

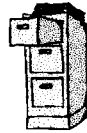


The Chronicle

Aston Abbotts Parish Magazine

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Well! That's it, Christmas over for another year. Time to pay off the Barclays card and reflect on the previous 12 months. Although the 1st of Jan. is only a date on the calendar it does seem to provide a convenient opportunity for shrugging off the old and looking forward with a degree of hope and optimism. Of course it's a jolly good excuse for another party and to make a few well intentioned though not often kept 'resolutions'.

Talking about parties, the Chronicle Office Christmas party was a great success this year. The staff all brought in mince pies and sausage rolls and the 'management' even provided a bottle or two of 'strong water'. The office was decorated, crackers were pulled, silly hats worn and a good time had by one and all. The only one to disgrace himself was the office cat 'Boss' who was rather ill after one of the staff discovered he had a fondness for chocolate liqueurs.

In an attempt to sharpen up the impact of adverts appearing in the Chronicle I have started re creating them in a 'digital' format whilst keeping them looking substantially the same as before. This activity is rather time consuming but should be completed by the March issue. I have a large selection of graphics which can be embodied in adverts. If any of our advertisers would like their advertisements enhanced in this way please let me know.

Much of the Chronicle is now prepared on my trusty old computer. If at all possible could contributors please let me have their articles etc. on disc since it saves an awful lot of typing (particularly as I am a 'one fingered typist'). If necessary I can provide 'clean' formatted discs on loan.

Finally, many thanks to all the contributors to the Chronicle as well as those involved with the printing and distribution. I wish you and all our readership a very happy and fulfilled 1996.



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Please note that copy date for the February issue will be Fri. the 26th of January. All items for publication will need to reach me (Andy Bystra 31 The Green, Tel 681 690) by this date.

WHAT'S ON (MOSTLY) IN JANUARY

Tuesday 2nd Floral class (Mrs Christine Townsend) - Church room **7.00pm**

Thursday 4th , 7th & 18th
Whistdrive---Churchroom **7.30pm**

Sunday 7th --Rambling Club - meets
Plantation Rd. L/buzzard **2.00pm.**

Wed10th Leighton - Linslade transport
meeting. (Bus & train queries to Colin
before this date please)

Thursday 11th Bingo (in aid of
Lifeboat) - Church Room **7.30pm.**

Sunday 14th Village footpath walk -
The Green **2.00pm.**

Sunday 28th Rambling Club members
meet - Moorhills Road Wing. **2.00pm**

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Ladies Club Notes for January

Thursday 11th January - Visit to the
Apollo theatre Oxford

Thursday 25th January - Film show of
the WARA campaign plus records to
view afterwards given by Mr Bernard
Osborn - **Church Room 2.45.**



Fly tying classes are
being held on alternate
Tuesday evenings,
commencing 8.00pm at The
Unicorn Cublington.

Beginners welcome. If you are interested
let me (Andy Bystra) know on (681690).

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MOBILE LIBRARY

I have received a note from the
Library Service indicating that the
Library Van will continue call each
Tuesday morning as from the 9th of Jan
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RITA'S PEOPLE PAGE

Many happy returns

to all those having birthdays in January including;-

Jane Plested 7th Jan
Sarah Plested 7th Jan
James Clarke 10th
Tony Hinds 13th
Ben Price 13th
Zoe Judd 25th
Clifford Price 28th
David Lewis 28th
Richard Plested 29th.

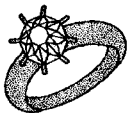
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To start 1996 in a happy frame of mind our congratulations go out to two couples.

Paul Turnham and Sian (Cathryn) Alty recently announced their engagement.

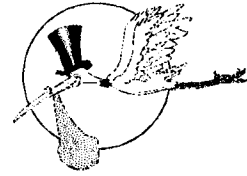


Five minutes into the new year Neil Cheshier proudly announced that his daughter Esther had just become engaged to Kevin Morgan (Lucy Lastic)



Our best wishes and every happiness to both couples.

To those of you who don't know, our Editor is to become a Granddad next April/May time. The steam engine will have to be shelved Andy (everyone say Ahhh!). Two cradles have to be made - Yes, two. No it's not twins!



Congratulations to Adrian & Vanessa and Louise & Pete.

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Christine Scott 's daughter had a baby daughter last month. Congratulations to all the family.

