

Marsworth News

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Marsworth Bonfire and Fireworks

The event took place at The Rec on Saturday 5th November. The weather was reasonable, the rain staying away until after it had finished.

Once again our thanks go to Paul Rance and his team for a great display, also to the Hall Committee who promote the event, do the marshalling, and clean up on Sunday after the event. Thanks also to the volunteers on the night from the village. We estimated that over one thousand people attended, many from outside the village.

This year we asked Rural Roasts to do the catering and that was a success; there were queues, but next year will be better. We understand they catered for twice the normal number of people and supplied quality hot dogs and burgers from Grooms.

The profit from the event goes toward the upkeep of your Village Hall.

Dick Brake, Hall Committee

Report in Bucks Herald:

GREAT FIREWORKS

The Fireworks Display on Saturday was again a great success, with many who attended praising the excellent display put on by Paul Rance and

team and the huge bonfire and good music.

Paul says: "We don't act alone in this event and there are too many people to thank who put a lot of time and effort in. It's a great village event and great to see so many of you there."



Emma Buysman, Pitstone

Marsworth Parish Council

NOTICE

The recent planning application for 320 homes to be built on **Marsworth Airfield South Site**, ref 22/02189/AOP (Bucks) and 22/01678/MOA (Dacorum) has been withdrawn.



It would appear that the developers Ainscough Strategic Land will be submitting a new planning application in 2023.

Marsworth Parish Council will again object to any amended/new application for development of the site.

If or when MPC receives a new application, Marsworth residents will be informed.



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Editorial

By *Sandra Costello*

With Christmas approaching there seem to be quite a few seasonal events going on, which always helps when producing a newsletter. We have Christmas services at All Saints, the Advent windows, a market or 'fayre' in the Hall, the Seniors' Christmas lunch, Santa's sleigh at Startops, as well as a lot going on in the surrounding area.

By now the lights illuminating our lovely church, All Saints, will be on. This makes it a very special time of year. Please consider helping to pay for this - see page 9 for details.

Do also consider taking part in the Community Speed Watch (see page 4), especially if you live on one of the roads most affected.

Once again we can welcome new arrivals to Marsworth (see page 8). If you are aware of new people moving in near you, please do notify us.

An interesting concept was raised at the recent Parish Council meeting, for a 'community garden' in Marsworth. A number of possible locations have been suggested, including private land. Do look at the details on page 4. This could be a real asset to our village.

We now have further news of the proposed Airfield development, but the withdrawal of the application should not make us complacent. Ainscough are merely licking their wounds and will return to the fray in 2023. See the notice on the front page.

Content Editor

Sadly, this position remains vacant. It is a pity as this is a role for someone who likes to make a contribution, who gets satisfaction from seeking out information and who would get a buzz out of knowing that they made a real difference to the newsletter. It could perhaps be just for a couple of years, with only ten issues in the year. Further information is on page 6.

Remember - no Marsworth News in January



Happy Christmas from all
at *Marsworth News*
and a happy and healthy 2023

Marsworth Food Bank

We are 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.

Announcements

For announcements of family events, obituaries, etc. email editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

Photos would be very welcome.

Village Hall Defibrillator

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

Marsworth Village 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 can seat 24 for smaller functions.

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

All Saints Church



We are now approaching Christmas with the church period of Advent, a time of reflection and preparation for the birth of Jesus Christ.

This time in the church calendar will be observed in many ways by the Christian population. Lunchtime Prayer Meetings are underway in Marsworth and these will continue in the Frost Room in the Village Hall, giving us the chance to think about current issues, and those people known to us personally - locally and worldwide - who need our thoughts and prayers. These meetings are for everyone, so if you think you would like to join in, please come along to the next meeting on 2nd December 2022 at 12 noon - you will be very welcome. You can bring a light lunch and a drink for yourself. The meeting will last for approximately one hour.

Returning to church events during November, four very disparate events have been held.

The most important of these was our **Remembrance Service** held on 13th November, most ably organised by Annette Botting, with the service being conducted by the Rev. James who chose to come to All Saints this year. Wreaths and poppy tributes were placed on the War Memorial, and a special mention should be included here for Olga who, along with her son, attended and placed a wreath in acknowledgment of her fellow countrymen from the Ukraine. Olga and her son are presently living in the village and thank everyone for their kindness in making them so welcome.

A further event of significance was the annual **All Souls Day Service** held by the Polish community who come to remember the Polish people who lived here during the 1940s and 1950s, many of whom are buried in our churchyard.

Another event of note was our **Quiz Night** which saw the welcome return of a well-attended, well-organised and very enjoyable social evening.

Thanks must also go to our Saturday morning working group tidying up the churchyard. A big thank you to all those who took part, trimming hedges, going to the tip and giving the grass its final cut of the season (hopefully!).

Lastly, we are reinstating our **New Year's Day ramble**. This will commence at the church at 11am on 1st January 2023. The walk will be local and over relatively flat terrain. We will return around 2pm for refreshments in the church - dogs and muddy boots are most welcome!

Happy Christmas to you all.

John White, Churchwarden



Services for December 2022	
1st Sunday	
9.15am	Holy Communion Common Worship
2nd Sunday	
8.30am	Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer
3rd Sunday	
9.15am	Holy Communion Common Worship
4th Sunday	
4.00pm	Evensong Book of Common Prayer
Services for Christmas	
Monday 19th December	
7.30pm	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
Christmas Eve, Saturday 24th	
5pm	Crib Service
11.30pm	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day, Sunday 25th	
9.15am	Holy Communion Common Worship



Some of the All Saints grass mowing group who met in November to undertake an end-of-season tidy-up of the churchyard.

