

Martin Stratford

W O L V E R T O N E C H O

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OCTOBER 1983

WOLVERTON 150 CLUB

AUGUST	96	Mrs Cripps	SEPTEMBER	54	Mrs Hawkins
	36	Mrs Driscoll		74	Mrs Oates
	26	Mr Cross		71	Mrs Look

WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday November 10th at 7.30pm. Everyone in the Village is invited to attend the meeting.

The Christmas Bazaar and Raffle will not be held on November 19th as previously advertised. We will now have a Christmas Stall at the Village Market on November 5th and perhaps again on December 3rd. Any one who has any items they wish to donate to this stall can leave them with Mrs J. Andrews, Wolverton Common or Mrs D. Hedges, Townsend.

HARVEST SUPPER

This has already been reported on in the Parish News. The Harvest Supper was most enjoyable and afterwards the produce from the Church was auctioned together with a few extra items and the proceeds of £26.83 was sent to the Wessex Cancer Trust. Added to this was a further £15.20 from the collecting tin which was placed in the Church and then taken to the Hall.

BRING AND AUCTION WITH SUPER SUPPER (donated by ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.)

Friday November 4th at 7.15pm in the Village Hall. Admission by gift for AUCTION

Wine, cakes, toiletries, plants, china and glass, toys, fancy goods etc: but please no clothes. PROCEEDS TO HALL REPAIR FUND.

If unable to attend but would like to offer gift please phone Betty Shaw 297.328 and collection will be arranged - but we do really need you at the Auction where good food and good fun can be guaranteed.

NEXT MARKET DAY - NOVEMBER 5th

This promises to be a very lively market with all sorts of Christmas gifts and goodies as well as the usual stalls full of bargains - so come early to avoid disappointment.

YEAR OF THE CHILD CARAVAN

It seems a long time ago that we in Wolverton raised all that money to buy goods for the handicapped or underprivileged in the Basingstoke district. You will be pleased to learn that the caravan is in regular use and has been a happy holiday home for very many needy families. The Wendy houses too are in daily use and much enjoyed. I saw two little children from Saxon Wood having an outing in a double wheelchair and wondered whether it was the one we had helped to provide.

People don't forget you know. I was introduced to someone the other day as "coming from that village that raised so much for Charity". Incidentally I am "doing" an Auction at Saxon Wood School on Friday November 25th - 7.30pm. I'm sure they would be delighted to see you there with your gift for Auction.

Betty Shaw.

As you can see, we are wasting one whole side of this Newsletter. This is Wolverton's Newsletter for disseminating any local news, or requests, around the village. We would welcome further contributions for the next issue.

Deadline for the next Newsletter is the 10th December 1983.

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WOLVERTON ECHO

NUMBER 27

DECEMBER 1983

WOLVERTON 150 CLUB

OCTOBER	9	D.Hedges	NOVEMBER	79	L.Reynolds
	63	B.Eckton		66	E.Hedges
	70	B.Armstrong		60	K.Finch

Now is the time to renew your membership for next years 150 Club. New Year, New Number, and maybe your turn to be one of the Winners. 50p per month or £6 for the year entitles you to take part in the monthly draw. Prizes £10, £6, £4. Application forms now ready. All profits to go to the Wolverton Village Hall Repair Fund.

To hire the Hall contact C.Butler Kingsclere 298621. The charges are £2 per hour plus £10 deposit returnable if Hall left clean and tidy with no breakages. Anyone who has a 12 acre field to hold a School boys Scramble in to raise money for the Village Hall, please contact Mr C.Butler, "Reltub", Wolverton Common. Our thanks to Connie Taylor who held a Coffee Morning in her house last September and to all who donated and went to this event.

WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL

This is by way of being a progress report on the village hall 'facelift' - we have at last had details of our grant finalised - the total of which is now £11,896 of which a quarter has to be found by the village hall committee (£2,974). We have, with a lot of hard work, been able to amass this small fortune (functions listed below). We now have a concrete floor as a lot of you know, the roof will be re-thatched in November 1984 at a cost of nearly £8,000 and hopefully, we shall have had the cloaks and kitchen alterations carried out by then. We do need new heaters in the hall, the existing ones are old and obsolete, the spares being very hard to obtain. Needless to say, we should welcome any advice and help on raising the money to cover the cost and installing them. With the closing of the hall for laying of the new floor we lost on our hiring fees and costs for running the hall rose. The re-thatching should not interfere with hall functions, and until this can be done we have had to cover part of the roof with polythene as it was leaking very badly. This work was carried out by Clifford Butler and Peter Farry, helped by Melvyn Taylor, Paul Butler and Peter Shaw - our grateful thanks to them. There is still decorating and ground clearance to do and help in this quarter would be very acceptable when the time comes. (Has anyone some weed killer they would like to donate?)

The Committee is: Mrs J.Andrews (Chairman), Mrs D.Hedges (Secretary) Bob Winfield (Treasurer) (Neil Harrison has retired after seven years of dedicated work - thank-you Neil) Clifford Butler (Clifford takes the hall bookings), Peter and Carol Farry, Neil Harrison, Mrs Kent, Peter Shaw and Martin Slatford. Rev.John Franks is one of the ex-officio Trustees and takes an active interest in all our functions. If anyone would like to join us they would be made very welcome.

We try and have a stall at the Market in the hall on the 1st Saturday of the month, any contribution is welcome and we would collect items for selling if contacted (not jumble please).

There was a Harvest Supper in September, the proceeds from which were sent to the Wessex Cancer Trust, and an auction at the beginning of November helped to swell the funds for the roof etc.. At both these functions the attendance was very low, this was most disappointing, especially for the people who organised the suppers. Both these evenings were most enjoyable and it would have been so nice to have seen more people there.

INCOMEEXPENDITURE

Hall Lettings	593.15	Loss from Hiring Account	100.21
Border Schoolboy Scramble	200.00	New Hall floor	1598.50
Wolverton 150 Club	355.50	New floor tiling	430.00
Fun Run and Pet Show	9.82	Electrical repairs	148.50
Donkey Derby & Halloween Night	17.25	Sundry purchases & payments	22.17
Cricket Match & Jumble Sale	54.52	To Wolverton P. Church Council	
Vine Cottage Tea Party	17.90	half share of Garden Fete	183.38
Mrs Taylor's Coffee Morning	24.40	To Wessex Cancer Trust	26.83
" Andrews Coffee Morning and		Electricity	197.27
Market Stall	60.80	Insurance	296.75
Other raffles and sundry sales	57.32	Licences etc	49.12
Harvest Supper	26.83	Water charge	12.55
Various donations	67.41	Cleaning and aids	137.67
Grant B'stoke & Deane B. Council	250.00		
" Baughurst Parish Council	400.00		
" Winchester County Treas.	200.00		
Garden Fete at Wolverton Cottage	371.49		

AN UNUSUAL VISITOR

Some time ago we had a flying visit from *Coccothraustes coccothraustes* - in plain English, a hawfinch. He's the largest of our finches and looks something like an outside chaffinch with a remarkably big beak - a beak so powerful that it can crack open a cherry-stone. Appropriately, his double-barrelled scientific name comes from the Greek meaning "kernel-breaker". His visits to our garden are certainly few and far between: this was only the third one in well over 20 years. I wonder whether he's been spotted by anyone else in Wolverton?

Has anyone lost a cat recently due to poisoning? Our family pet, Topsy died two weeks ago after being poisoned. It was a very tragic end after 16 happy years.

This newsletter is being very badly supported and I would ask everyone to try and send some item of interest in as it is in great danger of 'packing up'.

Deadline for the next Newsletter is the 11th February. Contributions to the Rectory please. Kingsclere 298008.

# NUMBER 28

## HOLVERTON 150 CLUB

DECEMBER	29	Mrs A. Taylor	JANUARY 1984	36	Mrs B.J. Oates
	33	Mrs F. Woolston		38	Mrs J. Franks
	6	Mrs Lucas		50	Mrs D. Cross

There is still time for you to become a member of the Wolverton 150 Club 1984. Application forms from D. Hedges, 5, Townsend. You pay 50p per month or £6 for the year. Your membership number stays the same throughout the year. All paid up members numbers go into the Monthly Draw, which is drawn the 1st Saturday of every month at the Village Market. Prizes are:- 1st £10; 2nd £5; 3rd £4. All profits to the Village Hall repair fund.

## HOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL

There is to be a sponsored row (in a canoe!) later this year. Watch for further details. Next Committee Meeting Thursday March 1st, 8pm in the Village Hall.

## VILLAGE MARKET

Have you visited the market yet? It is now in its third year and at the February market it was quite difficult to fit all the stallholders into the hall and it is surprising what a great variety of goods turn up for sale. Its the place for real bargains yet we feel sure that there are many of our residents who have never taken advantage of this opportunity. The next market is on March 3rd. Why not make a note of it and come along to "give it a try".

## ASHFORD HILL AND HOLVERTON N.I.

Next meeting Wolverton Village Hall Wednesday March 14th at 7.15pm. Glass Engraving demonstration. All very welcome.

## VALENTINE'S DAY FEBRUARY 14th

Nobody really knows how the feast day of St Valentine came to be associated with lovers. If you are a girl you can propose marriage to your boy friend on February 29th but you must be wearing a red flannel petticoat at the time. If he refuses you he must give you a pair of gloves as compensation.

## SHROVE TUESDAY

Strange name isn't it? It gets its name because everyone used to go to confession before Lent to be shrived - or absolved. It is thought pancakes are eaten on that day because during the Middle Ages fat and eggs were not eaten during Lent so were used up quickly. The French called it Mardi Gras which meant Fat Tuesday.

## SINNEL CAKE

Are you going to make a Simnel Cake? They are supposed to have got their name from Lambert Simnel who was a pretender to the throne of Henry VII. Instead of executing him Henry sent him to work in the kitchens and he made a rich plum cake sandwiched together with marzipan which was a great success and came to be known as Simnel's Cake.

## HOT TIPS

Keep long fashion boots in good condition by placing a thick rolled-up magazine in each boot when not in use. The boot legs will then keep their shape and not be spoiled by flopping over at the ankle.

Protect wooden floors from scratches caused by heavy furniture. Glue scrap pieces of old carpet, cut to shape, on the underside of the furniture legs, pile down. This also makes it easier to move the furniture.

## PEGLER

## PEANUT COOKIES

8 ozs Oats  
4 ozs Flour  
4 ozs Salted Peanuts (crushed)  
1 egg or a little milk  
4 ozs Sugar  
4 ozs Margarine (melted)  
1 Tablespoon Black Treacle

Mix all dry ingredients together. Make a well in the centre and add beaten egg & treacle or (milk and treacle) and melted marg. Mix together well. Form into small cakes about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick and place on greased tins in hot oven Reg. 5 or 375 F. Cook for 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 20 to 24 cookies.  
Have you a favourite recipe? If so please share it with us.

Martin [unclear]

WOLVERTON 150 CLUB

FEBRUARY	31	Mr W.Hedges	MARCH	48	Mr D.Stephenson
	59	Mr A.Clements		14	Mr T.Cripps
	85	Mr M.Doolan		49	Mr B.Winfield

VILLAGE HALL FUND RAISING EVENTS AND DATES 1984

Wednesday May 9th Coffee Morning at Mrs C.Farry, Yew Tree Cottage, Chapel Lane, Wolverton Common with Bring and Buy Stall and Raffle. 10-30 till noon.

Sunday June 3rd. White Elephant Stall at Tadley Donkey Derby. If anyone has articles for this stall Mrs J.Andrews, Mrs D. Hedges or Mrs C.Farry will be pleased to hear from you.

Saturday June 16th Coffee Morning at Mrs J.Andrews, Andburgh, Wolverton Common with Bring and Buy Stall and Raffle. 10-30 till noon.

Sunday June 24th Sponsored Walk.

Sunday July 8th Cricket Match.

Saturday July 14th Fete in the garden of Mr and Mrs Kent, Wolverton Cottage.

Next Committee Meeting Wednesday May 2nd at 8pm.

Please watch out for posters and reminders of these events nearer the date.

HOT TIPS

To securely tie a parcel, wet the string first and it will dry taut. Light cords in bathrooms get very grubby, especially with children about the house. Solve the problem by sliding decorative beads on to the cord as a grip. They look nice and are easily wiped clean.

Keep duvets secure in their covers by turning the cover inside out, sewing a length of tape to all four corners likewise attach tape to the four corners of the duvet. Fasten the appropriate tapes together and you won't have any trouble with a slipping duvet cover.

