

HALLMARK

The Lacey Green and Loosley Row Magazine



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Hello from Badger's Garden!

We thought we'd use this opportunity (while our crops are still mere seedlings) to let you know a little about what we do. We are a local family business that started up over lockdown, growing salads, herbs and vegetables plus edible flowers and bunches of cut blooms, all here in Lacey Green.

Last year, while not offering the best growing conditions, was a bumper year of growth for us in other interesting ways. Some of you will know that we deliver home grown salads to your door from May to October. Alongside this, we began to supply the Professional Masterchef 2020 winner and finalists and other wonderful local restaurants of note including The Griffin in Old Amersham and Nomadic in the Chalfonts. The Barn Kitchen at Peterley Manor Farm now serves our salad and look out for our

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Welcome to the August edition

This issue we have a special focus on Astronomy. As well as our normal Heavenly Bodies article, on page 13 Ronnie Lewin and Chris Dignan have celebrated the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Uranus.

It's a very colourful issue, as we have photographs of the Queen's Jubilee and life at St John's school. It's also good to see evidence that the Youth Club is popular - they look pretty frightening to me.

Louisa Spearing has given us a big spread on the many activities to welcome our Ukrainian guests. It's amazing how much money has been raised and what has been achieved in such a short time.

I'm happy to see that our cricket club have been doing well and look like being promoted - Congratulations!

We have good news following last month's appeal for a Delivery Manager. Wendy Davis from Loosley Row has agreed to take over the role and she will now be sorting out the rounds with our team of deliverers. Thanks to all of you for getting the magazine out to the readers. With the next issue we will be asking the deliverers to collect donations to pay for the printing of Hallmark.

Most of you will have noticed that the village shop has been sold and that Clive has moved his shop to Stokenchurch. Though Clive and Karen have now moved out of Lacey Green they have told us that they are



willing to carry on as Chairman and Booking Secretary. They have been doing these roles for an amazing 22 years - so we must thank them for their time and patience.

Mike Piercy
Editor

Doug Tilbury

It is with great regret that we report the death of Douglas Tilbury on Friday 15th July, after a long illness. Doug was born and lived at Parslows Hillock most of his life. Some years ago he moved to Ellesborough where he passed away surrounded by his family.

Doug was a loyal and lifelong member of St. John's Church. He was a chorister from childhood, and did much work in the church, serving as Churchwarden for many years, and keeping up the graveyard. He was a founder member of the History Group, and contributed enormously to our knowledge of local history. His work can be found in the history section of the Lacey Green website.

He will be greatly missed. A fuller obituary will appear in the next edition of Hallmark.

Rosemary Mortham

Village Hall

As I write this the weather is glorious and we are all looking forward to summer.

The hall continues to thrive and offer a variety of activities for all ages. After almost twenty-three years since opening, we are extremely fortunate that the hall is still in excellent condition. The committee work hard to maintain this and really appreciate the hall users taking diligent care of the facilities.

By the time you get this issue the contractors should have started work on tarmacing the car park. Though it doesn't seem so important in this dry weather we will all appreciate the absence of puddles in the winter months.

You may have noticed that we have refurbished the village

noticeboards. We would welcome organisations putting up posters on the boards, they are well situated to catch the eye and promote your events.

It is always our aim to support and help local organisations. We offer a special rate to enable them to raise much needed funds in challenging times.

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Enjoy the summer.

Karen Hodghton
Booking Secretary

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As usual we will be having a bottle tombola, a cake stall, book stall and a craft stall.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Ann Bartlett, Sandra Moore and Daphne Williams

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On the Farm

Once again the weather is the thing most on our minds. It has been much drier than normal throughout the spring until early summer and as I write we are in the grip of a heatwave.

The extreme heat is finishing the arable crops off quickly now, our first crops of wheat will be ready to harvest in late July; on average we probably start harvesting them around the 2nd week of August, so it will be early. The sunshine as the crop matures should help boost the protein content of the wheat. Now we hope it stays dry to get the harvest in, without the massive cost of drying grain. Last year we had to dry all of it.

The rest of the farm is desperate for some rain. We have made some reasonable volumes of silage considering the rainfall in the first and second cuts, the 3rd cut looks next to non-existent. A grazing milking cow will eat over 40 kg of fresh grass a day. The grass has stopped growing so we are now feeding out our silage made for winter feed, to supplement the grass that the cows are grazing. The maize which is also a key part of our cows' winter ration likes the sun and is looking good, but of course it does need rain as well.

It is good at catching the rain as its big leaves funnel any rainfall down its stem to where its roots are waiting to use it. After a shower of rain if you walk in a maize field you will see it looks like each plant has been watered individually.

The cow's themselves hate the heat, which gives us a great deal of concern, they are at their happiest between -2C and 18C. If mixed with high humidity they can get in real trouble especially if for some reason their health is comprised at the same time; they are not good at cooling down. They are often better in the shade of the barns by day and grazing by night.

In June we started a new milk contract called Arla Care, so we will be producing milk for Arla brands such as Cravendale and BoB. Our milk will be segregated with other farms on the same contract still being processed at the Arla Dairy at Aston Clinton. To qualify for this contract we have to have a higher level of farm standards, the cows have to go out to graze, we need to invest in renewable energy and our natural habitats.



The roller coaster of inflation is an uncomfortable ride. Our costs have rocketed, which is now being reflected in the shops; if they weren't, food supply would be heading to a cliff edge. It is very difficult at present to be confident that the margins are there, especially as food production is such a long term process.

Recently we attended Charlotte's graduation at Harper Adams University in Shropshire, a leading agricultural education establishment, on completion of her degree in Agriculture (delayed by Covid), a proud day for us. This university has taught our family a great deal. I attended there over 30 years ago, and my father John attended 60 years ago.

We have been disappointed when our owl boxes were checked by 'Borg', we hadn't attracted any residents. Maybe next year. The front cover of this magazine is a photo of the chicks from another nearby farm's box, in the cluster group. Our spring bird survey had one new bird to us on the list, a peregrine falcon. The Chiltern Cluster has now recorded 106 species of bird since the surveys started several years ago.



Richard West

St John's CE Primary



REFLECTIONS ON A CHALLENGING YEAR

Ian Newton, headteacher

It is only when I look back on this year, I realise just what has been achieved by the school community.

The Autumn began in hope with all COVID 19 restrictions removed and we all adjusted back to life pre-pandemic, but at the same time, wondering what lay ahead of us.

The removal of restrictions allowed us to bring back the 'St John's -ness' and that feeling from being together with our community again. This was best illustrated as the famous KS2 panto made a return to live audiences. During this time, the pupils genuinely lived the school's values. A small group took it upon themselves to write to the Tongan Embassy following the dreadful tsunami, to show that we were thinking of them.

Similarly, larger charities were put aside as our Harvest Festival donations went to the Wycombe Food hub as the pupils wanted local people to benefit. At the end of this term, our Y4 pupils launched the St John's Pod, which you can listen to at <https://www.stjohnsce.org/school-podcast/>

The Spring term was more of a challenge as pupils and staff contracted COVID 19. Due to the efforts of everybody, continuity of education was maintained as much as possible. We began to run trips to places such as Verulamium during this time as well as sending pupils to participate in sporting events brilliantly organised by the upper school in Princes Risborough.

The Summer term was dominated by our successful OFSTED inspection - the outcome of which was a grading of 'good' which gives us an excellent platform to get 'outstanding' next time around! This term has also seen us celebrate the Queen's platinum Jubilee with a street party style celebration.

During the latter half of this term we have welcomed some pupils from Ukraine to the school and they have brought plenty of colour and cheer to St John's and it is amazing to hear about the response from our local community and the vast number of people who have opened their hearts and homes to help out.

I want to thank the local community, especially for bearing with us with the parking - many of our pupils need to commute, such is the life of a village school. I do understand the frustrations at the actions of a minority - we will keep working on this.

The photos here are just some of the activities from this year. For a greater insight to what goes on in the school, please follow us on Twitter and Instagram @stjohnscebucks where you can see and read about the rich and varied aspects of school life.