The group would welcome new volunteers. Please call Nigel Wright on 01296 661820.

Who's Who at All Saints Marsworth <https://www.allchurches.org.uk/church/5941/>

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Content Editor needed!

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Parish Council meeting November 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/>).

Public Participation:

The Parish meeting had some members of the public attending this month, who were warmly welcomed.

Discussion took place on the potential for a **Community Garden** in Marsworth. The Parish Council (PC) supported the proposal. Although at an early stage, possible locations were mooted such as the areas of land opposite the village hall or by the side of Lukes Lea/ Vicarage Road. Another possibility could be a resident offering part of their front garden, if sufficiently large, or anyone with a spare piece of land. If residents have any ideas or suggestions, please initially contact the Parish Clerk.

Discussion then took place on the issue of speeding along Lower Icknield Way as residents had submitted a petition to the PC asking for assistance. In addition to the Speed Indicator Device (SID), the PC had again borrowed the Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign (MVAS) from Cheddington for a month or so. Data from these devices would be downloaded by the PC Chairman in time for next month's PC meeting on Monday 12th December.

Thames Valley Police (TVP) was very supportive of a **Community Speed Watch** initiative being set up in Marsworth but it would require support from the community to carry out the surveys. Interested residents should let the Parish Clerk know if they would like to be involved. An introductory meeting with TVP will take place at 7pm on Monday 9th January 2023 in the Village Hall (before the January PC meeting). Please let the Parish Clerk know if you would like to attend. Subsequent training would be online and all equipment for the Parish would be supplied free of charge by TVP. See notice on this page.

Planning application status

The **Marshcroft Development** in Tring (ref: 22/01187/ MOA) has been refused.

Ainscough has withdrawn its application for 320 new houses on the **Marsworth airfield** (ref: 22/02189/AOP) following over 200 objections including:

- numerous objections from Marsworth, Gubblecote and Wilstone residents;
- the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) objecting due to insufficient information on the proposed surface water drainage scheme;
- Natural England objecting on lack of mitigation measures for an area within 12.6 kms of the Chilterns Beechwood Special Area of Conservation (SAC); and
- The Highways Authority.

Ainscough has stated on its website, however, that it will apply again for planning permission at the beginning of 2023, so the matter is far from resolved

Storage bin area near Red Lion Bridge

Sofas and mattresses were now being dumped in the boaters' refuse area by non-canal users. The PC had

written to the Canal & River Trust (CRT) about clearing the excess. The CRT felt strongly that increased clean-up operations alone were not a sustainable solution to the problem, were a strain on its limited resources and sent the wrong message to those who regularly disposed of normal waste. Conversely, CRT had seen real successes where local communities had adopted a length of canal.

Salt bin

Does anyone remember there being a salt bin on the corner of Ship Lane and the Red Lion Bridge? Transport for Bucks (TfB) tells us that there was no record of there having been one, but we think there was. Does anyone by any chance have a photo of the bin in situ? The Parish Council will monitor over the winter whether there is a need to purchase a bin, bearing in mind there is already a bin outside the Red Lion

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 12th December. All welcome. Please let the Parish Clerk know if you have any matters you would like to raise (by 4th December) or if you would like to attend the meeting. (parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk).

Community Speed Watch

Would you be interested in volunteering to be part of a Community Speed Watch initiative in Marsworth?



The Parish Council has organised for Lee Turnham, the Community Speedwatch Co-ordinator, Joint Operations Unit (Road Safety) to come along at 7pm on Monday 9th January 2023 (an hour prior to our Parish Council meeting) to explain how to set up a Community Speed Watch initiative in Marsworth and what it will involve.

All training will be online and equipment is free of charge.

Please email the Parish Clerk to express your interest and let her know if you are able to attend: parishclerk@marsworth.org.uk or if not by text/telephone 07557 289049.

Marsworth Parish Councillors

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Parish Council meeting dates 2022: 12th December
2023

9 January 13 February 13 March

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

Bucks Councillors' November report – extracts

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 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 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.

Applications are open now to eligible households at: bucks.council.gov.uk/applications

Buckinghamshire Council agrees comprehensive Cost of Living package for residents

Buckinghamshire Council's Cabinet has formally agreed a wide-ranging package of support for residents this winter, including how it will spend £2.4 million of the government's Household Support Fund.

The proposals to support struggling Buckinghamshire residents are believed to be among some of the most comprehensive in the country and include initiatives such as a new local crisis fund, and the launch of a network of 'Welcoming Spaces' across Buckinghamshire.

Information for residents is at www.bucks.council.gov.uk/cost-of-living

'Money Matters' – have your say on Buckinghamshire Council's spending priorities for 2023/24

Like other councils across the UK, Buckinghamshire is in the process of setting its budget for 2023/24. 82% of the cost of providing all the Council's services comes from Council Tax – from paying for care packages to providing emergency accommodation for homeless people and vulnerable children, as well as the essential services everyone relies on like bin collections, road repairs and keeping streets and open spaces clean and safe.

'Money Matters' – the way for residents to tell us what matters most to them. The budget will pay for services such as:

- Pothole repairs, road maintenance and improvement
- The Council's energy costs - from street lighting and operating machinery at household waste depots
- Care for vulnerable children, for example, those who've had to come into our care for their own safety and well-being
- Care for adults who need extra help and support
- Running libraries and leisure centres
- Support for residents facing hardship

The 'Money Matters' consultation sets out what proportion of the council's budget is currently spent on which services and invites you to tell us which services you would prioritise in a short survey.

