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Editorial

The weather is slowly improving. I haven't had the lawn mower out yet - just hope it starts OK. The daffodils in the grass verge opposite my house are on the point of emerging - they were planted many years ago by Mrs Bellingham. On occasions passers-by have gathered them up assuming they are there to be picked - the daffs put on a brave show every year despite their rough treatment. Hope you will be able to volunteer your services for one hour on Saturday 17th April for the Litter Blitz. Colin Higgs will be at the Church Room at 10.30am to meet you with pickers and refuse sacks for your use and he will direct you to a patch of the village for your kind attention. Wingrave is holding it's breath over Easter, as that is the most likely time that the recently sold parcels of land at the Wingrave crossroads might be occupied by the traveling fraternity. The local authority have been advised and their enforcement officers are on hand. But they cannot act unless/until development takes place; and by then it's too late and a long legal/planning battle commences with an unknown outcome; and over Easter the local authority will be on holiday like the rest of us. This is my penultimate editorial - next month's will be my last. Janice Issett has agreed to take on the task for the next few months at least starting with the June edition. The May edition will be issue no. 300 - cause for a small celebration. I have archive copies of every Chronicle (these I will hand on to Janice) and I'll have a glance through them and publish a small selection of articles that have previously appeared. It's my 65th birthday at the end of March when I'll be in company with friends playing golf in France. It's an annual pilgrimage and is usually played a week earlier. Judy is taking me to Rome for a long weekend at the beginning of May as a late birthday celebration - perhaps I could offer a short item to the new editor recording our exploits?

John

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Alison's Gossip Column

BIRTHDAYS

April

Chris Farrands	1 st
Katy Bull-Diamond	3 rd
Ian Hinds	4 th
Caroline Lane	5 th
Philip Wheaton	6 th
Karen Brandon	7 th
Harry Bystra	9 th
Adrian Bystra	11 th
Laura Whyte	11 th
Annie Copping	13 th
Anthony Palmer	13 th
Geoff Curnow	14 th
Jan Rose	17 th
Robert Clarke	18 th
Sam King	20 th
Alison Lewis	20 th
April Curnow	22 nd
Matthew James	23 rd
Abbie Lee	26 th
Kate Curry	27 th
Diana Picking	28 th
Kirsty Peacock	28 th
Chris Espley	30 th

If only I could tell you about the attempted murder, the taser gun kept in the bedroom, the ménage a trois, the drug trafficking and the property swindles, I would have some gossip. But I can't so there's no gossip! Dearie Me!

St George's Night Dinner.

24th April 2010

Amazingly, within a few days of last month's Chronicle being delivered, I was inundated with requests to attend this dinner.

Regrettably however, due to the limitations of our Church Room, there is no way we could 'fit in' all who wanted to attend and so I would like say sorry to anyone who might have been disappointed and to thank all of you for the support you

have shown.



Quainton: Old would meet new as the high speed train would pass close to the vintage locomotives at Buckinghamshire Railway Centre in Quainton

The route of a new high-speed train linking London and Birmingham has been announced. See page 11 for Colin Higg's article about the old Brill Tram that ran to Quainton and would have been very close to the new tracks proposed.

LITTER BLITZ

Please help keep our Village tidy - your help is needed!
Meet at the CHURCH ROOM
10.30am
17th APRIL

This month's front cover has been kindly sponsored by April Curnow. The front cover pictures a Torte (see page 5), an Easter Cake using the 'Last Minute' cake recipe (see page 4), some hot cross buns and some chocolate muffins - an Easter tea party- photos by Janice Issett

please note

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
14th May Church Room

YOU'VE PROBABLY HEARD OF THE CALENDAR GIRLS - well the Chronicle is going one better!

Hope you were able to try out Judy Hardcastle's Lime Meringue Roulade.

11 lovely ladies have volunteered to suggest a recipe of the month. This month it's April Curnow's turn. The following month's are by Jackie Farrands, Anita Parker & Margaret Hinds. see next page overleaf for **April's April Recipe 'LAST MINUTE' cake.**

ASTON ABBOTTS KITCHEN
featuring the Recipe Girls

April Curnow's **LAST MINUTE CAKE**

A quick and easy cake that is a good alternative to rich fruit cake at Christmas or Easter.

Grease and line a 7" square cake tin. Set oven to Regulo 2 or 140 degrees.

Place 8oz of S.R. Flour, 2oz of ground almonds, 5ozs of golden demerera sugar, 5oz of butter or margarine, a 1lb jar of mincemeat and three beaten eggs in a large bowl. Beat all ingredients together until smooth and glossy. Now add 6oz of marzipan, cut into cubes, and 4oz of chopped, dried, ready to eat apricots and stir into the mixture until well distributed. Pour into cake tin and smooth surface with the back of a wet tablespoon. Bake on the middle shelf of the oven for two hours. As ovens vary it may be advisable to test the cake after one and three quarter hours.



This cake is delicious left quite plain but is equally nice decorated with a layer of marzipan and a few yellow chicks for Easter or iced and decorated for Christmas. If marzipan and apricots are not your favourites substitute them for the same weight of glace cherries, walnuts, raisins, dates etc. etc.

Having looked for Easter recipes in about 30 cookery books I came across the following vegetarian recipe and thought I would share it with you. I can vouch for the fact that it is quite delicious.

April Curnow

EASTER PIE or TORTE PASQUALINA

Legend has it that Torta Pasqualina is one of the oldest recorded Italian recipes. The name means Easter Pie and it is said that the dough was originally rolled into 33 layers to symbolise Christ's age when he died. Today it is made more simply with puff pastry and it is a very filling vegetarian pie which will keep in a cool place for 2-3 days. This recipe will make 4-5 generous portions.

Prep time - approx 30 minutes.

Cooking time - 1 hour at 200 degrees or Reg 6.

Preheat oven to Reg 6 and prepare a 8" non stick pie plate.

Ingredients:- 1lb of washed, fresh Spinach, Salt, 1 ounce of Butter, 1 crushed clove of Garlic, half a level teaspoon of dried Marjoram, 8ozs. of Ricotta Cheese, 4 Eggs, 2 ounces of grated Parmesan, a quarter of a teaspoon of grated Nutmeg, freshly ground Black Pepper to taste and about 12 ounces of prepared Puff or Flaky pastry.