Y6 Games - Winners



Jubilee Street Party



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League - Winners



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Girls Netball
League - 3rd Place



Y6 Residential -
Whitemoor Lakes



Y5 Residential to Dorset



Paralympian Visit



Community Pancake Races



World Book day



Y4 Trip to Verulamium



Christmas Jumper Charity Day



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Bucks Council News

We are grateful for the support from our residents for reaching out to us for advice and solutions to problems and concerns. The boundary changes remains a work in progress, and we will update with outcomes, hopefully next year. We will encourage community groups to participate in the Community Boards and take advantage of the available funds to carryout projects.

Ukraine Update

What is being planned by the Council

- A four week holiday club scheme offer across the county, operating via a network of seven provider locations based on families' main locations
- Summer language courses
- Further Trauma Awareness Training for Hosts. Buckinghamshire Mind recently ran 6 identical sessions training to help hosts feel confident. A recording of the event will be available soon on the [Buckinghamshire Mind Ukraine Refugee Support webpage](#)

Bin Collections

Veolia are making progress and have caught up on a lot of the missed collections over the weekend, after considerable pressure was put on them to reduce the backlog. We are still seeing missed bins being reported in excess of where we need to be and remain in regular contact with Veolia to bring it to satisfactory levels. By way of update:

- By Monday 4th July, Veolia had reduced the missed collections backlog to 315 (from 4,000 a couple of weeks ago).
- Missed collections and repeated missed collections reported are reducing every day.
- If there are any pockets of poor service still occurring, we are urging people to continue to report missed bins online.

Councillor Surgeries

24th Aug - Virtual
5th Sept – Lacey Green
17th Sept – Bledlow Ridge
19th Oct – Virtual
19th Nov - Stokenchurch
14th Dec – Virtual



If you have any other matters or concerns relating to Buckinghamshire Council such as Roads, Adult Social Care, Children services, Education, Planning, Waste & Recycling and Libraries for example that you need some assistance with, please don't hesitate to contact either:

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Mysterious Uranus

Exactly 200 years ago on 25th August 1822 the polymath, William Herschel, musician and astronomer died.

His life will be celebrated in many parts of the world, and uniquely in the Buckingham village of Upton where Herschel was entombed in the Saxon church of St Laurence's in the area where I was brought up.

I am probably the oldest person still alive to have known The Rev. Sir John Herschel, the last member of the family. He and his lady wife took me under their wing as a young person at Observatory House and introduced me to the wonders of astronomy, which has lasted to this day.

On 13 March 1781, while making observations, William Herschel made note of a new object in the constellation of Gemini. This would, after several weeks of verification and consultation with other astronomers, be confirmed to be a new planet, eventually given the name of Uranus.

This was the first planet to be discovered since antiquity, and Herschel became famous overnight. He had a special relationship with George III who invited him to take his telescope to Windsor Castle to show his friends; also he gave Herschel the title of Astronomer to the King and helped fund his telescope research.

Ronnie Lewin

In the 241 years since its discovery, Earthlings have sent just one mission to Uranus. So there's lots we still don't know about this frozen world. What we do know is that it could be raining diamonds there – and humans will probably never be able to collect them.

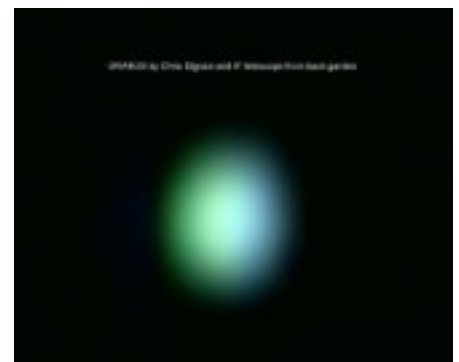
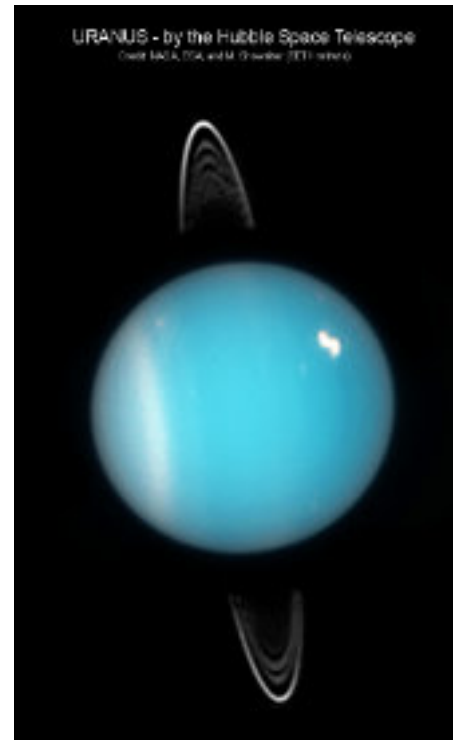
But first, the basics. The seventh planet from the Sun is about four times the diameter of our planet and could fit 63 Earths inside it. Uranus is the only planet in our Solar System to spin on its back, probably because it was knocked on its side in an ancient collision with a mystery body. At 3 billion km away from the Sun, it's the coldest of our planets, at an average temperature of minus 195 degrees Celsius (-320F).

The atmosphere is mostly hydrogen and helium, but below these cloudy layers is a 'sea' of methane, ammonia, hydrogen sulphide and water which combine to give the planet its aquamarine colour. Recent theories suggest some methane is turned into carbon structures which are compressed by the extreme atmospheric pressure into diamonds which fall from the sky. But the pressure is so high on

the planet that humans and their spacecraft currently could not survive a mission to collect them.

But if you could be on the planet, the gravity would be a little less than here on Earth because the giant planet is mainly gas and not solid. Also, your 'year' would be 84 Earth years for one orbit around the Sun, with one side of the planet being in darkness for decades. If you were on the sunlit side of Uranus, it would be daytime for decades as its 'back spin' doesn't turn the planet's surface away from the Sun to create 'night'. It also spins fast taking around 17 hours for one rotation – fast enough to make the planet 'bulge' at its top and bottom (as seen in both images here).

Uranus is the second planet, after Saturn, to have rings discovered around it. They are very faint rings and were first 'seen' in 1977. The planet was passing in front of a star and shortly before the planet blocked out the star from view, the star 'winked' on and off a few times, indicating that rings were partially blocking the star's light. This was confirmed in 1986 when the only mission to the planet – the



Voyager 2 space probe – had just six hours at close range during its fly-by at 64,000 km per hour.

Currently, there are 27 known moons orbiting Uranus, the two largest – Titania and Oberon – first spotted by Herschel six years after he discovered the planet. There are three other large moons, Voyager 2 discovered 11 more and the others have been revealed from Earth.

There are several missions proposing to re-visit and actually orbit the planet, but none have yet been given the go-ahead. Until one has, much of Uranus remains a mystery.

Chris Dignan

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Windmill WI

At the end of May a few of us visited Waterperry Garden Centre and had a lovely time. The sun shone and we started with lunch then had a lovely walk around the beautiful gardens. We then explored the shop, garden centre and museum ending up in the Church.

Bernie Knill was our speaker for May. Bernie is a National Trust Volunteer at Hughenden Manor, he gave us a very



interesting talk about the Manor both in war and peace. At the beginning of June we had an afternoon meeting with a Jubilee Tea. Lots of sandwiches and cakes and then prosecco for the toast to the Queen. Ken and Sally played and sang to us and we all joined in. A lovely afternoon.

Some of us enjoyed a lovely walk through Bradenham Woods to the Le de Spencer Arms at Downley. We sat in the



garden and enjoyed a lovely lunch before walking back.

Our knitting group is still going strong and we have made lots of baby hats ready to be sent abroad.

July's speaker was Mervyn Edwards 'Walking the beat to Nirvana'. Mervyn was a Fire Arms Officer for many years and gave a very interesting talk.

Our August Meeting will be held at the Sports Centre with the Medical Detection Dogs.

