# HALLMARK



**Christmas Dinner - Brian Panter** 

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### Welcome to the November Edition of Hallmark



After the bumper Jubilee edition, the November edition has a slimline feel to it. Perhaps all our contributors are still recovering!

I look forward to receiving lots of articles and pictures for our next edition at the end of January.

However the What's On page is still full with lots of activities as we run up to Christmas. And there's plenty of opportunity to get fit with the established Bowls Club or the new Table Tennis Club.

I'm looking forward to LGP's Pantocrime, I suspect it will be different from any other panto I've ever seen!

The articles from Joan West and John Tyler remind us how badly this summer has affected the local wild life. We all need to help our birds to get through the winter by regularly putting out bird feed. You will be rewarded by the sight of lots of lively birds cheering up our drab winter gardens.

Though Christmas is still some way away, may I wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

### Mike Piercy **Editor**

Dear Mike,

May I, through Hallmark, thank those friends who gave me such a lovely send off on 23rd August and who contributed such a useful sum to the Iain Rennie Hospice at Home in my name.

As many of you know, IRHH provides wonderful service and support to so many in their hour of need and is one of the most deserving charities ever.

May I also apologise to those friends to whom I did not bid a proper farewell; those last few weeks in Lacey Green proved that I'm not as young as I would like to be and I am afraid much was left undone.

It is a great relief to be near many of my family and I am settling well in Cockermouth (look it up on the Internet to see what a great place it is) and getting used to my much reduced accommodation which. with the few familiar bits I am able

to fit in is already feeling very much like home.

Leaving Lacey Green after so many happy years in what must be one of the friendliest and most active communities around was a wrench but I shall still keep in touch through my postal copy of Hallmark and the many personal contacts I cherish.

Best wishes to all,

**Denis Croucher** 

## Lacey Green Short-Mat Bowls Club

The club is now in its 3rd year, we have 25 members most of whom joined from the off. It's competitive but we don't take it too seriously as it's as much a social occasion as anything.

Don't let anyone kid you it's easy both from a skill and exercise point of view!

and lifting (bowls) not to mention per session. setting and packing up.

It might never have got off the ground but we were fortunate to get some council grants and since starting we have bought two new mats (which are by no means cheap) and built up a

There is a lot of walking, bending healthy bank account at just £2

To see what it's like come along to the Village Hall on a Monday afternoon but bring some indoor shoes if you want to have a go we can cope with a couple more members and have spare bowls.

Leigh Axe

### What's On

Nov 22-24

LGP Dinner Theatre
Village Hall

(Fri & Sat sold out)

Fri 7 Dec 2pm

School Xmas Fayre

Sun 9 Dec 6pm

Carol Concert Village Hall

Wed 12 Dec 2.30

T@3 Carols

Sun 16 Dec

Traditional Carol Service

St John's Church see p32

Sun 16 Dec

Black Horse Quiz

Mon 24 Dec 23.15

Midnight Communion

St John's Church

Wed 16 Jan 8pm

Horts Society

'Dig for Victory'

## Anyone for (Table) Tennis?

A table tennis club is starting up in the Village Hall on Thursday afternoons from 2pm.



Both casual and keen participants are welcome to give it a try. Come along and dust off your skills.

Call Phil on 01844 273343 or 07787 958601

### Youth Club

The Youth Club appears to be as popular as ever with over 70 members although the average attendance is around 40.

We used to get concerned around September as we get a large influx of new members but after a few weeks many of the older ones leave naturally having moved on to a new school.

The club continues because of a small nucleus of regular volunteers. Although it may sometimes seem there are more than enough supervisors we do welcome help as this takes the pressure off the regulars having to always be there.

Thanks to those parents who help set-up and put-away - we keep a sign-up list in the foyer.

Youth Club dates are always available on the homepage of the website –

http://www.laceygreen.com/Sections/index.php#youth The next dates are:

November 9 & 23

December 7 & 21

January 4 & 18

February 1 & 15

March 1, 15 & 29

Leigh Axe

T@3
Village Hall

November 14
December 12 2.30pm
January 8

**Parish Council** 

Nov 5 7.30 at Speen Dec 3 7.30 at Lacey Green Feb 4 7.30 at Speen Mobile Library Service

Eastlands 12:05 to 12:20

November 14 & 28 December 12 January 9 & 23

### START CHRISTMAS HERE

## Carols by School Choir

IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 2.30 PM



Wed. 12th December

Followed by tea and cake £2.00

T @ 3







The area surrounding Princes Risborough is an ideal visitor's base. Central London is only 40 minutes away by train and the M4/M40/M25 are easily reached. Heathrow, Oxford, Reading, Birmingham, Stratford - the Princes Risborough area is strategically placed for all these!

The Chiltern Hills, Ridgeway National Trail and local National Trust properties bring many people here for walking; short breaks; holidays and family events bring many more. Work commitments with local companies also bring visitors who need local, temporary, accommodation.



### So-Ever thought of running a B&B?



Some of the existing local B&B's have closed this year due to the owners' retirement, so there has been a big loss of visitor accommodation in the area.

All you need is a spare room or two, (ensuite is ideal, but not essential) and a friendly and welcoming manner. You will meet lots of lovely people from all parts of the world and earn a useful income! Now the kids have flown the nest, do something completely different! If you have ever toyed with the idea of running a B&B yourself, call us for a no obligation chat to find out what it's all about.

Miv Hughes 01844 345438 The Chilterns Accommodation Association www.chilternsaccommodation.co.uk

### Wildlife Notes

I'm sure that you don't need me to tell you what a poor summer it has been for us humans, but for much of our local wildlife it hasn't been much fun either. The cool, wet weather has made butterflies a rare sight this year and meant that honey bees have been reluctant to venture out from their hives, preferring to stay indoors and eat their honey rather than gathering nectar to make more.

The crop of nuts and berries also looks like being late and rather meagre; so much so that this season, when I would normally be out raiding the hedgerows to make elderberry cordial, blackberry sorbet and sloe chocolate (all good, cheap Christmas presents incidentally), I've resolved to leave what fruit there are for the birds.

One bird which already seems to be suffering from this poor autumn harvest is the jay, which would normally be busy stocking up on acorns to see it through the winter.