To give us your views on how next year's Buckinghamshire Council budget should be spent, go to www.bucks.council.gov.uk/money-matters-consultation.

Home to School Transport Consultation

Buckinghamshire Council invites residents to share their views on proposed changes to council-run school bus charges (Spare Seats Scheme), the Home to School Transport Policy (0- to 25-year-olds) and the Post-16 Transport Policy Statement for 2023 to 2024.

Until midnight on Sunday 4th December, people will be able to provide their views on proposals for:

- Spare Seats Scheme charging options
- Updates to our home-to-school transport policies

Any changes will apply for the 2023 to 2024 academic year onwards.

The Spare Seats Scheme offers paid-for seats on timetabled Council-run school buses, after all young people who are eligible for free school transport have been allocated a seat.

Final chance for public to help reshape constituency map

The Boundary Commission for England has published new revised proposals for constituencies across the country and opens a final month-long consultation, giving the public a last opportunity to send in their views. See full report for more information.

Cash council tax rebate vouchers

Buckinghamshire residents who haven't yet cashed their council tax energy rebate vouchers have been reminded that the deadline was at the end of November. See full details at www.marsworth.org.uk.

Anyone who has been sent a voucher but is in a position not to need it, please consider cashing it in and donating the funds to the Heart of Bucks Crisis Appeal which is helping local people who are struggling to make ends meet as a result of the rising cost of living. Your donation could help someone in need buy food and household essentials, contribute towards moving costs for someone fleeing domestic abuse or help with energy costs.

Councillor Derek Town

01296 661637 dtown@aylesburyvaldc.gov.uk

Buckinghamshire Councillor, Ivinghoe Ward

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

Content Editor needed!

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Wingrave 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.



Marsworth News

Urgently needed - Content Editor

What is involved

- Managing the editor inbox.
- Sourcing additional copy for the newsletter.
- Preparing text and graphics for the layout editor.

What is needed

- Familiarity with computers, internet and social media.
- Reliability and commitment to meeting deadlines.
- Good word skills.

It would suit someone:

- with some spare time or a flexible lifestyle;
- who is a good communicator and networker.

There is scope to develop your own style, within established standards and procedures.

This is a very rewarding job for someone with interest in matters relating to Marsworth. Please email editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

Santa's coming!



Santa's sleigh will be in Marsworth on **Sunday 18th December 2022**, setting off from Startops carpark at around **12 noon**.

Please note the earlier time to avoid clashing with the World Cup final being televised the same day.



Last year's visit to Marsworth raised £774.46 for this worthwhile cause. Can we beat it?

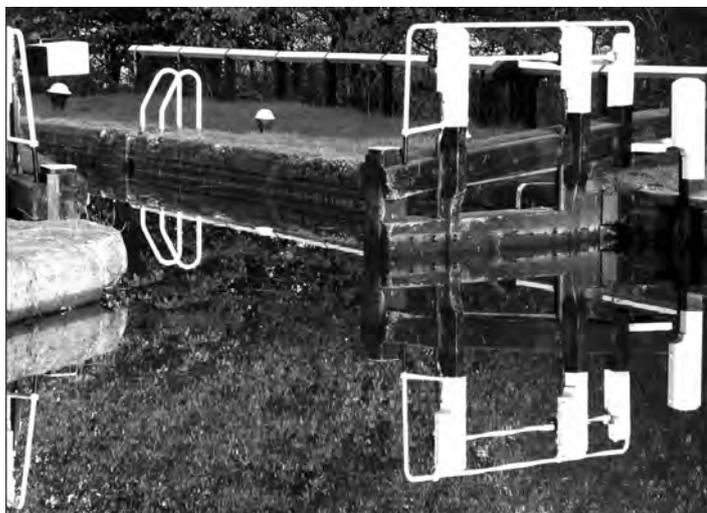


Photo: Graham Dickinson

Marsworth Preschool Christmas Fayre

SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER



11 am - 3pm

Marsworth Millennium Hall

- ★ Crafts & Stalls
- ★ Santa's Grotto
- ★ Festive Games
- ★ Christmas Tree Sales
- ★ Tea & Cake
- ★ Mulled Wine
- ★ Raffle



Free Entry!



Marsworth Village Hall 100 Club



100 Club draw results for November

Our congratulations to the winners

£20 prizes

- 30 Nicola Lewarne, Vicarage Road
- 73 Byron Fulcher, Lower End
- 201 Mick & Jan Wells, Lukes Lea
- 166 Stephen Kennedy, Lower End
- 160 Paul Egan-Carter, Stepnells

The next draw will be in December for our regular five £20 prizes, and two £100 and two £50 Christmas bonuses, to be drawn at the Hall Committee meeting, 14th December at 8pm.

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

Thank you all for taking part, keep well.

Dick Brake

Marsworth News

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Send to editor@marsworthnews.co.uk

Obituary - JOHN KEEN

19 August 1939 – 13 September 2022

John was born in August 1939 just days before the outbreak of World War II. Home was Icknield Crescent in New Mill. He never knew his father, Fred, who died as a result of a bicycle accident on the road when John was only two.



John was brought up by Gladys, his mother and elder sister, Evelyn, supported by grandparents and extended family. A single mum without a widow's pension, Gladys went out to work. The family led a very humble lifestyle and Gladys used her seamstress skills to supplement any income.

John attended Gravelly School (King Street in the Tring Triangle), Tring School as a junior (where Tring library now is) and later Mortimer Hill, but never really thrived, here. His first job as a youngster was to help out delivering milk for Ayers Dairy in New Mill. From an early age he was really into anything mechanical and garage work in Tring, Berkhamsted and Aylesbury led to working at Bert Bly's Garage, Lower End, Marsworth. Hence his introduction to Marsworth in 1966.