Method:- Put spinach in a large pan with only the water that clings to the leaves after washing. Add half a teaspoon of salt and cook for 4 minutes. Drain and chop finely. Melt butter in a large pan, add spinach, garlic and marjoram and cook very gently, constantly shaking the pan, for a further 3 minutes.

Allow to cool completely. Beat together the ricotta cheese with one of the eggs, 1 ounce of the Parmesan, the nutmeg, a little salt and plenty of black pepper. Roll out two thirds of the pastry to line the tin. Mix cold spinach mixture together with the cheese mixture and spread over the pastry base. Make 3 indents in the mixture with the back of a tablespoon and break an egg into each. Sprinkle the rest of the parmesan cheese over the eggs, roll out the remaining pastry and cover the pie ensuring the edges are well sealed. Use scraps of pastry to decorate the pie. Prick the pie all over with a fork and brush lightly with oil. Bake just below the centre of the oven for 60 minutes. Check after 30 minutes and, if browning too quickly, cover with foil. Allow to cool completely before serving. Delicious with a tomato and onion salad.

My 40th Birthday Celebration

On 26th February I turned 40 and to mark the occasion Jane and Dan arranged a fabulous 1920's themed party for me at the Unicorn. The evening was a real success and it was great that so many of you were able to join my celebrations. The attention to detail was wonderful to see, with themed decorations, 1920's movies playing and even the bar staff dressed for the occasion. The Spokes played a fantastic range of covers and really got everyone into a party mood. The hog roast spread was delicious and seemed to go well with everyone tucking into everything but the cake, which we forgot to cut!! I've now started to develop my mid life spread, having eaten birthday cake every night since, as not knowing what else to do with it all.

A big thank you to...

Everyone for your lovely gifts and for making such an effort with your fancy dress costumes, you all helped to really make a special evening for me.

Happy snapper Lynn for the surprise photo DVD the next day, which helped capture the memory

Tim, Sharon and team at the Unicorn for all their hard work and support in making the night a success

To the Spokes for their energetic and electrifying performance

And to my lovely wife Jane and son Dan for arranging such a fabulous party



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CHURCH ROOM

You will notice in this issue of the Chronicle (*Church Room bookings on page 31*) that Colin Higgs intends to give up his voluntary role as caretaker of the Church Room in June this year. The Church Room is probably the smallest in the county, but it is all we have and is the single, communal facility in the village that makes it a vital part of the village social scene. Colin has single handedly managed this for a number of years, 12 years to my knowledge and probably considerably more in addition to his work in the Church. All his unstinting efforts in the organisation, the upkeep and the management of the Room deserves a vote of thanks from everyone who has benefitted to a greater or lesser extent from this unique facility and his work in keeping it running.

Dickie Dicken

EASTER, MAY & AUGUST HOLIDAYS 2010 REFUSE and RECYCLING COLLECTIONS

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CRAFT AND SEWING GROUP ANYONE?

Are you interested in sewing or craft and would you like some pleasant company while doing it? How about a sewing/craft group, once a month round at someone's house over tea and biscuits? Val and Janice are both keen crafters and got together recently to make some bunting, they would very much like other people to join in and thought the group could be a variety of things – decided upon as we go along.

We made a start on the bunting that Val needs for her daughters wedding and thought the group could vary from one meeting to another. Quite a few of the villagers have said that they have a tapestry, or cross-stitch sampler unfinished. Others need some help with party decorations and it would also be nice to do a group project for charity.

Janice has recently taken up patchwork quilting again and her teacher from the Queens Park Arts centre in Aylesbury is happy to come along and oversee a group quilt. So whether its knitting, soft furnishings, whatever, it could all be included – anything welcome. So please please, don't be shy, and even if you have never done any kind of craft project before we can help you along. Its not about your skill level, more just a nice afternoon get together over tea and chat.

Contact either Val or Janice (Janice is at 3 The Green 681 464).

ASTON ABBOTTS BOOK CLUB

At our meeting on 24th March we discussed Sam Crawley's selection 'French Leave' by Fidelma Cook. This is a light easy read about a single middle-aged journalist's life changing decision to move to France. There were mixed opinions about the sincerity and true motivation around her decision. Certain aspects one could relate to and others were perhaps just a journalistic twist. We liked the font size and paper the book is printed on.

The next book to read, chosen by Anita Parker, is 'Two Caravans' by Marina Lewycka. Meet at Anita's house 8pm 21st April. (The book for May, selected by John Hardcastle, is "Moon Tiger" by Penelope Lively.)

If you would like to join in the discussion/fun then please let me know. You will be very welcome.

If your a man who reads books please get in touch. There are two of us at the moment. Ed

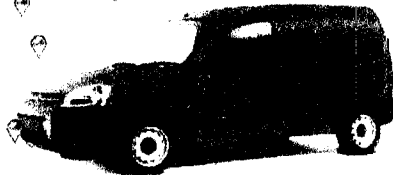
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ALLOTMENT DIARY

I've always steered clear of the usual allotment diary stuff (now is the time to double-dig your vegetable patch and dig in fertiliser; earth up your leeks; thin out your carrots, etc.), knowing my level of ignorance and general horticultural inadequacy. However, it has just struck me that my inadequacy might be a virtue, in that there may be readers who have been thinking "If someone as incompetent as Peter Shorrocks can grow vegetables successfully, perhaps we should have a go!"

In the thought that this might be the case, I propose this month to offer some advice to those of you who have never grown vegetables before, and are wondering what to grow. My advice, based on my own experience over the last 6 years is as follows:-

Potatoes Absolute doddle to grow. They have the added bonus that the thick foliage also tends to keep down weeds. The only problem I have ever had was in the wet summer a couple of years ago, when we had potato blight. You can also keep them for months after digging them up (in a cool place, with some ventilation) – although this year I found that about 25% of my stored potatoes became spongy and went bad, because they froze during the cold spell at the beginning of January. The answer, according to Vic, is to make sure your storage containers are covered over during very cold weather.

Onions Again, very easy to grow. Apart from the occasional bulb which has failed to germinate, I have never had a failure. And again you can store many varieties for months after picking. (I still have about half of last autumn's crop hanging on hooks in my garage).

