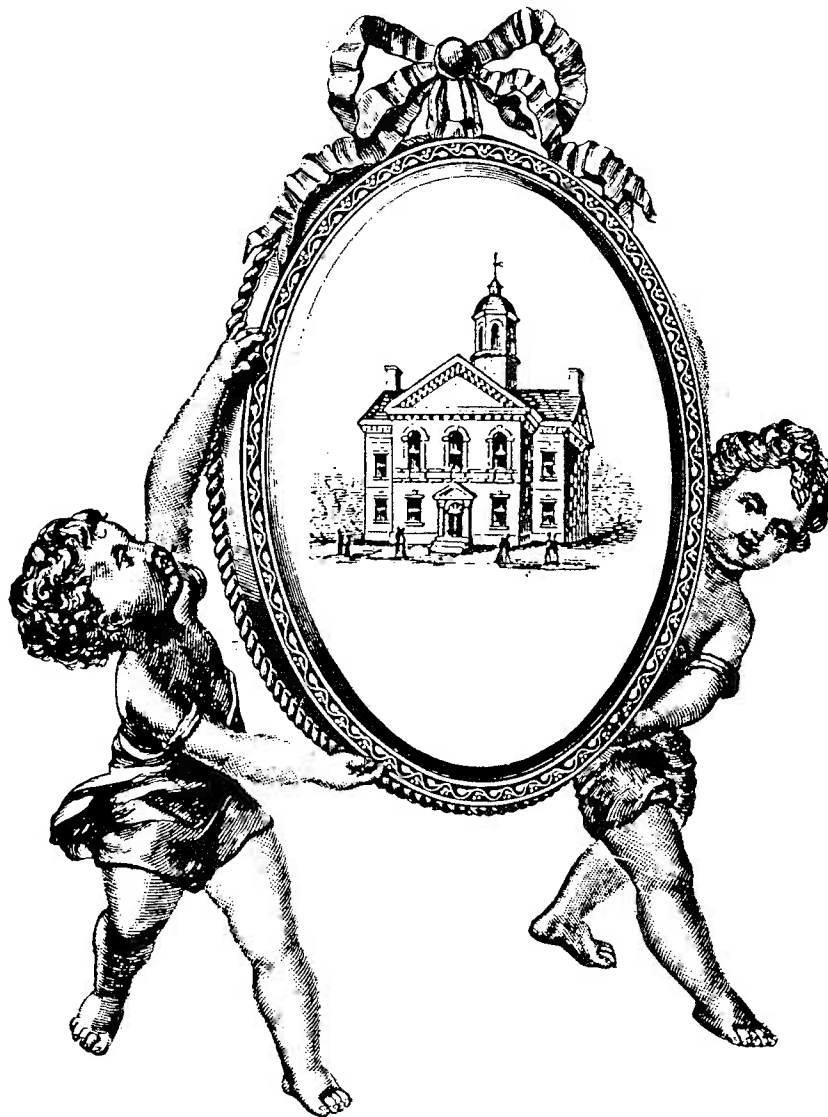


The Chronicle

Parish Magazine for Aston Abbotts



February 1995 No.134

Once the press gang had left and we had "enthusiastically" agreed to edit the February Chronicle, the first negative thoughts were "how on earth can we follow the "class" acts that have gone before", and secondly "nothing happens in February".

Then the idea , Valentines Day.....



Its origins are entirely obscure but may have been the medieval legend that birds meet on the 14th February to chose mates for the coming spring. The earliest known "valentines" are poems on this theme for festivals of "joyous recreation and conversation about love" held at the late 14th century courts of England and France.

Interesting customs were the drawing of lots for valentines. In the Scottish Borders slips were drawn three times and returned on the first two occasions. A name drawn three times in succession was regarded as "infallibly that of a future spouse". Another more risky and haphazard custom was to take the first person of the opposite sex (excluding your own family) seen on the 14th February - look out for people with their eyes tightly shut first thing in the morning!

Having "selected" a valentine the custom was to present them with a gift. In past times this would have been jewellery, gloves, or (more daringly) a garter. In the 18th century gifts were replaced by written love letters. Commercially printed valentine cards preceded Christmas cards and were most popular in the 1870/80's. Popularity dwindled and almost died out in the 1920's but since the 2nd world war more naughty and daring cards have come into vogue and also the extensive use of newspaper columns.