He met Pamela and they were married in Wigginton in 1961. Early married life saw them living in Western Road and Miswell Lane, Tring. When Bert retired, John took over the garage in Marsworth and eventually built his own house adjacent to the garage in Church Farm Lane.



He was a self-made man. Hard work saw the garage develop to become, at its height, a service

centre for Marsworth and local villages. Many loyal customers purchased a new Ford car with the latest registration every year or two.



John as a teenager

It is worthy of note that both John and Evelyn (who ran her own florist shop in Tring), from little wealth as children, would develop their own businesses. John expanded his to include house building, and many properties off Vicarage Road and in the surrounding area were built by his firm. A lorry haulage business supplemented this. Over the years local employment opportunities were offered, with some learning their trades who would go on to run their own successful businesses locally.

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who served the businesses and customers for their support over the years.

John was a country boy at heart and there was always a German shepherd dog or two around in the home. He acquired grazing land and raised cattle. He commonly would not know just how many cows were "out on the range"! At one time he kept and showed a team of heavy working horses. A harvest hymn formed part of his funeral service which saw a large gathering.

As a young man John played football for Tring Corinthians whose home pitch off the Icknield Way in New Mill is just metres from where he was brought up. An interest in later life was to support Watford FC.

Nephew Paul Barber adds: As an uncle, John gave my late brother Steve a leg up in life and he was inspirational and generous of his time to me (without him would I have found football?)

He leaves two sons, Martin and Barry and three grandchildren.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Sing Wilstone invites you to come along and bring your family and friends (all ages) to join us in our "Sing a Long" Christmas Concert

Tuesday 20th December 6pm
St Cross Church, Wilstone

Donations welcome to
DEC Ukraine Appeal and
Rennie Grove Hospice Care

Refreshments available



Marsworth fireworks - Photo: Elaine Standen

Marsworth Women's Institute



By Denise Cornwall

November is the month we have our Annual General Meeting. It's not the most exciting of WI meetings but we do have to do it!

It's a meeting in which our President reads out her annual report of everything that Marsworth WI has done over the year. A similar report is put together and read out by our Secretary. These reports are then proposed as being accurate statements of our activities, speakers and trips that have taken place in 2022. Thankfully, everyone agreed with what had been said, the reports were proposed and seconded, and that's that for another year.

The next task is to elect our President for another year. We are pleased to say that there was a unanimous vote to re-elect Christine King – 'you do such a good job Chris, so you can't escape from the role!' Once that was completed, we moved on to the task of proposing members to be elected on to the committee. This is where we try to enlist new members and this year, we managed to get two new members to join us; Julie Hares and Jayne Tree-Booker.

Our appointed Teller for the evening was Elsie Beesley - you won't get anything dodgy past her, you must abide by the WI Rules. Thank you, Elsie, for once again doing a great job.

Sadly, we have had two resignations this year. Jen Haywood has, for personal reasons, decided to leave the committee but will still be attending as a WI member and Sylvia Frost resigned from being our Vice President but will remain as a member of the committee. These two ladies have given a lot of their time to these roles and we cannot thank them enough for all that they have given and done for us at Marsworth WI.

There being no other formal business the AGM was closed. We then got down to the other important part of the evening - wine, nibbles and a good old natter.

Craft Club

Did anyone guess what those long triangular pieces of pasted magazine paper on cocktail sticks turned out to be? I can reveal that they are going to be beads for a very colourful necklace and matching bracelet. Perhaps we will have a picture of them in our next report so you can understand what I am talking about.

Book Club

I have renamed this 'The WI Bake Off! It seems more of a competition to consume the best produced food than a discussion of a book they are reading. The books were never spoken about, but a lot was said about the food they ate. In last month's report I said I was on a mission to find out more about what was going on and to my surprise I found out about the book they are supposed to be reading. It's *The Lamplighters* by Emma Stonex. The book was inspired by the real-life disappearance of three lighthouse keepers from a Cornish lighthouse tower. They disappeared without a trace; the tower was locked from the inside and two clocks had stopped at exactly the same time. It sounds like it could be an interesting read but even though I've been told they are reading it I am still not 100% convinced that's what's happening!

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.

New Arrivals

New to 'Bridgeways' in Watery Lane are **Paul and Catherine Rickard**, with eight year old daughter **Eva**. They have moved to Marsworth from Berkhamsted, though both Paul and Catherine come from the West Country.



Catherine, Paul and Eva Rickard

Paul is CFO of Pocket Living, a company which builds affordable homes for first-time buyers, while Catherine works from home as a self-employed HR consultant. Eva attends Westbrook Hay School in Hemel Hempstead.

They all love being close to the canal and reservoirs, where they can enjoy the birds and wildlife, while Eva particularly likes being close to the Rec where she can play on the equipment there.

Your **trash** could be someone's **treasure**

Many readers may have perfectly usable things that they don't want or use any more but don't know someone to gift it to. Many things cannot be accepted by charity outlets or the dump shop. Asking people you know if they would like a free ... can be tricky.

If you have something you would like to recycle locally, just send the details and your contact number to editor@marsworthnews.co.uk.

Available for free (all in good condition):

Snooker/pool cue in box

Bosch 1300 router

Nutool 18V reciprocating pruning saw

Chubb 1.5kg Halon fire extinguisher

Contact Ray on 01442 822900.