It's reckoned that any jay worth its salt should be able to stash away up to five thousand acorns each autumn and – more importantly – remember where it put them months later (no mean feat when most of us struggle to think where we put the car keys last night!).

Jays are by nature extremely shy creatures and the most that we normally see of them is a glimpse of blue wing and white tail as they fly off screeching as we walk through a wood. But with so few acorns about at the moment many jays have been driven to coming into gardens to search for food on bird tables.

I have never seen a single jay in our garden throughout the forty-plus years that we've lived in the Lacey Green, but since the start of October they have become regular visitors. They seem to be quite partial to mealworms, but they will also take peanuts (which have the advantage that they can be buried and eaten later).

So this year, if you put food out, you might have the rare opportunity to watch these very attractive and very intelligent birds from the comfort of your armchair. And of course it's not just jays that will be hit by a poor crop of nuts and berries. Finches, blackbirds and winter visitors such as redwings and fieldfare are also likely to struggle, which means that this year more than most they will be particularly grateful for any food that you can put out for them.

It's not all doom and gloom though. As I write the beeches are just starting to turn and treeexperts are predicting that although they may be late, when the autumn colours do get started they will be particularly spectacular this year.

With so much rain it also looks like being a good season for fungi, which are already springing up all over the local fields and woods. Of course some are edible and others are highly poisonous, but whether you prefer to eat them or just to appreciate them, now is the time to get togged up and go out looking.

And finally, if you enjoy being out in the air but fancy something a bit more energetic than a walk, why not try your hand at volunteering on one of



our local nature reserves? There are several in our area and winter is always a busy time for carrying out conservation work while there are no leaves on the trees and no nesting birds to disturb.

You don't have to be super-fit (I'm living proof of that) and it's an enjoyable way to burn off some calories and save on gym fees while doing something worthwhile with your energy.

For more information on where and how you can help, you can contact Roger Newman at the Risborough Countryside Group (rogerdnewman@hotmail.com), Friends of Naphill Common (fonc@hotmail.co.uk) or the Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust

(volunteering@bbowt.org.uk).

Once you've tried it you'll wonder why you didn't do it sooner.

John Tyler

### On the Farm

Back in July I was recounting what an appalling year it had been with record-breaking rain and low milk prices. Since then we have been doing what we can to mitigate the situation, but unfortunately the wet trend has continued.

A brief spell of decent weather let us get the wheat harvest in by working some very long hours. The quality is the poorest in our memory. The all important bushelweight was down to 58, when good quality wheats can be up to 80. Because so many grains had rotted off in the ears we have had to put it through the cleaner to get rid of the chaff(rubbish).

We are not alone. Throughout the U.K. the harvest was down 12% on a five year average, which will probably lead to higher flour prices later in the year. We have planted about half next year's crop. The seed corn is not very plump so it does not bode well for 2013, but time will tell. It is October when we harvest the maize. The maize maze field is the worst. It will cost about a thousand pounds to harvest that one alone. If we do!



The stunted maize crop

Next year's oil seed rape has been sown and most of it is up. Already the pigeons are flocking onto it. It is not their first food choice, more a survival food. It must mean a shortage of other food, particularly beech mast and berries such as ivy and hips so I imagine the trees have had a bad year too. Certainly there has been a virtual failure of fruit crops. Our apples, usually overloaded, barely had enough for a pie. Maybe a late frost but more likely a lack of sun and too much rain.

By late spring the birds appeared to have given up all hope of nesting and have been absent for months. At last a few are appearing to eat the seeds and nuts put out for them. It seems sure they are going to need a lot of help to get their strength up to see them through the winter.

In contrast slugs are doing particularly well, as they have all summer. Our young crops are under real threat from them. Luckily hedgehogs love slugs, but whilst tidying a barn recently we found three fast asleep in the hay. Were they already hibernating having given up all hope that summer might still come? We can understand if that is the case. Meanwhile the slugs have a free run.

The ploughing match of the Chiltern Hills Agricultural Association, this year at Ilmer (Thame side of Longwick) was cancelled due to rain the week before. The land there is very heavy grey clay that holds a lot of water.

At least on the hills our land does drain quite quickly. Concerned about safety we engaged tree surgeons to take dead branches off the old trees, most of which are extremely high. On their advice we felled two ash trees which did prove to be rotten, which is just as well considering the high winds we have had and the fact that so many overhang the main road path.

While on the subject of trees it is my chance to mention that we are very aware that few people have the room to plant hardwood trees but we do, so thinking of the long term future we have over the years planted over eighty round the farm. We don't expect people to notice so it was enormously gratifying when a villager congratulated us for doing so. Thank you.

Milk production nationally has dropped mainly due to the weather. Good weather is important to cows, and the quality of ensiled crops is critical. Market prices have risen and supermarkets are looking to protect their supplies As a result the price has firmed back to where we were months ago! Yippee!!! Unfortunately it was not much to write home about then, and now, like our fellow farmers, our cows are not milking so well.

Latest update on the experiment of crossing some heifers with the Norwegian Red breed. In due course the calves were reared, put into calf, then after calving brought into the herd and have come to the end of their first lactation.

Of the nineteen that entered the herd, all are still with us and pregnant with their second calf. The cows have two months holiday from milking before their calves are born then it is critical that they get in-calf again as soon as possible. This was achieved by them much better than our whole herd average. We are still monitoring every aspect of health and stamina. So far things are looking good. The volume of milk they give is slightly less than the Holstein, but if their health traits are better that will be worth it. (Continued on the next page.....)

### The Black Horse

Holidays are over, the nights are drawing in and only a couple of months to Christmas. Where does the time go? It only seems yesterday that we were taking down the Christmas decorations.

I'm looking into the pub garden and watching the rain, thinking it's time to put the umbrellas away and stack the tables up for another year. This will be my 18th year at the Black Horse in Lacey Green. It just seems a little while ago when my life changed so much. I had a phone call saying a pub had come up in Lacey Green, would I like it just for a while as builders wanted it for housing.

I can remember walking through the door and thinking I want this pub even though the smell of damp, smoke and pot hit you as soon as you entered. Two people were in the alcove of the fireplace and a couple of people stood at the bar. I can remember their faces as if it was yesterday, the shock and them thinking who the hell is she. I asked to look around and was refused instantly. After moving in I knew why but that's another tale.