RECIPE - CHOCOLATE OATMEAL

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|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 8 ozs Plain chocolate | 2 eggs        | 2 oz Glace Cherries - chopped |
| 2 ozs Forage Oats     | 3 ozs Coconut | 4 oz Castor sugar             |

Place chocolate in shallow tin in oven to soften, remove and spread evenly over tin. Mix other ingredients together and spread over chocolate, pressing lightly with back of fork. Bake at 350 for 20-25 minutes until golden brown.

From Beryl Tofield, The Thatched Cottage, Wolverton Common.

We leave the Thatched Cottage on 23rd March and finally move from this area 28th March. In fact by the time you read this we will have partly settled into our new life in Wincanton. Moving is never without sadness, and we are all feeling a little sorry to leave our lovely old cottage. Wolverton has seen our three children grow through their teens, Jacqui married in our lovely church, and we have all been involved in village life here for the past eight years. We would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their friendship, fun and support over this period, and hope we will not totally lose contact with our neighbours, Frank and Barbara, Peter and Carol and John and Joyce Franks. (We have a nice photo of John with Jacqui and Neil on their wedding day to remind us). If anyone is ever passing our door at Bayford Motel, Wincanton, please call in for a "cuppa and Gossip". All the best to everyone.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SATURDAY MAY 5th WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL 10am - 12.30pm MARKET

There will be lots of plants for your gardens at the May market and customers keep coming back each month for the home made cakes and pies always on sale. All these things are sold at prices far lower than shop prices.

There are also many bargains to be found on the household and Bric-a-brac stalls. So please do come. Don't forget the date SATURDAY MAY 5th.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY JUNE 2nd and 3rd.

W.I. FLOWER FESTIVAL AND EXHIBITION ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH, WOLVERTON.

The W.I. movement is having a special promotion year this year called Women in the Community. Ashford Hill and Wolverton W.I. propose to stage a Flower Festival in the Church together with exhibits of their work and interests.

This will take place from 3.30pm on Saturday and all day Sunday June 2nd and 3rd. During the exhibition refreshments will be available at the Rectory. Profits from these will be donated to the CHURCH FABRIC FUND. Visitors to the Church will be invited to contribute to a collection for the WESSEX CANCER TRUST.

Please look out for posters of this event nearer the date.

W.I. meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month and new members are always made welcome. Enquiries ring the President Mrs Stephenson Kingsclere 298418.

WANTED

Climbing frame and garden swing for active 5 year old. SHAW Kingsclere 297328.

Deadline for the next Wolverton Echo June 16th. Items for inclusion to the Rectory please.

Merton Stratford

W O L V E R T O N E C H O

NUMBER 30

JUNE 1984

WOLVERTON 150 Club Winners.

<u>APRIL</u>	25	C.M.Taylor	<u>MAY</u>	66	G.Edwards
	79	R.W.Mason		6	Deb Hedges
	1	D.Hawkins		45	W.Nickless

VILLAGE HALL DATES AND INFORMATION

Sponsored Walk June 24th. Start at the Hare and Hounds Playing Field at 2.30pm. Walkers can choose 3½ mile route or 5 mile route. Gift voucher for Walker who collects the most sponsor money.

CRICKET MATCH JULY 8th - 2.30pm for 3pm start. In the field at Century House by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Black. All willing players and spectators welcome. Just come and join in.

FETE July 14th in the garden at Wolverton Cottage by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Kent.

Stall holders:-	Raffle	Lady Errol
	Cakes	Mrs Carol Farry
	Tombola	Mrs Rolls
	Yellow	
	stall	Mrs Franks, Mrs Don and Mrs Robinson
	Produce &	?
	plants	
	White	
	Elephant	Mr and Mrs Harrison
	Books &	
	toys	Mrs B.Wallwork

There will also be Pony Rides and Sideshows. So far we have no one to run the Produce and Plant Stall. Any offers? All donations to relevant stallholders please or can be brought to Wolverton Cottage from 10.30 to 11.30 on the morning of the Fete.

WOLVERTON BAKE-IN on Wednesday July 4th. Wolverton Bake-In in aid of the Village Hall. Donations of Cakes, Quiches, Tarts, Biscuits, Jame etc.. all freshly made to Mrs Kent please by Tuesday 3rd July. If you would like it collected let Mrs Kent know. All goods on sale from 10.30 to 12.30 on Wednesday July 4th at Wolverton Cottage.

Next Committee Meeting Wednesday July 4th at 8pm at the Vine Cottage, Wolverton Common.

HOT TIPS

Add a pair of rubber gloves to your tool kit so if your car breaks down the gloves will save oil and grease from staining your hands.

If you've got pierced ears, sometimes it can be difficult to put earraings through them, by massaging your ears with a very small amount of hand cream the earrings should fit easily.

Use tongs in place of a spoon when removing tea bags from mugs of tea. This way the tea bag can be squeezed dry to get a better flavour and to stop drips going everywhere when getting rid of the bag.

ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.FLOWER FESTIVAL AND EXHIBITION in St Catherine's Church was a great success and enjoyed by many visitors who contributed £62 to the Wessex Cancer Trust and £45 proceeds from the sale of refreshments at the Rectory to Church Funds.

FUZZLE CORNER

3 sports inter-woven  
SBHOCOWCLKSEREY all letters follow consecutively.

RECIPE

SAUSAGE LOAF

1lb Sausage Meat  
4 rashers streaky bacon chopped  
1 pkt Sage and Onion stuffing mix  
1 egg  
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce  
 $\frac{1}{4}$ pt Beef stock or water and stock cube  
Cucumber slices for garnish

Put sausage meat, bacon, stuffing mix, egg and Worcestershire sauce into a mixing bowl and combine thoroughly. Add the stock to make a soft mixture. Put into a greased 1lb loaf tin and press down well. Cover with greaseproof paper, then foil. Put the tin in a roasting pan with 1 inch of hot water around it. Cook in a moderate oven 325F/175C Gas Mark 3 for  $1\frac{1}{2}$ -2 hours or until the meat is firm and shrinks away from the edges. Allow to cool. Remove from tin and garnish with cucumber slices.

Thanks to everyone who came to the Coffee Mornings at The Vine Cottage on May 9th and Andburgh on June 16th and thanks to Bill Nickless for delivering the notices. Nearly £50 was raised for Hall funds.

Anyone interested in First Aid? Contact Min Hedges - Kingsclere 297388 and if enough people are interested you will be taught anything from the correct way to stick a plaster to dealing with broken bones - in fact anything you would like to know by a qualified instructor.

Deadline for the next Wolverton Echo Saturday August 18th. Items for inclusion to the Rectory please.



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NUMBER 31  
WOLVERTON 150 Club Winners

AUGUST 1984

<u>JUNE</u>	53	Douglas Wilson	<u>JULY</u>	38	B & P Shaw
	17	Sue Robinson		77	G.P.Hedges
	16	C.Farry		74	Countess of Erroll

The Sponsored Fun Run which took place on Sunday 24th June was a great success and very enjoyable, fortunately it was not too hot! Everyone set off at 2.32pm and most finished the course in the half hour - there were one or two late finishers - but they made it! Tea was kindly donated and served by Sandra Bramhall of the Hare and Hounds for which we were very grateful, and cold drinks were available. If anyone has a sponsor form and money to hand in wikt they please do so as soon as possible so that we can decide who is going to receive the £5 book token award for the most sponsor money collected by adults and under 16's. Thank you everyone who took part and helped to make this event a success.

There was a friendly cricket match on Sunday 8th July, held in Century House field by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Black, it was good of them to let us use their field again - even if Rupert wasnt so keen! Although the 'Tails' team won the day I think everyone enjoyed themselves.

In spite of the unfavourable weather, the Garden Fete held at Wolverton Cottage on Saturday 14th July, by kind permission of Mr and Mrs R.Kent, was quite successful. Our grateful thanks to all those who donated and helped and to all those people who supported us with their presence. A total of £384.53p was made on the stalls, this will be shared equally by St Cathmerine's Church and the Village Hall, Wolverton.

Golf Putting	(Jeleny Dougherty)	£	7.80
Teas	(Mrs Hedges & Co.)		16.01
Yellow Stall	(Mrs Franks & Co.)		34.89
Bowls	(Peter Farry & Co)		7.45
Books	(Mrs Wallwork & Co)		13.00
Cakes	(Carol Farry & Co)		29.27
Ice Cream	(Martin Slatford)		9.35
Tombola	(Mrs Rolis)		82.87
Raffle & Puppy Weight	(Countess of Erroll)		69.00
Games & Cake Raffle	(Shirley Hedges)		12.40
Bobbing Ducks	(Sue Prag)		6.40
Hot Dogs	(Peter Prag)		7.45
Pony Rides	(Rod Kent)		20.62
Treasure Hunt/Lucky Dip	(Belinda Kent)		11.25
Plant & Produce Stall	(Mrs Jones & Co.		32.04
White Elephant Stall	(Neil Harrison & Co.		20.01
One other	?		8.32
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			388.62
Less Basingstoke Gazette advertisement			3.60
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			£384.53

The 'face lift' for the Village Hall is under way and the inside has been altered a little. The entrance to both toilets is in the same place and there is also hot water in both cloak rooms. The kitchen also has hot water and a cupboard for brushes and brooms etc. There are six new heaters in the hall which will be in full working order when the cold weather arrives. We weren't lucky enough to be considered for some free paint from Dulux, so we shall buy the ourselves to decorate inside and outside the hall. We shall also need a working party to clear the weeds and overgrown hedges and trees and hopefully when the time comes a few of you will help us out. The Thatcher isn't due until October/November, but as the weather has been so good perhaps he will be earlier! Although we are hoping that the fund raising events of late will pay for any work and materials needed in excess of our grant as well as pay bills not covered by the bookings, we shall still need to raise funds to keep the hall going - we desperately need new ideas, more people on our committee and above all - more supporters at the events organised - this village hall belongs to you all - please support it.

STOP PRESS

The winners of our £5 vouchers for collecting the most money on our sponsored Fun Run is Adults Belinda Bramhall of the Hare and Hounds with approx: £49. Under 16: helvyn Taylor

due course.

We would also like to thank Mr and Mrs Black, late of Century House, for the 'Garage Sale' they had of their unwanted items. They raised £69 for the Village Hall roof fund. We are extremely grateful to them for this excellent effort, and wish them all happiness in their new home in Kent.

We would also like to thank Mrs Josephine Quinn for the gift of a music centre and Belinda Bramhall of the Hare and Hounds for the lovely teddy bear to help raise funds for our hall.

We were very sorry to have to say good luck and goodbye to Ian and Hazel Black but warmly welcome Hugh and Isabelle Murray to Century House and hope they will be very happy in their new home and among us.  
Deadline for the next Wolverton Echo Saturday October 20th. Items for inclusion to the Rectory please.

NUMBER 32

WOLVERTON 150 Club Winners

<u>AUGUST</u>	27	Mrs Maynard	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	46	Mrs Varman
	71	Mrs Merckel		75	Mr A. Eckton
	81	Dr Croft		79	R. W. Mason

Application forms for 1985 150 Club will be available soon. The Village Hall Committee hope you will all join again and that newcomers to the Village will also join. The 150 Club can have up to 150 members, each paying a membership fee of £6 per year or 50p per month to a collector in their area, keeping the same membership number throughout the year, all numbers are then put into the draw at the Monthly Market. 1st prize £10, 2nd prize £6, 3rd prize £4. All profits go to the Village Hall repair fund. The next Village Hall Committee meeting will be on Wednesday November 28th at 8pm.

The A.G.M. of the Wolverton Village Hall will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, December 5th at 7.30pm. Everyone interested in the Hall are welcome at this meeting.

WOLVERTON MONTHLY MARKET - now entering its fourth year. VILLAGE HALL NOVEMBER 3rd. COME EARLY FOR THE BEST BARGAINS.

There have been many newcomers to our village since "The Year of the Child". Some will not know that we set out to raise £1,000 and in fact raised £1,700 for needy or disabled children in the Basingstoke district.

Most of the money was used to purchase and equip a caravan to provide holiday accommodation for these children and their families.

We have recently been in touch with Mr Davis of the department of Social Security who informs us that the caravan is now permanently sited near Lyndhurst and is never empty throughout the summer months.

#### COFFEE MORNING

There will be a Coffee Morning at Mrs Robinson's house, Fairbourne, Wolverton Common on Wednesday November 14th from 10.30 to 12.30. This is in aid of St Catherine's Church Restoration Fund. Please support us.

#### HARVEST SUPPER

We would express our appreciation to all those who supported our Harvest Supper, from this and other villages, through whose generosity we were able to make a profit of a little over £350. This included the raffle and the auction.