Carrots Can be temperamental. Sometimes you will find a whole row of seeds will fail to come up. They are also very prone to attack by carrot fly. They can be stored in earth or sand, but cannot be kept as easily and successfully as potatoes or onions.

Courgettes One of my favourites. The plants start producing around July-time, and carry on until September. You will find that each plant will produce about one courgette ready for picking every couple of days. Two things to watch for: slugs love them, and if you are not careful, will eat right through the stem of the plant, so causing its early demise. You need to keep the plants surrounded by slug pellets, especially in their infancy. Secondly, unless you keep a close eye on your plants, you will find that you have inadvertently grown marrows rather than courgettes.

Leeks Another easy vegetable. The thing to watch out for with them, is to keep them carefully weeded when they first start growing. The early shots which eventually grow into leeks are very small and thin, and are very easy to lose amongst other weeds – and will eventually get smothered by them.

Lettuces I find that even though I try to stagger the planting of the seeds, all the lettuces tend to become ready for picking at about the same time – and by the time I have finished eating the first one, the others have bolted.

Cabbages, sprouts, broccoli, cauliflowers, etc. Unless you are prepared to invest in netting and make some sort of frame/cage to keep them in, don't bother. Those the pigeons do not eat will have hundreds of eggs laid on them by butterflies like the cabbage white, and the caterpillars will finish them off.

Peas and beans A fairly easy crop to grow, but remember that you will have to make some sort of frame for them to grow against. They do also rather suffer from the same problem as lettuces, which is that the whole crop tends to come at once, and you have a glut on your hands.

Sweet-corn For some reason I have never been able to grow this plant successfully, although I know my fellow allotmenters have done so. This is may be a plant which is above my competence level, and don't let me dissuade you from trying to grow them. (I shall be trying again this year).

The only other thing I would say, is that when you grow vegetables, you need to use common sense, keeping the weeds down, and watering your vegetable plants if we have a dry spell. It's always worked for me, and I'm sure it will work for you.

Every spring I am struck by the miracle that the seeds one puts into the ground produce shoots, and these gradually turn into vegetable plants. This year another minor miracle struck me, which is the way that the grass clippings, dead leaves and other odd bits of vegetable matter that I throw on my compost heap, after 3 years, metamorphose into a beautiful rich earthy substance, by some process that I cannot understand, and become compost ready to enrich the soil of my vegetable patch. Nature really is extraordinary.

Next I need to mention the passing of an era. Our most famous allotment gardener, Vic Scott, has finally hung his (allotment) boots up, and has given up his allotment - after at least 25 years. It does not mean, of course that he is giving up gardening: far from it! He will still be running his own garden, which is one of the biggest in the village – and almost certainly the best stocked – and he will be growing the vegetables that he and Christine need in his garden, rather than at the allotments. I am sure I speak for all the Aston Abbotts allotmenters, when I say that he will be greatly missed, and in particular we will miss his fund of knowledge and advice, always readily given. In his place we welcome Chris & Jackie Farrands, who have taken over his patch.

Peter Shorrocks (birthday congratulations to Peter on his 70th. Ed)

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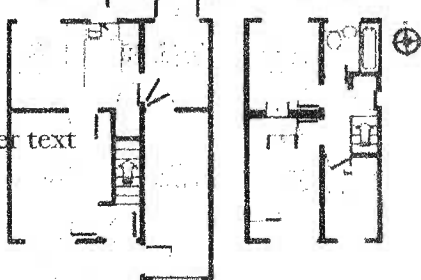
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St George's Night Dinner

Sat. 24th April 2010

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Quite a few villagers have suggested it might be nice to resurrect the celebration of our Patron Saint, St George.

To this end, and to raise some much need cash to carry out essential repairs to our church, arrangements are in hand to hold a dinner on the Saturday following St George's Day.

A hot, four course meal is planned and will be prepared and served by those wonderful ladies who's 'Harvest Suppers' are legendary!! Final menu to be agreed but the main course will include best English beef supplied by Tony Hinds; all for £12.00 pp.

To avoid overcrowding, places will be strictly limited to 46 so we suggest you book early. Further details will be published in the April issue of the Chronicle but if you wish to reserve places now, please ring Andy Bystra on 681690



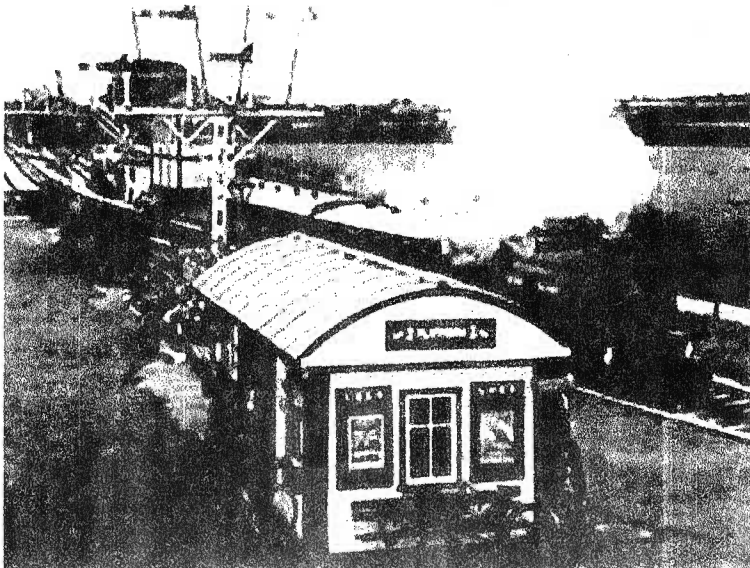
THE BRILL TRAM from Colin Higgs

The Brill or Wotton tram, as it was known, was a very rural line in the heart of the Buckinghamshire countryside. It was built by the Duke of Buckingham together with Sir Harry Verney of Claydon House. The line was opened eventually with stations at Brill, Wotton, Westcott, Waddesdon Road and Quainton where it connected with the Metropolitan Line to Aylesbury and London.

The goods it carried included coal, road metal, manure from London stables, casks of ale, hay, straw, grain and timber for farms along the line.

A table of fines was drawn up with the driver fined one shilling for not having the engine ready or for half day's pay for arriving late at Quainton - the guard's fine was similar.