All things being equal we hope to have our Jumble Sale on October 8th at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Ann Bartlett

Trains, Musicals and Beanstalks

In May we had the wonderful experience of performing at the heritage railway station at Chinnor. It seemed the ideal place to present the play Still Life, which formed the basis of the iconic love story "Brief Encounter". To have our bar set on an original steam train with our cast mingling with the guests on the platform really added to the atmosphere. It was lovely to see so many village residents in our audience and, as always, we thank you for your support. The performances raised money to help further work at the Chinnor & Princes Risborough Railway – if you haven't visited, we highly recommend it!

But now we are back at Lacey Green for a while, and our next event is a little bit different! A social evening and fund-raiser – "An evening at the Musicals". There are plenty of chances for you to get involved with this one as we will be holding quizzes, competitions, karaoke, singing

and dancing. Why not enter the fancy dress competition and dress up as your favourite musical character? There will be a two course meal included in your ticket, a fully stocked bar, and performances to enjoy. So, why not grab your friends and book a table for an evening of fun? Tickets are available at www.equusproductions.org/tickets.

Following the success of Cinderella last year, we are also now well into the planning for our next pantomime – "Jack, Jill & the Beanstalk". Many of last year's performers will be back, but we always love to meet and work with new people. If you would like to be involved either on stage or behind the scenes, you would be most welcome.

Performers need to be over the age of 6 (with no upper limit!) and rehearsals will take place on Sunday mornings from mid September, with performances 29 December – 1 January. To register interest or simply find out more please contact me on artistic@equusproductions.org.

We hope to see you soon!

Fiona Quilter-Wood

Artistic Director
Equus Productions





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The Arts Society is a leading arts education charity with a global network of over 360 local societies. It was established in 1965 to bring together people from all persuasions and backgrounds through a shared love and curiosity for the arts.

Your local branch is The Arts Society West Wycombe and despite its name it is based right here in Lacey Green Village Hall.

The society provides enjoyable opportunities to discover, learn about and appreciate, the arts of yesterday, today, and tomorrow. We have a programme of illustrated lectures, study days and local and extended organised visits to places and institutions of interest in the world of the Arts.

The Arts Society West Wycombe meets in the Village Hall between September and June at 10am on the third Wednesday of the month for refreshments, followed at 10.50am by an hour-long talk by one of the many accomplished lecturers whom The Arts Society assess through a rigorous procedure to ensure high standards of expertise and communication skill.

The pandemic was a huge challenge for TASWW but through it all we maintained our programme by delivering our lectures to members via Zoom. We then moved to a hybrid, ‘in person or on Zoom’ format to provide the best possible choice.

However, the Society is now happily fully back to ‘in person mode’ and we are delighted to see members once again embracing the chance to come together to meet old friends and make new ones; sharing a passion for the Arts that can nourish and empower us all.

Being back together again means that our local and extended visits can be reactivated. It also means that

we are now able to act on our belief in the power of Arts education and resume our important charitable function, contributing to local schools and community projects, and providing members with opportunities to take part in volunteering activities.

The membership fee for the 2022/23 year starting in September is £46 and this also provides access to a national organisation offering extra lectures and a quarterly magazine.

If you would like more information about The Arts Society West Wycombe, please contact

Jill Rogerson, Membership Secretary on 01494 488315 or jill_rogerson@btinternet.com.

You may also like to look at our website: <https://theartsocietywestwycombe.org.uk>

Best wishes

Christine Bowyer – Chair

Pamela Bowell – Chair Designate

Parish Council

To celebrate and mark the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee, your Parish Council arranged and have now installed new entrance gates and driveway to Lacey Green Memorial Gardens.

For a number of years it was felt that something needed to be done to enhance the area and to beautify the Memorial Gardens. This is both for residents and for those bereaved, to lay to rest and remember their loved ones.

For the project, and to support local business, the Parish

Council believed very strongly that the gates should be designed and manufactured by a local craftsman.

For this reason Gomme’s Forge, Loosley Row, was selected and they came up with a wonderful design and manufactured them very efficiently.

The Parish Council would like to recommend that residents, wherever possible, seek out and support our local trades and services to provide things like



property maintenance, decorating, gardening, plumbing, electrical work etc.

Keith Bowler

St John's Church

Whilst I reported last time that we are getting back to some sort of normality, we have now dispensed with wearing masks in Church, but there is a designated area in Church if members of the congregation want to continue to isolate. Communion is still being administered by Intinction by Canon Tony.

In June we hosted a special service for our Ukrainian visitors and their hosts (along with members of our usual congregation) with an attendance of 84 adults and 27 children. It was a lively time with musical instruments, including tambourines and drums! Unfortunately we do not have photos of the event, as, I understand, permission had not been granted at that time for children's pictures to be published. Some Ukrainian songs were sung and also their National Anthem. Another service is being planned for August.

During July we welcomed Bishop Brian (the new Bishop of Kimberley and Kuruman – our link parish in South Africa) and his wife Mrs Cheryl Marajh to a service at St John's. It was good to meet and to spend some time with them both.

Sadly we had to cancel the Summer Fete earlier this month as a number of our congregation were away or doing other things and we did not have sufficient manpower to go ahead. We have arranged to hold a Garden Party on August 21st and Catherine and Craig Tillotson have kindly agreed to us using their lovely garden at Lane Farm. There will be musical entertainment, a few stalls, and I am sure this will prove to be an enjoyable afternoon. (Please see advert on page 4 for details). Tickets are available from Pat 01494 562140 / Margaret 01844 347094 / Canon Tony 01844 347741.

Pat Rushmere

Sunday

8.00 a.m. Said BCP Holy Communion. Held at St. John's every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

10.00 a.m. Parish Communion Service with Hymns. Held at St. John's.

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Tuesday

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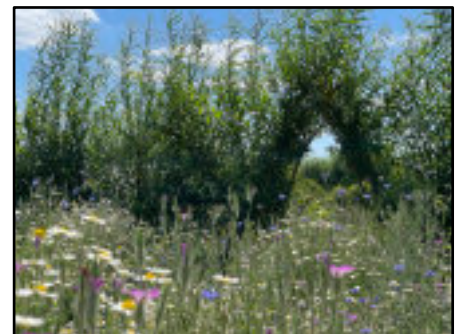
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Ukraine to Chilterns Charity

Our area represents the second largest group of sponsors and their Ukrainian guests in Buckinghamshire. Our latest figures are 109 host families and over 220 Ukrainian families and individuals. This has been made possible by hard work, commitment, amazing generosity, community spirit and human kindness. I think it is fair to say that our Ukrainian guests have enriched our lives locally and have integrated well into their new life in the Chilterns.

Whilst we are very aware that we have British families struggling, illustrated by the pressure on local food banks which is unprecedented, the situation faced by Ukraine is desperate and atrocities and war crimes continue unabated.

Education

Many of our local schools have taken Ukrainian children into their classrooms and are providing English language support and a solid wider education to these young people. The schools have reacted to this emergency with integrity and professionalism and I know that this is appreciated by all of the families. The children are rising to the challenges that learning in a new language poses for them and their English is improving at meteoric rates!

The Princes Risborough youth club runs a special club evening on a Wednesday, primarily for Ukrainian teenagers. This has proved very popular and is always well attended. This initiative was put together by Jonathan Bush and his team, who have offered their time, venue and expertise freely and have provided a real haven for these displaced teenagers.

Bucks Adult Education (BAE) have been heavily involved too.

They teach over-19 year olds, English conversation at St John's Church on a Monday morning. They now have in excess of 40 Ukrainian adults attending these free classes. In September there are plans to extend the scope of these lessons to written English, in order to help those who need qualifications for employment prospects. These classes will hopefully be hosted at Risborough library. BAE have been brilliant to work with and their local offering has benefited our guests in terms of accessibility and learning. It is clear that the Ukrainian guests are making great efforts to integrate into our society and are determined to improve their language skills in order to fit in successfully.