Advent Calendar Trail 2022

Advent Windows update

At the time of writing (mid-November), 13 Advent windows have been spoken for, with 11 December dates still to fill. So far, we have windows in Lukes Lea, Vicarage Road, Stepnells and Church Lane, so let's hope people from a few more roads in Marsworth get involved so we create a really good advent trail this December. A full list of which address to look out for on which date will be posted on the village noticeboards and Facebook page.

As a brief reminder, people create an advent window display which they will 'light' on the date given and from then on until Christmas.

Window displays can be religious, non-religious, seasonal, festive, big, small – anything goes! They just need to show the number of the day of Advent displayed somewhere on the window.



This will be a fundraising event for All Saints Marsworth – if people enjoy the windows, they will be very welcome to donate on our JustGiving page (<https://www.justgiving.com/page/2022marsworthlivingadventcalendartrail>) 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.

All those creating a window get a free entry into the raffle.

Helena and Richard invite you to the:

Marsworth Seniors Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 21st December 12.00 noon in the Village Hall

Full Christmas lunch including: drinks on arrival, roast turkey and all the trimmings (vegetarian option available but please book before the day), Christmas pudding or trifle.

Visit from Father Christmas

Please confirm your place by calling: Helena (07595 398735) or Richard (01296 661725)



Donations of small 'table' presents would be very welcome so Father Christmas can give a present to everyone.

Please contact: Richard Cooper, Karibu, Vicarage Gardens (661725) or Helena Winter Brown 07595 398735.

Wanted - domestic cleaner

Marsworth home - 3-4 hours a month
Day and times to suit you
Please contact 01442 822900

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

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Marsworth Neighbourhood Watch



By Linda Beardsley, NHW Co-ordinator

Garden Bonfires

Questions have been asked of NHW concerning domestic bonfires. Marsworth is not in a smoke control area but you must still adhere to the law regarding bonfires and be mindful of the impact bonfires might have on your neighbours. It is amazing how far the smoke and smell can travel, and this can be particularly bad when burning anything that is damp, or on low cloud days.



You must not burn household and garden waste if it will cause pollution or harm people's health. It is recommended that garden waste is composted or recycled, and we are lucky in Marsworth to have the Aston Clinton Recycling Centre near us at College Road.

Householders can be fined if smoke from a fire drifts across a road and becomes a danger to traffic. If your neighbour's bonfire (residential or business) is a nuisance, you can report it to the Council which has a responsibility to investigate (under the Environmental Protection Act 1990) and, if necessary, issue an abatement notice. Failure to comply with this will result in a fine.

Number plate thefts

There has been an increase in reports of car number plate thefts in the Aylesbury Vale area. Often these plates are used on vehicles involved in crimes or to avoid parking or speeding tickets. The advice is to use security screws on your number plates to make them harder to remove. If yours are stolen, please report it immediately on 101 or online.



Garden safety

Tall hedges and fences at the front of a property do not enhance security but potentially give burglars areas of cover and places to hide. It is recommended they are at a height where you have a clear view over the top, using taller fences at the side and rear of properties to make access more difficult. Prickly or barbed shrubbery can act as a natural and effective barrier.

Priority Services Register

Vulnerable residents, through their energy company, can sign up to be placed on the Priority Services Register. In the event of an issue with their supply they receive help and support ahead of others. OFGEM, the Regulator for Gas and Electric has further information at www.ofgem.gov.uk/getting-extra-help-priority-services-register.

Thank you for making Marsworth a safer place to live.

Items for *Bucks Herald*

By local journalist Kate Andrew

Tring cafés

We are now spoiled for choice with yet more new cafés in Tring. Felumptious Fancies (and Melt Burger) down from Costa serves fab coffees, sandwiches and cake.

There's a new Friday to Sunday outdoor seating café, The Stable Shack, at the stables off Northfield Road near Tring Station – also reached by walking or cycling along Marshcroft Road, Tring.

And a new Lebanese restaurant, Tarboush, has opened in what was Mimi's, next to Metcalfe's in Tring.

Remembrance

On the morning of Sunday 13th November, a congregation of more than 60 attended the annual Remembrance Sunday service. Annette Botting had put together the wonderfully meaningful service, where all those from Marsworth who gave their lives in both world wars were mentioned and a short history of those conflicts and the Falklands was given. Revd James Grainger-Smith led the two minute silence at 11am after wreaths had been laid on behalf of the Parish Council, The WI, The PCC, and children of the village - and a special wreath was laid by Olga, a Ukrainian currently living in Marsworth with her son Oleksandr, on behalf of all the people in Ukraine. Residents then laid individual crosses in memory of family members. The service ended with the singing of the National Anthem.

Canal greening

Construction by the Wendover Arm Canal Trust started in 1997, and more than 200 volunteers became engaged in restoring the canal, contributing more than 100,000 hours to date.

Recently volunteers planted another 60 trees and hedging and re-seeded the mini-meadow by Whitehouses with yellow rattle, the perfect 'meadow maker'.

Christmas boxes

Waters Edge Marsworth is all set up now to collect gifts for Christmas boxes for children, being organised by Tring Elves. Everyone who donates will be entered in a prize draw for a yule log, courtesy of Little Tring Cakes.

Planning

A decision is awaited on a plan to convert the former White Lion public house into two dwellings. A decision is also awaited on a plan to redevelop the Startop Farm complex to create two replacement farm buildings, demolish the existing farm and commercial and equestrian buildings and construct nine dwellings.

There is also a plan for 91 dwellings at Church Hill Farm, Station Road, Cheddington.