WW1 brought prosperity to the line when troops going to Wotton House, that had been made available for armed forces, filled the carriages. Four trains operated daily in each direction and took 40 minutes to cover the 6 miles between Brill and Quainton. Connections would also be made to Verney Junction, Buckingham and Brackley. The fares were nine and a half pence Brill to Quainton and two shillings and fourpence Brill to Aylesbury.



On 16th July 1933 the Metropolitan Line became part of London Transport and gave the false impression it reached out to Brill. This was not good news for the Brill Tram and it suffered passenger loses. Sadly the last train left Quainton for Brill on 30th November 1935 with an overflowing amount of passengers. Oil lamps were extinguished and removeable items were placed on the train at each station and on arrival at Brill a large crowd had gathered to pay their last respects and sang Auld Lang Syne with the ritual cutting of the rails on the stroke of midnight.

Some people would say the line lives on with the post box at Brill Station and station sheds at Wotton still bearing the name and the Brill platform at Quainton used by the Buckinghamshire Railway Centre.

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News from Wingrave CE Combined School

We are nearing the end of a busy and very enjoyable Spring term and I will soon have completed my first year at Wingrave. Time has certainly flown by since I arrived last April. We break up on April 1st when the whole school will be visiting Wingrave Church for our Easter Service.

Before half term we were visited by our School Improvement Partner at the Local Authority. Such visits are part of the monitoring of all Buckinghamshire Primary Schools. She spent time with me looking at the improvements we have been making this year and more importantly visited classrooms looking at lessons and the children's learning. She was very impressed with what she saw and commented particularly on the high standards both academically and of behaviour and attitudes to learning across the school. This week I received her report. I was delighted that she judges teaching across the school to be good. She also highlighted the improvements we have made to the curriculum this year. In the report she wrote:

"The School judges the curriculum to be good and the SIP agrees with this judgement. The curriculum provides well-organised, imaginative and effective opportunities for learning and a broad range of experiences which contribute well to the pupils' enjoyment, development and well-being."

If you would like to visit the school to see the improvements we are continuing to make and to see our well behaved and well motivated children as they learn, then please contact the school office to make an appointment on 681436. We would love to show you around. Our weekly newsletter is published every week on our website.

Patricia Gurton Headteacher

**EASTER SUNDAY
SERVICE
Aston Abbots**

Sunday 4th April

11.30

This is to be a 'Family Service'
followed by Communion and will be
conducted by the
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Easter eggs for all children

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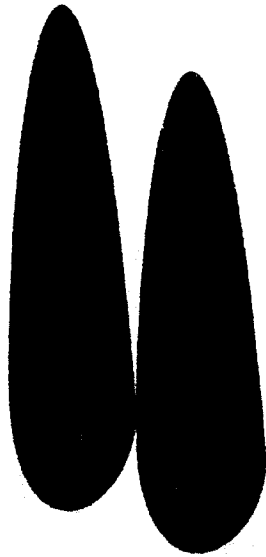
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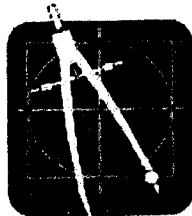
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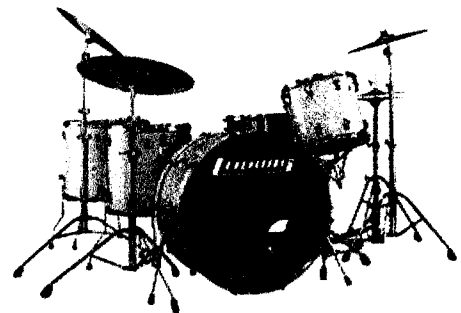
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Aston Abbotts

Countryside Matters - April 2010

Well time is moving on and I do hope now in the middle of March we are pulling out of this dreadful winter. It is not so much the frost or even the snow but that awful north easterly wind that cuts you to the bone. The lambs keep arriving daily and it's the wet that hits them so hard, they don't mind the dry cold but the driving rain does them no good. Let's hope the dry weather holds a little longer. With the hunting ban the fox population is rising rapidly, at night they often wake me with their distinctive calls and drive the Jack Russell's mad. A few years ago we lost quite a few lambs to foxes, let's hope this year there are enough rabbits to go around.

The other worrying feature recently reported is that Red kites are targeting young leverets. Up until recently I thought that kites only fed on carrion but this in some knowledgeable quarters has been renamed, 'What ever they can carry'. This is disturbing news for the brown hare because they have a tough enough time surviving our coursing 'friends' as it is. (And yes they are at it again)

The shooting fraternity do not kill hares as they are considered ground game and any way need protecting. The last time I ate hare was last year, a large jack hare, a road kill, and very good it was too!! We had its jacket off and put in the pot, much to the disgust and amazement of our children. One of the other suggestions that disturbed me is the belief that sparrow hawks take woodpeckers. I have never seen this happen but we have built up a wonderful pair of lesser spotted and only on Sunday we had a male green woodpecker, shocking crimson red head, yellow green body and grey green rear, 10 feet from the window digging for ants on the lawn. Nature is truly harsh as soon as a species builds some numbers another species starts harvesting them. I also spied some red leg partridge looking for nest sites; they usually nest in a lavender bush so the dogs cannot smell their scent, very cunning!

Lastly, the good news, according to the Barn Owl Conservation network over the last 10-20 years there has been a 50% increase in numbers of barn owls, we now have 6,000 pairs. The reason for the increase is twofold; firstly the farmers are providing habitat corridors, grass, headlands planted with wild flowers and different grass species, all these favour owl prey, namely voles and mice. Secondly, farmers, 10,000 of them, with conservationists have provided a remarkable 35,000 nest box sites. How marvellous for the farmers to get some good press for a change!

James Henderson

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Aston Abbotts Parish Council

Parish Meeting

Tuesday 2nd March 2010

Present: - Cllrs. C Higgs, D Dicken, Mrs K Curry, P Shorrocks (Chair), and P Bruton (Clerk).
County Councillor Ms N Glover was in attendance.
Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. J Hardcastle and R Clarke and
District Councillor Mr P Cooper.