#### RECIPE - MINCEMEAT

1lb Mixed fruit	2 small Apples
4ozs Suet	4-6 ozs Brown sugar
$\frac{3}{4}$ teasp Mixed spice	2 teasp Lemon and orange juice.

Single sherry  
Prepare the fruit and mince coarsely with the peeled and cored apples. Add suet, sugar, spices and orange and lemon juice and leave overnight. Then stir thoroughly, add sherry, pack into dry jars and cover.

For a really delicious flavour, add pineapple juice instead of water when making marmalade. Keep an occasionally used teapot fresh when not in use by placing a sugar cube inside.

A large plastic lemonade bottle - the kind with the black bottom - makes a very useful bird feeder. Carefully, using a knife cut a strip out of the bottle. Make it roughly 2" by 1½" 1" above the black bottom. This holds lots of scraps, nuts etc. and the birds can easily get to it. Hang by attaching a small length of string to the bottle neck, then tie to a tree or other convenient place.

CRAFT FAIR. There will be a Craft Fair on Thursday, 1st November at the Community Centre, Swan Street, Kingsclere from 10.30am to 3.30pm. There will be good quality crafts by local craftsmen.

FUN RUN The final tally for the Wolverton Fun Run in June was £251.01 collected by 22 runners. Congratulations and thanks to all who took part and especially the prize winners; Belinda Bramhall and Melvin Taylor. Many others also achieved impressive sponsorship totals. Linda was a very close second to Belinda and Kerry Fulman found no less than 37 sponsors. Fine efforts also from Margaret Fulman - 27 sponsors; Samantha and Caroline Mullard - 16 sponsors each. The money will go towards re-thatching the Village Hall roof which will soon be in progress.

SOME HELP URGENTLY NEEDED IN RECTORY GARDEN - 2 hours weekly would help. Tel:298008. Deadline for the next issue 1st January 1985.

HAMPSHIRE PLACE NAMES

Wallop, the place-name found about halfway between Andover and Salisbury, may well raise a smile, but it has an interesting history. It comes from wæll-hop, meaning 'valley of the stream'. The northern or upper village is appropriately known as Over Wallop, the one down to the south is Nether Wallop, while the one in between is of course Middle Wallop. The Old English hop, subsequently 'hope', originally denoted 'dry land in a fen or watery area' and Stanford le Hope in Essex probably reflects this meaning - it is near Broad Hope where the Thames makes a wide bend. Later on 'hope' came to mean 'valley', often small or enclosed, as in Hope under Dinmore in Herefordshire (where Dinmore is the old Welsh 'din mawr' = 'great hill') and Hope All Saints in Kent. Sometimes the 'hope' is disguised as in the Lancashire Bacup from 'baec-hop' = 'valley by a ridge'.

Many place-names have given rise to surnames, and the Wallop trio is no exception. We see the process in reverse in the case of Farleigh Wallop, the village near Basingstoke, which was owned by members of the Wallop family way back in the late 14th century; indeed, some of the family live there today, a remarkable instance of continuity. Wallop is the family name of the Earls of Portsmouth; their ancestor was raised to the peerage in the 18th century.

Farleigh gets its name from fearn-léah 'fern-covered clearing'; a variant spelling occurs in Farley Chamberlain, the village near Winchester, held by Robertus Camerarius ('chamberlain') in 1212..

Finally, the surname Hopton comes from one or other of the dozen places of that name, derived from 'hop-tun' = 'village or settlement in a valley'. Contributed.

FROM AN O.A.P.

I should like to thank all the members of the Sir George Brown Trust for recent kindnesses, and in doing so I am sure I speak for all those who benefited. Firstly, a coach trip to the Sava Centre for a Christmas Lunch and shopping was organised in November, and greatly enjoyed by all who took part. Then for Christmas we all received a generous gift, handsomely packaged. Now, the Rector is a busy man - and who wouldn't be, with four parishes to look after? - yet he took the trouble to deliver the gift personally. We are also well aware of all the work put in by Trust members in purchasing and gift-wrapping our presents. So, with our appreciation, good wishes for the New Year to you all!

BETTY SHAW HEPARIN PUMP APPEAL

This appeal was launched early in January in gratitude for the skill of the surgeons and the wonderful care and kindness of doctors and staff, seen and unseen, at Basingstoke Hospital.

It is not generally known that the hospital relies on voluntary contributions for much of the equipment used for the well-being of patients. There must be many ex-patients who would welcome some practical way of saying "Thank-you".

This appeal goes out to them and to anyone realising that they, or any of their loved ones, might need hospital care at any time. The aim is to raise £3,000 for much needed life saving equipment and fund raising events will take place throughout the year. The appeal will close on December 31st 1985. Anyone wishing to make a donation should send it direct to Betty Shaw, Rectory Lane, Wolverton. Cheques should be made out to B.Shaw Heparin Pump Appeal as a special account has been opened to take care of the money. All donations will be acknowledged.

There will be a BRING AND AUCTION with free buffet refreshments at the Tadley Community Centre on Wednesday February 27th at 7pm. Admission something by Auction. Please no clothes or soiled goods. In aid of the above appeal.

WANTED

Gents bicycle. Must be in good working order. Any colour but must have gears. Kingsclere 298138.

Would you like to lose some extra pounds ready for your summer holidays? If so join your local SILHOUETTE SLIMMING CLUB, we meet every Monday at 7.30pm in St Marys Church Hall, Tadley - please ring Kingsclere 298138 for more information.



WOLVERTON 150 Club Winners

JANUARY	18	V.Oates	FEBRUARY	80	J.James	MARCH	76	P.Croft
	87	S.Eclton		37	B.Armstrong		22	E.Frankham
	80	J.James		44	E.Hedges		6	E.Shaw

VILLAGE HALL FUND RAISING EVENTS

Thank you all for supporting the Coffee Mornings and the Bake In.

The Bring and Buy Auction to be held at Wolverton Village Hall on Friday May 10th at 7pm, admission something to auction. There will be a raffle and ploughmans supper - cost 25p.

SPONSORED FUN RUN Sunday June 16th. This year the run will take place on Sunday 16th June at 3pm. A larger turnout than previous years is expected, including people from neighbouring villages. Sponsorship will be for both the Village Hall and NSPOC. Everyone will be welcome to take part and a few may be needed to help with the organisation on the day. Details and sponsorship forms from the Winfields at Church Cottage or from Village Hall Committee Members.

VILLAGE FETE on June 29th at 2.30pm in the garden of Wolverton Cottage.

VILLAGE HALL

The new thatch on the Village is finished. It has not been without its problems - we have had water in the new heaters, the ceiling over the stage will have to be replaced and then the seal was broken in the roof of the ladies cloakroom and water came through the ceiling there. We didnt realise how much dust could be caused by the storing of the reed in the hall - and our lady cleaner and her family have really had to work hard to ensure the hall would be usable for the wedding receptions held there recently, but in spite of all this we are very pleased with the roof. All we have to do now is finish paying for it.

Most of us knew Mr Arthur Allen of The Roses, Wolverton, and that he had died last December at the age of 88 years - his executors have advised the Chairman that Mr Allen had bequeathed £1000 to the hall. We are so grateful for this gift, and he knew we would be pleased with it.

We have been gradually scraping the money for the roof together with coffee mornings, auctions and of course the garden fete, but find that it is going to cost another £127.

Mr Allens' money will be used for other purposes that will be decided when it is received. The hall needs new curtains, china, lino on the cloaks and kitchen floors, so it would not take too long to use.

A very big thank-you to all those who turned up to my coffee morning on Saturday 13th April. It was so nice to see so many new faces. Many nice gifts were given to sell. I would also like to thank the two people who were unable to come but gave a generous donation each. Including the raffle £55 was made in aid of the Village Hall. Carol Farry.

Jessie Andrews Coffee Morning raised £30 and the Bake-In at Belinda Kents £108.

WANTED

Gents bicycle wanted, must be in good condition. Not racer type. Tel: Fingsclere 298138.

Wanted for the Village Hall replacement cups, mugs, saucers and tea plates. Good condition please. Please ring Fingsclere 298138 and we will arrange to collect.

FOR SALE

G.E.C. Floor polisher Twin 6" Buffers. Good working order. £20 or nearest offer. Tel: Fingsclere 298138.

FOOTPATH - Where walkers' rights are protected

A footpath is a public RIGHT OF WAY which may be used only by pedestrians. Anyone found driving on one can be fined up to £20, and riders and cyclists can be sued for TRESPASS. Public rights on many footpaths have been established over centuries and most - though not all - are signposted. But the only way to be certain of your rights is to check a recent Ordnance Survey map, where footpaths are shown by a thin red line, or to ask at the nearest county council for its 'definitive map' of public rights of way, which can be seen during normal office hours.

Local authorities should signpost public footpaths at the point where they leave a metalled road, but are not legally obliged to do so. If there is no signpost, complain to the council - but you cannot enforce your complaint.

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE 30th June. Copy to the Rectory please.

#### ROOF OF THE VILLAGE HALL NEW ROOF.

Now that the new thatch roof is finished and it is watertight, we have a few ceiling repairs to do and would then like to completely finish decorating the inside and outside of the hall. We need some keen volunteers who are interested in bringing our village hall back to a good standard that we can all be proud of. If you could spare just a few hours to help with this work please contact Mrs J. Andrews or Mr Peter Farry on Kingsclere 298531 or 298138 to arrange a suitable date.

#### A POEM BY HEATHER BEALE - "WOLVEATON COMMON"

Is that your face that I can see  
Watching me from your high tree  
Come down and talk to me a while  
I'd like to see you closer.

Your eyes are dark your face so small  
Come down from there before you fall!  
You dart from branch to branch so quick  
It's obvious that you know every twig.

Watching you amazes me  
The way you jump from tree to tree  
Your bushy tail helps you guide  
Where have you gone?  
Away to hide?

#### HANDY HINTS

To make your jam tarts a little different place a marshmallow on top of the jam after cooking, then return them to a warm oven just long enough for the marshmallow to melt. Before using a spoon to measure treacle or syrup, put the spoon in boiling water for about two minutes, this stops the syrup sticking to the spoon.

Hang all your scarves through an old bangle and attach it to a coat hanger in your wardrobe. This way you will easily find the one you want to match your outfit. It stops you having to hunt around the house for it and saves a lot of time.

#### NORFOLK TREACLE TART

##### Shortcrust Pastry

8 ozs plain flour  
4 ozs butter  
2 ozs shortening  
water to mix

8 inch flan ring

##### METHOD

First make the shortcrust pastry and chill it for about 30 minutes. Then roll it out and line the flan ring; bake blind. Gently warm the syrup, then add the black treacle, remove from the heat and add the butter in small pieces. When the butter is quite melted, add the lemon rind, beaten eggs and cream (or evaporated milk). Mix thoroughly and pour into the pastry case. Return to the oven and continue cooking, on the middle shelf, until the filling is set - about 15-20 minutes. Oven temp: 350 oF Gas mark 4.

##### Filling

$\frac{1}{2}$  lb golden syrup  
2 tablespoons black treacle  
1 oz butter  
little grated lemon rind  
2 small eggs (well beaten)  
3 tablespoons cream, or evaporated milk.

#### HAMPSHIRE PLACE NAMES

Ancient records mention two names of places where the Saxons settled, Hamwic and Hamtun, on the banks of the Itchen and the Test, though it is possible there was only one settlement with a double name. The first part of these names derives from the Old English word hamm, meaning 'riverside land'.

Hamtun grew in importance and became a royal town, with King Ethelwulf in residence in 840; and it gave its name, Hamtunscire, to the entire county.

When Domesday Book was compiled twenty years after the Conquest there were, not surprisingly, language difficulties between the Norman-French scribes and the local English, and the nearest the scribes could get to the name of the county was Hantescire - hence the abbreviation 'Hants'.

Later on Hamtun was given the prefix 'south', maybe to distinguish it from Northam, the settlement further up the River Itchen, and so the name Southampton eventually appeared. It is worth noting that up to 1959 the official title of Hampshire was 'the county of Southampton'.

WANTED LOCAL MUSICIANS TO FORM A COUNTRY BAND

The continuing popularity of country music is a worldwide success story and is enjoyed by people of all age groups. Unlike today's Pop Stars who are Top of the Pops one week and forgotten the next, country music, or country and western as it is more commonly known by in this country is still as popular now as it was in the 1950's. Famous names such as Tommy Wynette, Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Dolly Parton and Waylon Jennings to name but a few, are as popular now as they were ten to fifteen years ago.

Even after death, Jim Reeves, Marty Robbins, Hank Williams and Patsy Cline still have fan clubs all over the world. It is a known fact that country music's fans are the most dedicated in the world. I play the harmonica and blues harp in the style of the famous Charlie McCoy and I am looking for good local musicians that are keen and like 'country' with a view to starting a country band locally.