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Hard luck at the end of 1995 for Diane Kent. An unexpected heavy shower came through her ceiling. Hope everything has dried out now and not too much damage was done.

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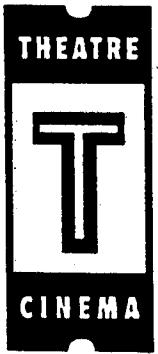


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Please note that over the New year refuse collection will be changed as follows:-

Instead of Thurs 4th January 96, collection will be on Saturday the 6th of Jan.

Instead of Thurs 11th Jan, collection will be on Friday the 12th of Jan.

Recycling bins

Have now been sited at the Bull & Butcher for clear, brown, and green glass, papers and drink cans.

FOUL DEEDS

Several people living in Brickstock have expressed anger that a person or persons walking their dog in that area allow it to continuously foul the foot paths. They are particularly cross at having to clear up the mess themselves every day.

A bin is provided for this purpose and they request that the person/persons involved clear up after their own dog.

I received the following poem from Bob and Elsie Higgs who were given it by a dear old lady of ninety plus just before Christmas. I read it during the Carol service and since it was well received then, thought it worth publishing in this month's Chronicle.

We met, we married, a long time ago,
He worked for long hours and wages were low.
No telly, no radio, no bath; times were hard,
Just a cold water tap and a walk up the yard.

No holidays abroad, no carpet on the floors,
We had coal on the fire - we never locked doors.
Our children arrived - no pill in those days,
and we brought them up without the State Aid.

No valium, no drugs, no LSD.
We cured our pains with a good cup of tea.
If you were sick, you were treated at once.
Not fill in a form and come back in a month.

No vandals, no muggings, there was nowt to rob.
In fact, you were rich with a couple of bob.
People were happier in those far off days,
Kinder and caring in so many ways.

Milkmen and paper boys would whistle and sing,
and a night out at the flicks, a wonderful thing.
Oh! we had our share of trouble and strife,
But we had to face it, that was life.

But now I'm alone and look back through the years,
I don't think of bad times, the trouble and tears.
I remember the blessings, our home and the love,
We shared them together; and I thank our God.

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MY MOTHERS CHICKEN SOUP



This soup is one of the taste's I remember so well from my childhood. My mother would always make soup from the carcass of the chicken or turkey after Christmas and as my mother was Maltese maybe hers was a little different from the one your mother used to make. Soup is also a lovely way to warm up in the cold weather without consuming too many calories, as after the excesses of eating and drinking over the Christmas period most of us need to cut down a little (or in my case usually a lot!!) and I don't know about you but I just can't face salad on a cold January day.

INGREDIENTS;-

1 Chicken or Turkey carcass/ 4oz
Lentils or Beans/ 1 Stock Cube 1 Medium
Potato 1 Onion 1 Carrot and/or 1 Parsnip or 1
small Swede 1 Bayleaf 2oz Soup Pasta or Rice 2
Teaspoons oregano or Curry powder Garlic, Salt
and Black Pepper to taste

Start by taking off any meat thats still on the carcass, cut the meat into small chunks and leave to one side. Then place the carcass into a large saucepan covering with cold water. Next peel and cut up your vegetables into even sized pieces and put into your saucepan together with the bayleaf, salt and pepper and bring to the boil

When this has boiled skim off any scum which may have come to the surface, turn the heat down and simmer until the vegetables are soft. When this is ready turn out into a colander over a bowl and remove the carcass when it is cold enough to handle. Put the cooked vegetables back into the stock together with any more meat you can manage to get off the chicken. Then allow the stock to go completely cold, I try if I have the time to leave it in the fridge over night so that by the next day all the

fat will be hard and on the surface so that it can be easily removed.

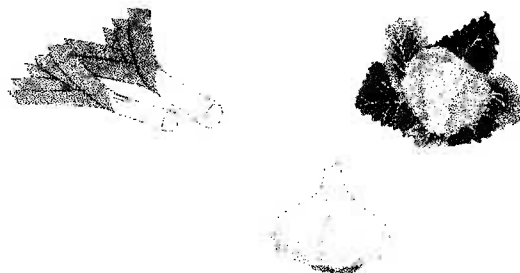
Next day after you have removed the fat, place the stock into a blender and wizz until smooth, or you can mash up the vegetables and put through a sieve. Next put the stock into a saucepan and add your other ingredients. My mother would put in 2oz of soup pasta, 2oz chicken meat cut into very small pieces, 2 teaspoons of dried oregano or basil, a sprinkling of garlic granules, salt and black pepper to taste. Bring back to the boil, then simmer until the pasta is cooked. Serve straight away topped with garlic croutons and sprinkled with Parmesan cheese. You will also need lots of fresh crusty bread to serve with this soup, so you can dippy-dippy!!!.