Church

Tony Bundock, our Vicar at St John's, has given us free use of the mezzanine room in the church for our English conversation classes and also led a fabulous welcome service on the 19th June. The Church was full to the brim with host families and their guests and the atmosphere was magical. Readings were in both English and Ukrainian, with Natalii Zagrebelna and Maryna Kamardash providing the Ukrainian version, translated by



Nataliia Dzhodzhyk. Natasha Albokrinova sang a Ukrainian song written by Kristina Zagarina which was utterly beautiful, tears flowed. She later gave a moving rendition of the Ukrainian National Anthem supported by her countrymen and women. This was followed by a bring and share picnic at St John's School.

Clothing

Our New2U Clothes Barn has been a terrific success. Created and run by Candy Piercy, with help from a team of volunteers, the barn provides a space for donated and new items to be collected, tried on and distributed among the Ukrainian families. The Princes Risborough Rotary has generously funded the purchase of 'new' items such as underwear, shoes and school uniform. The barn is open most days between 2-4pm and more information is available on our website www.ukraine2chilterns.com.



St Theresa's Church has been running coffee mornings weekly on a Tuesday, for our Ukrainian guests; these have been very popular. The team led by Celia have prepared welcome packs for all our new arrivals and, along with Katie-May and Anita, who run our pledge list, have distributed them to all the families here. St Theresa's have also become a collection point for donated items and happily provide clothes, toys and assorted bits to the local families.



We have given 40 laptop computers to our guests already and are hoping to extend this offering shortly. Andrew Knott has been brilliant sourcing these from local software companies and our guests have benefited from access to this resource, particularly those young people who are studying. Many of our school and further education age guests are continuing to study long distance, as well as attending English schools.

Friendship

Elim Church in Princes Risborough hosts 'pudding parties' where sponsors and their guests can join together to eat and chat in the cafe there. They have also agreed to provide the venue for our new 'Creative Conversation' classes that will start in September. This will be another opportunity for language acquisition whilst learning about crafts with Marilyn or art with Stewart.

Summer holidays

The Beacon school, along with SuperCamps, have offered the local Ukrainian children two weeks of activities and fun in August at the Beacon School site. We have approximately 30 children attending. The Beacon has provided mini buses to transport the children and covered all associated costs. A massive thank you goes out to everyone involved with this initiative, I am sure it will be a huge success.

Several day trips in August have been organised by Janet Volk, supported by Sarah Halliday. These days are fully subscribed now with 30 Ukrainian guests

due to attend each of the 4 days. Please visit our website to find out more
www.ukraine2chilterns.com

Fundraising

Fundraising events have been well supported, with money being raised at the Loosley Row Jubilee celebrations on June 4th as well as an amazing effort by Wendy Davis, from Well Cottage, Loosley Row, with her plant sale, which raised in excess of £1,400 for our charity. Speen Fete have nominated us as the charity of choice for their donation this year and the stall that was run by our Ukrainian guests on the day was well received. Thanks also to the Horticultural Society who raised a significant sum from a plant sale. We ran a hugely popular fundraising golf day on Thursday 21st July, ably organised by Tim Halliday and Steve Ashton. Thanks to Whiteleaf Golf Club who donated all the golf fees. The Princes Risborough Rotary are running a barn dance in August and will be hosting a Ukraine tent at the Kop Hill Climb in September, as well as sponsoring three groups of Ukrainian youngsters for the 'Soap Box Challenge.'

Ukraine to Chilterns Charity is working closely with the Princes Risborough Rotary, who have already offered financial support to some cases of extreme hardship and supported the New2U clothes barn in provision of new items of

clothing. Their support and guidance has been invaluable over the last few months and we look forward to a continued, strong partnership with them going forward.

Charity registration

Finally, we are in the process of becoming a registered charity with the specific aim of supporting Ukrainian refugees within our area of the Chilterns. Our mission is to enable this group to integrate successfully into our community by offering practical and financial support: to help provide access and links for hosts and their Ukrainian families in the area to include events, social arrangements, training, language support, jobs, schools, childcare and other welfare needs: to look at ways of building and developing strong safe connections between the families, hosts and local community groups such as churches, businesses, clubs such as the Rotary, sports and activity clubs. All of our purposes will be published on our website www.ukraine2chilterns.com. All donations are welcome, please contact us via our website.

Once again, thank you to all those who have given up their time, effort and their homes and those others who have helped in myriad ways, we would not be able to do it without all of you.

Louisa Spearing



Jubilee Celebrations

Loosley Row

It really doesn't seem like 10 years since we celebrated Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee, and here we were in January planning the celebration of our amazing Queens Platinum Jubilee! Wow, a 70 year reign, deserves a very special celebration and we certainly did our Queen proud in Loosley Row.

Having been given 2 extra days to celebrate, we filled them with lots of activities, games, history, flora, bunting, prizes, cake, music, dancing, laughter and some lovely memories to share for evermore.

Thank you to all the organising and planning group, the local residents of Lower Road who contributed in so many ways, and to the whole community who joined in with us over the Platinum Jubilee Weekend.

Here are some photographic memories, which we hope to be putting together, with many more, into a printed 'Jubilee memory album'.

Our traditional street party on 3rd June, began with some traditional British weather, which didn't stop the party and our special opening ceremony with Graham Baker and friends. Graham cut the ribbon with style, and we all sang the National Anthem with accompanying music from Ken and Sally.

By the time we sat down for our picnic lunch, the rain had stopped and the sun had come out to shine on us for the rest of the day.



We were entertained by music and song from a variety of local talented musicians, Holly, Keith, Catherine, Kensal and Mojo, and ended the night with a good ole boogie and sing-along. A perfect end to a perfect day in Loosley Row.

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Church Lane

The sun came out just in time for Church Lane residents both past and present to get together to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee in our 'Just off the Street' Party in the driveway of Lane Farm.

BBQs were fired up, we all did a Jubilee quiz and egg & spoon and sack races were held for the younger guests with prizes. We toasted Her Majesty the Queen and were in fairly good voice (!) for the National Anthem.



Kiln Lane

The residents of Kiln Lane and Hets Orchard got together at Rosemary's house beside the pond. Gazebos had been built, chairs and trestle tables borrowed. Then just as we needed it, the sun came out!

Everybody had been generous with the food they brought, there was tons; and John Gabbitas did a splendid job keeping the Pimms flowing. After lunch, half a dozen houses opened their gardens for leisurely visits to help the Jubilee trifle to go down.

After this it was back to Rosemary's for cakes and fizz whilst the Mole family led the way with music and communal singing.



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Horticultural Society

The Horticultural Society is back in full swing with its series of bi-monthly talks (see p38). As well as these talks we will be holding a special Saturday afternoon with a famous name speaker on 13th August. Bob Flowerdew will be talking about 'The Scented Garden' and answering questions. Tea and cake will be available too, so an informative and inspiring afternoon for garden lovers everywhere! Everyone is welcome – see the village website for details.

This year has been a wonderful one for roses, one of the most popular members of the scented garden. Blooms seem to have been bigger than ever and more abundant. The fine weather has helped by protecting them from rain and wind damage. One of the spectacles in my garden is the climbing rose, Kiftsgate. It has enormous bunches of single white flowers and it climbs high into a birch tree. The perfume fills the garden, particularly in the morning and evening and although it flowers only once, is such a glorious sight it is worth growing if you have enough space. The bees love it as well.

The other outstanding member of my scented garden is the sweet pea. Again, rather short-lived, but if you keep picking the flowers it will last for several months and bringing the flowers into the house is no hardship! There are several kinds of sweet pea. The old fashioned varieties (pre-1914) have smaller flowers but a very strong scent. The large, frilly flowered blooms which are most familiar, have been bred since 1914 and are known as Spencers. The Chiltern Sweet Pea Society recently held its annual show in the Millennium Hall which was a glorious sight and smell. Sweet Peas need not be difficult to grow or take a lot of care, only if you intend to show them do they need some cossetting.



If you are interested in growing your own sweet peas, we will be running a practical workshop on a Sunday afternoon in November. You will learn a bit more about these flowers and how to grow them as well as going home with a pot of seeds. For more details see the village website or contact one of the committee.

Don't forget our Autumn Show on September 3rd – the schedule is available on page 36 and we hope to see you there!

