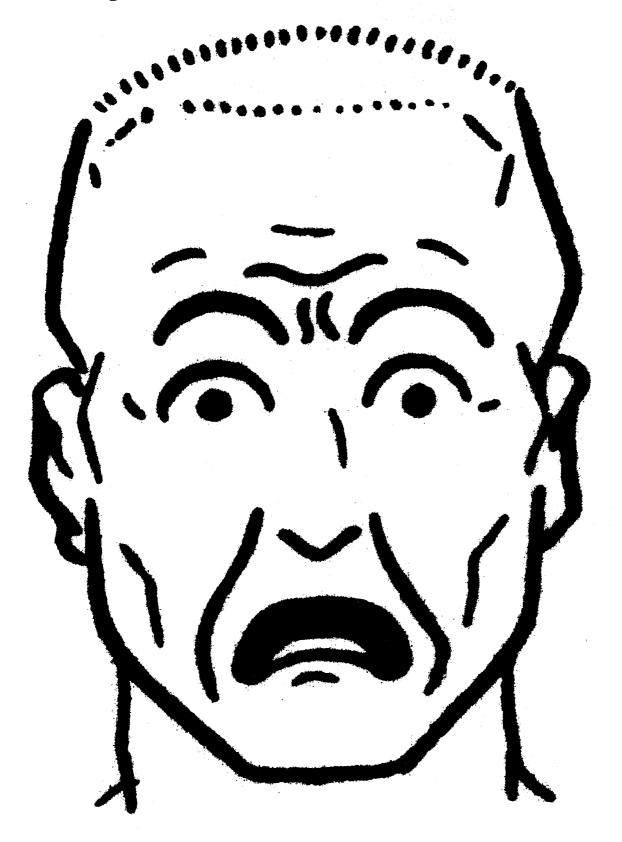
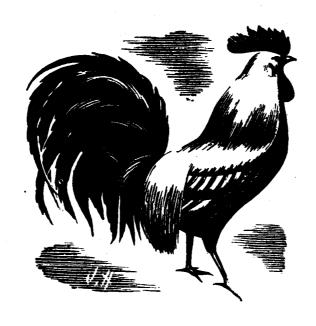
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MICROLIGHT MENACE?



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Could you please deliver anything to be included in the December issue to Caroline at 2 Church Row [681 373] by Friday 18 November

January issue will not be out until about 7 January, so events for the first week of the New Year should be advertised in the December issue.

December's editor will be Deirdre Whyte.

THURSDAY 3 NOVEMBER

LADIES CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BRING AND BUY

SUNDAY 6 NOVEMBER

RAMBLING CLUB MEMBERS Meet Tring Museum 2 PM

THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER

WHIST DRIVE Church Room 7.30 PM

TUESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

FLORAL CLASS Church Room 7 PM

WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER

WING ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Including Aston Abbotts Church Room 7.45 PM

THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER

BINGO Church Room 7.30 PM

LADIES CLUB Alternative Medecine - a talk by Caren Vetter

THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER

WHIST DRIVE Church Room 7.30 PM

SATURDAY 19 NOVEMBER

QUIZ NIGHT Church Room 7.30 PM Tickets 3.00 include ploughman supper from Colin 681343

SUNDAY 27 NOVEMBER

RAMBLING CLUB MEMBERS Meet White Swan Whitchurch 2 PM

BOOK THIS DATE

SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING TRIP TO CHELTENHAM Depart the Green 8.20 AM Fare 7.00 Child/OAP 6.00 Book with Colin 681343

ASTON ABBOTTS BONFIRE.

SATURDAY 5th November.

Bonfire - 6.30pm Fireworks - 7pm

Please donate fireworks or money to buy them to Lawrence Hinds, 5 Ross Road, 688378. If buying, remember one big one is better than two or three small ones. (Sound advice!) Please take any burnable rubbish (but not tyres) to the usual corner of the Rec. YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A CHAMPAGNE BALLOON FLIGHT WITH YOUR LUCKY NUMBER ENTRANCE TICKET

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Planning permission is being sought for a microlight airfield at Aston Clinton, with permission for up to sixty flights a week. They are more likely to fly north over Aston Abbotts and Wingrave, in order not to interfere with Halton airspace, which means we would see a lot of them.

Since we already have many small aircraft flying regularly over us [particularly noticeable at weekends in the summer months], people may wish to object to yet further intrusion and noise above them.