Since I have started making this soup I have tried a couple of variations which are also delicious. Try Curried Chicken Soup by using rice instead of pasta and curry powder instead of oregano or make a Vegetable soup using lentils or beans instead of chicken. You can try all sorts of different ways of making soup as on these cold winter days there is nothing quite like a steaming hot bowl of home made soup to warm us up, keep us healthy and most important of all in my case helps me to lose weight.



TASTEFULLY YOURS FROM
ANNIE'S KITCHEN

P.S. I hope you all noticed the deliberate error in last month's recipe, when rolling out the pastry for Bombay Baskets please don't roll it out to one inch thick!! What was missing was the 1/4 sign. It should read roll out to 1/4 inch thick.



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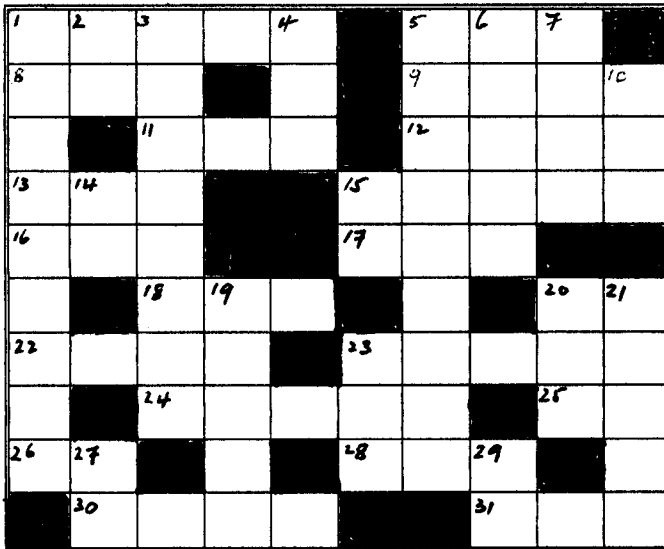
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Across

- 1 Blissful
- 5 Modern
- 9 Period of time
- 11 To perform
- 12 Italian river
- 13 You can hear it drop
- 15 A theatrical expression
- 16 Newt
- 17 --- West
- 18 Unit of electrical resistance
- 20 Indicates position
- 22 In pantomimes
- 23 Scope
- 24 The evil one
- 25 Printers measure
- 26 Negative
- 28 You listen to these
- 30 Firmly shut
- 31 to draw

Down

- 1 Hertfordshire town
- 2 Like, while
- 3 Spectres
- 4 Nevertheless
- 5 Former name of Malawi
- 6 Weird
- 7 A fairy has one
- 10 Eggs
- 14 In the event of
- 15 Ante Meridian
- 19 Hades (anagram)
- 20 A long time
- 21 Taut
- 23 Motoring organization
- 27 Preposition
- 29 -- James Church

Answers to December Crossword

- Across 1 Cublington. 6 Us. 7 As. 8 Beadle.
 10 Won. 12 Ad. 13 Linear. 15 Den.
 16 Area. 18 Per. 19 Garage. 20 O.S.
 21 Mammoth. 24 No. 25 Neo. 26 So so.
 27 Neon.
- Down 1 Cuba. 2 Used. 3 Ladle. 4 Islington.
 5 Nun. 9 En. 10 WARA. 11 Oregon. 14 Ear.
 15 Dramas. 17 Aesop. 18 Pumps. 22 Ten
 23 Hoe



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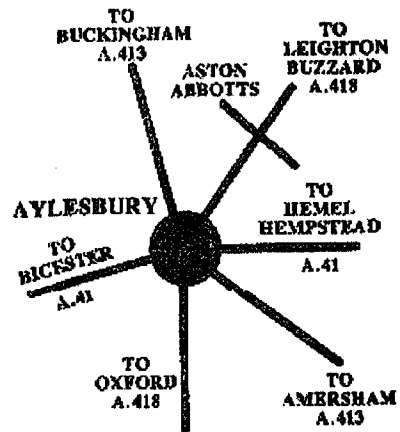
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Parish Council

Unofficial notes of the meeting held on 1st December

The meeting was attended by District Councillor Bryan Round and by PC Mick Griggs and a colleague. Apologies received from County Councillor Brenda Jennings, who had injured her arm.