Perhaps the Chronicle should reserve space in next February's edition for valentine messages, it would make interesting and speculative reading. The design on the front cover is loosely based around a valentine Parish theme.

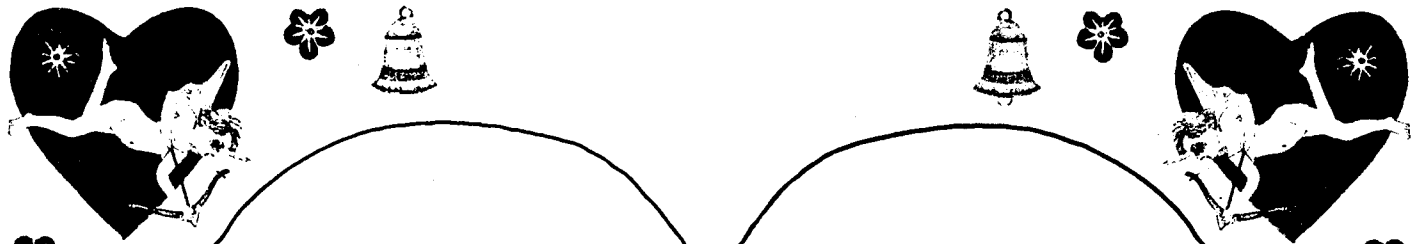
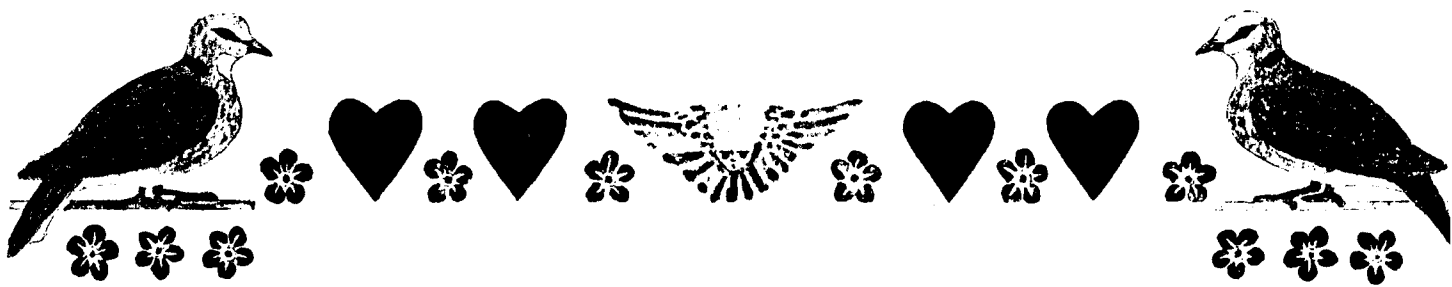
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Could you please deliver anything to be included in the March edition to 2 Church Row by Monday 13th February. Distributed free to all households in the Parish of Aston Abbotts.

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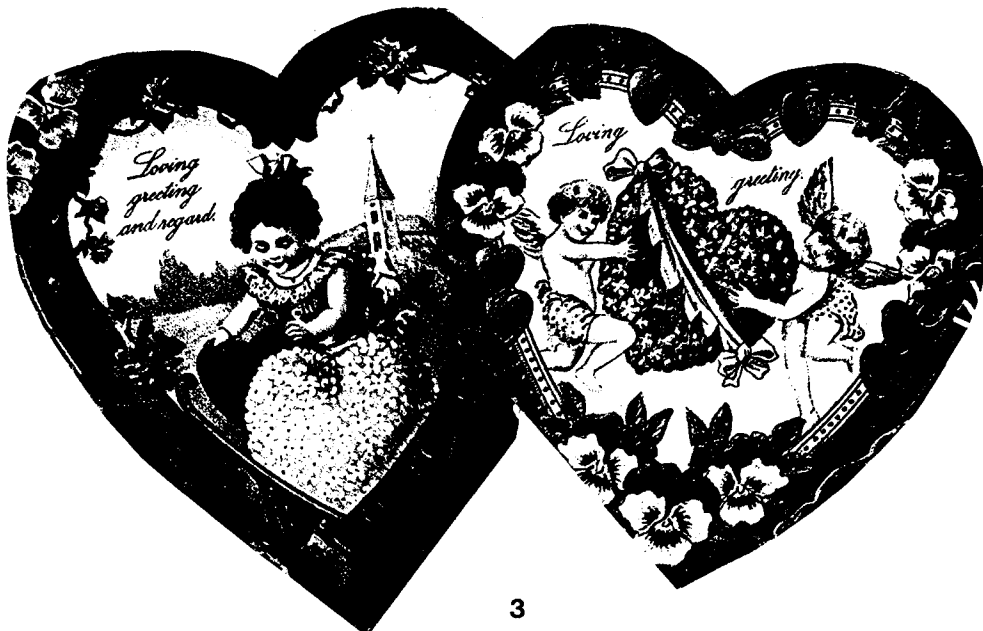
Good luck to Janet for the March issue.