Quiz Night

Saturday night (12th Nov) saw nine teams compete in the Marsworth Quiz, helping raise much-needed funds for All Saints church. Wonderful hampers were prepared by Denise Cornwall for the raffle and she also oversaw the super light supper. Richard and Lisa Cooper, together with Steve and Caroline Smith, put together and asked the questions and overall close to £700 was raised.

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November 2022

Harvest Festival

We celebrated Harvest in school through our Collective Worship and R.E. lessons and participated in the service on 16th October at All Saints church. The children performed the 'harvest samba'. The children in Key Stage One wrote a prayer for everyone to learn and recite. The children collected donations of non-perishable food items, which were then used to decorate the font in the church. These items contributed to the food bank. Many thanks for all the generous donations.



School foodbank

BORG

At the end of October half term we had Mr. Norman Shepherd from the charity BORG (Bucks Owl and Raptor Group) visit Key Stage One. This formed part of our learning about the local area and conservation.

The children were able to find out about owl conservation and were given the opportunity to have their



Mr Shepherd demonstrating owl calls

questions answered. The children learnt about the species of owls, how they communicate and how they eat and digest their food.

Fundraising

The School is now registered with easyfundraising.org.uk, so you can make free donations to us when you do your everyday online shopping. All you have to do is find the brand you want to shop with on the easyfundraising website or app and they will donate to us when you make a purchase – at no extra cost to you! Sign up for free at: www.easyfundraising.org.uk. This will really make a difference to our School! Thank you in advance for your support.



Countdown to Christmas

At this time of year we are carrying out our preparations for Christmas. Once again, we will be participating in the live calendar. Our annual Christmas performance will take place in All Saints church on Tuesday 13th December at approximately 9.15am. This year it is called 'Baarmy Bethlehem'. The children have already been introduced to the songs and have been given their parts.

Open Day

We held a successful Open Day on Monday 7th November, at which many new faces came to find out about our lovely school. Our next Open Day will be in January, date to follow next month. So if your child is due to start school next year and you've already started thinking about where you'd like them to go, please contact us to arrange a visit, either by phoning 01296 668440 or emailing us at office@marsworth.bucks.sch.uk. We also take children from the term after their 4th Birthday into our Nursery year, either part-time or full-time depending on parental choice.

Mrs Polatci, Headteacher

HS2 route-wide injunction

The High Court has imposed an injunction to restrain unlawful trespass on and obstruction of access to land on the route of the HS2 Scheme. The order makes going onto HS2 land without permission or disrupting work a potential contempt of court.

Protests against the railway have cost HS2 an estimated £122 million nationally and an HS2 spokesperson said that the injunction was not intended to stop legitimate protest saying "instead, we hope the injunction will prevent the violence, intimidation, and criminal damage these protests have frequently caused, harming the HS2 project and those working on it, and costing the UK taxpayer millions of pounds."

Concerns

There have been a number of concerns about people going about legitimate business or pastimes mistakenly breaking the injunction and committing a criminal offence. Examples include walkers or ramblers walking across a footpath which crosses HS2 land, footpath maintenance

volunteers straying off the path to cut back hedgerows, organisations accessing the land for monitoring purposes such as the Chiltern Conservation Board and the Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust and even Buckinghamshire Council Officers going about their statutory business.

Actions taken by Buckinghamshire Council

Buckinghamshire Council has taken a number of actions to ensure that the route-wide injunction does not prevent people legitimately accessing or crossing HS2 land either for leisure or business purposes.

The Council sought legal advice on the implications of the route-wide injunction. It indicated that it should not affect the rights of the public using Public Rights of Way over HS2 land, making use of private rights of access over HS2 land or any person holding a freehold interest in land over which HS2 Ltd has taken temporary possession.

It is very unlikely that the injunction will affect the lawful activities of groups, such as the Chilterns Conservation Board continuing to undertake reasonable monitoring activities or members of the public, ramblers etc. from walking across HS2 land.

The Tring Anglers

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a seasonal 'tight lines' to all the anglers out there. As I write, the weather has become more familiar for late autumn and early winter with a drop in temperature, high winds and considerable rainfall. I did enjoy a couple of pleasant angling sessions before the weather changed in the strangely warm conditions of late October and early November.

Like most anglers I really enjoy catching tench (of any size) and was fortunate enough to be invited to spend an afternoon fishing at the moat at Moat Farm near the Red Lion bridge. Club member Chris caught over six tench and some crucian carp using bread on the hook and what is known as the 'lift method' to capture his fish. Unlike conventional float fishing where when the fish takes the bait it pulls the float under the water, in the lift method when the fish takes the bait the float will come upwards out of the water and then lie flat on the surface. This is because the shot weights cocking the float are resting on the bottom close to the hook bait. Tench often feed by sucking the bait off the bottom from a tails up position, resulting in the float lifting up. However, my more conventional approach did eventually produce the desired tench, plus



Chris with a tench from Moat Farm moat

loads of rudd and roach. What a peaceful and attractive place to fish, I hope that I receive another invitation in the future!

My second tench was caught on the River Great Ouse at Olney and was a bit more of a surprise. Although a relatively common catch in parts of the river in the spring and



Tench

summer, a November fish is rare. I was really pleased with such a fish. The first tench I ever caught was from the River Ouse at St Neots; it was also the biggest fish I had caught at that time, nearly 60 years ago. Strangely, a couple of years later I caught two from Eaton Socon, near St Neots, to win my first ever club match. It was a bitterly cold November day with a severe frost, but in those days the hot water outlet from Barford power station made the river ten degrees warmer than it would have been otherwise which kept the tench feeding despite the chilly weather.