The planning application number is JC/94/0873 and is being dealt with on 17 November 1994. Anyone wishing to register their objection should write now, before 17 November, to:

Chief Planning Officer, Aylesbury Vale District Council, Fowler Road, Aylesbury.



CHURCH SERVICES

WINGRAVE	6th Nov	10.0	Parish Communion	
	13th	10.0	Parish Communion	
	20th	10.0	Parish Communion	
		3.0	United Service	
	·27th	8.0	Holy Communion (BCP)	
		10.0	Family Service	
		6.0	Advent Carols (Singers	s)
	4th Dec	10.0	Parish Communion	
ASTON ABBOTTS	6th Nov		Morning Worship	SIDESMEN
	13th	10.45	Remembrance Service	Gordon Kemp
	20th		Parish Communion	Gillian Wyer
	27th		Parish Communion	Colin Higgs
	4th Dec	11.15	Morning Service	Alison Ford
CUBLINGTON	6th Nov	10.0	Family Service	
	13th	8.45	Parish Communion	
	20th	8.45	Parish Communion	
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SUNDAY READINGS				

6th Nov	7 before Chr.	(p.408) Gen 12.1-9; John 8.51-end
13th	6	(p.413) Exod. 3.7-15; John 6.25-35
20th	5	(p.418) 1 Kings19.9-18; Matt 24.37-44
27th	Advent	(p.422) Isa 52.7-10; Luke 21.25-33
4th Dec	Advent 2	(p.427) Isa 55.1-11; John 5.36-end

FROM THE	REGISTERS	
BAPTISM	25th Sept	Adam Brackley at Wingrave
	2nd Oct	Ruth Wyer at Aston Abbotts
		Jack Cope at Wingrave
	9th Oct	Louisa Djuric at Wingrave
MARRIAGE	1st Oct	Stuart Edwards & Heather Clayton
FUNERALS	24th Sept	Doris Scutt at Wingrave
	19th Oct	William Higgs at Cublington



CHURCH NEWS

We were sad to learn that the Chapel Harvest Festival held in September was to be the last service to be held before it was announced CLOSED, and when I spoke to Rev Ireland to ask him what had actually decided its fate, he said regretfully lack of support, another village amenity lost, but we welcome their members at St James.

In October at St James we held our Harvest Festival with an afternoon evensong, which actually was quite well attended, despite a very fine afternoon and several regular members with other committments NOT in attendance.

The service was followed by tea and cakes and the auction of produce which raised 39.50 for church funds.

Our gutters and downpipes have now been renewed so the walls should be nice and dried out for the winter.

Our final fundralsing event for this year will be the Quiz Night on Saturday 19 November in the Church Room Ltickets 3.00 includes ploughman's supper J

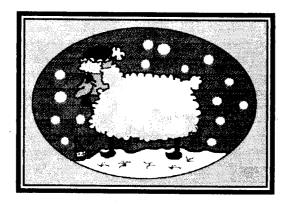
Winners in the October 100 Club draw were: Mr R Scutchings Mrs V Hasler Mrs F Cleaver



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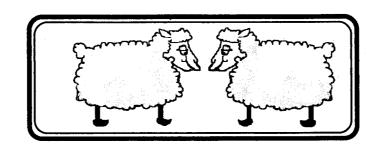
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The closing of Aston Abbotts Methodist Chapel is a very sad business. But, in a way, it was inevitable.

Life has moved on. Buildings are now very expensive luxuries which have to be maintained and used. Aston Abbotts is not the first Chapel to be closed - and it certainly will not be the last.

In many ways the Church of England is under the same pressure. Only for us things are rather more complicated. For the Methodists and other so-called 'Free' Churches have never had the tremendous financial cushion that has allowed the Church of England to provide Churches and clergy for every parish in the country. Nor have they enjoyed the legal 'perks' of being the Established Church. They have had to pay their way - but they have had more freedom to open and close their places of worship.

Between now and the turn of the century the Church of England will be in a period of very rapid change. It is almost like having to go "back to the drawing-board" and having to work out what the Church 'is' and how it 'does it'. More importantly it will be producing a blueprint for a Church which does not depend so heavily on paid clergy. Much more work will be done - as has been done for many years in the other denominations - by members of the congregation.

It is very hard to predict quite what will happen, because it is a bit like trying to re-invent the wheel. The operation is both positive and negative. It has advantages as well as disadvantages. Basically it is NOT about saving money - although that is one factor. It is NOT about getting rid of clergy and church buildings - although that will happen. What it IS about is discovering what God wants us to be and to do. And persuading us that we can achieve these and greater things more readily if we are not all the time having to run faster and faster in order to stay where we are in a church culture that we have inherited from the past.