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Sunday 5th	Rambling Club Members	Meet Wendover 2pm
Thursday 2nd/16th	Whist Drive	Church Room 7.30 pm
Thursday 9th	Bingo	Church Room 7.30 pm
	Ladies Club	Mr Roger Leishman Talk on Inland Waterways
Monday 13th	Rambling Club Members AGM	13 Moorlands, Wing 8pm
Tuesday 21st	Floral Class	Church Room 7pm
Thursday 23rd	Ladies Club	Miss Jean Archer Slide Show
		Discovering Secrets of hidden Bucks.
Wednesday 1st March	Aylesbury Vale Transport Meeting	Bus/Train complaints to Colin
Thursday 9th March	Ladies Club	Spring Lunch.

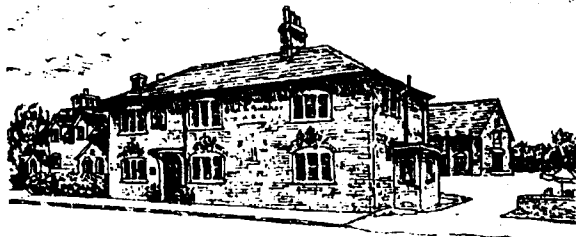
Regulars

Tuesdays Trawler wet fish shop, The Green, 1.40 - 2.00pm	Tuesdays, Thursdays Butchers van, about 3-4pm. Will deliver to door. (0296 75220)	Bricstock 8pm -ish Bull & Butcher 8.15 -ish
Mobile Library See page 12 for full details of locations and times.	Wednesdays Bin Day Toddlers, Church Room 2-4pm. Fish & Chip van	Fridays Free bus to Tesco in Aylesbury, depart from The Green 10.06am, arrives Tesco 11.01am and back to Aston Abbotts at about 1.40pm

VE Day/Weekend

The weekend of May 6/7th (and Monday 8th Bank Holiday) marks 50 years since the end of the war. There will be celebrations all over the country - including here?

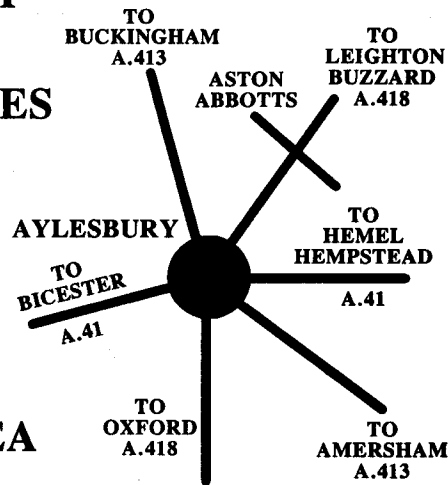
Please come to a meeting on Friday 3rd February at 7.30pm in the Church Room to sort out what we might do. (This meeting will be followed by a Parish Council meeting at approximately 8.00pm. All are very welcome to stay, but not obligatory!)



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On the PEOPLE PAGE

With Bridget Brandon.

BIRTHDAYS

Michael Coleman	4th Feb.
Ivy Brandon	5th Feb.
Pablo Gutierrez	7th Feb.
Vika Drysdale	7th Feb.
Barry White	9th Feb.
Haidee Mogford.13th Feb.
Richard Clarke.13th Feb.
Paul Hewitt14th Feb.
Tracey Lovell23rd Feb.
Linda Wheaton25th Feb.
Daniel White.25th Feb.
Anita Parker.??? Feb.