In my last article I mentioned that Maja from Pebblebrook School had been chosen for the Commonwealth Games team angling competition. The Shropshire Union canal again proved to be reliable venue. Maja caught over 50 small roach, skimmer bream, perch and gudgeon which weighed in at 1.48kg to come in at eighth place out of 51 top class anglers - a great result. We look forward to next year's 'Let's Fish' events, and although the Commonwealth Games will not take place, we plan to widen the invitation to all countries.

Tight Lines!

Dick Pilkinton

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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. 5 Pitstone Hill and Albury Nowers

This month our walk starts a little further from home commencing from the car park on Stocks Road near Pitstone Hill. To get there, drive along the B488 through Pitstone and Ivinghoe villages and follow the road past Pitstone Windmill to the sharp right turn, Stocks Rd is straight ahead on the bend. Drive along Stocks Rd for nearly half a mile and the car park is on the right

Distance 4.5 miles, hilly (c. 250 ft of elevation) and some slippery sections when wet.

Starting from the car park, cross the road into the field opposite and follow the obvious path along the fence line. At the corner of the fence turn right and at the next bend in the fence (Point A) bear left up the gentle incline (can be slippery). Follow the path until a gate is reached, pass through the gate and immediately turn right onto a subsidiary path (B) marked by a yellow capped post opposite. The start of this path is not obvious but after walking around the fallen tree trunk it becomes clear. Follow the path downhill through the trees to Down Farm. Alternatively, to avoid this hill, bear right at (A) and follow the grassy track along the fence line to the farm.

Walk straight on through the farmyard and take the farm road out. After just a few yards turn left into the field (C), signs on fence posts mark this as a 'permissive path'. This path can now be followed along the edge of the field to a gate and a private house where it takes a dogleg left into the next field. Keep close to the house boundary and after 0.3 mile access to a tarmac road is available on the right (D). Follow this small road until, at the next gate (E), a signpost points right where the footpath traverses the adjacent fields. Walk across the fields, taking care not to widen the path unnecessarily into the crops, until you reach a track/bridleway (F). Turn right and stay on this track until it meets Stocks Rd at a stable yard (G).

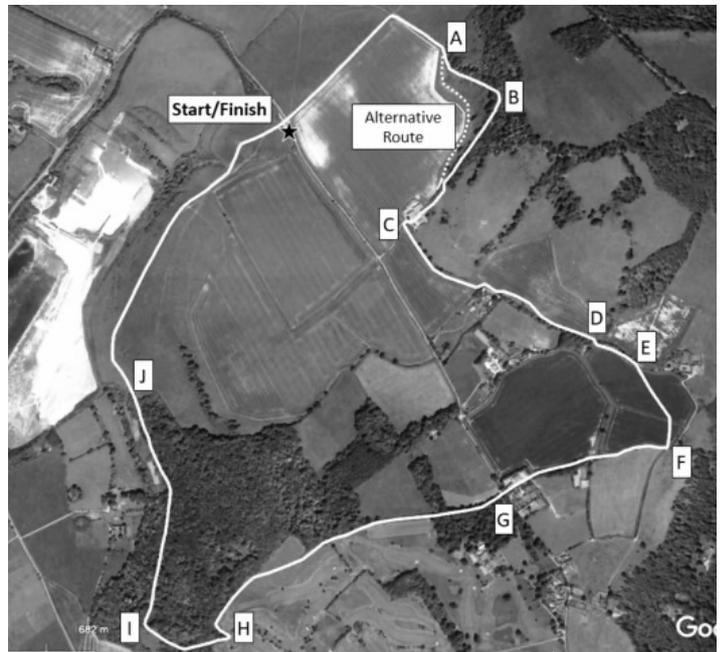
At this point it is possible to shorten the walk by turning right and walking back to the car park along Stocks Road. However the road is narrow and without a footpath. This alternative is not therefore recommended.

Carefully cross the road and enter the trees, the path is signposted to Tring Station and after 100yds or so leaves the woodland and runs along the edge of Stocks Golf Course with woods on your right. Keep to the path until you reach a plethora of signposts showing footpaths and the 6th and 16th tees (H). Here you should turn right into the woods and follow the path through the trees. You will pass a National Trust/Ashridge Estate sign, currently leaning against a tree, on your right. Stay on the path through the trees until you reach The Ridgeway long distance path (I). This is clearly indicated and you should again turn right, uphill on some steps, onto The Ridgeway path.

We now follow The Ridgeway through the woods of Albury Nowers Nature Reserve (note the informative signs about the reserve beside the path), eventually leaving the woods

through a gate at Point (J). In this area the path follows earthworks comprising a ditch and ridge, this is Grim's Ditch, an ancient - possibly Iron Age - feature widespread across our part of the Chilterns. Follow The Ridgeway path uphill onto Pitstone Hill, taking care if wet as the bare chalk on the path can be slippery.

This path takes you along the ridge and over Pitstone Hill, providing great views across the Vale of Aylesbury and finally back to the car park.



DON'T RISK SPREADING BIRD FLU!

Keep to the footpath

Keep dogs on leads

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Do not touch wild bird feathers or surfaces contaminated with wild bird droppings

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Please report dead wild waterfowl (swans, geese, or ducks) or other dead wild birds, such as gulls or birds of prey to Defra's GB helpline: 03459 335577

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- GOV.UK/Bird-Flu
- GOV.SCOT/avianinfluenza
- GOV.WALES/avian-influenza-bird-flu

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Christmas at Waddesdon

Sat 12 Nov 2022 – Mon 2 Jan 2023, Wed-Sun plus Mon 19, Tue 20, Tue 27 Dec and Mon 2 Jan. Grounds 12-7pm, House 12.30-7pm.