If interested please contact Vernon Taylor at 4, Townsend or phone 298997.

HAMPSHIRE PLACE NAMES

Boarhunt, the name of a village not far from Portsmouth, conjures up a picture of medieval "sportsmen" chasing the wild boar through the Hampshire woods and forests.

However, as is so often the case with place-names, appearances are deceptive.

The name comes from two Old English words: burg 'stronghold, fortification' (the same word as in the Lutheran hymn Ein' feste Burg, 'A safe stronghold') and funta, meaning 'spring' and a close relative of 'fountain'. So Boarhunt originally meant 'spring near a fortified place'.

The word for 'spring' also occurs in another Hampshire name, Havant, which many centuries ago was Hamanfunta, denoting the 'spring belonging to one Hama'; he was no doubt an early immigrant.

Two more names of this type are Mottisfont 'spring where moots (council meetings) were held', and Fontley, which could be rendered as 'spring in a woodland glade'.

FOR SALE

1 2'6" x 6'6" External half glazed door complete with glass. Brand new £15. Kingsclere 298138.

BUSINESS AS USUAL by ROGER WODDIS

'Where'er you tread, the blushing flowers shall rise,  
And all things flourish where you turn your eyes,'  
But dogs can't read, and it is vain to hope  
That Rover knows his Alexander Pope.

In trendy circles few things are taboo:  
Death is a drag, and sex is nothing new.  
Yet it's unseemly, as you pace the street,  
To name the dirt that lies beneath your feet.

And there are some quite ready to defend  
The mounting evidence of man's best friend.  
These would declare that Iceland must be sick:  
Their doggy pets are banned in Reykjavik.

There is an eye disease that can be traced  
To foul infection caused by canine waste.  
The cur is innocent, and we should blame  
The private owner for this public shame.

A mucky theme, unpurified by wit,  
But pause for thought and readily admit  
Who of the world has made the greater mess:  
Man has made more, and Rover rather less.



The 'FUN RUN' which was held on the 16th June was very well supported, not only by the local people, but by people from outside the village as well, and we believe everyone involved enjoyed themselves, even though there were a few stiff limbs and muscles the following week! We are not able to give the names of those who will have won the vouchers for the most sponsor money collected until the next publication, but would be pleased if anyone who has sponsor money to hand it to Bob Winfield, the Treasurer, or any committee member. As the NSPCC participated this year and will benefit financially also, they are no doubt eager to see how much money they will have for their organisation.

The donator of the Teas was Sandra Bramhall, landlady of the Hare and Hounds - thank you for your refreshments once again, they were gratefully accepted.

Our Fete which was held on 29th June in Mr and Mrs Kent's garden, was quite well attended, and the Church and Village Hall both received about £218 each. Considering the weather on previous events of late, we thought this was a great effort, and our thanks go to all who helped to make the day the success it was.

We are looking for a cleaner for the Village Hall - if anyone thinks they would like to have a go perhaps they would contact one of the committee members - we hope to have the floor cleaned, sealed and polished first, so hopefully it won't need too much looking after. We have an electric polisher for the floor and other willing hands to help with spring cleaning when necessary.

The Village Hall is now in the process of being completely re-painted - the outside was done by young people from the village (thank you) and has made an enormous difference to its looks. Committee members are painting the interior - ceiling to floor, and the cloakrooms and kitchen. We are sure that all will be pleased with its looks when it is finished.

#### INDIVIDUAL RESULTS OF FETE

Bottles	£131 20	Childrens stall	10.68
Cakes	76.42	Pegs and Eggs	10.70
Kitchen stall	49.00	Books	9.50
Raffle	35.30	Popcorn	8.70
Plants	22.30	Bowls	8.50
Ice cream	15.09	Pony Rides	7.74
Teas	14.85	Ducks	5.15
Fishing	14.00	Weight of lamb	5.00
White Elephant	12.46	Name the doll	1.40
Mini Golf	12.25		

#### GARDEN BAR-B-CUE

Mr and Mrs Don Stephenson are very kindly organising a Bar-b-cue in their garden in aid of St Catherine's Restoration Fund. This is to be held on Saturday, July 20th from 6pm until 9pm and we confidently hope that by that time summer will have come to stay.

Tickets will be on sale very shortly priced £1.50 for adults (to include wine or cider) and £1 for children (to include squash). Mr and Mrs James have very kindly offered to allow swimming in their pool in the garden next door. So, if you fancy a swim, bring your costume. There will be a raffle and we would appreciate any donation towards this.

Do try to come and have a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

150 CLUB WINNERS

<u>JUNE</u>		<u>JULY</u>		<u>AUGUST</u>	
90	W.Hedges	83	A Clements	36	R.Langthorne
31	M.Doolan	33	L.Douglas Wilson	15	B.Eckton
72	N.Finch	64	H.Taylor	25	J.Franks

The Annual General Meeting of Wolverton Village Hall will be on Friday November 8th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This meeting is open to all people in the Village who are interested in keeping the Hall going.

BASINGSTOKE LATE NIGHT SHOPPING for disabled and elderly people only on Tuesday 3rd December.

Family Festive Evening Thursday December 5th.

Charity Market in the New Market Square on Friday 27th September 8.30am to 3pm.

THE GIRLS VENTURE CORPS, is a youth training organisation for young girls over the age of 12. We were founded by the Girls Training Corps in the early years of the 2nd World War. We are now looking for new recruits for the Tadley Unit. We meet every Tuesday at Medway Hut, Boundary Hall, Tadley from 7-9pm. Just to give you some idea on what we get up to I have given you a list of some of the events we do:-  
Annual Camp; Flying; Rifle Shooting; Map and Compass Work; Assault Courses; Drill (Parade) Figure Marching; Canoeing; and lots more.

If you are interested please ring:- Tadley 6904 and ask for Miss Eira Jones or Tadley 3042 and ask for Mrs Joan Black or Miss Lorrina Taylor, 4 Townsend, Wolverton. Kingsclere 29899. We will give you details about anything you want to know, also we will let you know when the next date is for the GVC to start as we are having a summer break. Even if you are not interested, you never know there might be someone that you know, who might like to join. OUR MOTTO 'Venture and Serve'.

HARVEST SUPPER. There will be a Harvest Supper in WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL on Friday, 27th September starting at 7pm. This will be very similar to last year with a cold turkey and ham meal with salads followed by apple pie and cream. The cost will be £2.50 for an adult (to include a glass of wine or cider) and £1.50 for a child of twelve or under (and a glass of squash). Mrs Betty Shaw has very kindly agreed to auction anything that we are given after the supper. There will also be a Raffle.

The proceeds are for ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH RESTORATION FUND and tickets are available at the Rectory. A phone call to Kingsclere 298008 will ensure a ticket.

RECIPE RAISIN CHOC CHIP BARS

To make 12 you will need:-

4ozs soft margarine  
5ozs soft light brown sugar  
1 egg  
1 tspn vanilla essence  
3 ozs porridge oats  
3 ozs plain flour  
6 ozs raisins  
4 ozs walnuts chopped  
2 ozs choc dots  
3 tblsp milk

Beat together the margarine, sugar, egg and vanilla until smooth and fluffy. Stir in the flour and oats, lightly mix in the raisins, walnuts, choc dots and milk. Press into the base of greased 7" square tin. Bake at 180c - 350F, Gas Mark 4 for 25 minutes until lightly browned and firm to the touch. Cool in the tin, then cut into 12 pieces.

ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I. Meeting at Wolverton Wednesday October 9th at 7.15pm. Mrs Rowley from Basingstoke Community Service Council will be talking of the work and care they give.

At Ashford Hill on Wednesday November 13th the Annual Meeting where next years officers and Committee are selected and there will be a friendly team Quiz. All visitors and potential new members are always welcome.

OLD PHOTOGRAPHS. I am still trying to collect old photographs or slides of Wolverton & Wolverton Common. Would you all please look through your albums and boxes and help me put together an historic collection for everyone to look at and enjoy. Photographs of your family, your garden, your house and people at work, will all make a very fine collection. I will also be coming round the village to take some up to date photographs of the church, your houses, road, people and of course the local pubs. I will let you all know when the collection is complete. If you have anything for me please ring Peter Farry on Kingsclere 298138.

are designed to operate at varying pressures depending on the heat output required. For these a special high pressure regulator must be used which incorporates a means of manual adjustment.

If the REGULATOR shows signs of wear, it should be replaced.

LEAKS - Calor Gas has a special additive to give it a distinctive smell - and so help in the detection of leaks.

NEVER LOOK FOR A LEAK WITH A NAKED LIGHT!

If a leak is suspected, turn the gas off, open all doors and windows and make sure there is no source of ignition around. Examine all the pipes and connections. If the leak is not located, turn on the gas supply and brush over the connections with a liquid detergent - it will bubble where there is a leak.

VENTILATION - All burning processes require oxygen, so there must be an adequate supply of fresh air for your appliance when it is being used.

Without fresh air all available oxygen in the room will be used up - and remember, we need to breathe oxygen too!

If a room has ventilators or grilles make sure that they are unblocked. Most rooms have fresh air entering around the doors and windows - but if a room becomes stuffy open a window or door immediately.

When using 'Unflued' appliances (that is, appliances that don't need an outlet to the outside of your home), the manufacturer's ventilation instructions MUST be followed.

#### FIRE PRECAUTIONS

DON'T place clothes over heaters, apart from the fire hazard their presence could affect the efficiency of the heater.

DON'T position a heater near to chairs or other furnishings.

DON'T position a heater alongside a wall or near to curtains - always face the heater towards the centre of the room.

DON'T move a heater while it is lit.

The presence of frost and ice on a cylinder indicates excessive vapour withdrawal and a drop in gas pressure can be expected.

When collecting your full Gas bottle, do not lay it on its side in your car. Gas bottles should always be stored or transported in an upright position. A Gas bottle laid on its side could explode.

An empty Gas bottle will always have a small amount of liquid in the bottom IT IS NOT GAS.

Peter Farry.

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Items for the next issue to the Rectory please by the 11th November. Kingsclere 298008.

WOLVERTON BOWS OUT AFTER 13 YEARS IN HONG KONG.

The following excerpt from the November issue of "Navy News" was sent to us by Mr A.P. Bird of Kingsclere.

"The Hong Kong Squadron has said farewell to H.S. Wolverton, last of the five Coniston class patrol craft serving in the colony's territorial waters.

Commissioned in 1958, the Wolverton had been in Hong Kong since 1972 and she wore a pennant for her final entry into the H.S. Tamar basin.

Four of the new Peacock class patrol craft greeted her final entry, and music was provided by pipes and drums of Gurkha Regiment units with which the Wolverton has had strong links."

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

An extra-ordinary General Meeting will be called on Friday 21st March 1986 at 7.30pm in Wolverton Village Hall.

Due to the lack of response at the Annual General Meeting of the above hall on Friday, 8th November 1985, it was decided that an open meeting be arranged. More active committee members are needed to help run this hall otherwise it is probable that it will have to be closed. It is very disappointing that after spending nearly £15,000 during the last 2½ years, no one else is interested in keeping it going.

Our immediate need is a new Chairman - and in a years time probably a new Treasurer - so it is essential that a few other people come forward to lighten the load for the existing Committee.

The following letter has been received by Mrs Andrews, Chairman of the Village Hall.

"Dear Mrs Andrews,

I have recently received a snippet from one of your local papers telling of the refurbishing of the Village Hall.

It may interest your committee to know that I well remember when the building of the hall was first suggested.

"Brickie" Watson who lived up the Basingstoke road and Mr Gregory, postman in the old Post Office were really the first men to dig the clay from Mr Cleverleys field which lies between Spicers Pond and the Old School.

The bricks which were not baked were used to build the hut, and the "locals" called it the "mud hut".

However, I am so pleased to hear that it has not yet blown over, and I congratulate you and your committee for your wonderful achievement in raising such a wonderful sum of money. "

Yours sincerely,  
Olive L. Phipps, (nee Jones)

WIN RUN 1985

The sponsored run in June was a tremendous success again. The runners have eventually caught up with all the sponsors and the Village Hall Committee wish to thank everyone for contributing to the magnificent total sponsorship of £588.64. Very special thanks and congratulations go to the prize winners Peter Farry and Bruce Jackson (aged 13) who raised £110.00 and £55.75 respectively. Belinda Branhall and Linda Keighley (last years stars) again raised over £50 each; Carol Farry and Helvin Taylor each raised over £25. The Village Hall has retained £250 for the Restoration Fund and £328.64 has gone to the NSPCC to help protect children of all ages from the horrific cruelty which increases every year.

