

Marsworth News

Serving the village and parish of Marsworth

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Urgently needed - Copy Editor

General description of the role

- Managing the editor inbox, which is shared with the Layout Editor.
- Sourcing additional copy that may be of interest to our readers.
- Formatting and preparing text, photos, posters etc for the layout editor.

Requirements of the role

- Familiarity with computers, internet and social media.
- Reliability and commitment to meeting deadlines.
- Good word skills.
- Interest in matters relating to Marsworth.

The role may suit someone:

- retired, or with a flexible lifestyle;
- new to Marsworth or with access to local knowledge;
- with pride in their work;
- who is a good communicator and networker.

Initial training will be provided but there is scope to develop your own style, within established standards and procedures .

This is a very rewarding job. If you are interested, please email editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

John Keen

We had hoped to be able to include a proper obituary for local landowner and businessman John Keen, but this has not been available for this issue. We expect to include one in the next issue of *Marsworth News*.

John had lived in Marsworth for well over 50 years, owning a house in Church Farm Lane. He was also the owner of Lower End Garage, a garage in Western Road, Tring, The White Lion and a large amount of land in the Lower End part of Marsworth. He came to the garage in late 1966 and took over the running of it.

In 2002, for the Queen's Golden Jubilee celebrations, he very generously made his large barn and field at Lower End available as a location for the main village festivities.



John Keen with one of his shire horses, part of the parade for the Golden Jubilee

His funeral took place on 6th October.

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Items for *Marsworth News*

Copy should be sent in good time, preferably well before Copy Date - 18th of the month, other than July and December.

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The Bucks Herald

Please send items of news about upcoming events, reports on how they went, or any other items of interest, however small, to:

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Editorial

By *Sandra Costello*

This issue is slimmer than usual, at 20 pages, which is a direct consequence of our having no Copy Editor, one of whose roles is to seek out extra items of interest, as well as expanding stories. It also means the need to be selective about what can and cannot be included, which may give a rather different 'feel' to the newsletter.

I am now in the position of 'Caretaker / Temporary Copy Editor' as well as my usual role of Layout Editor. I cannot take on all the extra work that Elaine used to do so well, but will carry on as long as I can and hope that someone will come forward to take on that role. See the notice on the front page.

Though it is a shame to see summer fading behind us, it is good to see the signs of the coming festive season: Bonfire and Fireworks Night, the Advent Calendar trail, church floodlighting, as well as other seasonal events in the local area.

Please do keep us informed of any new arrivals to Marsworth. We love to be able to welcome them.



Advent window 2021

Marsworth Food Bank

The Marsworth Food Bank is extremely grateful for all the donations that have been received.

We are looking after even more families currently and would love to receive donations of:

- Tins of soup, fruit, rice pudding, custard and baked beans.
- Tea, coffee and biscuits.

Donations may be left in the box in the porch of All Saints church or to Karibu, Vicarage Gardens.

Thank you very much on behalf of the Marsworth Food Bank Team.



Marsworth News

Wanted - articles for newsletter

Either a regular feature or an occasional article

We would especially like to have items about life on the canal, or any aspect of local life.

Photos are always welcome.

Please email
editor@MarsworthNews.co.uk

Village Hall Defibrillator

Guidelines for usage of the defibrillator installed at the Hall are available on the Marsworth website: www.marsworth.org.uk



Marsworth Millennium Hall

Hire of rooms

The Main Hall is available for parties and special occasions. Licensed for up to 100 seated and up to 200 for dances.

The upstairs **Mike Frost Room** is available for meetings or activities. This room has capacity for 24 seated for smaller functions.

For bookings, availability and charges please contact Frances Brown on 01296 661211.

Announcements

For announcements of family events such as births, marriages etc. email editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

Photos would be very welcome.

All Saints Church



Report on Harvest Festival Events

You may think I am going on about the Harvest Festival, but I feel it is important to tell everyone just how well it went.

There was considerable organisation in arranging the supper which needed advertising, planning the menu and for people to be asked to help with cooking, serving and general help on the day in setting up and preparing the tables, and then helping during the evening. Although the supper is primarily a church occasion it also involves the village community, and it was lovely to have our friends from Holy Cross Slapton joining with us too. There were several kind ladies preparing and cooking the main courses and puddings for roughly forty guests.

The supper is a three-course meal comprising mains, puddings and a cheese board with a choice in the main and pudding courses. The evening went very well with compliments flying; let's face it, where could you find a three-course meal served on beautifully set tables decorated with flowers and candles and in the company of friends, all for £12.50 per head?

I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved. Without your support this event would not have been possible.

Moving on to the Harvest Celebration Service, it was lovely to have the village school involved and for the pupils to have their own input into the service in the form of songs and prayers. Previously the school had come into church with so many gifts to place around the font and there were even more children who came to the altar with gifts during the service. It is so gratifying to once again be able to celebrate after such a long time being prevented through Covid, and to have Rev. James with us leading such a wonderful service.