Matters arising.

- *Training Day.* Susan Taylor reported that clerks' training day on 4th Nov had been useful.
- *Wingrave Crossroads.* Caroline Lane had attended a meeting of Wingrave with Rowsham parish council, who had agreed that islands would help. They would write to Bucks County Council and keep us informed. CL and Colin Higgs would raise the matter again at the Highways committee in February if no progress.

Police.

PC Griggs reported that cash boxes in other telephone boxes in the area had been broken into. He would keep an eye on the condition of Wingrave Road (see below).

Recreation Ground.

Bill Richards from AVDC had visited and advised on idea of multisports surface. A meeting of the Rec. committee would be arranged. NB meetings of the committee are open to the public and will be advertised on the parish council notice board and the board near the bus shelter. If you are interested please look out for notices or ask a member.

Planning applications.

- Oak Farm House, works to trees, no comment from this parish council
- Bridge Farm (Rowsham), extension to farmhouse. No comment

Accounts.

Litter bin on Green, £70. Eastern Electricity, usual charge. Grass cutting of Rec, ditto (the grass was still growing in November...) Filing cabinet for Clerk. Society of Local Council Clerks subscription. Chairman's expenses while acting Clerk. (Actual figures for all these accounts available from the Clerk.)

Trees.

Ten young oaks had been given to the parish by AVDC Countryside Management Project for National Tree Week and these had been divided between Norduck and Oxley's Farms for planting near footpaths. Councillors and volunteers (including some very young volunteers!) had planted trees in the play area of the Rec. and in Bricstock.

Correspondence.

Whitchurch parish council asked for support in campaign to keep the fire station open. A petition would be put in the shop, Bernard willing. Other items to be circulated among parish councillors.

Any Other Business.

- Recycling bins had been installed at the Bull & Butcher for use of everyone in the parish.
- The landlord of the Bull & Butcher had offered a site for the twice-yearly skip, as AVDC no longer able to put it on the highway (i.e. the Green, Wingrave Road, Bricstock, Lines Hill...). This was appreciated. AVDC have warned, however, that even this service may be withdrawn.
- Mud on Wingrave Road. More problems reported. CL would take the matter up with Oxley's Farm and with County Councillor.

Next meeting (including fixing next year's precept)
Friday 12th Jan, 8pm, Church Room

CHURCH SERVICES

WINGRAVE

7th Jan 10.0 Parish Communion
14th 10.0 Parish Communion
21st 10.0 Parish Communion
28th 10.0 Holy Communion (BCP)
10.0 Family Service
4th Feb 10.0 Parish Communion

ASTON ABBOTTS

7th Jan 11.15 Morning Service
14th 11.15 Parish Communion
21st 11.15 Parish Communion
28th 11.15 Parish Communion
4th Feb 11.15 Morning Service

CUBLINGTON

3rd Jan 10.0 Holy Communion (BCP)
7th 10.0 Christingle
6.0 Evensong
14th 8.45 Parish Communion
21st 8.45 Parish Communion
28th 8.45 Parish Communion
4th Feb 10.0 Family Service
6.0 Evensong

SUNDAY READINGS

7th Jan

Epiphany 1 (p.465) Eph.2.1-10.
John 1.29-34

14th Jan

Epiphany 2 (p.469) Gal.1.11-end;
John 1.35-end

7th Jan

Epiphany 3 (p.474) Phil.4.10-20;
John 1.6.1-14

14th Jan

Epiphany 4 (p.478) Heb 12.18-end;
John 4.19-26

4th Feb

Septuagesima (p.4881) 1 Cor. 2.1-10;
Luke 8.4-15

FROM THE REGISTERS

BAPTISM

10th Dec. Thomas Hinds at Aston
Abbotts

Megan Smith at Wingrave

FUNERAL

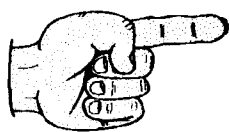
23rd Nov. John Forsey at
Buckingham.



CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLLS

During January our three parishes will (like all other parishes in the country) be compiling new Church Electoral Rolls. These Rolls which were last compiled in 1988 are updated every year - but, by asking every member to complete a new application form, we hope to have a more accurate picture of the numerical strength of the Church of England. The numbers on the Church Electoral Roll are one of the factors which determine how much the parish is asked to pay into the Diocesan fund towards the payment of clergy. Membership of the roll is open to those who are resident in the parish, are baptised members of the Church of England aged 16 years or over.

RECTOR'S REPORT



It's you!

The advert for the National Lottery which we see on the television encourages us to believe that this time is going to be lucky for us. So, is that a good omen for 1996? This year we are going to strike it lucky and win lots of money on the lottery.

I suspect for a lot of people 1996 will be no luckier than 1995. But then, that depends what you mean by luck! Are we only interested in Good Luck, or do we count Bad luck too? The chances are that the New Year will bring us both happy times and challenging times, and that will happen anyway - there is no luck there. On balance we might have more good things happen than bad things, or it might be the other way round. There is no way we can tell - and does it really matter anyhow?

If we did have a big win on the lottery, would that count as Good Luck or Bad?

One thing is for sure, 1996 will not be very different from 1995 in that the sun will rise and set, the seasons will follow each other, and so on. Of course there will be differences - we cannot expect another summer like 1995! But what really

does matter is how we respond to events that will happen in the world and in our own lives. We know that we live in an evil and sick society. Our concern is that evil does not triumph over goodness.

There is a quotation which I cannot quite remember. It is about a man who stands at the gate of the year, who assures us that if we put our hand in the hand of God we shall have nothing to fear.

It is important how we live our lives in 1996. It matters how we respond to life's challenges. Our response will make the world either a better or worse place.

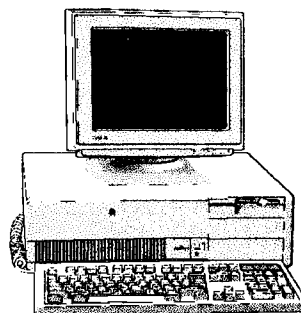
If IT does happen to be YOU, it is important to remember that love of money is the root of all evil. We can use money to do good - or we can use it to do harm. If we use it to help those who are in need, that is good; selfishness and greed do not help anyone. There is never a shortage of need in our world, and God loves a cheerful giver.

May God give us grace and strength to face all the good and the bad that this New Year will bring us.

Bob Willmott.

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DICK WHITTINGTON, PUSSY CATS AND ILLUMINATED PARACHUTIST

Yes, it can only be the Aston Abbotts Christmas Show, with any resemblance to the story line of the original Dick Whittington being purely accidental.

We saw Margaret Kent as Pussy and Anne Branker as Dick Whittington, the two leading ladies, turning in a sterling performance, with Margaret frapin and rapping, what was it she was tweedling in her hand all the time. She did say after the second night she had become quite attached to the tail Dick's opening one liner to the Show to say nothing of the thigh slapping performance. Yes it was going to be quite a show, and where does John Branker get those outfits from and John White, yet again the bad guy, not so much typecast as his normal personality.

However, enough of the main sketch for now.

It was Anthony and Dad Nigel treating us to some real culture on Cello and Keyboards.

Also from Helise on clarinet showing not only talent but incredible character. It is not easy to stand alone on stage and play an instrument as difficult as the clarinet.

The culture was briefly interrupted by some fool with a frog on his head talking about illuminated parachutists descending on Aston Abbotts, and Black Frank as usual getting the blame.

And talking of heroes on the night, at two hours notice, with Tony Hewitt struck down with Flu, Kevin Morgan with more courage than sense, agreed to play the part of Loose Elastic, and by the second night with a generous application of red lipstick, suggesting that he was more than enjoying the part.

We arrived at the interval to the raffle organised by Rita and Esther, who would like to

thank all who contributed so generously to the raffle prizes.

At this stage of the proceedings the bar was then opened, staffed as usual by the two most helpful, courteous, friendly, considerate, wonderful people you could ever hope to be served by. They will never get a job at Black Franks.