VILLAGE HALL FINANCE

A first instalment (£750) of the money kindly left to the Village Hall by the late Mr Arthur Allen has now been received.

ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

I would like to thank everyone who helped and supported me with our Harvest Supper on the 27th September. We had a very enjoyable evening and with the Raffle and Auction raised £254. for the above fund. Joyce Franks.

There will be a COFFEE MORNING with a Bring and Buy Stall and a Raffle at the Rectory on Wednesday, November 20th at 10-30am in aid of our Restoration Fund.

SERVICE FOR CENTRAL HEATING

Before the very cold weather returns make sure you have your heating system serviced so that it will work at top efficiency and economy when you need it. Appliances need regular servicing and worn or broken parts should be replaced.

If you have not already had one installed, a time clock, or programmer, which automatically turns the central heating and water systems on and off, will also save you

money. Room thermostats, properly set and positioned in the right place, will also keep your house at an economical, but comfortable temperature. Make the most of your heating system. With regular servicing and proper controls, you will get comfort without waste.

#### NEIGHBOURLY NOISES

Everyday noise, such as traffic, aircraft and pneumatic drills, affects us all.

But in and around the house, you can help to keep noise down by not letting the dog bark too much or revving the car or motor bike engine. Think about your neighbours when you turn up the radio, TV or hi-fi or use an electric drill.

And if you have noisy neighbours, why not talk to them to see if you can get them to reduce the noise? They may not even know they are disturbing you.

If you still need to complain or seek advice about noise, contact the Environmental Health Department at your local council.

A Free Government booklet *Bothered by Noise? What can you do about it*, on noise complaints procedure is available from the Department of the Environment Publication Store, Victoria Road, South Ruislip, Middlesex HA4 0NX.

#### TETANUS

Tetanus spores are commonly found in soil, particularly cultivated soil, and so may be present about the foundations of any buildings, old and new. The spores can survive in small numbers for up to 50 years in dust and earth. They are only infective through cuts or abrasions. However, very trivial wounds such as those caused by splinters or nails, can be infected. Infection cannot be caused by inhalation.

The most important early symptom is a painless spasm of the muscles in the jaw which causes difficulty in opening the mouth and chewing, hence the name, "lock-jaw". If the infection goes untreated, violent spasms lasting seconds or even minutes can occur, which in turn can kill by causing asphyxiation. Tetanus vaccine is one of the most effective immunisation agents, and most of us will probably have been immunised during childhood. It is, nevertheless, good sense for construction workers to check with their own doctors whether they need booster doses of tetanus toxoid, usually given at 10 year intervals.

#### SCRAMBLED CHICKEN - Serves 3-4

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 2 eggs                           | 1. Mix eggs, milk and seasoning together             |
| 4 Tablespoons milk               | 2. Stir in the chicken and breadcrumbs               |
| salt and pepper                  | 3. Melt butter in a pan and pour in the egg mixture. |
| 4 ozs cooked chicken             | Stir carefully until cooked.                         |
| 1 rounded tablespoon breadcrumbs | 4. Serve on hot, buttered toast.                     |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ oz butter          |  |
| 4 slices buttered toast          |  |

#### HAMPSHIRE PLACE NAMES

The Old English leah had a variety of meanings, ranging from 'forest, wood, glade or clearing in woodland' to 'clearing in general, meadow, pasture, arable land, open land'. These last meanings probably became more usual as a result of the deforestation practised on a grand scale by the Anglo-Saxons; they wanted land for farming in a country that was largely covered by forest.

The basic term appears in various forms, including 'ley, leigh, lee, lea' and it is not always possible at this remove to determine the original meaning. Sometimes there is no doubt, as for instance in Gray's *Elegy* 'The lowing herd winds slowly o'er the lea' - and this is obviously 'pastureland'. In Hampshire place-names we find Lee-on-Scout which could mean a 'waterside wood' or, equally, 'meadowland by the water'. The 'leigh' in Eastleigh could mean 'farmland' or 'woodland, forest'.

In certain cases we can be quite sure about the meaning, as in Ashley and Oakley, where the 'ley' clearly denotes a 'wood'. Other names where 'wood' is the meaning are Crawley (crows) Hawkley, Hartley (stags), Durlley (deer), and Eversley (wild boars) from the OE 'eofor'. Botley was either the wood owned by Bota, or it could derive from 'bot' = 'timber, firewood'. Bentley gets its name from a 'clearing overgrown with bent-grass', and Bramley is also a clearing, from the word for 'broom'. Farley and its variant Farleigh both mean a 'fern-covered clearing'. Fawley was a 'hayfield' and Hursley, a 'horse pasture'. Hately was the 'wet meadow' and appropriately it is noted for its extensive watercress beds. Mattingley was named after Matta and his followers. Other cases where the 'ley' is joined to the name of the owner or occupier include Bashley (Bæglóc), Ropley (Hroppa), Sopley (Soppa), and Baddesley (Baeddi). Ibsley could hark back to someone called Ibbi, though the record in Domesday Book gives his name as Tibbi. Yateley was 'by or with a gate' and Burley was near a 'burg' = 'fortified place or residence.' Finally, Tadley could mean 'meadowland populated by frogs' from the OE 'tada' = 'frog or toad', or it could be the 'woodland owned or held by one Tada, the same name as in the Yorkshire town Tadcaster.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO THE RECTORY PLEASE BY THE 20th JANUARY 1986.

150 CLUBMEMBERS FOR NOVEMBER

2 Mrs Maynard  
14 Mrs Wallwork  
35 A. Seaman

MEMBERS FOR DECEMBER

44 Miss S. Daniels  
74 Mrs Halfhide  
69 Mr Abrey

We would like a lot more people to join the 150 Club now for 1986. It costs £6 a year and for further information please contact Mrs D. Hedges Kingsclere 297388.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

The next monthly meeting of the Village Hall Committee will meet at the RECTORY on 26th February at 8pm.

The Open Meeting of the Village Hall will be held in the Village Hall on the 21st March at 7.30pm. Please make an effort to come and support the Committee who are working so hard to keep the Hall going.

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall will be on the 6th June.

CLAIMING DATE

The Village Hall and St Catherine's Church Fete will be held on the 28th June at Wolverton Cottage by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs R. Kent.

GEORGE BROWN TRUSTEES

The Sir George Brown Trust gave senior citizens an outing on November 25th. They travelled by mini bus to the Sava Centre for a shopping expedition followed by a Christmas lunch in the restaurant. It was a pleasant social occasion and thanks are due to the Rev. John Franks and Mrs Franks for organising the event and accompanying the group.

From an elderly parishioner:-

I am sure that all recipients will join in expressing appreciation for the attractive Christmas parcels from the Sir George Brown Trustees. Our thanks go to all those who helped in purchasing and packing the gifts, with a special thank-you to the Rector and Mrs Franks, who saw to personal delivery at a time when neither was in the best of health. The purchasing and packaging, as usual, were done by Colonel and Mrs Don.

HAMPSHIRE PLACE-NAMES

Tough and hardbitten though they undoubtedly were, the Norman invaders nevertheless had an eye for natural beauty. One locality in Hampshire that attracted their attention was named the 'beautiful place', Beaulieu; the original spelling is still retained though the pronunciation eventually became 'Bewly'. Two identical names, both with altered spelling and sound, are Bewley in Durham and Bewdley in Worcestershire. Another place in Hampshire was called the 'beautiful retreat', Beaulieu, near Bramley. Here again the spelling has remained intact but the local pronunciation is 'Burraper'. A Derbyshire name of the same origin is Belper, while in Durham the name underwent a major transformation and ended up as Bear Park. (One French-looking name in Hampshire could be misleading: Beauworth, once Beowyrth, = 'bee-farm', the same meaning as that of Bewick in Yorkshire and the other Bewick in Northumberland. These are reminders of the times, centuries before the discovery of the West Indies, when people in this country relied on honey for a sweetener.) The well-known eminence in neighbouring Sussex likewise caught the Normans' imagination. They called it Beau Chef, 'beautiful headland', and this in course of time became Beachy, with 'Head' added when the French name had lost its meaning.

COFFEE KILLER - Too much coffee can kill you, say experts in America. A 25 year study reveals that anyone drinking five or more cups a day is a "Coffeeholic" - and faces nearly three times the risk of a heart-attack than a moderate drinker.

CRACKING UP - If your best china tea service has been spoiled because one or two of the cups have hairline cracks, don't despair. Try simmering them in milk for about 30 minutes the protein helps to seal the cracks.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO THE RECTORY PLEASE BY THE 17th MARCH PLEASE.

PLEASE REMEMBER AND SUPPORT THE VILLAGE MARKET - EVERY FIRST SATURDAY IN THE VILLAGE HALL FROM 10 am to 12 NOON.

### LEMON AND LIME FOM

1 oz butter  
1 clove garlic peeled and crushed  
2 onions peeled and chopped  
1lb leg of pork, cut into  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch pieces  
Finely grated rind of 1 lemon  
To garnish: Lemon and/or lime slices.  
Cooking time: 1 hour. Oven  $190^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $375^{\circ}\text{F}$ , Gas Mark 5.

2 tablespoons lime juice  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  pint water  
2 tablespoons single cream  
1 egg yolk  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Heat the butter, add garlic and onions and saute for a few minutes, transfer to a small casserole. Fry the pork for about 3 minutes, add to the casserole with lemon rind, lime juice and water, cover and cook for 40 minutes. Place pork in a heated dish. Mix the cream and the egg, season well and pour in some of the lime juice mixture, beat well, add remaining liquid, return to heat until sauce thickens. Taste and adjust the seasoning. Garnish with slices of lime and/ or lemon. Serve with mashed potatoes.

### CYCLING - Rules for bicycles on the road.

Although a court cannot imprison or disqualify a cyclist, it can fine him as much as it does a motorist for certain offences. For example, a cyclist who disobeys a traffic sign or light is liable to the same maximum fine as a motorist - £200.

**Cycling Offences.** A cyclist must not hold on to motor vehicles in order to be towed. Nor must he carry a passenger - unless the bicycle is specially built or adapted to carry another person safely. It is an offence to cycle on a pavement. It is an offence to cycle carelessly or inconsiderately - for example, to pull out from a kerb or line of traffic without signalling, to ride too far from the kerb or to have insufficient control of the bicycle, perhaps because he has been carrying something heavy under one arm.

Cyclists do not need to obey yellow 'no parking' lines, but it is an offence to leave a bicycle in a dangerous position, or on a footpath or traffic clearway. The law treats a dismounted cyclist as a rider, not as a pedestrian. Therefore he cannot ignore a TRAFFIC SIGN or wheel his bicycle through traffic lights that are against him. A dismounted rider, however, is entitled to wheel his bicycle over a pedestrian crossing.

**LIGHTS.** Bicycles must be fitted at the back with a red light and reflector and at the front with a white light. The cyclist must have the lights on when riding at night or in poor visibility during the day. There is no need to have the lights on if the bicycle is stationary or if it is simply being wheeled along beside the kerb.

**BRAKES.** Bicycles with wheels that are more than 18 inches in diameter must have a brake for each wheel. Bicycles with smaller wheels and bicycles with a fixed wheel need only one brake at the front. The police are entitled to check that a bicycle's brakes are working efficiently.

It is an offence to sell a bicycle with faulty brakes unless the seller can show that he had good reason to believe that the bicycle would not be used until the brakes were repaired.

	<u>OFFENCE</u>	<u>PENALTIES FOR CYCLING OFFENCES</u>	<u>MAXIMUM FINE</u>
Brakes	Riding or permitting use with defective brakes. Selling or offering		
**	for sale bicycle with defective brakes		£200
Lights	Riding or permitting use of bicycle with defective lights at night		£200
	Riding or permitting use of bicycle with defective lights in poor visibility.		£200
Brakes **	Selling or offering for sale bicycle with defective brakes		£200
Parking	Leaving bicycle in a dangerous position		£200
	Leaving bicycle on footpath		£200
	Leaving bicycle on clearway		£200
Riding	On footpath		£50
	Careless or inconsiderate riding		£50
	Reckless riding		£200
	Riding whilst unfit		£200
	Taking hold of another vehicle		£25
	Carrying a passenger		£25
	Unauthorised racing		£25
Signs & signals	Disobeying signal given by police or traffic warden		£200
	Disobeying traffic signs, traffic lights or white lines		£200
	Failing to accord precedence to pedestrian, or overtaking on approach to crossing		£200

150 CLUB WINNERS FOR JANUARY

71 P. Croft  
1 C. Farry  
19 D. Hawkins

WINNERS FOR FEBRUARY

79 J. Nightingale  
37 G. O'Conner  
45 E. Frankham

Reminder that an Open Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 21st March at 7.30pm. You are invited to this meeting to help decide the future of the Village Hall, so please all come with your ideas.