Looking forward to November, we have a lunch and prayer hour in the Frost Room in the village hall where you are encouraged to bring a lunch, join in some prayers which should begin to prepare us for Advent. The first meeting will be on Friday 4th November between 12 and 1pm.

And just to remind you of our Quiz Night on Saturday 12th November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (see notice on this page).

John White, Churchwarden

Sally Pinnion

Sally was a long term resident of Marsworth who in recent years moved down to Sidmouth.

She will be remembered by many in the village for her work at the school. She passed away peacefully at home on 11th October with her husband Richard at her side.

Services

1st Sunday, 6th November

9.15am Common Worship Holy Communion.

2nd Sunday 13th November

10.15am Remembrance Day Service.

3rd Sunday 20th November

9.15am Common Worship Holy Communion.

4th Sunday 27th November

Advent Sunday
Evening Prayer at 4.00pm (please note change of time).

Remembrance Day service

Sunday 13th November

10.15am Church service and Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial with laying of poppy wreath on behalf of the village.

All welcome to take part.

Fun Quiz Night

Saturday 12th November
Marsworth Village Hall

7.00 pm for start at 7.30 pm

Teams of up to 8 people

Tickets £10 including a light supper
Please bring your own drinks and glasses

To reserve your table contact:

Richard Cooper: 01296 661725 or
Caroline Smith: 07557 289049

In aid of All Saints Church Marsworth

MARSWORTH BONFIRE and FIREWORKS NIGHT



Saturday 5th November At the Rec

Bonfire lit at 6.30pm - Fireworks at 7pm

Adults £5, Children £2.

Cash only on the gate

Food & drinks available

If you have materials for the bonfire please contact
Dick Brake on 01296 662533 for access.

Parish Council meeting October 2022 - highlights

(Full Minutes of the Meetings and future Agendas, plus lots of other information can be found at <https://www.marsworth.org.uk/marsworth-parish-council/>).

Marsworth Airfield

Councillor Town reported that the Local Flood Authority had been unhappy with Ainscough's report and had objected to the Planning Application.

Footpaths at Lower End

TfB was obtaining quotes for the vegetation to be edged out along the pathways at Lower End. The footpath was also failing and it had been added to a list of similar schemes to be considered when capital funding was made available for footway surfacing.

Overgrown hedges restricting access along pathways

TfB had written to houses that were not complying with their obligation to keep pathways accessing, and - following an article in Marsworth News last month - these had now mostly been cut back.

One area still to be cut back was by the Bridge Weight Restriction sign which was obscured leading up from Lower End to The Red Lion.

Footbridge at the Mill House

This had now been repaired.

Dog Waste

Specific issues should be reported to the Parish Clerk (parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk) who would notify TfB to send out the Dog Warden to clear/clean the area.

Police Report

Theft of cooking oil from The Red Lion; Theft of two bicycles from an address in Norvic Road; and two suspicious males attending an address. One of the males said he was a roofer; when the occupant said he was not interested, he got into his van and a few minutes later, another male got out of the same van and said he had a delivery. Thames Valley Police has liaised with the pub regarding security and also visited other pubs to warn about the increase in oil thefts. September's report not received.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 14th November. All welcome. Please let the Parish Clerk know if you are attending. (parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk)

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Parish Council meeting dates 2022

14th November

12th December

You can view and comment on planning applications at www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk.

Marsworth Village Hall 100 Club



100 Club draw results for October

Our congratulations to the winners.

£20 prizes

- 1 Steve Scott, Stepnells
- 37 Mike Mullally, Vicarage Road
- 107 Pam Cotton, Stepnells
- 201 Mick & Jan Wells, Lukes Lea
- 92 Carol West, Stepnells

The next draw will be in November for our regular five £20 prizes, to be drawn at the Hall Committee meeting, 2nd November at 8pm.

If you wish to join, please contact me on 01296 662533.

Thank you all for taking part.

Dick Brake

Tring Local History Museum

9 Brook St, Tring HP23 5ED

The history of Tring and the local area



Open: Fridays and Saturdays 10am to 4pm

The Museum is entirely volunteer run and entrance is FREE.

Bucks Councillors' October report – extracts

New planning guidance for Vale of Aylesbury unveiled

Buckinghamshire Council launched a consultation on three important planning guidance documents that, once adopted, will inform planning and development decisions in the former Aylesbury Vale district area.

These documents, known as supplementary planning documents (SPDs), provide detailed advice and guidance on policies in the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan which was adopted by the council in September 2021.

The consultation will be open until 2nd November 2022.

Aylesbury Garden Town – South Aylesbury Masterplan

This masterplan document is intended to guide landowners, developers, the public and the local planning authority in respect of environmental, social, economic and design objectives for the planning and development of the South Aylesbury area of the Aylesbury Garden Town, situated within Stoke Mandeville civil parish.