I moved in three weeks before Christmas and with all my friends painted and cleaned up. What a state; never in my wildest dreams did I expect such a mess. We slept on a blow up mattress in the lounge as that was the only room fit to live in. We had only one open fire in the pub and no other heating that worked at all so we had calor gas fires everywhere else. Health and safety would have had a field day.

We opened the following Monday and waited for customers. My first people in the door were Mark van Rieseen, Hugh and David Richardson.

It took about a year to get going, we put in a new kitchen and central heating and started doing more food. Since I have been here we have been taken over 5 times and I have tried to buy it 2 times.

My staff have been loyal and have been with me for a long time: Janet 17 years, Joe 15 years, Gemma Kelloway 16 years and Kim 16 years, Tor and Tilly 7 years and Ian (grumpy chef) 15 years - so I must be doing something right or I am paying them too much!

Also I must not forget the rest of my staff who have been with me for some time.



I take this opportunity to thank all my staff without whom the Black Horse would not be where it is today.

We are in the Good Beer Guide for the third time and the Good Food Guide for the fifth time. Thank you to you all. Also I have made some really good friends and have a very patient husband.

Doms and crib have now started on a Monday night, also ladies darts on a Thursday night.

The Christmas menu is now available, same price as last year. See page 36 for a full listing. Christmas quiz is Sunday evening 16th December. New Years Eve disco will be as normal, no entry fee and a very late night. Children's New Years Eve disco from 6 pm till 8 pm.

Lynne

## On the Farm... continued

To carry this experiment further we are now going to introduce a third cross, a "Fleckvieh", a breed from Austria and Germany to make the cows stronger yet. It will be four years from now when we start to get a picture of their performance.

Farmers always have to plan ahead. It's in the rules of the game. And I guess you can tell we are planning to keep playing. It wasn't just us though, anybody that grew things had a difficult year. I hope for everybody's sake that next year is kinder for us all. Happy Christmas.

Joan West

#### You think English is easy??

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture.
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- 7) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 8) I did not object to the object.

## **Horticultural Society**

We are now nearing the end of the year and all the fruits of our labour should be gathered in. It has been one of the most challenging years for gardeners, with drought early in the spring followed by non-stop rain and a lack of sunshine which meant very few pollinating insects were about at the right time.

In spite of these difficulties our members managed an excellent show on September 1st with some very high quality vegetables and flowers. The fruit section was the poorest it's been for years however, for the reasons already cited.

We must be the only society in the country able to boast 100 years in age difference between the youngest and oldest members who entered our show this year! Connie and Olivia both entered vegetables from their gardens. It is wonderful to see children being encouraged to garden at such a young age, and this is how most of us began to take an interest.

If anyone would like any help in starting young people to begin gardening – or even the not so young – please let one of the





committee know and we can organise something.

Those excelling at the show included Les Hazell who won the vegetable section and the floral section, and John Burnett who won the Domestic Salver. Lindy Lindsay won the cup for the person with the most points who has not previously won.

The best in show went to Jill Langlois for her Cheesecake. David Fitt had the best domestic item with his pickle, Alison Shreeve best in vegetable section for her peas and Michael Hardy best in the fruit section for his collection of fruit.

A selection of photographs illustrates our Annual Show and also our entries into the Bucks Association of Horticultural Societies Autumn show in which we came second in the domestic section and third in the floral art.

Unfortunately the prizes for plants and vegetables keep eluding us as we have no obsessive people growing show standard blooms or six foot long parsnips and leeks. Never mind, the object of it is to have a bit of fun and we do very well there.



Coming up in the New Year we have a series of talks including: Digging for Victory and Chenies Manor and Gardens

I hope we see you at one of the meetings and if you would like more information please contact one of the committee members.

Wishing you the season's greetings

## Alison Shreeve and Adam Heeley

### **Forthcoming Events**

Wed 14th November 2012
Annual Pumpkin Competition &
Supper Social
7pm Lacey Green Millennium
Hall

Wed 16th January 2013
Digging For Victory
by Mr Collin Oakes
8pm Lacey Green Millennium
Hall

Wed 20th March 2013 A.G.M. Followed by Chenies Manor And Gardens by Valerie Edwards 7.30pm Lacey Green Millennium Hall

### LGP -Panto Time!

I admit it is a little early but - oh yes it is!

That's right. At the end of November LGP will be performing "Our Cinderella is a Fella" in the Village Hall. There are still tickets available for the Thursday night's performance and we may be able to release a few more tickets for the dinner theatre performances on the Friday and Saturday nights if some cancellations come through. It's still worth putting your name down on our waiting lists.

"Our Cinderella is a Fella" is a panto with a difference. It has been written by some members of LGP and involves characters from many different pantomimes. The story is loosely based around the Cinderella tale with the addition of

It's Panto time! Oh no it isn't! Well a "pantocrime". And the table that solves the crime each night will win a prize. What a great way to start the Christmas season!

> So please make a note in your diaries for Thursday, Friday, Saturday November 22nd, 23rd and 24th at the Village Hall. There is a licensed bar for each performance. There will be free nibbles available with the Thursday night's performance and a two course dinner theatre for the Friday and Saturday performances. For the latest on ticket availability please contact

> 01844 347518 or 01844 344207.

As always, LGP will be donating the profits from this production to charity. We have decided to send some of our profits this time to the Scannappeal at High Wycombe

Hospital. We are still deciding on which other local charity to give the other part of the money to. If anybody knows of a worthwhile local charity looking for donations, we would be more than happy to consider it. Please contact either of the two numbers above or send an email to

info@laceygreenproductions.co.uk

LGP will be celebrating its 30th birthday in 2013 and our aim is to bring the total of our charitable giving to over £50,000 by early next year. We have only managed to be within touching distance of this great figure because of the generosity of our past audiences. We hope that everybody will be equally generous this time.

#### **Peter Brookhouse**

### Lacey Green Parish Community Planning Group

### LACEY GREEN STORES

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If you have two or three hours to spare occasionally, please join our team of volunteers. Call into the shop any weekday morning to find out more, or just contact me:

**Tony Molesworth** 

01844 344975

## Sports Club: Cricket section

No apology for the following.