All in all it looks like a very exciting time - even if some the decisions that we must make will be painful.

Bob Willmott

ON THE BUSES (CONTINUED)

Following a call from Helen Dowling on 12 September, I had several talks with Roger Slavin, Passenger and School Transport Officer at County Hall. With the new school and college year, passengers had increased beyond the expected number. Larger vehicles are obviously in great demand at peak travel times and it took a few days to arrange a larger vehicle.

I am assured that hopefully the problem is now solved and can I offer my personal sympathy for any children and adults inconvenienced.

Do contact me if you have any queries regarding any of the County Council Services - Education, Library, Social Services, Transportation.

Brenda Jennings County Councillor 0296 681065

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Get your birthday printed in the Chronicle (or that of a friend or relative) by simply phoning me on 681425.

18th ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SHOW

The Christmas Show is on the 9th and 10th December at 8PM. Tickets are yet again priced at £2-50 for adults, and £1-50 for children and OAPs. At the time of writing all the tickets for Saturday have been sold, but there are some left for Friday. If you want any please phone Chris on 681425 as soon as possible (money with order). Anyone wishing to donate a raffle prize can do so by contacting Margaret at 20 The Green (681201), or Rita at 31 The Green (681690). Thank you. If anyone would like to take part in the Show (the standard is so low that if you can talk you are considered talented) just phone Chesh on 681201. Don't be shy, they're quite a nice bunch really.

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With sympathy, I tried to look kind. Suggested a pint might soothe his mind.

He visibly brightened and said that it might, but Sharon said "No", not till tonight!

He looked so dejected I could see; a pint is more preferable to a cup of tea.

Wearily he turned and off he went, to straighten the hedge he'd just cut bent!

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PARISH COUNCIL (unofficial notes)

The Parish Council met on 23rd September:

<u>Matters arising</u> School bus (for details see October's Chronicle. Parish Council told a larger bus (but not a double decker) would be provided.

<u>Planning applications</u> Moat Farm: add dining room to existing planning permission for farmhouse. PC had no comment; will now go to AVDC for decision.

Permission had been granted by AVDC for a field shelter on land off Moat Lane (1 Norduck Cottages), with conditions including landscaping scheme.

Accounts Street lights: £25.66 electricity; £90.31 repairs

Dog mess bin This was agreed for the Rec at a cost of £123 (with free emptying by AVDC for a year). Also agreed to buy some more stickers warning of AVDC fines for allowing dogs to foul footpaths and verges (£5).

Bucks County Council were to be asked to clear storm gullies of leaves and cut channels again down Wingrave Road; and to provide reflector posts in an attempt to stop vehicles driving erratically by Windmill Hill Barns.

<u>Kissing gates. The Grove</u> Parish Council agreed to paint the new gates (black).

Highways & Road Safety Committee attended by Caroline Lane and Colin Higgs, 11th October. Main points: the speed cameras in use since April have been very effective in reducing vehicle speeds; 16,000 "offences" recorded in the County since then. Drivers get a warning letter but it was stressed the operation is to deter not to prosecute. (2) results of a nationwide look at various methods of controlling speeds through villages: only physical obstacles (as opposed to signs, road markings) have any noticeable effect. Therefore there are no low-cost solutions and Bucks County Council will continue to use local accident record as the yardstick for providing traffic calming. In effect this means urban areas, not us.

Supporting rural railways CL went to a meeting of the Standing Conference on the Bucks Countryside, the Parish Council having been invited to send a rep. to hear Dr Paul Salveson of Transport 2000 talking about railways. This was a very interesting talk on how to get the best out of rural lines, and what the chances are of getting disused routes reopened (what everyone was interested in was of course Oxford-Aylesbury-Bletchley). Local voluntary groups and County Council are essential in promoting the line, arranging special outings, even setting up business units on railway stations! If anyone has any further info please let us know.

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BERNARD OSBORN LOOKS BACK

Life in our village has certainly changed since the 1920's and we tend to forget how different it was.

Bernard Osborn was reminiscing about old times recently, recalling that his father and mother started the village shop in 1926. His father had become interested in the grocery trade and started by blending teas and coffees. His parents started in the old forge opposite the church and, after five years, reestablished in the present shop.

It was originally a farmhouse and a collection point for plaited straw, brought in by villagers for the hat trade. It had been used as a chapel, prior to the other two chapels being built. There was also a shop at the other end of it at the turn of the century. It was said of a former proprietress that, in order to get sweets to the right weight, she sometimes bit them in half.