Design SPD

The aim of the design supplementary planning document is to ensure that new development across Aylesbury Vale is of the highest quality, is in context with its location, and is inclusive and sustainable. The document sets out clear principles and objectives that aim to inspire developers and designers and assist landowners, developers, applicants and planners in the process of delivering high quality and well-designed development.

Welcoming Spaces give a warm reception to all

The council is pledging to develop a network of Welcoming Spaces offering a variety of facilities around the county, with local partner organisations, where residents can come into safe and inclusive spaces, free of charge, to stay warm and enjoy a little company.

The scheme is kick-starting with the launch of Buckinghamshire's libraries and community libraries as the first of the Welcoming Spaces venues. Visitors will be welcome for as long as they wish during opening hours and can make use of facilities including free wifi and computer access. Library staff will also be on hand to offer information and support to visitors struggling with the effects of the cost of living crisis.

Household recycling centres switch to winter hours

Buckinghamshire Council's nine household recycling centres switched to winter opening hours on **Saturday 1st October**. The new opening hours are **9am to 4pm**. The household recycling centres will be operating the same days as normal.

New home energy schemes for Bucks residents

Hundreds of households in Buckinghamshire are set to benefit from new funding to make their homes more energy efficient as part of a joint project paid for by Central Government funding. The news will be welcomed by households across the county, many of whom are at risk of being pushed into fuel poverty due to rising fuel costs.

The grants are for households with a gross annual income of less than £30,000 or who are receiving eligible benefits, and properties must have an energy rating of D, E, F or G.

The scheme will benefit both homeowners and those who rent privately. The new grant funding will potentially help more than 400 households in the county, and includes properties that are 'off grid', currently using an alternative energy supply, such as oil.

For owner occupiers, the work will be carried out for free. However, for rental properties (whether private or social), the landlord will be expected to pay at least one third of the cost towards the work.

Applications are open now to eligible households at: buckinghamshire-applications.co.uk.

Councillor Derek Town

01296 661637 dtown@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

Buckinghamshire Councillor, Ivinghoe Ward

(Full report can be found at www.marsworth.org.uk)

Book launch

Marsworth Polish Hostel 1948-1960

Sunday 27th November
Marsworth Village Hall 2.00-5.00pm

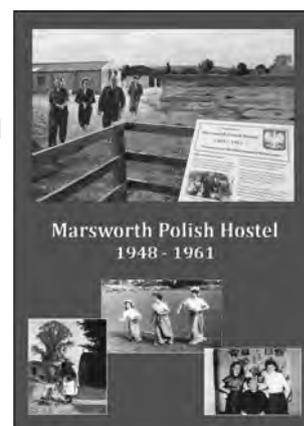
This book tells the story of the Polish Hostel which was a significant feature of Marsworth from 1948-1960, when over 500 Poles displaced by the Second World War found the beginnings of a new life in Britain.

The content has been mainly provided by those who lived at the Hostel, who have supplied their stories and many photographs.

A number of these people will be there on the day.

Copies of the book will be available on the day at a reduced price. Copies can then be purchased online.

For further information contact Sandra Costello on sandra.costello1@btinternet.com or marsworth.hostel@gmail.com.



Beacon Villages Community Library, Ivinghoe

Library open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 2-5pm, Saturday 10am - 1pm.

Free access to Ancestry.com from members' home computers continues until the end of the year.

General enquiries: info@bvcl.org.uk 01296 387890.



Marsworth Women's Institute



By Denise Cornwall

Our meeting this month was well attended. Our president Chris King was able to go through the agenda and advise us all with information on what is happening with our WI.

The WI Jubilee Garden at the recreation ground needs to be tidied up for winter and volunteers were requested to come forward to do it. Our Programme of speakers and activities for 2023 is now complete and it looks to be as interesting for this coming year as it has been for 2022. Trying to find activities along with speakers that everyone would like to listen to is not an easy job. The committee has had some very nice feedback on our 2022 programme and we say a big "Thank you" for that.

Our speaker for this month's meeting was Keith Muras. The title of his talk was **Licenced to Thrill**. Before retiring, Keith was a diplomat with the UK Government and one of his assignments was for three years in Russia, during the Cold War.

He gave an interesting and enlightening talk about these three years. Even his journey along with his wife and son to get to his position at the British Embassy in Moscow was like something out of a James Bond film.

We normally associate the profession of a diplomat with a luxury lifestyle, along with luxury accommodation. This was not the case for Keith and his family; in fact when we saw the slide of his accommodation, we were very surprised at how drab and dreary the block of apartments was. The living conditions were small and uncomfortable. Food was scarce and people queued for hours to get one loaf of bread. You had to live on what you could get; meals were basic and not very appetising. He and his wife were constantly watched, followed, and questioned by the KGB. In USSR, as it was then known as, westerners were the enemy. It was difficult for all of us to imagine what it must be like to be watched continually and to cope with the devious mind games which the KGB played all the time.