Alison Shreeve





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Happy Wanderers

June 26

The early summer weather had suddenly become unpredictable, so it was with considerable relief that Sunday's forecast was mainly sunny. Sure enough, as we assembled close to the Dashwood Roadhouse the conditions were perfect for the planned walk. A total of 11 members had arranged to come on the walk with two others booking for the lunch afterwards.

The walk started at Ham Farm and was initially along open farmland, with the farm terriers seeing us off to a noisy start. Peter Clee led the first group who kept up a modest pace, and his wife, Jo Clee, shepherded the slower walkers.

There were two additions to the first group, young Lily Clee and her small terrier, Teddy, who were determined to complete the whole route.

Both groups soon entered Bottom Wood which was delightfully shady and where walking conditions were excellent. We were too late to see the annual display of bluebells but there were plenty of other flora to appreciate. Noticeboards along the walk advertised the various flora and fauna which frequented this area.

After about a mile the short walk contingent turned round and retraced their way back to Ham farm where they dispersed to various coffee outlets.

Meanwhile the main group emerged from Bottom Wood and turned to follow a track up a very steep slope towards Studley Green. After crossing two stiles and some open grassland they crossed the A40 and started on their return leg. This led them down some more wooded pathways before they emerged on to open farmland and on to a level track back to the start point.

The majority of the walkers had booked a Sunday lunch at the Grouse and Ale in Lane End where they all enjoyed pre-ordered meals. They were joined by a few non-walkers which rounded off a very happy event.



May 29

Fine weather greeted the start of our walk around Naphill and Downley Common and woodland. This was in sharp contrast to the one attempted in very wet weather some four years ago and memorable for that reason only!

We began at the Le De Spencers Arms on Downley Common. Due to logging work in the spring, combined with rains, quite a large part of the walk had to be recced several times as some paths had become less accessible or

rutted and waterlogged. However, by the time the walk took place, all was well, with the paths clearly marked.

Twelve people and a dog set off for a stroll along the track towards Naphill before turning through the woods and an open field in an approximate figure of eight route. This allowed those who did not want to walk so far to return to the pub, while half of the group continued into open countryside interspersed with copses and woodland. This part of the walk affords extensive views across the Dashwood estate and beyond.

We finally joined the rest of the group at the Le De Spencers where we had pre-booked lunch and were very well looked after by Sarah and Mark.

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At our own championship courts, we have generally been performing well in the Aylesbury summer leagues. Men's 1 are 2nd in division 4, the ladies are third in division 6, mixed are top in division 7, but men's 2 having been promoted last year, sit bottom of division 6. The ladies have been working hard on their game and the results demonstrate the progress. Men's 2 need to take a leaf out of the ladies' book and practise more!

Our men's trip to La Manga, Spain in June was very popular with 8 members enjoying the clay courts and perhaps the occasional beer! We have even more interest next year and the 4 nights worked well, apart from Easyjet spoiling our return. Yes, you've guessed!

The beginners' tennis courses are always in demand, and we ran a new one over the summer on a Friday morning attracting 9 new players. Look out for another Xpress course in September. We can provide you with all the equipment and it's a great way to quickly learn the basics.

As the club grows, our need for a large clubhouse with toilet and kitchen facilities becomes more critical to the future success of the club. Our planning permission has been submitted and our fund-raising efforts have gained in momentum.

In May, we held our annual gin & fizz evening which attracted 95 people and raised an amazing £1,600. Early July saw the club celebrate its 60th anniversary at the village hall with a hog roast, casino and live band. The evening exceeded expectations and we managed to raise some £3,000. A huge thanks must go to Jackie Coles, Mike Smith, Caroline Johnson, Brigid Ward and the rest of the fund-raising committee who spent hours preparing, setting up and making the night so memorable.

Our social activities continue throughout the autumn with a men's curry night, ladies' wine bar evening and another gin & fizz night in October. We firmly believe that social events are an important part of the club and enable members to meet new people and make new friends.

In preparation for the autumn, we have also just had courts 1 and 2 repainted. I think we are unique in the area to have each court painted in a different colour and they certainly bring favourable reactions from visitors.

Wimbledon may have finished, but there is still the US Open in late August to look forward to. If that doesn't appeal our own championship singles finals are well underway with finals day set for 5th/6th November. There is a high level of competition this year, so look out for fireworks on court!

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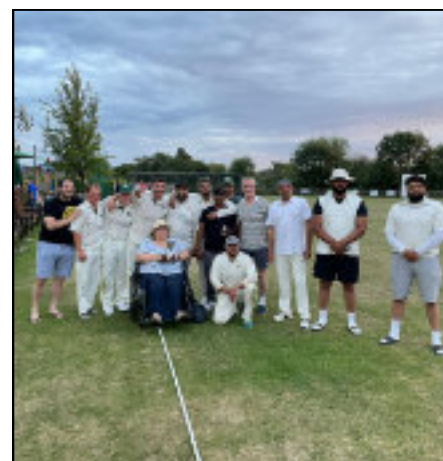
Lacey Green Cricket Club has historically been an integral part of the community. The evidence is dotted all around the village (especially in the Black Horse!). But like many clubs the last few years have been tough; negotiating with diminishing nationwide interest in cricket, Covid and the retirement of a golden generation...

However, this is not a message of despair. 2022 has started off with a bang! I am pleased to announce that LGCC have brought home silverware in the knockout cup. Facing up against a strong Holmer Green team was never going to be easy in the final. But the composure displayed in the field was reminiscent of Eoin Morgan's England. There was a hint of Bazball in the batting line-up too! We were able to bring a

large crowd to the game, creating a brilliant atmosphere, so thanks to everyone involved.

To add to the excitement, both the first and second teams are vying for promotion in their respective leagues. Albeit I am well informed that it was not long ago that LGCC would sweep both the league and the cup, so there is work to be done.

But cricket is back on the rise! I can't have been the only one to be chained to TMS this year and been inspired by our Test team's triumphs. The same group of players have gone from Ashes atrocity to 0-fear "rockstars". So put on your whites and you might well discover that you have a "jaffa" inside you.



If you have hung up your spikes, there are still plenty of ways to get involved. Come down to the sports club on a Saturday to enjoy a drink and follow "Lacey Green & Loosely Row Sports & Social Club" on Facebook to stay up to date. Go well!

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Bridge Challenge and Afternoon Tea 19th October in North Dean Village Hall. A call to bridge players in Lacey Green and Loosley Row, please make up a table and come and join us on the 19th October. For further information call Grainne Suter on 07778803260.

Rotary Club of Princes Risborough

The 1st of July saw the start of a new Rotary Club year, and with it came some new initiatives. Near the end of June we were asked to support "Lighthouse", an event free for local children. It is a fun packed holiday club in a safe and secure environment for 2-4 year-olds, and primary and secondary school children, held during the week 25th to the 29th of July. To help ensure success the Club donated £1,000 towards the cost of running the week.

July also sees the end of term for senior secondary school students and, consequently, a new group of Interact members stepping up for the new academic year. Interact is a junior form of Rotary with the same ethos of helping those in need locally, nationally and internationally. Members of our club act as mentors to, and

provide support for, the Interactors in High Wycombe and Princes Risborough.

We have been busily raising money to support the increasing needs of the Ukrainian refugees being hosted locally. Our club has formed a partnership with a group, based in Lacey Green/Loosely Row, that has formed the charity "Ukraine2Chilterns" which is supporting over 100 households who are hosting Ukrainian families. There are still a further 100+ Ukrainians holding in various European countries waiting for visas to come to the area. For more details see their website at ukraine2chilterns.com.