DID YOU KNOW ?

When Windmill Hill Farm changed hands a good number of years ago (nothing to do with the present owners), the previous owner came by as the new owners men were picking pears from the trees. He made them stop picking the fruit, saying that standing crops went to the previous owner. He then allowed the fruit to fall from the trees, and rot where they fell.

BEWARE

If you think the toads have problems crossing Moat Lane, then think again, because there is a Smith on the loose. This means that everything crossing or attempting to cross Moat Lane is at risk. I ask all you people who use the road regularly to please be extra careful. The reason? Sophie Smith has passed her driving test. Congratulations Sophie.

Feel the years are slipping away ?
Pehaps this will SOUND FAMILIAR.

Just a line to say I'm living
That I'm not among the dead
Though I'm getting more forgetful
And mixed up in my head.
I've got used to my arthritis
To my dentures I'm resigned
I can cope with my bi-focals
And, ye gods, I miss my mind.
Sometimes I can't remember
When I'm standing by the stair
If I should be going up for something
Or have just come down from there.
And before the fridge, so often
My mind is full of doubt
Now did I put some food away
Or come to take some out ?
So remember, I do love you
And wished that you lived near
And now it's time to post this
And say goodbye my dear.
At last I stand beside the post box
And my face, it sure is red
Instead of posting this to you
I've opened it instead!



DIRECTORY ENQUIRIES.

Have you noticed how many people go to the public phone box to use the directory enquiries service because there it can be used free of charge?

RECTOR'S REPORT

Just what we have all been waiting for - a substance that will delay the ageing process!

Is it true, or was I dreaming? But I wonder what it really is supposed to do. I have just been reading a novel by my favourite author in which the hero, a magician, claims that by eating the right things we could all live to be two hundred years old.

But I find myself asking questions like - Do I really want to live longer? Isn't the ageing process an important part of living? Didn't I read somewhere that in thirty years time the working population will be unable to provide for the elderly?

It all seems terribly confusing. The Psalms tell us that the "days of our age are threescore and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years - yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow". We seem to have forgotten that our human existence is a finite commodity - human beings have a 'best before' date as well as the products on the supermarket shelves.

Yet what are we really being offered? Is this just another 'anti-wrinkle cream' that will make us look younger than we actually are? Or is it something that will ease the stiffness of ageing muscles and help us to be as mentally alert as we were in former years? If it is going to be a real success for me it will need not only to work on my brain and my body but also on my spirit.

If our earthly life is important, keeping fit and active, surely our spiritual life is even more important, as we prepare ourselves for eternal life. In that region we certainly don't need to have our development checked, for every day gives us the chance to become more spiritually mature. And to be honest I am far more interested in reaching heaven (or however you want to phrase it) than in taking the tablets to keep myself looking and feeling less old.

Bob Willmott

CHURCH SERVICES

WINGRAVE	5th Feb.	10.00am	Parish Communion
	12th Feb.	10.00am	Parish Communion
	19th Feb.	10.00am	Parish Communion
	26th Feb.	10.00am	Parish Communion
	5th Mar	10.00am 3.00pm	Parish Communion Church A.G.M

ASTON ABBOTTS	5th Feb.	11.15am	Morning Worship
	12th Feb.	11.15am	Parish Communion
	19th Feb.	11.15am	Parish Communion
	26th Feb.	11.15am	Parish Communion
	5th Mar	11.15am	Morning Worship

CUBLINGTON	5th Feb.	10.00am 6.00pm	Family Service Evensong
	12th Feb.	8.45am	Parish Communion
	19th Feb.	8.45am	Parish Communion
	26th Feb.	8.45am	Parish Communion
	5th Mar	10.00am	Family Service

MID-WEEK SERVICES

Cublington	Wed	1st	Feb.	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Aston Abbots	Wed	8th	Feb.	10.00am	Franciscan Service
Rowsham	Wed	15th	Feb.	10.00am	Franciscan Service
Wingrave	Wed	15th	Feb.	10.00am	Franciscan Service
Cublington	Wed	1st	Mar	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
(These are preceded by 30 minutes prayer)					
Wingrave	Wed	1st	Mar	8.00am	Ash Wednesday Service