Even more interesting were his views on the current situation with Russia and Ukraine, which gave us all pause for thought. By the silence and concentration from the ladies I think we all thoroughly enjoyed this talk.

Supper Club this month was held at The Red Lion, Marsworth. Well, you will never leave this place hungry or disappointed in the food. A recommendation from a customer to try Will's goulash pie was taken up by some of us. It was just as good as we were told and I for one will be returning to have some more. A recommendation for their Sunday roast dinner is the next on my list to try. Of course, wherever you get a gathering of us ladies you will have lots of chatter, laughter and fun and this evening was no exception. "Thank you" to The Red Lion for your hospitality.

Craft Club this month was an eyeopener. We were told to bring along a couple of magazines. From this we were to make something for us to wear! The mind boggles. Something made for me to wear would need a few more than two magazines. When we got there, we were given a long triangular template about 12 inches long, some cocktail sticks and glue. We were told to find a page of

colour that we liked from one of our magazines and cut some templates out. We then had to put some glue on them and roll them up on a cocktail stick, wide end first going down to the narrow tip. I'm not going to say any more. Can you guess what it will be? All will be revealed in next month's write up.

Our Book Club remains a mystery to me. We're never told about the book they are reading. All we ever get to hear is about the wonderful food that they consume when supposedly discussing these phantom books. I think further investigation needs to take place. I'm on the case.

This month we are pleased to welcome a new member, Caroline O'Donovan. Caroline came along to a couple of our previous meetings to see if the WI was for her. We also invited her to join us at a craft night and a Supper Club. We are very pleased that she liked what she saw and is now a member of Marsworth WI. Her comments were, "Why didn't I do this years ago?"

If anyone would like to do the same as Caroline and come along to see what we were all about, you are very welcome.

Wanted - domestic cleaner

Marsworth home - 3-4 hours a month

Day and times to suit you

Please contact 01442 822900

Marsworth
Music
Night

Charity number: 1027259

Saturday 19th
November

Charity Event to raise
money for Marsworth Preschool 7pm (7:30 start) - 10pm

Complimentary glass of Prosecco upon entry and FREE Buffet!

Cash Only!

Marsworth Millennium Hall - Marsworth, Tring HP23 4LR

Tickets are £20 - Contact admin@marsworthpreschool.org.uk to reserve

Visit the Bar and Raffle - Sit back, Relax and enjoy the Show!

Marsworth's 2022 Advent Calendar Trail

Following the success of last year's Advent Windows in Marsworth, All Saints Marsworth will be running this event again this year, for all those in the village to enjoy in the run up to Christmas.

How does it work?

People can pick a number between 1 and 24 and they then create an advent window display which they will 'light' on the night given and from then on until Christmas.



Window displays can be religious, non-religious, festive, seasonal, big, small – anything goes! They just need to show the number of the day of Advent displayed somewhere on the window. Villagers can then get out and about in Marsworth during December spotting the windows (a list of where the advent windows will be provided).



This will be a fundraising event for All Saints Marsworth – if people enjoy the windows they will be very welcome to donate on our Just Giving page, and for every £5 donation, people will be entered into our raffle to win a large wine and chocolate hamper.

If you would like to create a window, please contact Ruth Monks at ruthmonks@btinternet.com or 07751 430323 with your preferred number and address. We can then assign your address to a number. Everyone who creates a window will get a free entry into the raffle.

Thank you for your support.

Steam Rally 2022



Following a record year for attendance and takings, albeit with significantly higher costs, the Steam Rally Committee have been able to give substantial donations to:

- All Saints Church
- Berryfields Scouts
- British Heart Foundation
- Chesham Valley Barber Shop Singers
- Chiltern MS Centre
- Florence Nightingale Hospice
- Hectors House
- Herts and Essex Air Ambulance
- Ivinghoe & Pitstone Scouts
- Marsworth Food Bank (looked after by the church)
- Marsworth Pre-School
- Mencap Motor Neurone Disease Association
- NHS Scanappeal
- Oxford Centre for Rehabilitation
- Pepper Foundation
- Rennie Grove Hospice
- Royal National Lifeboat Institution
- South Central Ambulance Service
- Thames Valley Air Ambulance
- The Fire Fighters Charity
- The Keep Going Choir

We look forward to another successful Rally next year on Fathers Day Sunday June 18th.

Bob Kennedy
Treasurer - Marsworth Steam Rally

All Saints Church will be floodlit for Christmas and New Year from 1st December 2022 until 6th January 2023

Would you like to sponsor a few hours of floodlighting?