The standard of cricket in the Mid Bucks League has reached an all-time low – even more so with our two teams' it seems. Just glance down the averages for each team. They show that there is no consistency in the batting or bowling – or even in the fielding.

I know the pitches have been very slow but it's been the same for our opponents. That doesn't suit our batsmen who like the ball coming on to them at a decent pace. They are all at sea when opposing teams lob the ball up to them. They get stuck in the crease and pop up simple catches.

The way to deal with that type of bowling is to wait until the bowler has released the ball then jump up the pitch and, using the pads for defence, slam the ball to the legside boundary. You can almost guarantee the next ball will be short, and then you can stay in your crease and do the same again.

Most of the problem lies with lack of practice. If you are not prepared to put in time playing other matches – evenings, Sundays, etc. or even a session in the nets or, preferably out on the field, you cannot expect to do well in the league.

There is also the question of leadership. Both teams need a captain who will tell each player what he expects from him, will field close to his bowlers to encourage and urge them to bowl straight. If he can't or won't then take him off even if it's after a couple of overs. The message will soon get through. Too many easy runs are given away by our bowlers.

Who the players select as captain is up to them but it should be someone with experience who understands the game. I know it's not easy to find such a person but it has to be done. (I'm not knocking young Mark here, who, considering his lack of experience has done a pretty good job.)

The 1st X1 won seven matches, (One walkover) lost six and had one losing draw, four matches were rained off. And they finished sixth in Division one.

Tanveer topped the batting, average 24 in 11 innings. Derek Marshall came second, average 21.77 in11 innings. The bowling is hardly worth mentioning, look at the averages.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 won three matches, lost ten, with one winning draw and one losing draw with three matches rained off. They finished eighth in Division Two. Best batters, Tim Page, Mark Janes and Wills Carter.

It occurs to me that while both teams struggled to fill their teams there were players who have played for us before who were not even asked to turn out. Badger them!

I understand that the hog roast was a very successful I evening. Steph, no doubt, will write about that.

It just remains for me to wish all the players, umpires and scorers (and, of course all of you readers) a Happy Xmas and (hopefully) a prosperous New Year.

### **Geoff Gomme**

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First XI	Tanveer	Naheem	D.Marshall	Javed	D.Dow	L.Weston	D.Highgate	Sanders	M.Exley	Malik
Total Innings	11	5	11	11	6	10	13	3	9	4
Not Outs	1	2	2	2	1	4	0	1	0	0
Total Runs	240	68	196	164	80	81	171	23	103	45
AVERAGE	24.0	22.7	21.8	18.2	16.0	13.5	13.2	11.5	11.4	11.3
Second XI	Amjad	K Kelloway	R Dell	T Page	M. Janes	W Carter	C Dell	N Khan	Ishmail	D.Sanders
Total Innings	3	3	3	6	10	11	9	9	6	8
Not Outs	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	2
Total Runs	177	70	62	108	143	153	101	77	32	42
AVERAGE	59.0	35.0	20.7	18.0	14.3	13.9	12.6	8.6	8.0	7

BOWLING									
First XI	Naheem	L.Weston	Ismail	M.Exley	K.Woodward	D.Dow	D.Sanders	Javid Iqbal	Nazakat
AVERAGE	44.3	21.2	19.1	15.6	13.8	13.0	12.8	11.4	11.0
Second XI	C Dell	T Page	W. Carter	M Janes	C Williams	N.Khan	D.Sanders	Ishmail	
AVERAGE	34.0	32.8	30.0	26.9	15.5	14.4	14.1	10.6	



HS2 is still causing a huge amount of concern, especially in light of the West Coast Main line debacle wrought by Whitehall civil servants. Dozens of volunteers in the Action Groups are all working away behind the scenes scrutinising every word written, organising campaigns, attending meetings, including the Political Party Conferences, writing letters, etc. all of which takes money and time.

Action groups up and down the proposed line meet regularly to discuss the issues and fund-raise to support the national campaign. There are no less than 20 Judicial reviews to be heard in the High Court in December all relating to the business case, whose figures do not stack up, costings, the Environmental Assessment which has yet to take place, and several other issues.

Even more concerning is the fact that, if it **is** decided to build another runway at Heathrow, there is the very real possibility that the route could be shifted to 'follow roughly the line of the M40', which would then have a huge impact on people living in this area.

All the while the Government seems determined to press on with high speed rail (HSR) in spite of overwhelming opposition, a business case which would be laughable in the real world, abandonment of HSR projects in other countries, no money to pay for it and a continually falling benefit to cost ratio (which now stands at less than one

i.e. for every pound it costs, the taxpayer might eventually get back less than a pound). No public company would be allowed to operate on those terms!

If you have still to write to your MP to make your feelings known, do it now, don't wait until the thing is underway - it will be too late then, it needs to be stopped now!

Another issue which was brought home to people in Walters Ash last year, and Bledlow residents in 2009, is that travellers set up unauthorised sites in both places. They had no planning permission and have done the same in over 700 other sites, many in Green Belt and AONB villages across the country. Legislation to deter this, although promised, is still not forthcoming from Mr Eric Pickles, the Secretary of State.

As a result, it falls to the District Council (and you the taxpayer through your Council Tax) to foot the bill to bring each case to court, an expensive, long, drawn-out procedure with no guarantee of success at the end. The taxpayer ends up paying twice, as the travellers' court cases are funded by legal aid and lottery money!

The Hemley Hill situation, whilst experienced on a daily basis for the last 3 ½ years by residents close to the site, was brought back to the wider public consciousness a few weeks ago. The travellers started digging a trench towards the Upper Icknield Way, on the afternoon of Friday October 5th, in order to connect to the water main.

This is illegal as the High Court injunction on the land forbids any further development. After urgent phone calls to District Council members WDC sent two officers to tell the travellers to desist, which they did, but neither have they filled in the trench, nor removed the spoil, which is now migrating down the Upper Icknield Way with the rain and traffic.

The Hemley Hill travellers have asked for "leave to appeal the Judges decision" in the High Court. This decision upheld the refusal to give planning permission of the Secretary of State, the Planning Inspector and WDC as the planning authority. We now waste yet more time and money waiting to hear whether they will indeed be allowed to appeal that refusal!