The majority of the refugees arrive with only the clothes they stand-up in. Consequently, the charity has established a "New2You" shop, providing a

range of clothing, shoes, underwear and school uniforms. They would be very grateful for any donations of second-hand items and/or financial support to enable them to purchase underwear and shoes. To do so please contact the following:

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Windmill Under 5s Preschool

When we started back after the Easter holidays, we were straight into learning about people who help us, which gave the opportunity for us to invite some special guests into the setting. Our first visit was from a police dog and his handler who demonstrated some thrilling tricks that left the children awestruck. The children were also interested (if not a little startled!) to hear the siren in the police dog's car that alerts everyone that he is on his way. Our next guests were two hard-working, paramedic mummies who visited in their full uniform and allowed the children to inspect their equipment and supplies close up, including a try on of their helmets and jackets. The following week we had a visit from two police officers who demonstrated an arrest with hand cuffs and showed the children their radios and pepper spray. Some of the children were fortunate enough to join with the St John's children to experience a very special visit from the RAF fire engine and firefighters on the school site. It is safe to say that all of this excitement provided a bounty of creativity in play and sparked many little imaginations for weeks.

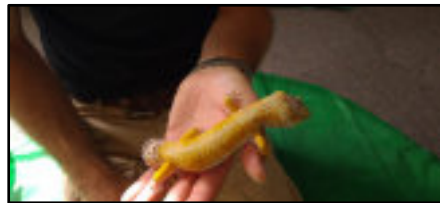
We then turned our attention towards the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with many arts and crafts themed around the momentous occasion, including paper plate crowns, oversized bunting to adorn our window and finger paint flags. The staff carefully put together a beautiful Union Jack tuff tray in red, white and blue rice and set up our very own 'Buckingham Palace' fitted with its very own throne! The children were invited to join the Reception children at St Johns for a special Jubilee celebration which ended with a fantastic lunch on the field with the wider school.

In the second half of term, we

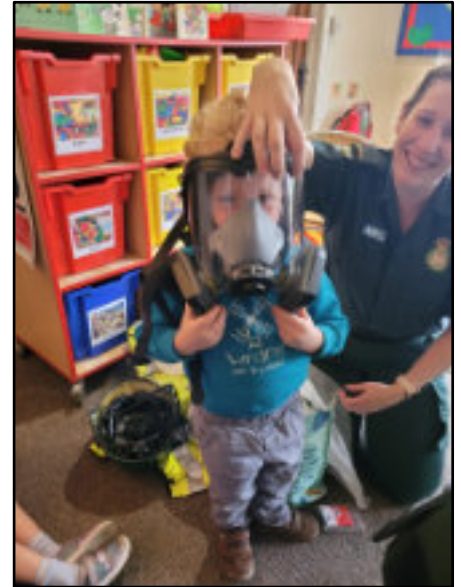
began looking ahead in order to prepare our leavers for 'big' school. Our leavers were able to experience four fantastic tennis sessions with Dan at the Lacey Green and Loosley Row Tennis Club, which encouraged them in their independence and in taking responsibility whilst having great fun.

As the weather warmed up, the children benefited from lots of free flow outdoor play. They practised both their gross and fine motor skills whilst watering and picking their home-grown strawberries which were enjoyed for snack time on more than one occasion. The children took delight in a massive water fight on one of the hotter days of term, particularly as they were they were encouraged to soak the staff as much as possible!

Unfortunately we took the decision to cancel our much anticipated sports day due to the heat, but we were able to say an emotional farewell to our big children who were leaving to start Reception in September. Each leaver was presented with a special gift of a personalised pencil case and set of pencils.



We rounded off the year with a highly engaging and educational visit from Zoolab for our end of term party. Our Zoolab Ranger brought in a giant snail, tarantula, gecko, hissing cockroach, hermit crab and snake for our children to interact with. The children have not stopped talking about it since



and I hope it will inspire many visits to zoos and farms during the summer holidays.

All that's left to say is a massive GOOD LUCK to all of our wonderful leavers; your passion, joy and creativity will be missed by all of us here at Windmills and we know that you will shine bright wherever life takes you. We look forward to welcoming back our wonderful younger children in September for what I'm sure will be another fantastic year.

If you would like to arrange a look around the preschool or enquire about a place for your child, please call or email Tracey Winfield (Preschool Manager) on 07502 198405 or email manager@windmillunder5s.co.uk. We are open Monday – Thursday, 9am - 3pm and Friday 9am – 1:30pm during term time and welcome children aged 2-4 years.

Pip Cartwright

Chairperson
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The Black Horse

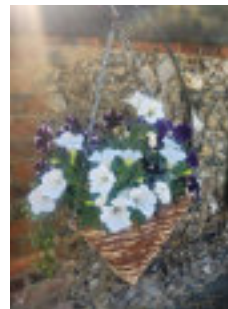


We are a traditional country pub that offers a range of home-made pub classics, as well as seasonal specials and a vast array of home-made gluten and dairy free options that don't compromise on quality!



Opening Hours

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Tuesday - Thursday: 12pm - Late
Friday - Saturday: 9am - Late
Sunday: 12pm - 9pm



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Sunday: Roasts 12pm - 3pm

Call to book your table on 01844 345195

See our full menu and events @ www.theblackhorselg.co.uk/

What a great start to the year we have had at the Black Horse.

AJ has been cooking up a storm in the kitchen, with a whole range of ever-changing specials alongside our core menu with plenty of home-made pub classics.

The pub has had a makeover with a much-needed coat of paint and some new chairs, as well as the usual summer flowers outside!

So, if you haven't popped in for a drink recently, come and check out our beer garden in the summer sun, or join us to watch Sky Sports inside the pub!

Thank you to all the people who joined us to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. We definitely enjoyed the live music and BBQ, and hope all of those who joined us did too!

We enjoy the company of the Over 50's Pub Lunch on the first Tuesday of the month. All are welcome, so if you are interested in joining please see contact details at the back of the Hallmark.

We are looking forward to a busy summer with our Beer and Gin Festival on the 19th-21st of August! There will be live music throughout the weekend, with 12 real ales and a wide range of flavoured gins on offer. AJ will have a range of American diner food on Friday night and street

food on the Saturday night with Paella!

If you can't make that, then there will be a range of other events happening over the summer. These include live music, a tabletop sale and more! Keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for the latest information!

We are excited to see the Crib and Dominoes League restarting soon on a Monday evening. If you are interested in getting involved, please don't hesitate to get in touch!

We hope to see you soon!

The Black Horse Team





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Heavenly Bodies

The summer break from watching the night sky is over as the evenings become darker earlier and the autumn constellations emerge. The highlights are the two largest planets in our Solar System being on show from now and over the next few months. There is a supermoon but no decent Perseids meteor shower – because of that supermoon!

The supermoon is on August 12/13th and sadly washes out most of the Perseids meteor shower. But you may be lucky and spot the odd shooting star now and again.

Jaw-dropping Saturn will be at its closest to Earth this year on August 14th – at just 1.3 billion km from us. It's visible now from about 10pm in the southeast and climbs higher as the night goes on. Saturn is bright in the sky and easy to spot. It rises earlier each night and, on the 14th, will be visible from about 9.30pm. Through binoculars, it appears oval-shaped because of its exquisite rings. It has been very low in the sky in recent years so it's a treat that it's returning to a more glamorous place in the night sky. As the weeks pass, Saturn will be visible from 7pm.



If you look for the Moon at about 11pm the same night, you'll see an extremely bright 'star' to its left. It's not a star but the king of the planets, Jupiter. Its path is higher in the sky than Saturn's and it's brighter. You'll see its four largest moons – Io, Europa, Callisto and Ganymede – as pinpoint dots if you use binoculars. Jupiter will be at its closest this year on September 26th when it will be half the distance of Saturn at about 600 million km away.

Much further away at 2.8 billion km is the planet Uranus. See pg13 for a fascinating account of its discovery and its discoverer's descendant, who lives locally! Uranus is just on the threshold of naked-eye visibility but best to use binoculars, a steady hand

and patience to spot the turquoise disc. It's at its closest this year in early November.

A bit of scale: light (at 670 million mph) from the Moon takes about 1.3 seconds to reach Earth; light from Saturn at opposition takes 73 minutes; while Uranus' light takes 2 hours and 35 minutes. So, you always see objects in space as they were sometime in the past.

Look out for the Milky Way appearing brighter and earlier in the night sky over the coming weeks. Point binoculars anywhere at it and be amazed by the thousands of stars that suddenly pop into view.

Chris Dignan



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LLS Youth Club

After a short break due to Covid, Lacey Green, Loosely Row and Speen Youth Club is back!