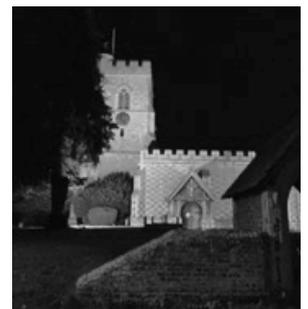
This is a nice way to remember a loved one, to mark a special occasion or simply to enjoy the sight of the floodlit church over the festive period. All dedications will be recorded on a list in the Church porch.

If you would like to take part, please complete the form below and return with your donation to Jenny Sheils, Leveret Lodge, Church Lane, Marsworth.

Donations can be made by cash, cheque (payable to All Saints Church) or bank transfer.

The bank details are: All Saints Church Sort code 55 70 10 Account no 06507239

Please include your name and F/L in the payment reference.



Name
 Address
 Date required Amount enclosed.....
 Dedication

Marsworth Neighbourhood Watch



By Linda Beardsley, NHW Co-ordinator

Cost of Living Payment Scams:

Another payment, another scam! Please remember your energy company will never ask for your bank or personal details by phone, letter or email, even if they say there is a refund payment for you. "Always scan for a scam".

Fireworks

Bonfire Night is approaching. There are strict laws in the UK governing fireworks.

Fireworks can be used in the UK any time from 7am to 11pm. Exceptions are:

- Bonfire night: 7am to midnight
- New Year's Eve, Diwali and Chinese New Year: 7am to 1am the following day

They can only be purchased on specified days around these events.

There are four categories of fireworks:

- category 1: 'Throwdown fireworks' including firecrackers, bangers and party poppers
- categories 2 and 3: 'Adult fireworks' available in shops
- category 4: Professional display fireworks available from specialist suppliers

Who can use fireworks is regulated by The Fireworks Regulations 2004 and The Pyrotechnic Articles (Safety) Regulations 2015:

- anyone over 18 can buy, carry or use category one, two and three fireworks
- anyone over 16 can only buy, carry or use category one fireworks
- anyone over 12 can buy Christmas crackers
- only licensed professionals can buy, carry and use category 4 fireworks
- unless part of an organised event by licensed professionals, fireworks cannot be used on the street or in a public place
- it's an offence to throw or set off any firework (including sparklers and category 1 fireworks) in or into any highway, street, thoroughfare or public space.

If you are planning a display in your garden, please visit www.bucksfire.gov.uk/safety-hub/fireworks and follow their advice.

Anyone using fireworks in a dangerous or threatening manner should be reported to Thames Valley Police.

We always have an excellent and safe display in Marsworth! See notices on pages 3 and 19.

British Standard Time

Now the clocks have gone back for this winter please remember to make your house look occupied when you are out. Sadly, burglars see the extra hours of darkness as an opportunity to increase their crime.



- Use timer switches to turn lights on and off around the house, leave a radio on and if away ask a neighbour to draw your curtains at dusk and open them in the morning.
- Don't leave valuables, handbags, computers and car keys where they can be seen from outside.

NHW was established 40 years ago in 1982. A report commissioned to record the impact that the organisation has had, highlighted how communities are beating crime together and building more diverse partnerships.

Its work on antisocial behaviour, burglary, theft and car crime remains vitally important. But its impact now addresses crimes such as violence against women and girls, rural crime, scams, fraud, cybercrime and more. Through uniting communities on what matters to them, it is also bringing new people together, increasing pride in neighbourhoods and reducing loneliness and isolation.

"We are making this a better place to live. Together."

John Hayward-Cripps, CEO, Neighbourhood Watch

New arrivals

Jade and Stephen Coles, plus our Old Tyme Bulldog, Bailey.

I am a Buying Manager for a housebuilder and Stephen is a self-employed plumber.

We have moved from Abbots Langley to Lower Icknield Way, and both love the surrounding areas, regularly visiting Tring Park and Ashridge for walks.

We wanted to stay in a village and it took us a long time to find a house but we both fell in love with this one and look forward to making lots of memories and new friends.

Jade Coles



Wingrave Parish Church

Christmas Tree Festival
3rd and 4th December
10am - 4pm
Free entry



Over 30 trees to see

Refreshments, stalls, raffle, music

Treat yourself to a welcome break at this busy time.

Copy Editor needed!

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Dance Yourself Fit

Dancing can be a fantastic way to stay fit for people of all ages, shapes and sizes. You only have to look at Strictly Come Dancing every year to see all ages, shapes and sizes taking part, and all of them increasing their fitness levels through the series. Dancing has a wide range of physical and mental benefits including: improved condition of your heart and lungs plus increased muscular strength, endurance and motor fitness.

Judi Sheppard Missett realised this in 1969 when she started the fitness revolution that became Jazzercise. She created the original dance party workout and today we've grown into one of the world's leading dance fitness companies. Our 8,300+ franchisees teach more than 32,000 classes each week in 32 countries around the world.

So why are we still here? Because our program can change your body and your life. Instructors train every year to master the Jazzercise method, which fuses cardio, resistance training, Pilates, yoga, kickboxing and the demanding forms of dance. Classes include Interval, Dance Mixx, Fusion, Flip Fusion, Strike, Core and Strength.