In the 20's, the post office was at 20 The Green [Margaret Cheshire's] run by a Mrs Brandon [no relation], as well as the telephone exchange operated by Miss Parker. Mr Joe Clark did the "snobbing" [cobblers to youl and, when the council houses were built, put up a shed in his garden where he did haircutting for threepence and a "special" for sixpence. Asked the difference, Bernard said the cheaper cut meant bits were left on.



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A butcher from Cublington called in at the village weekly, delivering by horse and cart. It seems the horse knew the way to the Bull and Butcher blindfold.

Before the houses were built on the village green, there was a garage built of corrugated iron, which could repair almost anything, cars and agricultural machinery. During the war, they made breeze blocks. There was a twice weekly bus service into the village on Wednesdays and Thursdays. At other times, school children cycled to the Wingrave Road and left their cycles with Mrs Robinson, who lived at 1 Firs Cottages, to catch the bus at the crossroads. She had a yard full of bikes every day.

The Bull and Butcher made fresh bread daily and delicious cakes every Friday. They would also cook your turkey for you at Christmas. A Mr Sid Smith, who lived at 21 The Green, was the "carrier" for the village. One of the highlights of the week was when he brought in Barley's sausages and delivered them round. These were considered a great treat. Was this the forerunner of our Wednesday Fish and Chip night?



ENVIRONMENT GRANTS

Bucks County Council will give grants to groups working to improve wildlife habitats and landscape features [such as clearing / digging ponds, planting seeds or trees, putting up bird or bat boxes].

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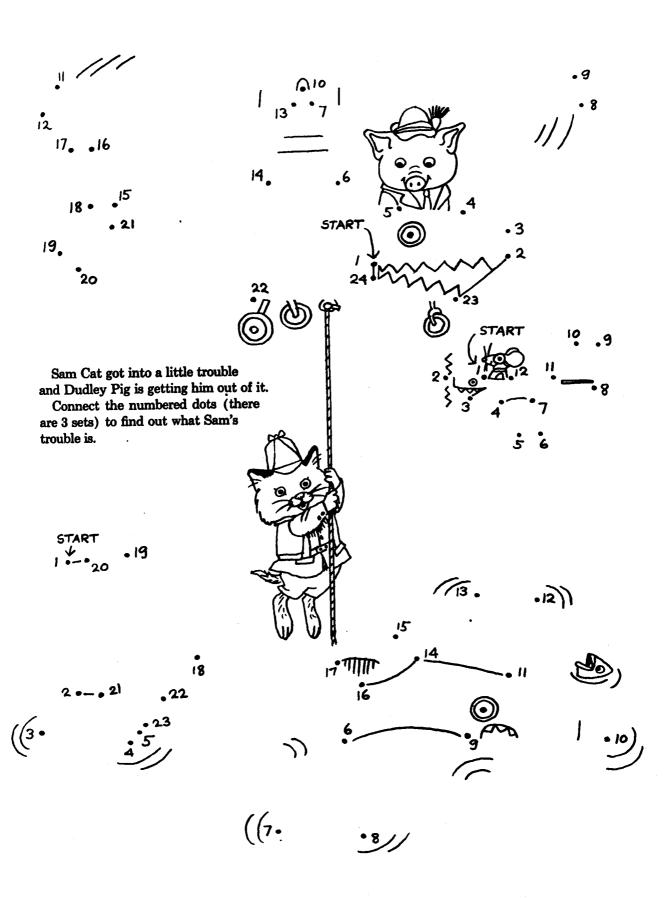
Need some advice on raising money? [No, we don't mean the games room at the Bull and Butcher.] Bucks Council for Voluntary Service are running special training days for voluntary groups: [basic] planning your fundraising; getting money from local authorities and trusts; from commercial companies; effective fundraising events; costing for contracts.

For details and dates contact Bucks CVS Funding Advice Service on 0296 21036

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For further details contact either, Sheila Featherstone, 0296 681292 or Rita Jones, 0296 681850





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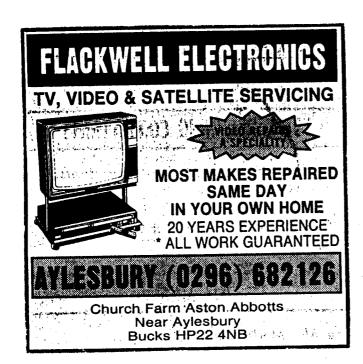
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