SUNDAY READINGS

5th Feb.	Epip. 5	(p.482) 1 Cor 3.18-end;	Matt. 12.38-42
12th Feb.	Sept.	(p.486) 1 Cor.4. 8-13;	Matt. 5. 1-12
19th Feb.	Sexa.	(p.491) James 5. 13-16;	Mark 2. 1-12
26th Feb.	Quinq.	(p.496) Phile. 1-16;	Mark 2. 13-17
5th Mar	Lent 1	(p. 505) Heb 2.14-end;	Matt. 4. 1-11

CONFIRMATION

There will be a meeting in Wingrave Church at 7.30pm on Thursday 16th February for those who are interested in Confirmation. It is hoped that it may be possible for the Confirmation service to take place in Wingrave in November.

WINNERS OF THE "100 CLUB"

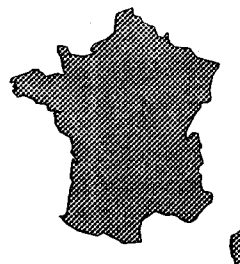
Winners of the St James Church 100 Club for January were:-
1st Mr P Knight, 2nd Mr D Von Simpson, 3rd Mrs S Ford,

A THANK YOU

As a result of the bingo held in aid of the Lifeboat Fund £41.00 was raised. A big thank you to all who supported it or gave prizes etc.

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THE FIVE.....LIVE.....AT THE FIVE.....



4th FEB

ENGLAND v FRANCE
SCOTLAND v WALES

FIND OUT .. DO COCKERELS PECK ROSES...
OR DO ROSES GROW ON YOU.. SWINGING..
OR DODGY ??

DO THISTLES PRICK SHEEP ??

18th FEB

WALES v ENGLAND
FRANCE v SCOTLAND

WATCH ENGLAND DRAG THEMSELVES BACK
.....COME IN A FROCK !!!

WILL THERE BE A COCKEREL CAUSING
COMMOTION IN THEIR KILTS ?

4th MAR

IRELAND v FRANCE
SCOTLAND v WALES

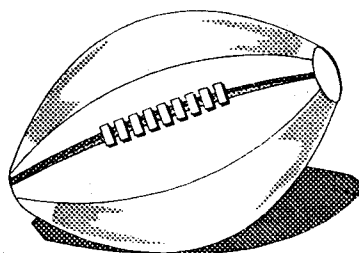
WILL THE FRENCH W(H)INE WHLIE THE IRISH
TAKE THE MICK ?

DO SCOTLAND LEAK POINTS OR DO WALES'
POINTS LEEK ?

18th MAR

ENGLAND v SCOTLAND

DO SCOTLAND KEEP POINTS UNDER THEIR KILT OR..
WILL ENGLAND REVEAL ALL...?



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(Joseph Ashby Sterry)
(1838-1917)

Spring's Delights are now returning!
Let the Lazy Minstrels sing;
While the ruddy logs are burning,
Let his merry banjo ring!
Take no heed of pluvial patter,
Waste no time in vain regrets;
Though our teeth are all a-chatter
Like the clinking castanets!
Though its freezing, sleeting snowing,
Though we're speechless from catarrh,
Though the east wind's wildly blowing,
Let us warble, *Tra-la-la*.

Spring's Delights are now returning!
Let us order new great-coats:
Never let us dream of spurning
Woollen wraps around our throats.
Let us see the couch nocturnal
Snugly swathed in eider-down:
Let not thoughts of weather vernal
Temp us to go out of Town.
Though the biting blast is cruel,
Though our 'tonic's' not *sol-fa*,
Though we sadly sup on gruel,
Let us warble, *Tra-la-la*.