With constantly changing moves, new beats, a variety of workouts and calorie-crushing intensity, customers can expect to feel results after three classes and expect to stick with it.



Some people still think legwarmers and leotards when they hear Jazzercise. But we left the 80's behind a long time ago.

For myself, I fell in love with Jazzercise, and dance fitness, back in 1991 and in March 2023 will be celebrating my 30 Year Teaching Anniversary. I can honestly say I still love it as much now as I did back then, and it's something I have never been bored of doing. The variety of formats and movements, styles and training, keep me on my toes and keep myself and customers coming back for many years. I started out teaching for other class owners, but back in 2007 opened my own

classes in Aylesbury and Tring. Jump forward to 2022 and we have just under 30 classes a week across Beds, Bucks and Herts and a team of 10 fabulous instructors dancing customers fit.

Jazzercise is for anybody and everybody. We sweat together, motivate one another, and create our healthiest, happiest selves through movement. In-person or virtual, the Jazzercise community is an uplifting space to share your challenges and successes, feel supported, and celebrate those small wins and big achievements while building lasting friendships.



Come and see how much fun YOU can have while getting fit! Go to <https://www.jazzercisebbh.com>.

Keri Donnellan
Jazzercise1@hotmail.co.uk / 07900 987230



Photo: Graham Dickinson

'ART AT WINGRAVE'

Field View and Home Farm
Castle Street, Wingrave,
Bucks. HP22 4PT

November 18th-20th
10.30 am – 4.30 pm

We're pleased to invite you back to 'Art at Wingrave' in time to find those elusive and different Christmas gifts.

During the weekend Julie Pugh's lovely studio will be open for her annual pre-Christmas showing of 'One of One' jewellery at Home Farm, Castle Street.

And at Field View, Castle Street we will be hosting an exciting collection of works from a dozen local artists and makers – and expect to meet the artists too!

From the beginning of November, booklets detailing the artists and showing examples of their work will be available at the Wingrave Shop. Look forward to seeing ceramics, ceramic and paper sculptures, textiles, glass art, designer lamps, pencil and pastel portraiture, mixed media paintings.

So here's the perfect opportunity for a spot of enjoyable browsing. Do pay us a visit – a warm welcome is guaranteed, along with something mulled to drink and yummy cake (proceeds from refreshments to Cancer Research UK).

Andrew and Margaret Liversidge, Field View Studio

The Tring Anglers

The big perch have appeared at Cook's Wharf and other parts of the canal. You can fish all summer and only catch smaller perch and then suddenly fish over two pound appear in the autumn. I wonder where they go the rest of the year? It is likely that they are still close by all year round but dietary habits make them less likely to fall to an angler's regular baits. Autumn is the time of year when most animals stock up to survive the winter and will try anything that seems edible.

A two pound plus perch will take five or six years to reach this weight and they live around 12-15 years. As with all wild creatures, size and development will depend on the quality of the habitat.

Not far from Cook's Wharf and feeding the Grand Union Canal is Wilstone Reservoir, home of the national perch record 6lb 3oz, caught by esteemed local angler Ken Brown. As far as I know Ken is also the only angler to catch two 5lb perch on the same day, also from Tring reservoirs.

There is a book entitled "The Biggest Fish of All" about perch fishing. The preface includes: "Chapters have been prepared on many waters including the Thames, the Upper Great Ouse, the Kennet, the Trent, the Derbyshire Derwent and Tring reservoirs."

I contributed a couple of sentences on Tring reservoirs, sadly not for my angling prowess, but because I was bailiff at the time (2011). I should have bought a copy, as I find now that this limited edition book will cost me £160.

In my October article I wrote about a young angler called Maja from Pebble Brook School, Aylesbury.



Her adventures continue with a request from the organisers of the Commonwealth Games fishing event, again on the Shropshire Union canal near Market Drayton on Saturday 22nd October. An email request to Simon Mottram, a local and one of our best canal match anglers, produced some sound advice for fishing now the canal can be more difficult to catch fish than our last visit.

Using some of Simon's advice we had a last practice session on our local canal at Cook's Wharf. Despite a slow start we managed some skimmer bream, roach and perch. A complete surprise was Maya hooking a large perch which we managed to land. It weighed 2lb 8oz and provided great excitement; such a fish from the 'Shroppy' next week would be most welcome. We discovered that another angler fishing around the bend, back at the car park swims, also had a large perch. A good day to go fishing for perch, it seemed.

*Dick Pilkinton
The Piscator*



A couple of sizeable autumn perch



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Rural Rambler *By Steve*

A series of walks around Marsworth and the local countryside.

All the walks in this series can now be downloaded from the Marsworth website where a higher resolution map is available: <https://www.marsworth.org.uk/the-marsworth-news/rural-rambler/>.