Parish Councillor vacancy – The Clerk advised that he had received notification from the Electoral Officer that as no requests for an election had been received we could proceed with the co-option of a person to fill the vacancy. It was RESOLVED to co-opt Mr James Perkins as a Parish Councillor and the Clerk would arrange for the necessary paperwork to be completed.

Correspondence to note – The Clerk handed to Councillor Higgs details of the WWOI campaign in respect of planned highway maintenance received from BCC to respond on behalf of Council. It was agreed that Council would not respond to the BCC consultation on Draft Parking and Enforcement Policy, as there was no relevance to the issue in the Village.

AVDC were promoting Parish Youth Councils and it was agreed that the Clerk would contact Wingrave Parish Council to see whether they were participating and if so whether our village would be able to join forces with them as our size did not warrant progressing the opportunity.

County Council, District and matters - County Councillor Glover gave an overview of items that she felt were of interest to Parishioners and details would be passed to the Chronicle for inclusion in the next issue. It was reported that despite appearances Highways were continuing to tackle the issue of Pot Holes and encouraged all to report them to the Highways on Call number and if nothing is happening to keep pestering them.

Village Plan – Councillor Shorrocks reported that a meeting had taken place and some progress on the content of the Plan had been made. A further meeting was to be arranged.

Litter Blitz – The date of the Village litter blitz was agreed as the **17th April 10:30am** meet as usual at the Church rooms.

Notice Board – The Bus shelter Notice Board was in a poor state and after discussion it was decided to consider the options for replacement.

Play around the Parishes – We had received provisional dates of the 3rd and 12th of August for this year's events and the Clerk would contact last year's organiser to see whether they were available to co-ordinate the events this year.

Annual Parish Meeting – The meeting was scheduled for the **12th May** and there was concern that the attendance was poor and the only people to speak were those responsible for providing reports. There was discussion around the content of the Agenda and it was agreed the Clerk would modify the document and we would try to promote the meeting to try to generate some enthusiasm amongst villagers and improve attendance.

Street Light upgrades – The meeting discussed the recent quotation received and it was agreed to review the location of the lights in order to decide which lights would be upgraded if it was decided to phase the works over 2 years.

Speed Limit review – We had received the County Council proposals for the speed limit review that included our village and Council were pleased with the resulting proposals. These indicated that the 30mph limit would be extended at all points of entry to the village, meaning that a section of Lines Hill and the length of Moat Lane would now be included in the 30mph area.

Recreation Ground - The monthly inspections had been carried out and there was nothing to report. The new fencing work was scheduled to start week commencing 8th March.

It was confirmed that the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th April 2010 at 20.00 in the Church Rooms.

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WORST WINTER FOR 30 YEARS TAKES ITS TOLL ON ROADS - reports Bucks County Council

THE unforeseen worst winter the UK has seen in a generation has resulted in unprecedented damage to roads all over the country - and Buckinghamshire is pulling out all the stops to repair potholes that are evident across the county.

Between mid Dec and mid Jan there were four significant snowfall events. Over this period 28 out of 30 nights had below zero road surface temperature. Minimum road surface temperature recorded in this period -8.2 C at A41 Westcott and many other nights well below freezing.

This understandably has taken its toll on our roads and a steady stream of complaints has been coming in to our call centre. Potholes are being reported but also the claims for damage to vehicles are increasing. Due to the current high volumes, if a member of the public makes a claim, the current turnaround time is approximately 12 - 16 weeks.

The area maintenance teams are working tirelessly to ensure that all dangerous pot holes are repaired within 24 hours of them being identified. £2m from Buckinghamshire County Councils' reserves was recently made available to Transport for Buckinghamshire (TfB) to deal with the ongoing problem. TfB has a robust strategy for dealing with this very demanding situation. There is a four stage approach to road repairs including:

Programmed, Emergency and Priority routes Find and fix gangs work on these identified routes on a rotational basis repairing the dangerous pot holes. These are the routes that are treated with salt before the formation of ice on the roads. There are 25 routes in total and between them they cover approx 1350km.

Inspected routes Inspections are carried out along planned routes which are in evenly spread across High Wycombe, South Bucks, Aylesbury Vale North and South. Six gangs follow the route daily to repair the potholes identified as dangerous by the inspectors.

Plane and Patch gang Transport for Buckinghamshire has secured a plane and patch gang who deal with the larger areas of potholes giving a smoother and more permanent finish. This gang has been working around Aylesbury Vale. They will be in the south of the county from 6th April. They will begin in the Wycombe area but will also be working in Chiltern and South Bucks

Transport for Buckinghamshire would like to make the public aware that traffic management is required on a larger scale for the Plane and Patch gangs to carry out their work so there will be some disruption to the road network. Details of where this gang is working are made available on the BCC website. www.buckscc.gov.uk/transport

Potholes reported from the public Potholes are either reported through our contact centre or via the website. Once a pothole is reported one of our technicians will inspect it. Currently the majority of dangerous potholes are repaired within 24 hours of being reported. If the road and weather conditions allow then a permanent repair is made. If a temporary repair has to be made, a sign is put out to ensure that the public know we are aware of it and that a permanent repair is programmed.

Valerie Letheren Cabinet member for Transportation said: "Our gangs are working so hard trying to ensure that the roads in Buckinghamshire are safe for all users. The £2m additional funding is being spent wisely and the approach we are using will ensure the money for repair is shared equally across the county. Our residents will soon start to see the results but this severe winter has really taken its toll on our roads. I would ask that people bear with us as traffic congestion will inevitably increase as we carry out more major repairs".



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Chiltern Cats Protection who cover our area and who recently helped the rescue and re-homing of eight cats in our village, are threatened with closure due to lack of funds. Many fundraising events will be taking place, the first of which is a stall at Aylesbury Market on April 10th (if you have any bric-a-brac can you get it to Janice Issitt). Together with local events like this and Long Wick Fete on 3rd May, The Winslow show etc. there are national events which Janice and Ian Roberts will be taking part in. Ian has 'jumped' at the chance to do an abseil and Janice is still toying with the idea of a midnight prowling around London dressed as a cat. Ian will be looking for sponsors between now and 4th July.

The abseil will be off Kings College Hospital, London. A 30m abseil from the roof of Kings College Hospital, and yes, if it all goes wrong medical attention is at hand. See page 21.

Don't be surprised if you spot Janice dressed as a cat outside the local supermarket with a collecting tin.

