle'

- (1) By telephone to Graham Parker (Aston Abbotts 325)
- (2) A note through his door (The Cloisters, Church Row)
- (3) Or leave your information in an envelope at the Village Shop or Post Office.

DATES FOR PRINTING

The 22nd of each month will be the last day for delivery of material you wish included in the next issue.

DELIVERY

'THE CHRONICLE' will be delivered in the last week of each month by members of the Parish Council - thus your first issue; the September issue will be delivered at the end of August.

ANY THOUGHTS OR COMMENTS WILL BE VERY WELCOME

GRAHAM PARKER

CHURCH NEWS

The Festival week-end is always arranged to coincide with the patronal festival of the Church, which is dedicated to St. James. Our service on Sunday 24th July therefore continue the festival Theme. In the morning at 11.15 we have our third family service. The first two produced congregations of 35 and 37 with plenty of children. It would be good to top 50 on the 24th and to see more Dads in church. The first part of the service is only for half an hour and leads into the Holy Communion Service but if you wish to leave then this is fully understood. At 1 pm we have the second Festival Lunch. Judging by last year this will be a very happy occasion in which good food and wine will be enjoyed in excellent company.

In the evening we are looking forward to having the Rural Dean the Reverend David Smith from Wing as our preacher. He is well worth hearing and we are anticipating a big congregation. Coffee will be served in the church afterwards.

On 31st July, Holy Communion will be at 11.15 am.

In August the arrangement are as follows.

Sunday	7th	No Service		
Sunday	14th	Holy Communion	11.15	No Evensong
Sunday	21st	Holy Communion	11.15	
Sunday	28th	Holy Communion	11.15	

There will be no Family Service in August because we are moving it to the FIRST SUNDAY IN THE MONTH which will make it easy to remember.

Then the next family service will be on September 4th.

Duties

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sidesman</u>	<u>Churchyard</u>
7th	-	Mr. L. Scutchings
14th	Mr. J. Ford	Mr. G. Fox
21st	Miss G. Ford	Mr. G. Parker
28th	Mr. C. Higgs	Mr. C. Spike

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN HAVING NORTH SEA GAS
CONNECTED TO ASTON ABBOTTS?

A number of householders in Aston Abbotts have wondered why the village has no North Sea Gas supply, especially when a pipeline runs practically through the village. Enquiries have been made and if sufficient people are interested in having a gas supply (for gas central heating or just the installation of gas fires) the Southern Gas Board will look further into the matter and do everything possible to get the village connected to the main gas supply.

As everyone is aware, heating by either oil or electricity is very expensive and solid fuel heating, whilst not so expensive, does have its own problems in that it is rather more "dirty" and time-consuming. It is also difficult for elderly people, if they live alone and have to carry fuel from outside into their property.

If you are interested in having gas installed, please let me know as soon as possible, so that I can acquaint the Southern Gas Board accordingly.

SEND REPLY TO Mrs. W. Holmes, 3 Church Row, OR LEAVE IN BOX PROVIDED
AT VILLAGE SHOP/POST OFFICE.

Name: _____

Address _____

YES I/We would be interested in taking advantage of North Sea Gas if the
village was connected to the main gas supply.