Finally, on a more welcome note, the new memorial in the Garden of Rest is nearing completion. If you wander down the access road, you will see the realisation of ideas and plans for the new memorial to the boys of the Methodist Sunday School who lost their lives in the First and Second World Wars. It was hoped this would be ready in time for Remembrance Sunday, but will be opened and dedicated in early spring next year.

You are always welcome to attend Parish Council meetings, which are held on the first Monday of the month (except bank holidays), in either Speen Village Hall or Lacey Green Village Hall - see agendas on the notice boards to find out which hall will be used when.

### Cllr. Mrs. Miv Hughes

### The Black Horse

Main Road, Lacey Green

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Telephone: 01844 345195 www.blackhorse-pub.co.uk

### **Dinner Date**

The lighting, pleasant, just enough. The sofas rich dark leather. The hovering manager talked too much. The service took forever.

The tablecloth was gleaming white.
The napkins driven snow.
The tinkling glasses clear as ice.
The wine as red as blood.

Their talk was low, intense by turn.

Each learning of the other.

A friendship new and built to last.

The food was crap however.

Brian Panter

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## Lacey Green Singers - Cabaret Style









This Autumn, Lacey Green Singers celebrated thirty years of music making, with an innovative, cabaret-style concert. The relaxed format and the quality of the entertainment made the evening a resounding success.

A number of the original members, including current Musical Director Fiona Insley, and Michael Putnam the first Chairman of the choir, were present.

For this occasion the choir revisited a number of old favourites, amongst them some ever-popular songs from the shows. In a varied and interesting programme several delightful solos and duets show-cased the finest voices in the choir.



The Danny Kaye number 'Inchworm' which featured in the Singers' very first performance was the imaginative choice to end the programme.

During the course of the evening the party proceeded in loud and lively fashion as the guests joined the choir in two rousing sing-along sessions masterminded by Alan Lewis at the piano.

Adding to the fun in a surprise departure from the norm was 'The Altos' Lament' a piece of tongue-in-cheek choral speaking played for laughs by the altos who later denied sharing the sentiment expressed!

Following the 'thankyous' to all who had made this wonderful evening possible, presentations were made to Alan Lewis and Fiona Insley.

Michael Putnam proposed a toast to the choir and its continuing success.

### Pat Syrett



## **Happy Wanderers**

The Stowe walk on September 30th was attended by 16 Happy Wanderers, starting at the newly refurbished New Inn centre, there we met our guide, Phillip, who gave us a tour of the landscaped gardens. He had great knowledge of the various temples and monuments(over 40) and the history.

Some stayed for lunch in the NT cafe and some had a tour of the house in the afternoon.

#### Ian Goodearl







### St John's School

We have had a busy start to our new Autumn term. St John's School welcomed Kevin Crossley-Holland, a local author, to open our new middle school library on 24<sup>th</sup> September. The library has been completely refurbished over the summer holidays with new furniture, fiction and non-fiction books. The PA raised £15,000 for the project. The children and teachers are all delighted with the new facility which will last for many years to come.

We have enjoyed a Harvest Festival Church Service, where the children are invited to bring in non-perishable goods. These were gratefully received by local charities in Princes Risborough and Saunderton.

Our Parents Association has now held its AGM. Karen Hodghton is Chairman for another year and we welcome a new vice-chair Jodi Sangster and new treasurer Heather Breed.

By the time this goes to print the children will have enjoyed their end of half term disco; this is always a popular evening for the children to put on their party clothes! We are also holding a Barn Dance for families on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

The run up to Christmas again promises to be a busy one with our annual Christmas Fayre on 7<sup>th</sup>

December. Everyone is welcome to attend from 2pm in the school hall. This a highlight for the children who get to meet Father Christmas, buy family presents in the "secret room", play games and enjoy tombolas, raffles, the toy and book stall, as well as lots of crafts and refreshments for the adults! Hopefully they will then have enough energy left to perform the much anticipated Christmas plays before they all break up for a well earned break.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Julia Spittles (PA secretary)

## **County Council News**



### High Speed 2

The Cabinet reshuffle has brought another new Secretary of State for Transport, Patrick McLoughlin, MP for Derbyshire Dales, into the Cabinet. The hope is he will approach the issue of HS2 with an open mind and look at the facts and the alternatives that have been put forward by the 51m.Group.

Alongside the opposition to HS2, pressure is mounting for a review of the third runway at Heathrow and some view the replacement of the Secretary of State as a green light for a full review of the Government's aviation policy.

The government has confirmed plans for an independent commission chaired by former Financial Services Authority Chairman, Howard Davies to evaluate options for expanding aviation capacity in the South East.

An interim report is expected no later than the end of 2013.

This means further uncertainty about the government's transport strategy which may cause a change in policy.

There have now been three rounds of Community Forums in the Aylesbury Constituency set up by HS2 to engage with local communities to discuss potential local issues such as road diversions and locations for construction sites. In response the County Council has offered pre-meetings with Lead Engagement Officer, Rosie Brake, to enable communities to better prepare for the actual forum meetings.

There have been several setbacks for the HS2 proposal. The Government's consultation on blight proposals and the safeguarding zone for phase 1 has yet to be announced. In July, it emerged that the more than 400 consultation responses from last summer were 'mislaid' by officials including those from Wildlife Trusts, HS2AA and Cherwell District Council, which is a member of 51m. The Judicial Review claim, amended to include this, will now be heard during 8 days commencing 3 December 2012.

### **NHS Health Checks**

These Health Checks are aimed to help prevent heart disease, stroke, diabetes and kidney disease. Everyone between the ages of 40 and 74, who has not already been diagnosed with one of these conditions, will be invited once every five years to have a check to assess their risk of heart disease, stroke, kidney disease and diabetes and if found to be at risk, will be given support and advice to help them reduce or manage that risk.

It's a large scale programme designed to improve the health of the population and GP practices have put aside specific appointments just for the NHS Health Check, so people are encouraged to attend when they receive their invite.

The NHS Health Check is run in the majority of GP surgeries and an alternative provider will be available for those areas where GP practices do not offer this service.

In Princes Risborough, since the 1st April 2012, over 600 people have attended so if you are registered with either the Cross Keys or the Wellington practices you should have been invited for your NHS Health Check. If you are registered elsewhere then you should check with your own surgery to find out what is planned.