We have welcomed lots of new members; many Year 6 pupils and some Year 7/8 pupils; who did not get the opportunity to join when they were Year 6, have been coming regularly since we restarted in April.

It has been great to see the children and young adults having fun and socialising together again. The pool table, table football, table tennis, volleyball net, badminton net and air hockey; have all been back out again and the children have really enjoyed playing together.

We have had a few exciting events already; Father's Day crafting, team games night, a summer themed disco with some professional dance teaching from Zoe at 'All Access Dance, Drama and Fitness', as well as an extremely fun 'Laser Tag' session, held on the St John's school field.

The children have been coming up with suggestions of events and activities they would like to do and we are working on making these happen from the Autumn term. Already lots planned, including a Minecraft coding course and possibly another Laser Tag event too, as this seemed to prove very popular and lots of fun!

The tuck shop is obviously a huge success and the children love being able to spend their money. Although, you may be surprised to hear that lots of the children do also opt to choose the free fruit and veg on offer each week!

We will be back again after the summer holidays, fortnightly from Friday 9th September with all this excitement for just £3 a



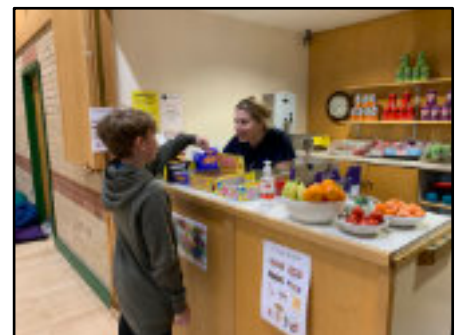
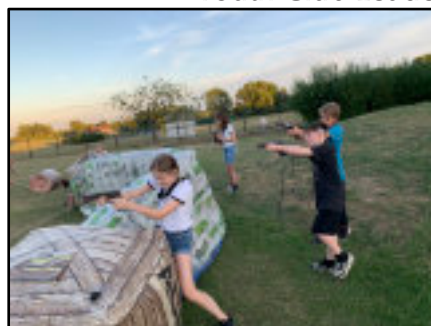
session, at the Millennium Hall, 7:30pm-9pm. All children Year 6-9, who live in Lacey Green, Loosely Row or Speen are welcome to attend; as well as those who attended St John's School.

As with all volunteer run organisations, we are always looking for helpers and volunteers who would like to join us; or any locals that may have particular skills or hobbies that they would like to share with our young people.

If you would like more information about the LLS Youth Club, please visit the Lacey Green website www.laceygreen.com or email directly to natashakann@gmail.com

Natasha Kann

Youth Club Leader



LOOSLEY ROW & LACEY GREEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY - SHOW SCHEDULE
AUTUMN PRODUCE SHOW
AT THE LACEY GREEN VILLAGE HALL – SATURDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2022

VEGETABLE SECTION.

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| Class 1 | – 3 ONIONS, | from seed or sets – over 250g |
| Class 2 | – 3 ONIONS | from seed or sets – under 250g |
| Class 3 | – 9 SHALLOTS | |
| Class 4 | – 5 POTATOES | coloured of one variety but of any shape |
| Class 5 | – 5 POTATOES | white , one variety but of any shape. |
| Class 6 | – 9 FRENCH BEANS | any one variety other than runners |
| Class 7 | – 6 RUNNER BEANS | with stalks. |
| Class 8 | – 3 CARROTS, | any one variety with foliage trimmed to 3" (7.5cm) |
| Class 9 | – 2 LEEKS | any one variety - with roots |
| Class 10 | – 2 CUCUMBERS | any one variety |
| Class 11 | – An UNUSUAL or MISSHAPEN vegetable | |
| Class 12 | – 3 BEETROOT | any one variety |
| Class 13 | – 3 PEPPERS (not Chillies) | any one variety |
| Class 14 | – 5 CHILLIES | any one variety |
| Class 15 | – 3 COURGETTES | any one variety |
| Class 16 | – 10 TOMATOES | small-fruited round cherry cultivars , with calyces |
| Class 17 | – 10 TOMATOES | small-fruited other than round with calyces |
| Class 18 | – 5 TOMATOES, | ordinary cultivars , with calyces. |
| Class 19 | – COLLECTION of cut & named culinary HERBS 5 kinds in one vase | |
| Class 20 | – any VEGETABLE not otherwise listed - show minimum of 2 | |
| Class 21 | – one of each of 5 different kinds of VEGETABLES (5 items in total) from the following – | |
| | Coloured potato, White potato, Red onion, White onion, Carrot, Runner Bean, Lettuce, Beetroot, Pepper, Parsnip, Cabbage, Bunch of 5 Radishes. (Each kind carries the same points value for judging). | |

FRUIT SECTION.

- Class 22 – 4 APPLES, culinary, (any one variety)
 Class 23 – 4 PEARS, (any one variety)
 Class 24 – 5 PLUMS, GAGES or DAMSONS (any one variety)
 Class 25 – 4 APPLES, dessert, (any one variety)
 Class 26 – ONE DISH or PLATE home grown FRUIT of one kind (excluding those in Classes 22 – 25).
 Class 27 – COLLECTION of home-grown FRUIT, at least 3 kinds.

DOMESTIC SECTION *Please note that all exhibits in these classes must be covered with cling film. Recipes overleaf

- Class 30* – Ale Bread
 Class 31* – Coronation Pies
 Class 32* – Courgette and Lime Cake
 Class 33* – Hazelnut and Chocolate Macaroons
 Class 34* – Cinnamon and Raisin Jumble Loaf
 Class 35 – 1 Jar of new season JAM – minimum (370g).
 Class 36 – 1 Jar of new season JELLY – minimum (370g).
 Class 37 – 1 Jar of MARMALADE, any fruit(s) – minimum (370g). (New season)
 Class 38 – 1 Jar CHUTNEY or RELISH – minimum (250g). (Made since previous show)

FLOWER SECTION

- Class 40 – Single ROSE any kind.
 Class 41 – ROSES (large flowered) – a vase of 3 blooms of single or mixed variety.
 Class 42 – ROSES (cluster – flowered) – vase of 3 sprays or stems, single or mixed variety.
 Class 43 – Vase of ANNUALS, 5 stems of any one kind.
 Class 44 – Vase of ANNUALS, at least 3 varieties, but no more than 9 stems (see overleaf).
 Class 45 – FLOWERING SHRUB, three stems
 Class 46 – Vase of mixed PERENNIALS – 9 stems minimum of 3 varieties
 Class 47 – Vase of PERENNIALS, one distinct kind, 5 stems.
 Class 48 – 3 DAHLIAS of any kind
 Class 49 – One POT GROWN FUCHSIA, maximum pot size 7 ins (18 cms).
 Class 50 – **The Linda Taylor Class:** One POT PLANT or PLANTS, in flower (except Fuchsias: see overleaf) – max height 1 metre with pot.
 Class 51 – One POT PLANT or PLANTS, foliage only (non-flowering: see overleaf) – max height 1 metre with pot.
 Class 52 – ST.CLEMENTS – a vase of ORANGE and YELLOW flowers.
 Class 53 – SMALL FLORAL ARRANGEMENT, Overall dimensions not to exceed 7 ins (18 cms). } Home grown
 Class 54 – FREE STYLE FLORAL ART (no more than 24 ins/ 60cms in any direction) } blooms/foliage/fruit
 Class 55 – Miniature Garden in a seed tray
 Class 56 – Tallest Sunflower – from stem at soil level to top of flower head. May be raised in a pot or the ground

All Classes FREE to Non-Members under 17 years old.

NOTES ON SHOW SCHEDULE – SATURDAY 3rd September 2022

PROGRAMME: All entries to be staged in the Village Hall from 12.00pm to 2.00pm. Judging of exhibits from 2.00pm to 4.00pm Public viewing from 4.00pm to 5.00pm
No exhibits to be removed before 5.00pm. Hall cleared 5.00pm. Please check for any updates on this timing!