Spring's Delights are now returning!
Now the poet deftly weaves
Quaint conceits and rhymes concerning
Croton oil and mustard leaves!
Let us, though we are a fixture,
In our room compelled to stay-
Let us quaff the glad cough mixture,
Gaily gargle time way!
Though we're racked with pains rheumatic,
Though to sleep we've said ta-ta,
Let us, with a voice ecstatic,
Wildly warble, *Tra-la-la!*

Spring's Delights are now returning!
Doctors now are blithe and gay!
Heaps of money now they're earning,
Calls they're making ev'ry day.
Ev'ry shepherd swain grows colder,
As, in vain, he tries to sing;
Feels he now quite ten years older
'Neath the blast of blighting Spring!
Though we're doubtful of the issue,
Let us bravely shout Hurrah!
And in one superb *A-tishoo!*
Sneeze and warble, *Tra -la-la!*



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Parish Council

Unofficial notes by Caroline Lane from the meeting on 6 January.

Planning Applications

1. Farmhouse at Moat Lane, granted by AVDC on condition residents are engaged in the equestrian business and mobile homes are removed.
2. Wall at the Abbey, granted by AVDC subject to provision for toad tunnels at 6m intervals
3. Bridge Farm (near Rowsham), kennels granted by AVDC.
4. District Cllr. Bryan Round reported that the microlight application would be considered at another meeting in early February.

Accounts

Eastern Electricity, £51; Sharp Electrical £44; Rec. play area mower repairs, £58; mowing of Rec. by Bucks County Council £420; AVDC dog waste bin, £145 (not cashed yet as difficulties with supply).

Precept

It was decided to keep this at £3000 for 1995/6.

AOB

A sign would be ordered asking cars not to block the Rec. gate, estimated cost £32, and the broken sign on play area gate would be replaced. AVDC has a scheme to site recycling bins in villages. Parish Council expressed interest provided a suitable place could be found.

Next Meeting
Church Room

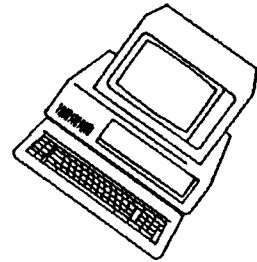
Friday 3rd February, 8.0pm
All welcome.

Special Note to DOG WALKERS

A dog mess bin has now been installed at the entrance to the REC. Please clear up after your dog if it does its business there. A limited number of free "poop scoops" are available from Margaret Chesher, 20, The Green. Tel No. 681201

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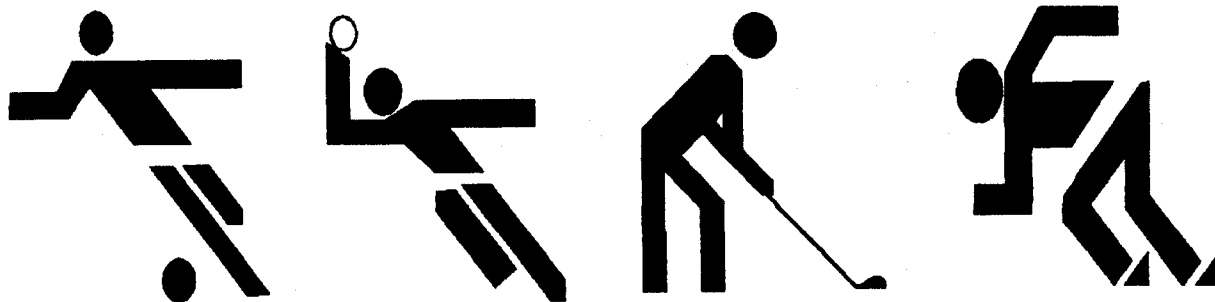
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- new or extended sports pavilions
- new sports facilities including tennis courts and floodlights, bowls greens, cricket squares, artificial cricket wicket, petinque court, croquet green, multi-purpose recreation ground
- assistance with equipment for new judo and netball clubs
- new bells for handbell ringers, staging units for drama club, equipment for Morris Men, design of a Parish map

Good news !! - money still remains, both for this financial year and will continue again after April 1st. If you have any projects you feel may be eligible for funding then contact Bill Richards, Area Leisure Manager on 01296 555215 who will be pleased to hear from you with a view to meeting you and discussing your particular requirements.