### **Paul Rogerson**

County Councillor 01494 488315l progerson@buckscc.gov.uk

## MacMillan Cancer Support

On the 27th September the weekly coffee morning in the Millennium Hall was held to support the Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning in aid of Cancer Support.

The Organisers welcomed over 60 people who enjoyed coffee and biscuits whilst supporting the various stalls being run in the hall. It was judged a great success with £577.00 being raised to donate to

the Macmillan Cancer Support organisation.

We would like to thank everyone who helped and supported this worthwhile event.

Jill Baker and Joy Lawrence

## Sports Club: Tennis Section



The highlight this year for anyone interested in tennis must be Andy Murray winning an Olympic gold medal at Wimbledon against Roger Federer and then going on to win his first grand-slam title at the US Open. What a way to inspire a generation!

Locally, we had our own celebrations marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the tennis club. On Sunday 22 July the club held a family-oriented social at the sports ground with a BBQ, bouncy castle, mini-tennis games for children, an afternoon social doubles tennis tournament and the obligatory Pimms and lemonade, and delicious vanilla ice cream provided by Beechdean Dairies.

The event was organised to raise money toward resurfacing one of the courts. With several local families and friends of members joining in, there were almost as many non-members in the doubles tournament as the regulars.

It was great that a few of them also became members of the tennis club soon after, followed by other families joining more recently. The day was deemed to be a great success and we were especially lucky that the weather was fine and dry.

The mini-tennis activity at the July event was a precursor for the summer coaching programme with tennis camps during the school holidays attracting many more youths and children than in previous years.

Following on from the summer coaching, the mini-tennis group lessons started in September and hopefully will grow and continue.

This provides an excellent introduction into tennis for children with the emphasis on having fun with the tennis made easier with slower balls, appropriately sized rackets and smaller courts.

The key to any successful sports club is its ability to provide the opportunity for young players to develop skills alongside others. Getting the mini-tennis programme started is also vitally important to sustain the club so as to feed players through to the junior competitions in future years.

Having attracted many new members this summer, the attention now is focused upon the court resurfacing project which will cost several thousand pounds and require financial support from external sources.

This project has been on the agenda since 2005 and fingers-crossed will come to fruition next year. The court is desperately needed to support the number of tournaments, matches and coaching activities taking place throughout the year.

With the club having 140 members on the books registered as British Tennis Members, there is clearly a demand for tennis in Lacey Green and Loosley Row which would justify every effort to maintain this important village amenity.

Talking of effort, we need to thank the dozen or so volunteers and youngsters who took the opportunity during September to dig around the court surrounds, remove several wheel-barrel loads of weeds and ivy and even chop down trees to improve the courts. Members expended over 60 hours of their time and made a huge difference all round but in particular on Court 3, which is now free of the vegetation and is ready to be resurfaced.

From the club's archive, we know it is now approaching 30 years since the second and third courts were added. In November 1982, the club membership rallied to the call to fundraise, obtain grants and made a significant increase in their subscriptions.

Although circumstances have changed, history is almost repeating itself with the club again in need of significant investment not only to resurface the courts but also to replace the 30-50 year old fences that really are showing their age. This will be another long-term project but is necessary and important for the club to continue.

If anyone out there has been inspired by the Olympic games and Paralympics to take up sport, or you simply want to get out and enjoy exercise in the fresh air, why not get in touch and give tennis a try.

Whether or not you have played tennis in the past or are not sure what to expect, please contact the club through the links below.

Email:

LGLR TennisClub@btinternet.com

Internet: www.LTA.org.uk

**Ian Ward** 01844 345567



### The Windmill WI



Another summer has come and gone and whilst the weather was once again rather disappointing we have had a busy and interesting time at the Windmill WI.

At our monthly meeting in August our speaker was Mrs Hulbert, who talked about the amazing Costa Rica and its wildlife. She brought with her some wonderful slides and I think we all learnt quite a bit about this incredible country.

The highlight of our year took place early in September when we celebrated our 25 birthday. A very tasteful meal, supplied by caterers, was enjoyed by us and 12 members of the WI's in our Group. We were also joined by Mrs Kath Turner who helped us

form the Windmill WI 25 years ago and Mrs Val Tilbury, a founder member until she moved away sometime ago. Although our planned speaker unfortunately let us down at the very last minute, Kath came to the rescue and gave us one of her hilarious talks.

In the middle of September, 16 members had a great day at the seaside – Brighton to be exact! In the morning we had a conducted tour round The Royal Pavilion, which was the seaside palace of the Prince Regent and proved to be most spectacular – an oriental fantasy designed by John Nash. After lunch we did our 'own thing'-a meander round The Lanes; a stroll along the front; an ice cream on the pier and I understand some

members even had a ride on The Big Wheel on the sea front!

It was really a good day – helped by excellent weather. Thank you Pat for making all the arrangements.

At the beginning of October we held our Annual General Meeting when our President, Secretary and Treasurer all reported on a very successful and entertaining year.

The Committee and President, Mrs Pat Richards were all elected back in office for another term. We followed the business side of the meeting with a cheese and wine supper.

Our recently held Autumn Jumble Sale was once again a great success and we would like to thank everyone who supported us by bringing jumble or by coming in the afternoon to buy and a big thank you to all our members who helped, especially husbands and partners who make our 'Jumble Days' so much easier.

Don't forget – we meet on the first Wednesday in the month at 7.45pm in the Village Hall – do come and join us, we will make you very welcome.

### **Daphne Williams**

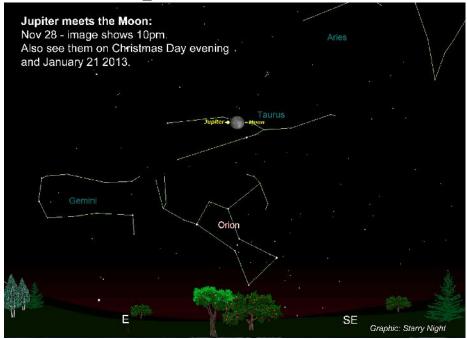


The President cuts the cake



Visit to the Royal Pavillion, Brighton

**Heavenly Bodies** 



By Jove! It feels like winter again. Brrrr. But who, or what, is 'Jove' – something invented by Bertie Wooster? The answer is floating above us every night for the next few months. Jove was the chief god of the Romans – the equivalent of the Greeks' Zeus.