ENTRY FEES: All classes 20p per item unless under 17 yrs. then FREE . Only one entry per person per class.

PRIZES: "SPECIAL" rosettes for best entry in each section. Rosettes for 1st and 2nd in each class. A special prize will be awarded for the best exhibit from an entrant under 17 yrs. old

RULES: A copy of the Rules governing the Show will be on display.

JUDGES: To be arranged by the Committee. Decisions by Judges will be final.

CUPS AWARDED: Details of cups and awards are available to read on the Village website.

DEFINITIONS AND GUIDANCE ON CLASS ENTRIES.

Classes 22 to 27 Exhibitors should ensure that when required stalks are left on exhibits.
Classes 43 and 44 For the purposes of this show, Annuals are defined as 'Flowers grown from seed sown since 1/9/21
Classes 49 to 51 Plant(s) must have been in the Exhibitor's possession for at least 2 months. Can be grown indoors or outdoors.
Classes 52 to 54 All blooms must be grown by the entrant.

NOTES AND HINTS ON THE PREPARATION OF EXHIBITS.

REMEMBER – UNIFORMITY OF EXHIBITS WILL ALWAYS CATCH THE JUDGE'S EYE.

Cabbage and Cauliflower – show with approx. 3" (7.5 cms) of stalk remaining. Beans – Cut from vine with scissors leaving some stalk attached. Beetroot, Carrot, Parsnip – Cut off tops leaving 3" (7.5 cms). Ensure that all the root is intact. Onions and Shallots – Tops should be tied and roots neatly trimmed back to the Basal plate. Potatoes – Wash tubers carefully with a soft cloth or sponge. Radish – Do not remove foliage. Tomatoes- Should not be over ripe, do not remove calyces.

RECIPES FOR THE DOMESTIC SECTION. (All tin sizes are approximate 1"/ 2.5cm larger or smaller allowed)

Class 30 Ale Bread: *Ingredients:* 450g strong white flour; 450g wholemeal bread flour; 15g salt; 2tsp chopped fresh thyme; 1tsp ground fennel seeds; 14g dried yeast; 15g caster sugar; 300ml bottle of bitter ale; 1 tbsp sunflower oil. *Method:* Combine flours, salt, fennel and thyme in a bowl and make a well in the centre. Dissolve yeast and sugar in warmed ale then whisk in oil. Pour into well add enough warm water to form a sticky dough. Knead until smooth. Place in covered bowl to double in size (approx. 1 hour). Knock back and divide into 2 loaves in 1lb loaf tins. Heat oven to 200°C/ gas 6. Prove again for 30 mins or until springy to touch. With a sharp knife make three diagonal cuts across the top of the loaves. Pour a glass of water into a roasting pan in the bottom of the oven and cook loaves on the middle shelf for approx. 20 – 30 minutes. Transfer to wire rack to cool. Show one loaf.

Class 31 Coronation Pies: *Ingredients:* Pastry – 350g white flour; 175g butter plus cold water to mix. Filling – 1tbsp olive oil; one chopped onion; 2tbsp medium curry powder; 3tbsp mango chutney; 140g cooked diced chicken breast; 140g soured cream; knob of butter, 1 egg beaten, 2tbsp flaked almonds. *Method:* Make short crust pastry and leave to rest. Make filling. Cook onion in oil until soft. Stir in curry powder and cook 1 minute. When cooled add chutney, chicken, soured cream and season. Heat oven to 200°C/Gas 6. Cut 24 strips of baking parchment to fit a 12-hole muffin tin or deep small tart tins. Grease with butter and criss-cross paper in tins leaving ends to enable removal. Roll pastry thinly and stamp out circles for the base and lids to cover. Spoon filling into the pastry lined tins. Wet lid rims and place on top pressing in place. Make a hole(s) for the steam to escape, brush with beaten egg and scatter with almond flakes. Bake for 20-25 minutes until golden. Remove to wire rack to cool. Makes 12-14 small pies. Show 6

Class 32 Courgette and Lime Cake: *Ingredients:* 3 medium eggs; 125ml vegetable oil; 150g caster sugar; 225g self-raising flour; ½ tsp bicarb; ½ tsp baking powder; 250g finely grated courgette; grated zest of one lime. Icing: 400g cream cheese, 175g icing sugar; 2tbsp lime juice; 1tbsp lime zest; 40g chopped pistachios. *Method:* Heat oven to 180°C/Gas 4. Grease and line two 21cm sandwich tins. Beat eggs, oil and sugar together until creamy. Sift in flour, bicarb and baking powder and beat well. Stir in courgette and lime zest. Divide into cake tins and bake 25-30 mins. Remove from oven and turn out onto a wire rack. Peel off paper and leave to cool. Icing – beat cream cheese until smooth, sift in icing sugar and stir in lime juice. Assemble cake. Sandwich together with 2/3 of the icing and use remaining to cover top of the cake. Sprinkle with pistachios and lime zest.

Class 33 Hazelnut Macaroons: *Ingredients:* 125g ground hazelnuts; 150g caster sugar; 2 egg whites; 1tsp vanilla extract; 50g plain chocolate in 1cm chunks; whole nuts to decorate. *Method:* Combine hazelnuts and sugar. In separate bowl whisk egg whites until white and frothy, not too stiff, fold into nuts and sugar and when combined add vanilla and chocolate. Place tablespoons of mixture on lined baking tin leaving room to spread. Place whole nut in centre. Bake in preheated oven at 180°/Gas 4 for 10-15 mins until lightly coloured. Cool on the sheet and then remove from baking paper . Show 6

Class 34 Cinnamon and Raisin Jumble Loaf: *Ingredients:* 500g strong white bread flour; 1 x 7g sachet dried yeast; 7g salt; 2 tsp caster sugar; 250ml milk; 50g unsalted butter diced; 1 medium egg; 75g raisins. Filling: 65g light brown muscovado sugar; 1tsp flour; 1tbs ground cinnamon; milk for brushing. 1 x 900g loaf tin greased with butter and lined with a long strip of baking paper. *Method:* Make dough – mix flour ,yeast, salt and sugar. Gently warm milk and butter until melted. When lukewarm add beaten egg and mix. Add liquid to dry ingredients and mix well to make a soft dough. Knead well. Add raisins and knead to incorporate. Return to bowl and rise until doubled in size (approx. 1 hour). Knock back and turn onto floured board. Pat into a rectangle roughly 2cm thick. Cover and leave to rest 5 mins. Make filling – mix sugar, cinnamon and flour in small bowl. Roll dough to 30 x 40cm cm. Brush with milk and sprinkle filling evenly leaving 1cm along long edge. Roll up the dough from long edge and pinch together to seal. With sharp knife slice roll across into 2cm slices and then halve each slice across to make semi-circles. Arrange a layer in the bottom of the tin dough side down. Place the rest higgledy-piggledy on top so they are touching. Leave to rise until doubled in size, brush top with milk and bake in pre-heated oven at 180°C/ Gas 4 for 35 mins. Cool on a wire rack.

Organisation	Meetings	Contact	Phone	Email address
Happy Wanderers Walking Club	Full walk last Sun of the month 10.30	Liz Lewin	274961	relewin@btinternet.com
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LG Singers	Thursday evenings in term time at St John's School	Denise Kinnard		laceygreensingers@hotmail.com
Equus	Theatre, drama, and sometimes food	Fiona Quilter-Wood		artistic@equusproductions.org
Windmill Under 5s	Mon to Thurs 9.00 - 3.00, Fri 9.00 to 1.30	Tracey Winfield	07502 198405	manager@windmillunder5s.co.uk
Windmill WI (evenings)	1st Wed of month except Jan. 7.45 pm	Daphne Willash	01494 562455	daphne.willash@btinternet.com
High Wycombe and District U3A	4th Wed afternoon of the month	Terry Boreham	01494 928220	hw.u3a.membership@gmail.com
Youth Club	Alternate Fridays - see laceygreen.com web site for details 7.30 pm	Natasha Khan	07737 638718	natashakann@gmail.com
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We welcome news from all the Village clubs, societies, church and school, stories of local interest and entries for the Village Diary.

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