A Social Games evening in the Village Hall on Friday April 4th at 7.30pm until 9.30pm. Some of the games suggested are Dominoes, Draughts, Table Tennis, Cards and Darts. All are welcome - 20p entrance. Tea, coffee, biscuits and Raffle extra. This is one suggestion to try to use the Hall.

The Village Fete date is June 28th. The Sponsored Fun Run date May 11th from the Hare and Hounds. Meet at 2.30pm onwards for a 3pm start. Proceeds to NSPCG and the Village Hall. Sponsor forms available soon from P. Farry, J. Andrews, D. Hedges, F. Shaw, or C. Butler. Dates of Cricket Match to be arranged.

Next Village Hall meeting will be at Yew Tree Cottage on Wednesday April 2nd at 8pm by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Farry.

A. Pronouncement of two centuries ago

A Parishioner writes: In reading Boswell's 'Biography of Dr Johnson' I was interested to see what the worthy Doctor declared in 1778:

"Sir, the life of a parson, of a conscientious clergyman, is not easy. I have always considered a clergyman as the father of a larger family than he is able to maintain.

I would rather have Chancery suits upon my hands than the care of souls. No, Sir, I do not envy a clergyman's life as an easy life, nor do I envy the clergyman who makes it an easy life."

HAMPSHIRE PLACE-NAMES

In years gone by Kingsclere, too, had its workhouse, that mixed blessing of an earlier welfare system about which Dickens wrote so graphically. The workhouse was built in 1836 on a site known as Fosbury's Piddle. This somewhat inelegant word merely means 'meadow' and is a variant of 'pightl', which occurs in Ramsdell as Beal's Pightle and in the Bushy Pightle at Woolhampton. In Silchester we find the field-names Randall's Piddle and Frith Piddle, and in Sherfield-on-Loddon, Pond Piddle and Hoat Piddle. An 18th century entry in the East Woodhay vestry book refers to the Parsonage Piddle, evidently a paddock belonging to the incumbent. Yet another variant is the Yorkshire 'pickle', from which the surname Pickles is derived.

The Dorset 'piddle' or 'puddle' is quite a different word. It means 'stream', whence such names as Piddletrenthide, Tolpuddle, Affpuddle and Turners Piddle. The term is also found elsewhere, as in the Worcestershire Piddle Brook and Wyre Piddle.

NATURE NOTE

A recent visitor to the garden was a dark-plumaged bird about the size of a pullet, with a red forehead and partly red bill. It was a moorhen, attracted no doubt by a nearby pond. The moorhen (13" from tip of bill to tip of tail) can be readily distinguished from that other water-bird, the coot, which is somewhat larger (15") and all black except for its white forehead and bill.

WOLVERTON VILLAGE MARKET

The Market is now well into its fourth year and is doing what it set out to do - making a friendly meeting place for people of our community.

Try not to forget it. Its always held on the first Saturday of the month from 10am - 12 in the Village Hall. It is the place for genuine bargains.

If you would like a stall of your own please ring Kingsclere 297.328 or 297388 for details.

BETTY SHAW HEPALIN FUND APPEAL

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who supported my appeal. The total sum raised was £1195.62 and the money has been used to purchase much needed equipment for the hospital. Betty Shaw.



### SITTING PRETTY

Is your child safe in your car? One recent survey showed that only one in three children is correctly restrained. If your child is under nine months, or weighs less than 10kg, he or she should be in a carrycot either fitted with a harness or wedged between the front and back seats; if aged between nine months and four years (10-20kg) a child seat is best; if between five and nine years (20-40kg) use a child seat or an adult seat belt with a booster cushion.

### SMOKE SIGNALS

Smokers take note: 55,000 men and 22,000 women smokers in England and Wales die each year, and over 4000 hospital beds are occupied by patients suffering from cigarette-related illnesses. Annual NHS cost, £170 million. Also, one in seven deaths in Britain is caused by smoking, while 14 times more people are killed smoking than on the roads.

### WINTER VEGETABLE CASSEROLE

8 ozs lean salt pork	Cut the salt pork in small dice and brown in a heavy pan.
1lb carrots	If salt pork is unobtainable, use a thick piece of bacon, or use unsalted belly pork. Peel the carrots and cut in thick slices. Peel the onions but leave them whole. Trim the leeks, wash them very well and cut in thick slices.
6 small onions	Peel the potatoes and cut into thick slices. Add the carrots, onions and leeks to the pork and cook together for 5 minutes. Stir in the flour, mix well and add hot water to cover. Cover tightly and simmer for 30 minutes.
2 leeks	Add the potatoes with a good sprinkling of chopped parsley and thyme, and the bay leaf. Season to taste. Cover and simmer for 1 hour.
1lb small potatoes	
1 tablespoon plain flour	
sprig parsley	
sprig thyme	
a bay leaf	
salt and pepper	

Lots more old or new photos are required by Peter Farry to complete the History Album of Wolverton and Wolverton Common. 0635.298138.

Mushrooms taste extra-delicious if sprinkled with lemon juice before cooking.  
ITS A GAS.... If you think you can smell gas, open all windows and doors, check that no pilot lights have blown out or that no gas tap has been left on. Don't use any electrical switches. Turn gas off and call the Gas Board immediately.

### ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH, WOLVERTON

The ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING will be held in the Village Hall on WEDNESDAY APRIL 9th at 8pm.

We hope that all those who are interested in the life and future of their church will try to attend. It is also hoped that by that date we shall have some definite news of the extensive restoration that the church requires.

God knows No Strangers,  
He loves us all,  
The poor, the rich,  
the great, the small...  
He is a friend  
who is always there  
To share our troubles  
and lessen our care.

### POEM FOR MARCH

No one is a stranger  
In God's sight  
For God is love  
and in His Light  
May we, too,  
try in our small way  
To make New Friends  
from day to day...  
So pass no stranger  
with an unseeing eye,  
For God may be sending  
A New Friend By.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO JOYCE FRANKS AT THE Rectory by the 17th MAY PLEASE.

<u>150 CLUB</u>		<u>WINNERS FOR APRIL</u>	
30	J. Robinson	11	D. Eckton
34	S. Frag	65	E. Shaw
66	E. Soe	10	D. Brown

The next Games Evening in the Village Hall will be on Friday, May 30th from 7-30 to 9.30. This is a social evening for all ages where you can play table tennis, darts, cards, dominoes, draughts and various other games. Entrance 20p.

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL will be held on Friday 6th June at 8pm in the Hall. Please come and support the hall. A new Chairman and Treasurer to be elected and a new committee to keep the hall going to be formed..

To hire the Hall for any function please contact Mr C. Butler on Kingsclere 298621. There is a Country Dance Evening in the Hall on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 7.30 to 9.30 where old favourites and new dances are practised. All are welcome so please come and give it a try.

The Sponsored Fun Run held on Sunday 11th May was a great success with over 50 runners. Details of the amount raised for NSPCC and the Hall will be announced at a later date.

The Pet Show held in the Village Hall on Saturday 17th May attracted a great number of pets of all kinds, Everyone had a lovely time even though the weather was not so good.

Would anyone like to hold a Coffee Morning with Bring and Buy stall in their home for the Hall maintenance funds? If so please ring Mrs Hedges Kingsclere 297388 to arrange date and details.

WOLVERTON GARDEN FETE at Wolverton Cottage by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Kent in aid of the Church and Village Hall. This is to be held on Saturday 28th June at 2.30pm. Donations for any of the following stalls will be gratefully received:-

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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| China and Glass | Mrs Franks, Mrs Don and Mrs Robinson |
| Cakes           | Lady Exroll                          |
| Bottle Stall    | Mrs Maynard and Mrs Kent             |
| Flants          | Mr Winfield                          |
| Books           |                                      |
| Toys            |                                      |
| White Elephant  |                                      |
| Raffle          | Dr and Mrs O'Connor                  |

There will also be Pony Rides, Side Shows and games to test your skills and patience. Popcorn, Ice Creams and Teas will be on sale throughout the afternoon.

(If anyone has any china or glass Mrs Franks will be very pleased to collect it. Tel: 298008)

ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I. NEWS

The next meeting will be in Wolverton Hall on June 11th at 7.15pm. The speaker for the evening is an official from Greenham Common on the Life of American Servicemen and their families in England. Visitors and new members always welcome.

A JUMBLE SALE with cakes, plants and Tombola stalls will be held in Ashford Hill Hall on Saturday 14th June from 10.00 - 12.30.

CRAFT EXHIBITION AND FLOWER FESTIVAL in Ashford Hill Church on Saturday 19th July and Sunday 20th July from 2.30 - 6pm with a silver collection in aid of Arthritis and Rheumatism Research with teas served in the Vicarage garden.

FOR YOUR FUTURE ENTERTAINMENT - IN AID OF VILLAGE HALL FUNDS

Cricket Match on the afternoon of August 30th at about 2.30pm with a Bar-b-cue that evening probably at 7.30pm. This is at the invitation of Mr and Mrs Murray at Century House.

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE TO JOYCE FRANKS AT THE RECTORY by the 19th JULY PLEASE.

## WHAT A BODY.

Although more people take note today of what they feed their bodies, the body is quite capable of taking its own notes - after all, your body has enough carbon to make 9000 pencils. It also has enough water to have a bath in and enough sugar for two cups of coffee. Every 28 days you become the owner of a new layer of outer skin and, although most people don't grow in height after the age of 18, your nose and ears keep growing throughout your lifetime.

## LIGHT FANTASTIC

The next time you have a candle-lit supper with your loved one and discover the candles won't fit into the holders because the candles are too big, try running them under hot water instead of cutting them down to size with a knife. The hot water will soften the candles just enough to make them slip easily into the holders.

Thank you, God, for little things that often come our way -  
The things we take for granted but don't mention when we pray -  
The unexpected courtesy, the thoughtful, kindly deed -  
A hand reached out to help us in the time of sudden need -  
Oh make us more aware, dear God, of little daily graces  
That come to us with "sweet surprise" from never - dreamed-of-places.

## SMOKING

Every question has two sides and to get the matter in perspective it would seem appropriate to consider the other side.

We are informed that the annual NHS cost for the hospital treatment of smokers is £170 million. That sounds a lot of money but let us compare it with the huge amount that the Government gets from tobacco taxation: about £5,250 million a year. It is therefore clear that smokers cover the cost of their treatment over and over again, and, in addition, they indirectly make a major contribution to the benefits and services enjoyed by non-smokers.

Now many non-smokers have no objection to drinking tea or coffee. Are they aware that both these beverages contain an alkaloid called caffeine which, if taken in large doses, is poisonous? Furthermore, many non-smokers are not averse to imbibing quantities of strong drink - yet alcohol is notoriously a potential killer. However, alcohol, like caffeine and nicotine, does little harm if taken in moderation. In short, to quote the old song, 'A little of what you fancy does you good'.

## HAMPSHIRE PLACE NAMES

Although associated with King John, who was often in the neighbourhood for the hunt, Kingsclere commemorates another ruler of four centuries earlier, King Alfred, to whom the royal manor belonged.

The second syllable of the name is of obscure origin, but one thing is certain: it has nothing whatever to do with 'clear' or 'clearing' (despite the confident statement in the Official Guide) since these words did not enter the language, via Old French, until the 13th century. 'Clere' may well be a Celtic river-name, related perhaps to the Clare in Suffolk, and according to one theory it may have been the old name of the Enborne and thence passed on to the district south of the river. The adjective in Highclere is self-explanatory, while Burghclere, 'the borough of Clere' once belonged to the Bishop of Winchester, who had a market there in the Middle Ages.

## PERUVIAN POTATO SALAD

1lb medium new potatoes, scrubbed	1 tbsp single cream or top of the milk
2 hard-boiled eggs	salt and freshly ground pepper
8 oz cottage cheese	2 tbsp vegetable oil
few drops of Tabasco sauce	3 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
1 level tsp finely chopped onion	1 lettuce, washed
	Paprika pepper

Cook the potatoes in salted water until tender. Drain, remove skins and cut into  $\frac{1}{4}$ " slices. Leave to cool. Cut eggs in half lengthways, remove yolks, chop whites. Beat the yolks, cheese, Tabasco, cream and seasoning together until smooth. Gradually beat in oil & stir in onion & parsley. Arrange lettuce leaves on a large plate, place the potato slices on top & spoon over the cheese mixture. Garnish with chopped egg white and dust lightly with paprika pepper.