Apparently, he was a friendly god, who gave us the word 'jovial'. He was also known as 'Jupiter' and the Romans named our largest planet after him. So those – including me – who've been puzzled as to why we call Jupiter's satellites 'jovian' moons needn't be any longer.

This aptly-for-Christmas *jovial* planet is now shining brightly every night in the constellation of Taurus, just above Orion the Hunter (see diagram). Apart from the Moon, Jupiter will be the brightest point of light in the evening sky for several weeks. The light shining from it is sunlight reflected off the planet's cloud tops.

The gas giant is approximately 400 million miles from Earth and gets closest – 372 million miles away on December 3 as we overtake it

on our inside lap. Even at this vast distance, you can see Jupiter's four main 'Galilean' moons using just a pair of binoculars.



Through binoculars, the moons appear as tiny pin-pricks of light close to the planet, and they're on the move. If you spot them, think about this: the closest of the moons to Jupiter is Io, which whizzes round the planet in less than two 'Earth' days. It's about the same size as our Moon, but coloured yellow and red as it is covered in hundreds of active volcanoes.

The next moon out is freezing, white Europa, where scientists believe an ocean lies under its icy crust, perhaps harbouring life.

Then there's Ganymede, the largest moon in the Solar System at 3,300 miles across compared to our Moon's 2,100 miles.

Furthest out is heavily-cratered Callisto which takes just over 16 days to orbit the planet. I took the image on this page using a small telescope and webcam, showing the moons at the various stages of their orbits.

But our Moon will look huge compared to these jovian moons, and even Jupiter itself, when they all appear next to each other in our night sky on November 28, Christmas Day and January 21. Of course, Jupiter is more than 1,600 times further away from us than our Moon, and strange to think that our planet Earth could fit into that dot in the sky about 1,600 times.

An explosive sight is expected on December 13 when there will be a potentially amazing display of 'shooting stars'. Officially called the Geminid meteor shower, because the streaks of light appear to start from the constellation of Gemini, this one will not be spoiled by the Moon's light washing out the sky. This shower is estimated to produce up to about 120 meteors per hour, but anyone seeing this many will be extremely lucky. Keep a look out several nights before and after this date, as you're still likely to see some impressive meteors - clouds willing.

Another phenomenon to watch out for is the Northern Lights – the Aurora Borealis. Seriously. As the Sun is approaching the maximum part of its 11-year cycle next year, there could be red, green and purple light displays in Lacey Green's northern skies this winter. By Jove, that would be splendid!

### By Chris Dignan

### St John's Church



Vicar: Reverend Denise Critchell. Tel. 347741.

We are pleased to announce the wonderful recovery of Rev. Denise. She is grateful for all the love and prayers sent to her and Norman during a worrying stressful time.

All is now well and she is so glad to be back within the Church, and looking forward to the Christmas festivities, as well as the fellowship of some interesting fund raising events.

### The News in Brief

On the last Sunday in the month our 11 – 15 year olds are welcome to attend 'LATER' from 6-8 pm at Jim and Gill Taylor's house in 26 Summerleys Road, Princes Risborough.

It's all fun, laughter, food, making friends, crazy games, and just being there.

The Harvest Lunch took place on Sept 30<sup>th</sup> and was very well attended by some 100 people who sat down to an excellent 3 course lunch. The Choir worked extremely hard and raised approximately £600 for church funds – much needed church funds. A very big thank you to them, and friends and families for all that worthy effort.

Our Harvest Festival took take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> of October, where members and friends brought gifts to give thanks to God for his goodness to us. We are so fortunate and it will be wonderful to take gifts to those who need a little more to live comfortably.

Rev Denise had the children come forward and give answers to what fruit or vegetable began with the following letters HARVEST. Roger and Norman held a clothes line and the letters were pegged up so we could all see that if we did not SHARE our gifts then some people in the world would STARVE. Notice the last two big words are in the first big word. Interesting. We then all learned a most important verse from the Bible – Matthew Ch 6 v.33. Look it up!

We still need new Governors for both schools – please contact Pat Richards if you are interested. 01844-345452

## Further dates for diaries.

4<sup>™</sup> November. ALL SAINTS SUNDAY. At 6.00pm will be a special service of REMEMBRANCE FOR ALL BEREAVED PEOPLE. This will be a unique opportunity to REMEMBER those we have lost, to LIGHT a candle, and to WRITE their name in the BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE. It will be a gentle non- threatening service with the choir to help lead our quiet hour.

11. November. At 10.00am – Remembrance Sunday. The memorials for two world wars are situated in our Church, where special wreaths are placed after the reading of their names. This is a time to thank God for their sacrifice, to be thankful for all we

have, and to remember those who have made it all possible for us.

1st December – a Saturday.
CHRISTMAS FAYRE AND COFFEE
MORNING from 10.00am till
1.00pm in Lacey Green Village
Hall, in aid of Church funds.

Refreshments will include coffee, teas, mulled wine and mince pies, plus the usual delicious cakes. Stalls will hold Cakes and Preserves, Crafts, Handbags and Jewellery, small Antiques, Christmas and other cards, and toys. Tombola for adults and Lucky Dip for children. ALSO, children will have the opportunity to make the CHRISTINGLES for Sunday morning. Wonderful.

A car wash will be organised in November in the school playground. At £5.00 per car and £7.00 for MPVs from noon till 5.PM – it will be the bargain of the week. See notice board for the date.

### A few more notes.....

Now and again, an overwhelming urge to clean comes over us – especially if armed with duster and spray polish – and it is so rewarding to enter a lovely clean smelling –of –polish church, so if you feel keen or clean, please come and volunteer to keep our church beautiful.

Many thanks to the Flower ladies -Margaret and Shirley, Pat, Jean, Ursula and Karen for all those attractive flower arrangements.

They are a joy to behold, and raise the profile of our Church.

AND finally, many thanks to all those working parties who turn up on a regular basis to clear the churchyard – a most enjoyable time is had by all, and sometimes bacon sandwiches as well.

### Regular Services at St. Christmas Services John's Church

#### **SUNDAY**

8.00am Holy Communion(1662) 1st, 2nd, & 4th. Sundays

10.00am All age Worship Communion 1st Sunday of the month.