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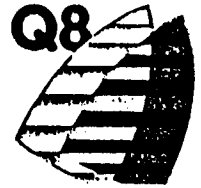
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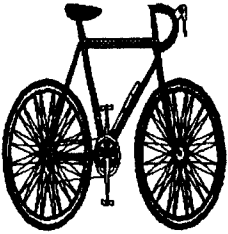
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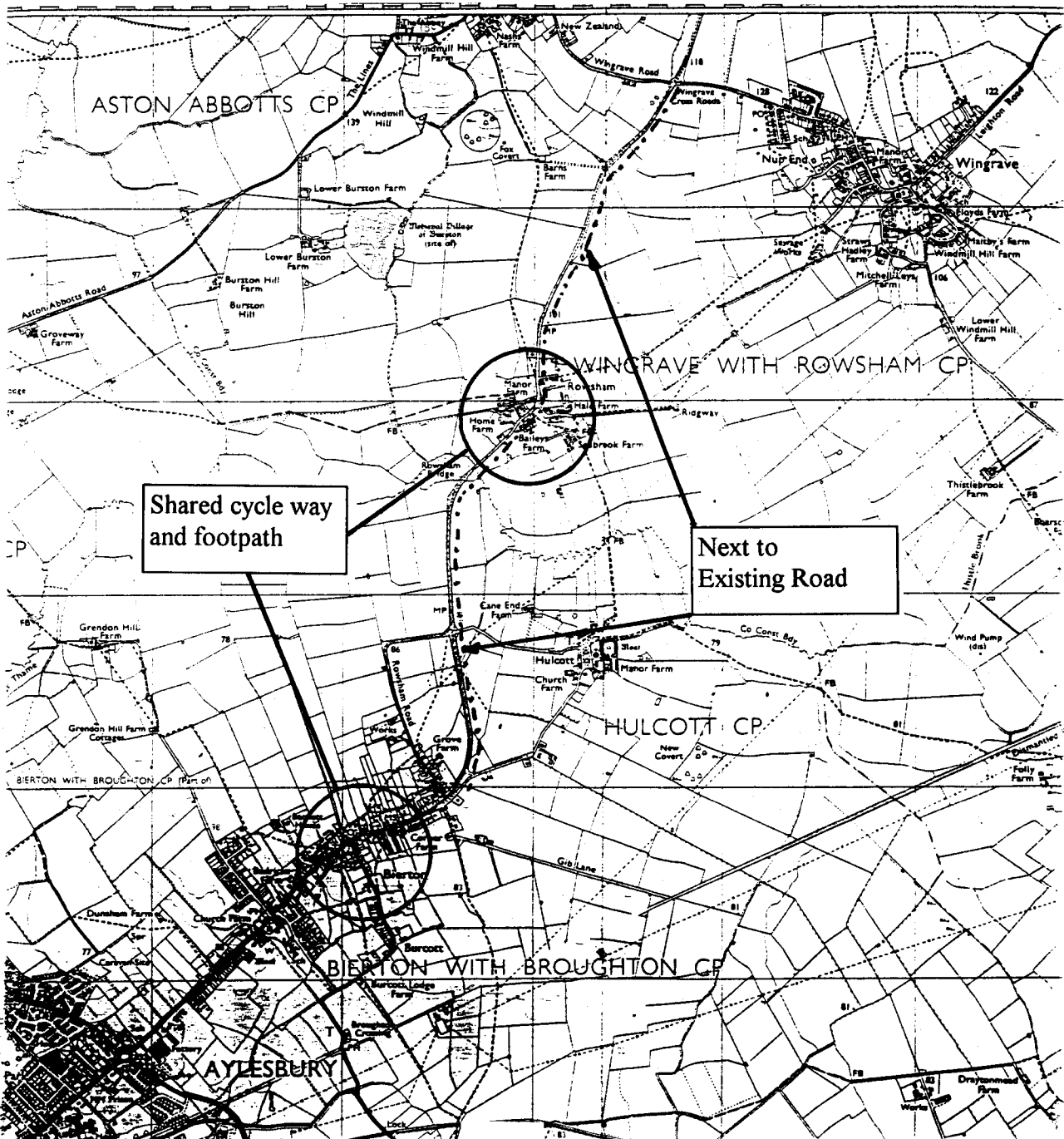


SUGGESTED CYCLE PATH FROM WINGRAVE TO AYLESBURY

As part of a Wingrave Combined School project, Anthony Palmer (a pupil from Aston Abbotts) has written to Bucks County and Aylesbury District councils proposing the construction of a cycle way from Wingrave to Aylesbury. The route is highlighted on the map below with the cycle way following the route of the current road but being separate and lit at night.