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

At the fairly recent Annual General Meeting the following committee was elected:-

Chairman Mr Hugh Murray  
 Secretary Mrs Min Hedges  
 Hon. Treas. Mr Bob Winfield (see below)  
 Committee Mrs Carol Farry  
 Mr Peter Farry  
 Mrs Jessie Andrews  
 Mrs Belinda Kent  
 Mr Cliff Butler  
 Mr Peter Shaw  
 Revd. John Franks

Bob Winfield is eager to relinquish the Hon Treasuryship and we would be delighted and grateful if someone would volunteer to take over our accounts.

Although Jessie has thanked those who helped her through the period when she was our Chairman I know that the Committee would express their thanks to her for the tremendous responsibility she shouldered in leading us through the restoration of the Village Hall.

From Jessie Andrews.

"Having done a three year stint as Chairman of Wolverton Village Hall, I felt that now on my retirement from that position it could not be allowed to pass without a show of appreciation by way of a letter in the Wolverton Echo.

I would like to thank Bob Winfield, who took on the job of Treasurer, and has looked after the money so well, Min Hedges for the running around and reminding us of "things to do" and trying to keep some sort of order! Peter Farry for all the chivvying he did to get work done, and Carol for putting up with it all. Then there was John Franks, always there to advise, he also uses a paint brush well. Peter Shaw - rushing in the door after having to work late and helping with all the work. Clifford Butler for fitting in the repairs at short notice - and thanks to Rosemary for all she did (not forgetting Carol). Belinda Kent for her hard work in raising money at her "Bake-In's" and the Pet Show which was so successful, and the annual Garden Fete.

My thanks also to all the coffee morning ladies and the donations received in cash and kind to help raise the money to pay for all the work carried out on the hall. Looking at the hall now - I think everyone will agree it was worth it. It still needs a touch of paint in places, but I don't doubt it will get done.

Lastly, but not least, the Chair has been taken over by Mr Hugh Murray. I'm sure he will receive the support that I had and I wish him a happy "Chairmanship".

FUN RUN

Jessie Andrews.

It would be appreciated if those who took part in the fun run could complete the collection of their sponsor monies and, if they have not already done so, pay these to Mr Winfield by the end of August so that we can tell you the total amount that was realised.

CRICKET MATCH AND BAR-B-CUE

A Cricket Match will be held at Century House, Wolverton Common on Saturday, August 30th starting at 2-30pm. Not to be taken too seriously, teams are picked beside the pitch and a good time will be had by all - players and cheerers. To defray the costs of the day there will be a Bring and Buy Stall and Produce and Plants. Refreshments available. Should there be a profit this will go into Village Hall funds. Later that evening, same place, starting at 7pm and ending at 10pm there will be a Bar-b-cue when you are asked, if you come and we hope you will, to bring with you your own food (not forgetting a bread roll or whatever to eat with it) and whatever you bring will be bar-b-cued for you. Sausage, burger etc. Plate and Napkin will be provided. There is no entrance fee but please bring your own bottle. Please also bring a friend. The object of the day is to bring villagers together and to make new friends.

BAR-B-CUE in the Village Hall if it is raining.

## VILLAGE FETE

We now know that the Fete made a profit of £471.83. This is the most ever and we would express our thanks to all those who contributed to the success and enjoyment of that afternoon.

### CONTRIBUTED BY BETTY SHAW

Walking home from Kingsclere on a hot June day I passed the Fovey meadows gay with buttercups, full of flowers and butterflies. A plane went overhead, too high to see, leaving a white vapour trail across the summer sky and I was reminded of a summer now forty five years ago when I, as a land girl, was helping with the hay on a Surrey farm. Hayfields in those days were always full of flowers and buzzing insects and it was Battle of Britain year. The sun shone day after day all through June while we mowed and swathe turned and side raked and pitched the sweet smelling fodder to slow moving wagons.

Around us grey barrage balloons like legless elephants bounced and swayed and, so often, the summer blue sky was scribbled all over with tell tale signs of air battles above us. So often we would stand holding the heads of our frightened horses while machine gun bullets rained too near for comfort, our own hearts pounding with fear. Sometimes a parachute came, oh so slowly down, bringing a man to safety or to imprisonment. And yet the summer days went on. The nightingales sang, by day as well as night, from the honeysuckled hedgerows. The cows grazed unconcernedly in the meadows, turtle doves crooned and swifts and swallows darted high in the insect filled air.

Only man's inhumanity to man marred the peace and beauty of that perfect summer so indelibly remembered.

We would like more people to write articles, poems, snippets, stories, or anything that you think people in Wolverton and Wolverton Common would like to read about. Things like Gardening Hints, D.I.Y., Household Ideas or tips of any kind.

I have spent over a year trying to put together a History of Wolverton and Wolverton Common. A few people have lent me old photographs to copy, and I have managed to get some newspaper cuttings as well, but I feel sure there are a lot more photographs, snippets and information lying in someones house. Would you all please look again and see what you can find. Any photographs you have I would like to copy. You could all have your photographs back. Has anyone collected the Wolverton Echo or the Parish News. I would like to read any that are older than 1978. Please ring me with any information you have. Peter Farry 298138 evenings and weekends.

### 150 CLUB WINNERS

#### MAY

85 P. Ellett  
8 W. Hedges  
30 J. Robinson

#### JUNE

1. G Farry  
7 C. Slatford  
43 H. Murray

The Country Dance evenings have been cancelled now until September when it is hoped to start again. If you are at all interested please come.

### ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.

Ashford Hill and Wolverton W.I. held a very successful Jumble Sale in Ashford Hill Hall on June 14th.

The Flower and Craft Display in Ashford Hill Church at the week-end was a very colourful event and well attended with a collection for Arthritis and Rheumatism Research which amounted to £60 plus and the Teas and Raffle helped the Church by £30. Twelve ladies met in the garden of Mrs Rees on July 10th and a sponsored Knit-In took place, total collected not known yet.

The September Meeting will be in Wolverton Village Hall with the Speaker being Mrs E. Hydeman on Spinning. Visitors and new members always welcome.

DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE 25th SEPTEMBER. COPY TO JOYCE FRANKS AT THE RECTORY.

## 150 WINNERS

## JULY

68 T. Maynard  
79 J. Nightingale  
65 B. Shaw

## AUGUST

6 M. Doolan  
72 G. Robinson  
83 A. Newman

HARVEST/BONFIRE SUPPER

As a change from a Harvest Supper we are combining our supper this year with Bonfire Night.

On November 7th at and near the Village Hall there will be a bonfire when we will let off all the fireworks which you are invited to bring with you. This is a Friday evening so the children can sleep on next morning to make up for a late night. In theory, anyway!

Tickets will be priced £2.50 for adults and £1 for children under ten and will be available nearer the time from Mrs Kent at Wolverton Cottage 298276 or Mr Murray at Century House 298523.

It should be a hot supper on what may well be a cold evening.

ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.

The October meeting will be held on Wednesday October 8th in Ashford Hill Village Hall at 7.15pm when the speaker will be Mr J. Mason from the Arthritis and Rheumatism Research. Visitors and new members always welcome.

FOR SALE

Studio couch onverts to two single beds £5  
Music Centre and two speakers £30

Ring Kingsclere 298531 evenings.

WOLVERTON MONTHLY MARKET

There is no doubt that this market has done what it set out to do and provided a much needed meeting place for the people of our villages but we would like to see more use made of it not only as a place to buy the bargains always on offer but as a selling place. Do you have anything to sell? Surplus vegetables, flowers, home made preserves, sweets, cakes, crafts, small furniture, toys, childrens nearly new clothes - in fact anything saleable.

You do not have to pay for a stall. We just ask you to give us 10% of your takings to help with our running costs.

You do not have to come regularly but usually our stall holders enjoy the market so much that they want to come each month.

If you are interested and would like more information please ring Kingsclere 297328 or 297388.

If you have never been to the market why not give it a try. Its always held on the first Saturday of the month from 10 - 12 noon in the Village Hall.

I wonder whether there is anywhere in the world quite like Britain. Two or three days ago the rain was lashing down from a leaden sky, and the wind tormenting the trees and disheveling the flower borders. People slumped about, shoulders humped and faces grim, coat collars up against the cold. Summer seemed to have fled.

Today the morning woke promising one of those lovely "Season of Mists and mellow fruitfulness" days. The lawns were silvered with dew cobwebs; the robin sang his liquid song from the apple tree; flowers lifted their faces to the sun; people smiled; the harvest machinery hummed and rattled in the meadows; butterflies flew from flower to flower in sunny gardens and swallows danced high against a cloudless sky.

So much to be happy about and so many blessings and yet would we not have taken them all for granted had it not been for the wind and rain of yesterday. (Betty Shaw)

#### HAMPSHIRE PLACE-NAMES

According to one guide-book, Candover means 'head of the river' but expert opinion in general derives the name from two Celtic words represented in modern Welsh by 'cein dwfr' = beautiful water.

'Dwfr' = 'water' and, by extension, 'stream, river'; it sounds something like 'doovr' and occurs in various names of rivers and places in various parts of the country, including Dover, Dovercourt, Dour, Micheldever, Wendover ('white river', a clear chalk stream),. Andover (ashtree river'), Abbey Dore, Dover Beck, Doverdale, Doverhay.

The Brown in Brown Candover is a family name, probably that of an owner in times past; Preston Candover was once 'Prestecandever', 'belonging to the priests' - in 1316 the manor belonged to the prior of Southwick. Chilton contains the word 'child' and may well be a reminder of the days when it was used to describe a young knight, as in 'Childe Harold'.

In general terms, the names of natural features such as our rivers and streams are those given by the Celtic tribes (the 'ancient Britons' we heard about at school), while most of the man-made features like villages and towns drew their names from their makers, the Anglo Saxon immigrants who came later on.

#### FOR SALE

5' wide divan base only (no mattress). Folds in half. 6 legs. Good condition £20  
Tel: Kingsclere 298138.

G.E.C. Floor Polisher. Twin buffers. Good working order. £10. Tel: Kingsclere 298138.

Wooley Wonder. If you like knitting but have arthritic hands, try using circular needles so the wright is in your lap, not on your wrists. Wooden needles are light too.

THE SAMARITANS have opened a new centre in Newbury. Open every day 3-10pm at Sterling Cable site, Kings Road, Newbury. Tel: 42452.

#### P O E M

When someone does a kindness  
It always seems to me  
That's the way God up in Heaven,  
Would like us all to be...  
For when we bring some pleasure  
to another human heart,  
We have followed in His Footsteps  
and we've had a little part  
In serving Him who loves us -  
For I am very sure its true  
That in serving those around us  
We serve and please Him, too.

#### BANANA AND RAISIN LOAF

4 ozs Margarine	
8 ozs Self raising flour	2 Medium Bananas
2 ozs Granulated sugar	1 Egg
4 ozs Raisins	2 tablespoons milk

Melt margarine in a small pan. Place the flour, sugar and raisins in a basin and mix together. Add the bananas, mashed, the egg beaten with the milk and the melted margarine and beat until the ingredients are well mixed. Place the mixture in a greased  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch loaf tin. Bake in the centre of the oven ( $350^{\circ}\text{F}$ ,  $180^{\circ}\text{C}$  or Gas No. 4) for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours or until risen and firm to the touch. Turn the loaf out on to a wire rack to cool. Makes 12 slices. Freezes well. Use within 3 months.

WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE - Bob Winfield has recently given up being our Hon. Treasurer and we are delighted that Dr Toky O'Connor has taken over this appointment. DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE 25th NOVEMBER, COPY TO JOYCE FRANKS AT THE RECTORY.

150 CLUB WINNERS	SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER
41	R. Langthorne	67	V. Taylor
80	B. Oates	57	S. Daniells
32	D. Cripps	74	T. Rolls

### ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.

Ashford and Wolverton Institute hosted the Autumn meeting of the Kingsclere group of W.I's at Wolverton Village Hall on October 30th.

Displayed on stage were the entries for the Collage Competition with Autumn as its theme. They were judged by Mr Flint headmaster at Ashford Hill School. The winners cup was presented to Ashford Hill and Wolverton by Mrs Jennie Norman, County Organiser.

Speaker for the evening was Mr Norman Goodland who talked about his early life in Baughurst and how he came to broadcasting with the B.B.C. Some of his anecdotes were hilarious and the hall was filled with laughter.

To round off a happy evening a cold buffet was provided by the hosts.

### DONT FORGET WOLVERTON MARKET!

Wolverton Market in the Village Hall on Saturday December 6th from 10.00 - 12.00  
Come early for original Christmas Gifts and all sorts of bargains. Enquiries ring 297328 or 297388.

### A SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MORNING - TRUE STORY BY BETTY SHAW.

Peter and I crept down the dark narrow stairway taking care to miss the third tread which creaked in loud protest when trodden on.