No. 4: The Wendover Canal to Drayton Beauchamp

Distance: Main route 5.1 miles, 8.3 km; alternative route 3.5 miles, 5.6 km. Easy going, one busy road crossing.

The Wendover Arm of the Grand Union Canal, recently informally renamed The Wendover Canal, was started in 1793 to provide water to the Grand Union Canal from the springs at Wendover. However it was never watertight and in the 1880s it was closed to navigation beyond Little Tring, the water for the Grand Union being carried by a pipe along the canal route to feed the reservoirs near Marsworth, then being pumped into the remaining section of the Wendover Arm to top up the Grand Union. The Wendover Canal Trust (<https://wendovercanal.org.uk/>) is restoring the canal and some of its outstanding restoration work can be seen along the canal.

This month's walk follows the early part of last month's walk as far as Tringford Pumping Station. Follow the route as described in the 'Woods and Water' walk (in the October issue) to Point C.

From Tringford Pumping Station take the gravel path in front of the cottages to Little Tring Road. Turn right along the footpath behind the hedge then carefully cross the road, bearing right some 20m to the entrance of the Wendover Canal. Go through the gate and keep right to the towpath (Point D)

Follow the towpath. After approx. 600m a gate on the right marks a path through trees to Wilstone Reservoir (Point E). This offers an alternative, shorter walk (see below).

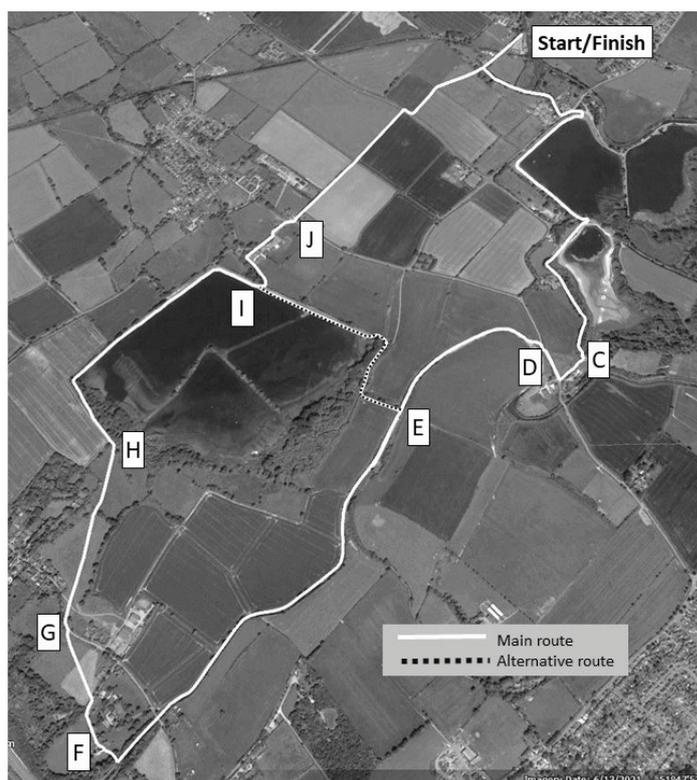
The main walk continues along the towpath, passing under the Drayton Beauchamp road bridge. After another 150m climb the embankment steps leading to St Mary the Virgin church at Drayton Beauchamp (Point F). Exit the churchyard via the front gate and walk along the track, through the side gate at the field exit. After another 50m take the wooden gate on the left and traverse the field. On reaching the road (Point G) turn left, then cross the road to enter the field opposite. The path crosses this and the next field, bringing you to the woodland at the rear of Wilstone Reservoir (Point H).

Keeping left and crossing a small stream, enter the woodland and follow the path through the woods and out onto the north embankment of the reservoir. Walk along the embankment, ignoring the steps down to the car park, and turn onto the eastern side. Steps on the left (Point I) take you diagonally down the embankment and, keeping left at the bottom, a couple of gates lead you to a path around the perimeter of Meads Farm Shop.

If taking the alternative route go through the gate (at Point E) and follow the path downhill, turning right at the bottom and following the track, bearing left to take the embankment path along the eastern side of Wilstone Reservoir until you come to the steps at (Point I) and re-join the main route.

Stop for refreshment at Meads Farmhouse Kitchen or take a detour to the Half Moon in Wilstone. Continuing on, carefully cross the road past the farmhouse and enter the footpath beside Wilstone Green cottages (Point J); enter the next field with an orchard on your right. Follow the path beside the hedge (good views of Marsworth Church tower and Pitstone Hill in the distance) until it meets Wingrave Road (point I).

Turn right (beware of traffic) and then left to take the path to the right of the fence beside and then diagonally across the next two fields. Pass through the gate, cross the recently restored footbridge over Tring Brook and along the path to re-enter Watery Lane at The Mill House. Straight ahead takes you back to the start at Marsworth Wharf.