For more information about events local and national look on the Cats Protection website <http://www.chiltern.cats.org.uk/>

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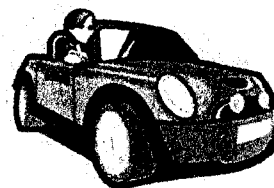
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Aston Abbotts & Cublington Ladies Club

The club arranges for speakers to give talks at most of their fortnightly meetings. They cover a very wide range of topics as can be seen from the list I've published below.

The invitation is not restricted to just ladies!!

So!! - If you feel you might be interested in any of these, why not 'get out of the house for a while and come along and enjoy a n interesting and convivial hour or so.

A small charge of £2.00 is made to help with the cost of speakers but this includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

PROGRAMME FOR 2010

April 1st Valerie Carroll 'Behind the scenes of a Royal Footman'

April 15th Spring Lunch.

April 29th Rosemary Wakeman 'No phones on Saturdays'

May 13th Sue Cato 'Fundraising can be such fun'

May 27th Peter Knight 'A talk on various subjects with humour'

June 10th Ann Severn 'More readings to make you smile'

June 24th Edwin Rye 'Colour and David Austin Roses'

Ladies Club – Thurs. 4th Mar. 15 members were present at

today's meeting in the church room Aston Abbotts.

The Chairman welcomed everybody and the minutes were read and approved.

Our speaker, Mrs. Alison Lewis was introduced and gave an interesting talk about her job as a Magistrate. The position of Magistrate was introduced in the 13th century but has evolved over the years into the very complex system it is today. She was thanked by Audrey Stephenson.

Our tea hostesses today were Diane Smart and Daphne Rogers and the raffle was won by June Loader.



Ladies Club – Thurs. 18th March.

15 members and one guest were present at today's meeting in the church room. After welcoming our members and guest, the Chairman, read the minutes of our previous meeting which were duly signed. We also finalized the venue for our Summer outing.

Our Speaker today was Vic Scott who had stepped in at very short notice to give a very informative and enjoyable slide show and talk about Nepal.

He was thanked by Mrs. Shirley Ford.

Tea hostesses were Shirley Ford and April Curnow and the raffle winner was appropriately Christine Scott.

Janice told Ian to go take a running jump off a high building and he took her seriously! see page 19

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From James Perkins

You may vaguely remember who I am; I'm the guy who ran the race night to raise money for the Church last year, I live at 81 The Green with Hannah (Bridget's Daughter).

I am now intending to hold a Summer Ball in the village, after the Fete, to raise money for village causes, and hope as many of you as possible will support this grand event.

ASTON ABBOTTS SUMMER BALL

Ladies and Gentlemen dust off your best frocks (That includes you Tony.H!)
because on

**Saturday 24th July 2010 Aston Abbotts
will be holding a Summer Ball**

The idea of an event in the evening after the fete has been something I have rambled on about for quite a while. My thought is that a lot of effort goes into the fete and it would be nice to end the day with an evening event for all to celebrate the success of the day. So on Wednesday evening I went to the fete meeting with this suggestion and they thought it an excellent idea.

So roughly here is the plan. I have hired a large marquee, a great band has been booked, catering has been ordered, we have a funny looking DJ - so all we need now is people to start buying tickets. Tickets are priced at £35 a person which includes a fantastic buffet.

All profits from this event will go to the village.

Tickets will be available from myself at 81 The Green, April Curnow at Leafy Oaks and the Royal Oak.

I look forward to updating you on more details on the event in the future.

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Speed Review: Following a request for a speed camera along the A418 between Park Gate Corner and the school roundabout I have asked for a mobile camera to visit in the near future. The latest thought on speed cameras is that people soon get used to them and slow down only for the few yards covered by the camera and then speed up again. Whereas once word gets round that motorists have been fined as a result of the mobile camera speeding in the area falls. A depressing fact to come out of recent research is that it is locals who are more likely to be doing the speeding. You may have noticed a number of police cars parked in the school's bus park last Thursday. This was to check on mobile phone use and whether people were using their seat belts. Interestingly in the two hours they were there they found 27 people not wearing seatbelts, 4 people using mobile phones, one dangerous carriage of persons (whatever that means) and a Section 165 seizure – probably uninsured or unlicensed drivers. There will have to re visit on another occasion to carry out a speed check.

I subsequently attended an exercise in Mursley where 5 motorists were stopped for driving at speeds between 35 and 39 mph. They either got a fine or had to agree to go on a speed awareness course. The moral is to be very careful when driving through the villages – there might be a man with a camera waiting behind a hedge! It is very easy to creep over the 30 mph limit so I am now using my speed control facility in these situations. Driving schools now teach new drivers with a manual gear change to engage third gear to avoid creeping over the limit.

Aylesbury Youth Motor Project. This is a charity that used to be called Skidz. It exists to help youngsters who want to make a career in the motor or mechanics field. It has been granted some money by BCC which has enabled them to acquire an inspection lift. Originally the enterprise was set up to help young offenders but it was soon realised that there were a lot of youngsters who could benefit from the training offered by the project so it was soon open to all. If you want to find out more log on to Skidz.org.uk.

Bus Time table: The latest comprehensive timetable guide for bus services in Aylesbury Vale is now available. It shows timetables for all services in the Aylesbury vale area covering towns and villages including; Aylesbury, Stoke Mandeville, Wendover, Buckingham, Winslow, Cheddington and Ivinghoe. Also included within the guide are route maps of the area and information about schemes such as concessionary fares and nextBus, the really useful real time information. You can pick up a copy at a number of outlets including your local library, tourist information centre, post office, district and county council

Good Neighbour scheme – The Local Area Forum were presented with a Good Neighbour scheme. It still has to be developed and most importantly to find out the level of interest. But I thought people might like to know it is being considered. The idea is to help the more vulnerable people with such things as pet walking, reading to the blind, odd jobs in the garden, respite for carers, form filling, errands. Lots more. I will keep you informed of progress.

Pot Holes: Highways are continuing to fill potholes as fast as they can. If anyone sees a particularly bad one please report it on 0845 230 2882 or email tfb@buckscc.gov.uk and an area technician will come and inspect the site.