Part 2 started with more of the same and the new scenery, it would be fair to say created by Andy Bystra, was breathtaking to the extent that when it was disassembled it was done so with some reverence, i.e. not just chucked on the back of the trailer with the rest of the stage. And yes there was more new talent in the village with Dave Taylor wondering around ringing his dingaling, basically shouting at the top of his voice thinking he was still taking the Queens Shilling, or was it the Kings.

The pantomime concluded as only good pantomimes can, with the good guys or were they girls and felines winning, and the appreciative but shell shocked audience heading for Black Franks to tell of the enjoyable excellent evening.

CREDITS:

To Neil Cheshire, not just the musical maestro but M.C., Outtaker, and multi-talented musician. His electrical control panel would have had an EEC Standards Officer on the verge of a nervous breakdown. To Donna Wiggett for allowing us to share the song specially written for her, "Missing You", to Kevin Morgan or do we now call him Welsh Slow Hand, who with Gordon, John and Neil gave us some very popular songs.

It was particularly nice to see further new talent in the form of the 'katetts' alias the younger members of the Taylor family.

And finally, thanks to the audience for their participation and most importantly for spending their money.

APOLOGIES: To anyone I missed out and was part of making this such a wonderful Christmas Show.

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Further information; Dave Parker (668974), Peter Cleasby (682385), Jean Keighley (681235), or any committee member.

PUZZLE ! Do you remember 'Old (real) money'!

	£	s.	d.
1 Bicycle Penny Farthing	"	"	1 1/4
2 Male voice choir	"	"	
3. Small pig	"	"	
4. Crash helmet	"	"	
5. Man's name	"	"	
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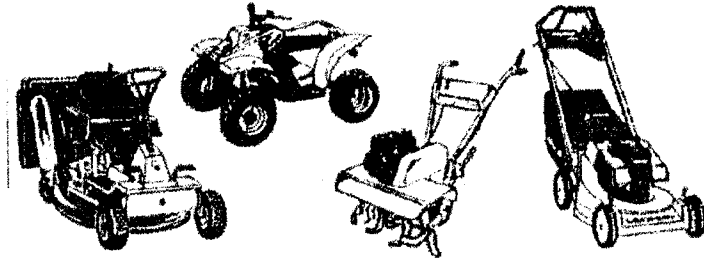
Work out the answers to the above, by thinking of a word associated with each one, as given in the example in No. 1

Put the amount represented in the end column and the total of the 9 items should come to £11..19..08. All 9 items are in 'old money'

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MORE BITS & PIECES.

As editor I occasionally receive information which is either too bulky to reproduce or which I feel is of fairly limited interest (let me know if you feel differently).

Two pieces of information currently received are:-

Firstly, what appears to be an excellent series written by Mr B. McCellan (the Head master of Wingrave CE Combined School) covering advice to parents in selecting a school. The first two cover; "Choosing a school" and "What to look for in a classroom".

Further topics to be covered are "What questions to ask a Headmaster" and "What else to look for in the classroom".

Secondly "the Heathrow local travel guide plus Buckinghamshire, Aylesbury and Sunday rail and coach updates.

If you would like to see or copy these please let me know.

In Oxford Crown Court last month, a lady was granted a divorce on the grounds that her husband had only spoken to her twice during the entire duration of their marriage.

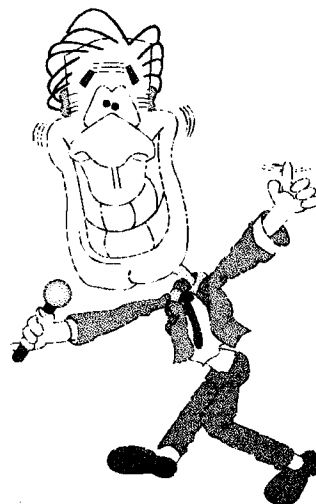
Interestingly enough, she was granted custody of their two children!!!

FUTURE HAPPENINGS

Doctors Orders (the Barber Shop Singers) are booked for **Sat. the 16th of March**. As you will have seen in previous issues of the Chronicle, this is an evening not to be missed

Arrangements are in hand to hold a **Country and Western** type barn dance on the **25th May** with Trevor Howard & his band. providing the music. He was great singing by himself so this promises to be a good night.