10.00am Parish Communion 2nd, 3rd, 4th, (&5th) Sundays

6.00pm Choral Evensong 1st Sunday in the month

Junior Church at 10.00am - all services other than 1st, held in upper room.

### **TUESDAY**

9.30am Communion Service in Lady Chapel at St. John's. This is a quiet time for peace and reflection of your own Spiritual journey.

2.00pm Toddler Praise -Toddlers meet Tuesday afternoons during term time. Dads and Grandparents are very welcome, as well as mums. Our new leader is Antonia.

#### WEDNESDAY

10.30.am Team Communion Service at Chapter House, St. Mary's Church, Princes Risborough.

### T@3

In October we were joined by some of the 'Happy Wanderers' who regaled us about their weekend of walks and good food at Swanage.

Convivial conversation was enjoyed by all - subjects ranging from the importance of caring for one's family; where the river flowed through High Wycombe; elderly care; and the good news

Support Christingle this year -Sunday 2nd Dec at 10.00am Advent Sunday - a family service to give to the Children's Society, reaching out to other children in the world. No Communion.

Advent Carol Service 2nd Dec at 6.00pm. A serene time to sing advent Carols old and new, in our Candle lit Church.

SUNDAY 16th DEC. at 6.00pmCANDLE LIT CAROL **SERVICE - SING WITH GUSTO** THE GOOD OLD TRADITIONAL CAROLS TO WELCOME THE COMING OF OUR LORD. The Choir will be practising every moment, the organist will be tuning up, and we will be lighting the Candles, sensing a peaceful, yet exciting ambiance, and joining in those special prayers. CHRISTMAS EVE - Sunday 24th at 3.30pm. CRIB Service for children and families.

Come and look at the Crib, see the visitors to the Baby Jesus, and worship our Lord and Saviour celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

11.15pm on 24th Come and celebrate the GLORY of GOD at Midnight Communion.

Christmas Day at 10.00 am. A lovely Family Service with Holy Communion.

A Christmas Card will be delivered to your Home with the times of services printed clearly. Do join us at this happy festive time - you are welcome - especially if it snows!

If you know of anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion at home, or would like a home visit, please contact churchwardens Mrs Pat Richards on 01844-345452 or Mr Dick Field on 01494-562231.

### **June Brazier**



about down-sizing of several residents within the village. We hate it when long time villagers have to move away to be near their children and have smaller more manageable properties.

The cakes were as delicious as ever: apricot Swiss Roll, chocolate and cherry cream gateau and the ever popular lemon drizzle. If you have been watching 'The Great

British Bake-off' on TV and have been inspired to bake again why not contact Sally Pilkington and join our rota of bakers.

November's gathering is already planned and December will be starting earlier for a special Christmas Tea with carols sung by St John's School Choir!

**Jean Gabbitas** 

## Village Quiz Night



Nineteen teams took part in the recent Quiz Night held in the Village Hall. Jamie Carter was once again the Quiz Master with Colin Rushmere and Les Lett keeping the scores.

This year the winners were Lacey Green Productions, closely followed by the Happy Wanderers Walking Club, and the High Wycombe & District U3A (team 2) coming third. This was our first time running the Quiz Night since the closure of the Afternoon WI - a hard act to follow, but we think everyone enjoyed the event and we were delighted that we raised £225 for the Village Hall.

We would like to thank everyone who took part in the teams and who contributed so generously, also the Quizmaster, scorers and all of our members (and their husbands!) who helped to make this such a successful evening.

# Daphne Williams Hon Sec The Windmill WI

## Kinder Gym

What a busy start to the term, with lots of new children. It seems a long time since our Summer holiday, so, just to remind you.....

St John's school was transformed for a week into our Treasure Island, where we went on a different adventure everyday. We made a Mermaid's Grotto, sailed away in a pirate ship and found the hidden treasure. Aargh!

Look out for "A Day in Narnia", provisionally booked for Saturday 15. December. Whilst we are having magical Christmas fun, Mums and Dads can have a shopping day.



### Jenny Stothard





#### **FRIDAY** in Lacey Green

Also held in Thame Haddenham and Monks Risborough

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After School class Reception - Year 3

Develop your child's self-confidence and motor skills, and have fun at the same time!

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Songs, action rhymes, musical instruments Refreshments and playtime!

Jenny 01844 344441 Gabby 07793 807454 www.kindergym.co.uk

Organisation	Meetings	Contact	Phone	Email address	
Happy Wanderers Walking Club	Full walk last Sun of the month 10.30	Ronnie Lewin	274961	relewin@btinternet.com	
Happy Wanderers Walking Club	Short walk (2-3 miles) 2nd Wed 10.30	Linda Taylor	345261		
Horticultural Society	3rd Wed of Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov. 8pm	Alison Shreeve		a.shreeve1@btinternet.com	
Kinder Gym & Melody Minors	Baby to 5 years. Fridays during term. After school classes for up to Year 3	Jenny Stothard Gabby Kenny	344441 07793 80745	jennystothard@btinternet.com	
LG Singers	Thursday evenings in term time	Pat Syrett	347596		
Lacey Green Productions	Theatre, drama, and sometimes food			info@laceygreenproductions.co.uk	
Windmill Under 5s	Mon-Fri 9.00-12.00 or 1.30 if your child stays for lunch	Kay Pallister	07811 812627	admin@windmillunder5s.co.uk	
Windmill WI (evenings)	1st Wed of month except Jan. 7.45pm	Stella Boll	347268	daphne.willash@btinternet.com	
High Wycombe & District U3A	4th Wed afternoon of the month	Ted Chapman	01494 563034		
Youth Club	Alternate Fridays - see laceygreen.com web site for details 7.30pm	Joan Smith	342322	joansmith38@googlemail.com	
Over 50s Pub Lunch Club	Black Horse. First Tuesday of the month	Betty Tyler Yvonne Axe	344606 345216		
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LG Sports Club - Tennis		lan Ward	345567	ian.ward21@tiscali.co.uk	
LG Sports Club - Football		Ben Foster	344906	laceygreenfc@hotmail.co.uk	
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LG Windmill	Sundays & Bank holidays 2 to 5 pm May to September	Michael Hardy	275871	contact@laceygreenwindmill.or g.uk	
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