The children were still fast asleep. Well filled stockings at the foot of each bed, - Christmas morning.

In the dark kitchen the old pendulum clock ticked like a heart beat then hesitated a little as if to take a breath and struck the hour of five. Peter lit the lamp - no electricity here in this little Surrey farmhouse. We drank mugs of tea, pulled on our wellies and went out to the milking.

It was the winter of '62-'63 when snow laid thick on the fields and blocked the narrow lanes for weeks on end - but the snow hadn't come yet. The night was frosty bright and the stars twinkled among the branches of the great elms across the lane.

As we entered the warmth of the shed the cows lumbered to their feet lowing gently in anticipation of their first feed. The light from the hurricane lantern cast grotesque moving shadows on the white washed walls.

Soon, with pails clasped between knees on three legged stools beneath us heads buried into soft warm flanks, we were at the milking, singing the well loved carols as we worked.

It seemed the perfect place to be on Christmas morning.

Then came the first great wonder. As the sky lightened in the east there was a sudden freak rise of temperature and the ice on trees and hedgerows melted and began to drip. Almost at once it froze again so that little icicles hung from every twig - these moved by a gentle wind, tinkled like bells.

We stood in the cowshed doorway and were silenced with wonder at what we saw and heard. It was something we shall never forget.

Milking finished and calves fed we left the animals contentedly munching hay and tumbled down the steps into the farmhouse for breakfast well earned.

In the kitchen stood our little pyjama clad three year old the light behind her shining through her hair framing her excited little face like a golden halo, her eyes as bright as the stars, in her arms her Christmas doll.

"I found a baby. I found a baby," she said and the true meaning and spirit of Christmas filled that humble little kitchen.

Peace and love and joy abounded. It was indeed a perfect Christmas.



HELP REQUIRED IN HOUSE. One day a week - about 4 hours. Please ring Mrs Peech weekends Kingsclere 297489, Monday - Friday 01.584.5799.

FUN RUN

Apologies from the Village Hall Committee to all those who joined in the run, sent in their sponsorship money and have heard nothing since. The final sponsorship was received in October making a grand total of £339.43 - another tremendous effort. The net total after prizes was divided equally between the Village Hall and NSPCC. The prizes were won by Belinda Bramhall (adult) and Helen Elvin (under 16), who both live in Kingsclere - special thanks to them, and to everyone who took part.

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As you can see there is very little news for this edition of the Wolverton Echo. Please send in any item of news or an article of interest for inclusion in the next issue - Deadline 28th January 1987, to Joyce Franks, The Rectory, Wolverton, Nr. Basingstoke, Tel: No. Kingsclere 298008.

150 Club Winners	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
	4 G. Rolis	77 G. Hedges
	16 D. B. Hedges	55 I. Stephenson
	13 W. Enefer	72 C. Robinson

Don't miss your chance of being one of the winners. Now is the time to renew or start your membership. £5 entitles you to your number for the year and a chance in every months draw. Membership forms from Mrs D. Hedges, 5 Townsend, Wolverton. The draw takes place every first Saturday at the Wolverton Market.

Not too late for New Year Resolutions. Make one to use and support Wolverton Market the first Saturday in every month. It exists for your benefit and enjoyment. Enquiries ring 297328 or 297388.

#### ASHFORD HILL AND WOLVERTON W.I.

This is a small and very friendly group of ladies from the two villages having a wide range of interests and a very varied programme for 1987. We would so like to welcome you to join us.

Ring Kingsclere 298279 or 297328 for details.

The next meeting on the 11th February will be held at Holt End Cottage, the home of Mrs Stephenson and will be a Slide Show.

The March meeting on the 11th will be at Ashford Hill Village Hall and will be Nylon Flowers with Mrs J. Mundy.

There will be a Coffee Morning for the Denman College Appeal (W.I.) at Holt End Cottage, the home of Mrs Stephenson on Thursday 9th April 10-12noon with Bring & Buy and a Raffle.

I'm sure all the "oldies" among us who have benefited from the Sir George Brown Trust would like to thank all those who have in anyway participated in the organization required to distribute this benefit.

Those who organized the summer outing and the outing to the Sava Centre and those who bought and wrapped and delivered our Christmas gifts. All very much appreciated - THANK YOU.

#### THE BED BUG

Long ago in England when John he was our King,	Now down among the bedclothes
The farmlands were all forests	Against the Royal Heel
And with hunting cries did ring,	A very hungry bed bug
King John enjoyed his hunting	Was thirsting for a meal.
And at times did like to stay	It climbed the Royal hairy leg
In a hamlet in a clearing,	Until it reached the thigh
Kingsclere 'tis called today	And there, to slake its appetite,
Tired when returning from the hunt	The Royal Blood did try.
He'd spend a night at ease	The King he roused him from his s'leep
In the cosy village hostel	And had a little scratch;
Where they did their best to please.	He lit the Royal Candle
They heaped the coals upon his fire	With a very Royal Hatch;
And warmed the Royal bed	He looked beneath the bedclothes
With a shiny copper warming pan,	And there he did espy
From the foot up to the head.	A blue blood gorging bed bug
King John removed the Royal Crown	A feasting on his thigh
From off the Royal Head	He caught the feeding bed bug
And put a stripy bobble ended	Which by now was very fat
Nightcap on instead	Between his thumb and finger
Then, having donned his nightshirt,	And he squashed it very flat.
He tumbled into bed.	He called the sleepy innkeeper
He pulled the quilt about his ears	And cried "You'll have to pay,
And started counting sheep	It is very very shocking
He'd hardly got to twenty	To treat a King this way.
When he was fast asleep.	The people of this hamlet
	Shall share in your disgrace

A permanent reminder above their heads I'll place  
And high above the Church top there evermore shall swing  
A very flattened bed bug who feasted on a King".

NOTE

I think most people know that the weather vane on Kingsclere Church is supposed to be a bed bug. King John was supposed to have been bitten by one while staying in Kingsclere. (Betty Shaw).

SLIP-UPS TO AVOID. The Law.

To be snowed in cosily at home and unable to get to work sound like bliss. But the reality is never entirely enjoyable. Even a trip to the local shops for essential supplies can turn into a treacherous journey. In an age when priority is given to the car, pedestrians are left to pick their way along slippery, uneven pavements as best they can. But, if you are unfortunate enough to fall over in the street, during icy weather you can do more than nurse your bruises and pride. On a public road, the local authority has the duty to keep the pavements clean and safe. It must take care not only to keep walkways free of ice, but also maintain broken and uneven paving stones. If you feel it has failed in this responsibility, you can sue for compensation. Edward Wright, Managing Director of Hambro Legal Protection, explained: "You can sue the local authority if you can prove it was negligent in keeping the streets reasonably clean and safe. "You cannot prove negligence simply because there was ice on the pavement. You have to prove that the standards of the people responsible for the pavement fell below a 'reasonable' level". You may feel you are doing your public duty if you keep the pavement in front of your house clear of snow. But you should think carefully before doing this because you may find yourself sued. Edward Wright said that, if you make a mess of the job and leave the pavement more slippery than it was, you could be held to be negligent. He said; "If you are going to clear the pavement you must clear it properly and you must keep it clear. If you go out one day and sweep off snow and then it rains, it could be more slippery than if you had not swept it. "If you are fit and able, you can do your bit and clean the pavement. But, if you are likely to get fed up with it after a couple of days, it is better not to start." But, for your own private drive, you have a duty to keep your premises reasonably safe for visitors. If you allow your front path to become slippery when you should have realised that it was becoming dangerous, you are negligent. You have to keep your property safe so that the postman does not slip over.

COTTAGE CHEESE TEABREAD makes one 2lb loaf

8ozs cottage cheese  
6 ozs soft brown sugar  
3 eggs

4 ozs stoned dates  
2 ozs hazelnuts (toasted) or walnuts  
8 ozs wholemeal self-raising flour

Heat the oven to 180°C (350°F) Mark 4

Grease a 2lb loaf tin and line with greased greaseproof paper. Sieve the cottage cheese into a mixing bowl, add the sugar and beat until creamy. Add the eggs one at a time and beat into the mixture. Chop the dates and nuts and fold in. Spoon the mixture into the prepared tin and level the surface. Bake in the centre of the oven for 50-60 minutes until firm and golden brown. Turn out and cool on a wire rack. Serve sliced and spread with sunflower margarine. Using cottage cheese instead of margarine or butter produces a beautifully light, moist teabread. (Carol Farry).

WANTED. 1 pair of bunk beds or 2 single beds (2'6") must be in good condition.

Tel: Kingsclere 298138.

LOST

Black cat missing from Wolverton Common. Tel: 298279 if you have any news of this cat.

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## WINNERS OF 150 CLUB.

JUNE	61	Mrs A. Athawes	JULY	67	Mrs C. Farry
	68	Mrs B. Kent		82	Lady Page Wood
	81	Mrs N. Baldwin		36	Mr S. Eckton

The Fete made a total of £451.23.

Teas	27.60
Bric-abrac	10.52
China and glass	23.00
Bottles	111.70
Ice cream	11.75
Cakes	98.40
Marbles & Dice	2.14
Alpine plants	1.20
Garden plants	32.95
Raffle	38.50
Clowns	4.00
Skittles	4.00
Books	20.00
Lamb	7.70
Swings and pegs	5.70
Fishing	8.00
Mr and Mrs Kent	44.07

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£451.23

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A FUN CRICKET MATCH will be held at Century House on Saturday August 29th 2.30pm for 3pm start. Each team is made up on the day with all willing players taking part. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall, a Raffle and a Toy Swap Shop. Please just come along and join in.

#### WOLVERTON FUN RUN.

There was a very good turn out again this year for the annual village keep fit (?) session. Everyone enjoyed themselves despite their facial expressions, a sort of hidden, inner joy.

Thanks and congratulations to everyone who came and conquered. The total sponsorship collected - £194.30 - was a fine effort and we are grateful to all runners and sponsors. The total will be split equally between the Village Hall, St Catherine's Church Repair Fund and the NSPCG.

#### COMING EVENTS FOR RESTORATION FUND

Although full details must follow, will you please note in your diaries that there will be a FLOWER FESTIVAL in St Catherine's Church on the week-end of October 10th/11th.

On the evening of the 10th October the JANE AUSTEN SINGERS will give a CONCERT in the Church.

#### FOR SALE.

4 Mini wheels complete with nearly new tyres. £10 each o.n.o. Tel: Kingsclere 298138.

### USEFUL TIPS.

Use an old toothbrush for cleaning cooker tops - it gets into all the corners.

Clean gold jewellery with a solution of salt and vinegar.

Dab clear nail varnish on the front and back of button stitches - the buttons will stay on much longer.

Dampen string before tying up parcels - the string will shrink when it dries, making the package more secure.

Stand on empty plastic bottles to expel the air, then screw the lid back on - the bottle will stay flat and take up less room in the bin.

Clean a burnt saucepan base by covering with malt vinegar and boiling for 10 minutes.

To brighten up stainless steel saucepans, teapots, kettles, or even your draining board, put a few drops of olive oil on a soft cloth and rub vigorously. For a super shine, polish with a clean cloth.

### HOW TO AVOID THOSE HOLIDAY BUST-UPS.

Going on holiday with your husband and family is supposed to be one of the happier events of the year - a treat we all save for, and look forward to.

#### TALK IT OUT.

Experts agree that many holiday problems can be avoided. The Marriage Guidance Council recommends:-

Always discuss what kind of holiday you both want before you book up. If one of you likes lounging on the beach, and the other loves sightseeing, you must both compromise.

Talk about what you both expect from each other on holiday long before you set off. If you're self-catering, make it clear from the start that chores are shared. Dads often don't get a chance to spend much time with the kids, so it might take time for him to get to know their habits. Resist nagging about the way he deals with them.

If he was reluctant to help with the kids last year, make it clear it's got to be different this year. You deserve a break too.

It is important to get a bit of time on your own, without the kids, so try to plan a holiday in the same resort as friends, so you can baby-sit for each other, or choose a centre with organised activities for kids.

Being on holiday can give you the chance to bring some romance back into your lives so don't hold back - indulge yourselves!

Beware of jealousy. Seething as your husband ogles the topless lovelies is a flash point - but then, you probably eye up the bronzed hunks too. That doesn't mean you don't still appreciate each others bodies though.

Shared holidays with friends can be fun - or a total disaster. You'll be living in intimate contact with them, so resist flirting.

You're likely to drink more on holiday, especially if you're abroad and booze is cheap. But alcohol can make people say hurtful things, so go easy!

ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE WOLVERTON ECHO to Joyce Franks at the Rectory, Kingsclere 298008 by the 30th October.