Netta Glover County Councillor

Free fire safety checks

Free safety checks to help reduce the risk of a fire or other emergency in your home are available from Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service

Free smoke alarms are fitted where required, and firefighters will also help you find out more about other useful local services if you are interested.

The checks take about 30 minutes each, depending on the size of the house, and are usually carried out by firefighters. The householder needs to be present to answer a few questions.

Firefighters will offer fire safety advice, based on any potential fire risks that they may have identified during the check, and answer questions.

They will then fit as many smoke alarms as they think necessary. Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service currently fits British Standard smoke alarms with a sealed battery that should last 10 years in normal use.

To book one of these free checks, ring 01296 744477 or email cs@bucksfire.gov.uk

Community safety manager Terry Ridgley said: "When fires break out, smoke alarms provide a vital early warning sign. If the fire happens at night, they are often your only warning."

Here are Terry's top tips to ensure you and your family stay safe from fire:

Fit and maintain a smoke alarm: You should have one on each level of your home and test it weekly. The ideal position is on the ceiling, in the middle of a room, or in the hallway and landing. Test it weekly.

Plan your escape route: Make sure you and your family know the quickest way out in the event of fire. Consider an alternative route in case your usual one is blocked.

In the event of a fire, get out, stay out and call 999: Don't delay for valuables, and don't investigate or try to tackle the fire. Use a mobile, a neighbour's phone or a phone box to call 999. If someone needs to be rescued wait safely outside for the firefighters who have the equipment and training to do it. Never go back in.

Check on others: When you visit relatives or friends, look out for safety hazards in the home. Offer to help test their alarm and plan escape routes together.

Keep internal doors shut: This will slow down the spread of fire.

Picture caption

Four key safety messages - Fit smoke alarms; Test them every week; Plan an escape route; Get out, stay out and call 999.

Judy and I arranged for one of these checks - well worth it - they even turned up in a fire engine! Ed



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Although vehicle crime in the Vale is one of the lowest rates across the entire Thames Valley, AVDC and Thames Valley Police are asking residents to spare a thought for car security when visiting beauty spots in the coming months.

The misconception is that by parking in the middle of nowhere, possessions will be safer but the truth is that a quieter setting provides the perfect opportunity for a thief. Don't give thieves an easy opportunity. Follow the steps below to protect your car and valuables....

- Securely lock all doors and shut windows and sunroofs, even if you're leaving your car for just a few minutes
- Don't leave anything on display in your car, even a coat can be tempting
- Take all valuables with you – do not leave them in the glove box, in the boot or under the seat, this is the first place a thief will look

For a car air freshener or a 'no valuables have been left in this car' sign please call into Customer Services at Aylesbury Vale District Council, 66 High Street, Aylesbury or visit the AVDC desk at the Buckingham Centre, Verney Close, Buckingham. Information is also available at www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/communitysafety

If you are unable to travel due to a disability, please contact the Council on 01296 585615 and we can arrange to post the item.



Council and Police working together to reduce crime and disorder.

Easter 'Day out with Thomas – 2nd, 3th, 4th and 5th April

Thomas and his friends pull up for an Easter steaming; this is always a hugely popular family event, so be sure to put it in your calendar! Pay once and stay all day prices are Adult £13 and Child (Over 2) £10.

Brownies take over/Pink Tractor Run – Sun 25th April

To commemorate 100 years of the Brownies we will be letting a local pack of Brownies run the Centre for a day! There will also be a pink tractor run in support of cancer research, the run will begin and end at the centre after a 10 mile round circuit.

May Day Holiday - 2nd - 3rd May

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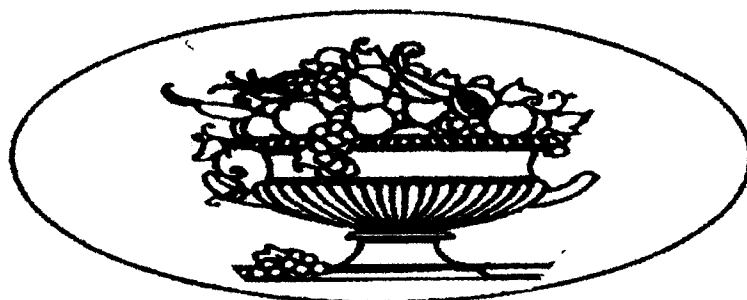
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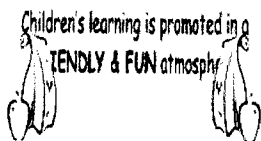
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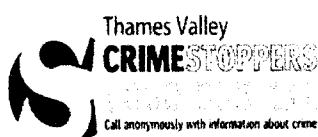
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5th Sunday Benefice AA/Cub./Soul./Stew. in rotation

The Church is OPEN every Thursday morning at 9.30 am for anyone who wishes to reflect, meditate or pray for a few minutes or longer.

It is anticipated that the Church will be open for around half an hour or so and people may come and go as they wish. Usually Shirley Ford will be present to start with a religious reading or prayer.

Please come along.

2/4 2pm Good Friday - Story of the Cross - Rev Ian Ogilvie

4/4 11.30am Easter Sunday - Holy Communion - Rev Roger Hale

11/4 10.15 am - Holy Communion - Rev Peter Binns

18/4 10am - Holy Communion - Rev Donald Riding

25/4 10am - Holy Communion - Rev Norman Dick

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				1st May Andy Bystra

Sunday 4th April 2010

The **2010 Easter Date** applies to the western calendar (Catholic and Protestant Churches), and also to the The Eastern Orthodox church. This is an unusual event since the two branches of Christianity have different methods for calculating the correct date for Easter. There are only a few years each century when the Easter dates match like this so Easter 2010 is seen as extra special.

Why does the Easter date move every year?

in the year 325AD, the Roman Emperor Constantine got the early Christian leaders together at Nicea to fix matters of doctrine and dates of important Christian events such as Easter. They chose the first Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox; (as opposed to Christmas day which they fixed as 25th December).

Why are there usually two dates for Easter Sunday?

Not all early Christians attended the council of Nicea or agreed with the results. The Eastern Orthodox church is the largest of the groups who chose a different criteria for determining Easter. In years past people fought and died over the 'correct' date of Easter. Thankfully we have grown up a bit since then and differences such as this are not considered important.