The dual aims of the proposal are to reduce traffic congestion by encouraging cycling and much improved safety for cyclists.

What do you think about this idea? Write to the Editor with your views.





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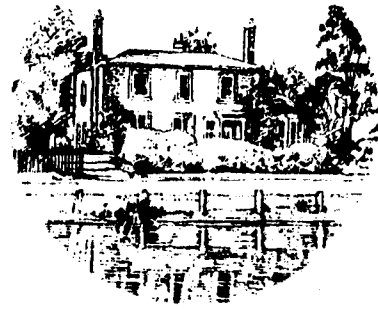
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Cooks tip To make pancakes richer add 1 to 2 tablespoons of melted butter to the mixture.

Street ball games were once an essential feature of Shrove Tuesday celebrations (but as far as we know not in Aston Abbots, however, if you know of something similar please tell us!). but now only survive in a handful of villages. Although commonly referred to as Shrovetide football they still continue to use some form of ball but otherwise are basically a mass free for all played with a minimum of rules by virtually unlimited numbers of participants.

The oldest established game is at Atherstone in Warwickshire and still takes place in the boarded-up main street. It is said to have originated in King John's reign as an inter-county struggle for a bag of gold.

At Ashbourne in Derbyshire the game has a "Royal" prefix because in 1928 it was started by the Prince of Wales. The game is still played today but I doubt if the Prince will be there to throw in the ball!

For Information Local Police Details

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PRESS RELEASE

"SHOT IN THE ARM FOR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES"

Following the recent success of a round of public forums held by the local Community Health Council in towns and villages in Aylesbury Vale during the Autumn, five more have been planned to give people an opportunity to learn about local health services and express any views they may have.

In the past, topics raised have included prescription charges, GP fundholding, community care, ambulance services and services for older people.

CHC Chairman, Avril Davies, says *'We are a public body, representing the people of Aylesbury Vale in the NHS. These public forums have been a real shot in the arm for health services by enabling the public to have a say about local services and contribute towards decisions for the future.'*

Dates of future public forums are:

18 January - Alfred Rose Community Centre, Dunsham Lane, Aylesbury - at 8pm

31 January - Church of the Holy Spirit Hall, Bedgrove - at 8pm

14 February - St Anne's RC Church Hall, Aylesbury Road, Wendover - at 8pm

9 March - The Winslow Centre, Park Road, Winslow - at 8pm

15 March - Church of the Good Shepherd Hall, Southcourt, Aylesbury - at 8pm

Further details can be obtained from the CHC office at 8 Temple Square, Aylesbury - telephone 01296 83222 or 434270.

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Thursday 5 January 1995

George Walden

*Member of Parliament
for Buckingham*



SURGERY DATES FOR 1995

January 27th	Haddenham Middle School Long Crendon Bowls Club	4.30pm - 5.30pm 6pm - 7pm
February 17th	Conservative Office, Winslow	4.30pm - 6pm
March 24th	Ivinghoe Town Hall Bierton C of E Combined School	4.30pm - 5.30pm 6pm - 7pm
April 21st	Buckingham Community Centre	4.30pm - 6pm
May 19th	Conservative Office, Winslow Allan Shaw School, Steeple Claydon	4.30pm - 5.30pm 6pm - 7pm
June 16th	Haddenham Middle School Long Crendon Bowls Club	4.30pm - 5.30pm 6pm - 7pm
July 14th	Conservative Office, Winslow	4.30pm - 6pm
September 15th	Ivinghoe Town Hall Wing Village Hall	4.30pm - 5.30pm 6pm - 7pm
October 13th	Buckingham Community Centre	4.30pm - 6pm
November 24th	Waddesdon Village Hall	5pm - 6pm
December 15th	Conservative Office, Winslow	4.30pm - 6pm

No appointment is necessary

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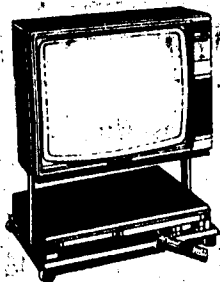
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