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How to protect yourself

- Energy Bill Discount : £400 off energy bills for households in Great Britain from October 2022. You **do not need to apply for the scheme** and you will not be asked for your bank details.
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Children from Marsworth welcome at both groups.



Floodplain restoration to benefit wildlife

Wildlife is set to benefit from a major floodplain restoration project, which could bring back rare and endangered wetland plants and animals to a farm in Buckinghamshire.



Freshwater Habitats Trust and River Thames Conservation Trust have joined forces with farmer Rose Dale to create new freshwater and wetland habitats on her 220-acre organic farm in Chearsley, near Aylesbury. Work has begun on the site to create a ‘floodplain wetland mosaic’ habitat, which will include 15 new seasonal and permanent ponds and a backwater channel connected to the River Thames.

Co-hosts of the River Thames Catchment Partnership, Freshwater Habitats Trust and River Thames Conservation Trust are restoring floodplains to help reverse the decline of freshwater wildlife and contributing to the creation of the Freshwater Network in Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire. Creating this network will enable freshwater plants and animals to more easily disperse across the landscape and provide resilience to climate change and other environmental pressures.

At Manor Farm, the team has developed a complex of clean, unpolluted, freshwater ponds and shallow pools, creating habitats which are now rare in lowland England.

Because the ponds hold clean, unpolluted water, they will allow species that have disappeared from large parts of England, because of water pollution, to spread back into the Thames catchment.

The development will also provide benefits for the farm, including drinking water and more green forage for cattle during dry weather. Also, by ‘roughening up’ the floodplain, the team hopes to hold more water back on the floodplain when the river is in flood.

Freshwater Habitats Trust is also investigating the possibility of reintroducing rare water and wetland plants, which were once widespread on Buckinghamshire’s floodplains, to the site.



Hilary Phillips, Senior Project Officer with the River Thames Conservation Trust said: “This wetland habitat mosaic will benefit the environment, businesses, and the local community as well as increasing the area’s biodiversity.”



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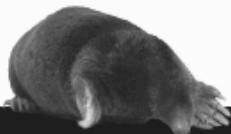
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| 3rd | Thursday | | Food, Waste & Garden collection - Route B |
| 5th | Saturday | | Bonfire and Fireworks Night |
| 9th | Wednesday | | Food, Recycling & Garden collection - Route A |
| 10th | Thursday | | Food & Recycling collection - Route B |
| 12th | Saturday | | Quiz Night |
| 14th | Monday | 8.00pm | Parish Council Meeting |
| 16th | Wednesday | | Food & Waste collection - Route A |
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| 23rd | Wednesday | | Food, Recycling & Garden collection - Route A |
| 24th | Thursday | | Food & Recycling collection - Route B |
| 27th | Sunday | 2.00pm | Polish Hostel Book Launch. See p.5. |
| 30th | Wednesday | | Food & Waste collection - Route A |

Coming events

4th December Marsworth Preschool Christmas Fayre

Marsworth Bonfire and Fireworks Night

Saturday 5th November at the Rec.



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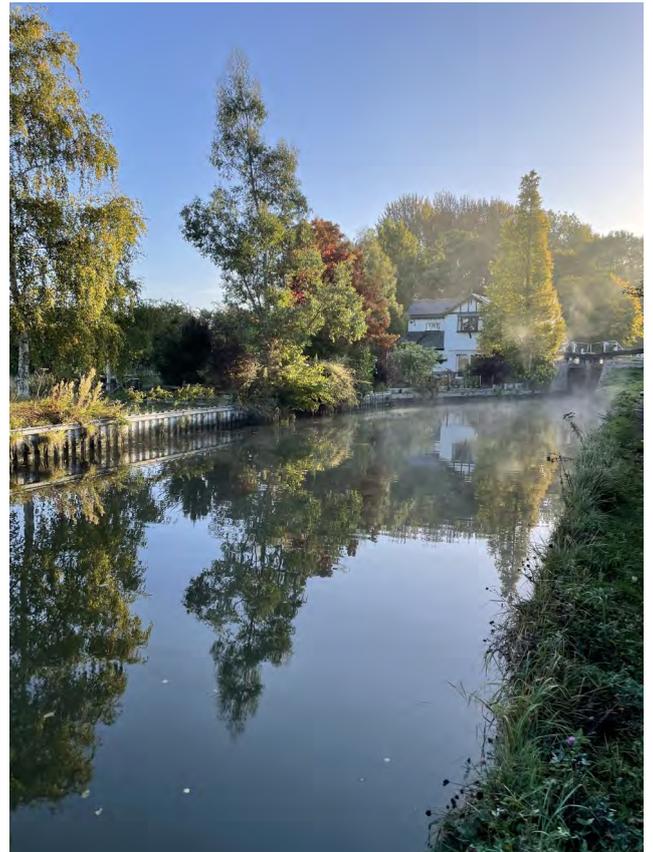
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Autumn 2021
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