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We were born before television, before penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, videos, frisbees and the Pill. We were born before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ball point pens; before dishwashers, tumble dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip dry clothes.....and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together (how quaint can you be?). We thought "fast food" was what you ate in Lent, a "Big Mac" was an oversized raincoat and "crumpet" we had for tea. We existed before house-husbands, computer dating, dual careers, and when a meaningful relationship meant getting along with your cousins and "sheltered accommodation" was where you waited for the bus.

We were born before day centres, Group homes and disposable nappies. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yoghurt and young men wearing earrings. For us "time sharing" meant togetherness, a "chip" was a piece of wood or fried potato, "hardware" meant nuts and bolts and "software" wasn't a word.

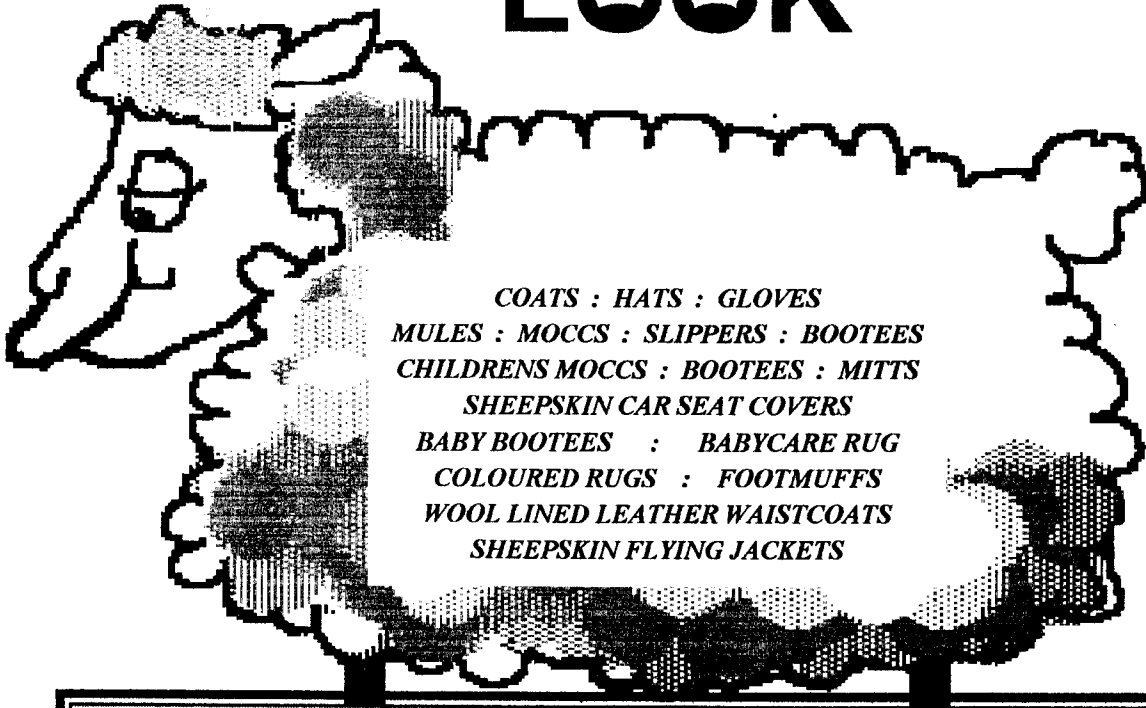
Before 1940, "Made in Japan" meant junk, the term "making out" referred to how you did in your exams, "stud" was something that fastened a collar to your shirt and "going all the way" meant staying on a double-decker bus to the Depot. Pizzas, McDonalds and instant coffee were unheard of.

In our day, cigarette smoking was "fashionable", "Grass" was mown, "coke" was kept in the coal house, a "joint" was a piece of meat you had on Sundays and "pot" was something you cooked it in. "Rock Music" was a grandmother's lullaby. Eldorado was an ice cream, a "gay" person was the life and soul of a party and nothing more, whilst "aids" just meant beauty treatment or help for someone in trouble.

We who were born before 1940 must be a hardy bunch when you think of the way in which the world has changed and the adjustments we have had to make. No wonder we are so confused and there is a generation gap today, butBY THE GRACE OF GOD.....WE HAVE SURVIVED! HALLELUIAH!!!



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