WHAT HAPPENED ON GOOD FRIDAY

Jesus was arrested and was tried, in a mock trial. He was handed over to the Roman soldiers to be beaten and flogged with whips. A crown of long, sharp thorns was thrust upon his head.

Jesus was forced to carry his own cross outside the city to Skull Hill. He was so weak after the beating that a man named Simon, who was from Cyrene, was pulled from the crowd and forced to carry Jesus' cross the rest of the way.

Jesus was nailed to the cross. Two other criminals were crucified with him, their crosses were on either side of him. A sign above Jesus read "The King of the Jews."

Easter Holiday Fun Day

Wingrave Church invite children aged 5-11 years to join in the Fun Day on Thursday 15 April from 10am-3.30pm We will be performing the musical *Noah* from scratch! The day will also include the usual creative activities, fun, games, singing and storytelling. The evening performance of *Noah* will be from 6.30-7.30pm.

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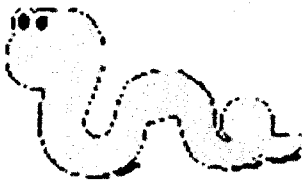
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Sunday 4th	Easter Day - Family Communion <i>note time change</i>	St James Church 11.30am
Wednesday 7th	Parish Council	Church Room 8pm
Thursday 8th	Coffee Shop Bingo	Church Room 10-12noon Church Room 7.30pm
Sunday 11th	Holy Communion	St James Church 10.15am
Tuesday 13th	Mobile Library	The Green 10.50am
Thursday 15th	Coffee Shop Ladies Club(Spring Lunch) Whist Drive	Church Room 10-12noon Church Room 12.30pm Church Room 7.30pm
Saturday 17th	Village Litter Blitz - pickers and sacks provided	Church Room 10.30am
Sunday 18th	Holy Communion	St James Church 10am
Thursday 22nd	Coffee Shop	Church Room 10-12noon
Saturday 24th	St George's Day Dinner	Church Room 7pm
Sunday 25th	Holy Communion	St James Church 10am
Tuesday 27th	Mobile Library	The Green 10.50am
Thursday 1st April	Coffee Shop Ladies Club Whist Drive	Church Room 10-12noon Church Room 2.15pm Church Room 7.30pm
Sunday 2nd May	Rambling Club Meet at Marsworth Church Evensong	St James Church 2pm St James Church 6pm

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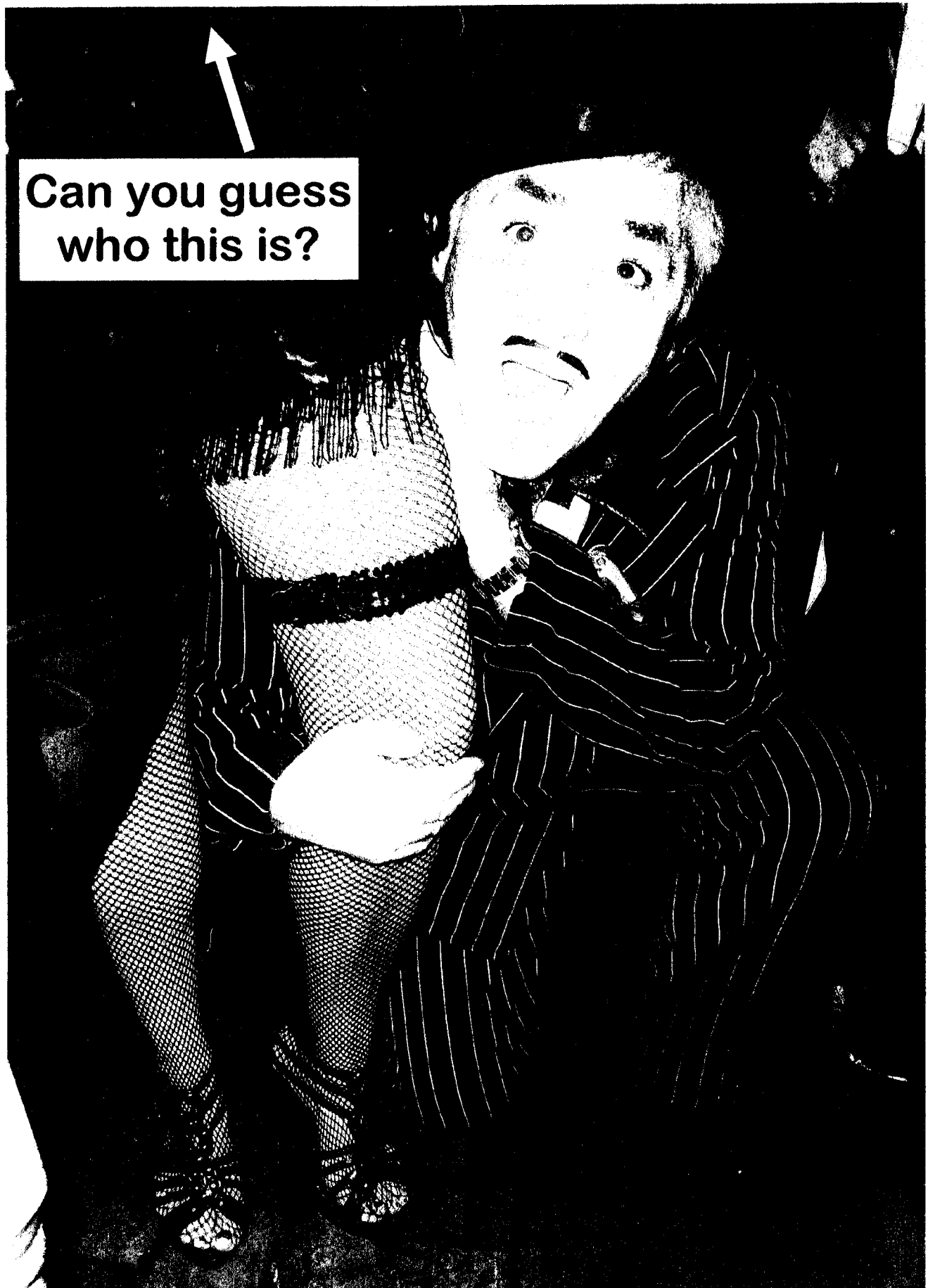
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