Christmas at Waddesdon is back with magical lights, the gardens aglow and dazzling displays inside the house creating a Waddesdon-inspired wonderland for the first time since 2019.



Waddesdon Christmas Fair 2022 1st-18th December

Our spectacular fair at the front of the house is a Christmas shopping experience not to be missed. The fair will be set against the backdrop of the floodlit North Front of the Manor with its 20ft Christmas trees.

Soak up the sights, smells and sounds of Christmas with our hand-selected exhibitors all housed in charming wooden chalets. We will have an exciting variety of high-quality, unique gifts, decorations, crafts and festive foods to delight you and your loved ones.

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Christmas at Ashridge

This Christmas, treat your little ones to a world of adventures at Ashridge Estate with **Percy the Park Keeper's winter wander trail**.



Join our family trail and become Percy's helper for the day. The trail will include winter activities and games along the way with a prize at the end.



The trail will take place between **Saturday 4th December and Monday 3rd January**, 10am-4pm. Start your adventure at the Visitors Centre.

Trails are £2 per child and can be purchased at the Visitors Centre. Booking is not required for the trail.

New Moon Morris

New Moon Morris will be holding a Solstice Dance Out at the Village Swan in Ivinghoe Aston (LU7 9DP) on Saturday 17th December 2022 from 12:00 to around 2:30 pm. We expect to be joined by three other local sides. So far the excellent Wicket Brood Border Morris (from Bricket Wood) have confirmed.

Return of the Santa Dash

Sunday 11th December.

Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity is bringing its popular Santa Dash event back to Aylesbury this December. The event will see hundreds of participants dust off their best Christmas jumpers, don their Santa hats and take to the streets for Aylesbury's jolliest fun run on Sunday 11th December.



Whether 'yule' choose to run, walk, jog or scoot the 2.5km or 5km circular route, kick off the festive period in style while earning that second mince pie and raising money for local hospice care.



Entry fees are £15 for adults and £10 for children and include a Santa hat and a Santa Dash medal.

For full details of this year's Santa Dash and to register your place, head over to fnhospice.org.uk/santadash.

Survey on policing and crime



An anonymous online survey has been launched giving Thames Valley residents the opportunity to share their views and experiences of policing and crime.

The survey asks for views about how safe residents feel in their local area, their experience of both crime and the police as well as questions on the future funding of policing.

Matthew Barber, Police and Crime Commissioner said "I want to gain a real understanding of how crime is affecting communities, whether it is direct experiences of crime or issues that may be causing you concern in your local area. I also want to hear your feedback, whether good or bad, on policing; what the police are doing well and areas you think could be improved.

"To help me build up a picture across the Thames Valley, the survey will be available on my website all year round. Whether or not you have directly experienced a crime, I would encourage you to use the survey to share your feedback and tell me what is important to you. Your views will help shape the future of policing in the Thames Valley."

To complete the survey go to: <https://www.thamesvalley-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/your-views/consultation/>.



Deer rescue

We live by the canal, and one morning recently we had a knock at the door with someone reporting a live deer in the canal below our house. We are rather used to dead deer, unfortunately, but a live one calls for an attempt at least at a rescue. Our caller was local Marsworth man Paul Deeley who had been walking by with his dog Harry. Harry spotted the deer in trouble in the water and insisted that Paul return to do something about it.

Armed with a pond net and rope, we located the deer, luckily very near the canal edge and within reach. Paul was able to grab it and haul it onto the bank in our garden, where it appeared to be almost dead. It turned out to be a young water deer. As adults these have curious 'fangs', but with this one being young these were missing.



Chinese water deer

It really didn't look as if it would make it, but I got an old rug and Paul carried it to our nearby summer house where we laid it down, covered it and shut the door.

We checked on it regularly and its coat gradually dried out and it was breathing shallowly. It was obviously suffering from cold and exhaustion, so my husband fixed up a radiator while we kept the summer house doors closed. We also provided it with a dog bowl of water.

In time there were definite signs of improvement, even alertness, which was very encouraging. Come nightfall we switched off the radiator and left the door slightly ajar so that it could escape. Later in the evening we found the door was wide open and the deer vanished - success! Hopefully it will have learned to avoid the canal in future, in spite of its name!

We quite often see deer near our house - usually muntjac, but also water deer and even roe deer occasionally.

Sandra Costello

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Remember

Any very sick birds, or unexplained deaths, must be assessed by your vet. By law suspicion of bird flu is notifiable and can affect poultry movement and trade.

Tip 1: Cleaning

Clean footwear before and after visiting your birds. Keep areas clean and tidy, and regularly disinfect hard surfaces. Humanely control rats and mice.

Tip 2: Feeding

Place your birds' food and water in fully enclosed areas that are protected from wild birds, and remove any spilled feed regularly.

Tip 3: Fencing

Keep your birds separate from wildlife and wild waterfowl by putting suitable fencing around the outdoor areas they access.

Tip 4: Register

www.gov.uk/guidance/poultry-registration Register your birds online and get alerts on any outbreaks of bird flu

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Obituary: Phil Evans

20th January 1959 – 27th October 2022

Phil was born on 20th January 1959 to Bill and Mollie Evans. He was the youngest of three children. He was a very much loved little boy, especially by his elder sisters.



He was brought up in in Pymmes Park, Edmonton and this is where from a very early age his devotion and support for Tottenham Hotspur started - something that was known to all who knew him.

Phil served in the Royal Marines for nine years and was proud of these years and of his service to his Queen and country.

He started work as a plasterer and was good at his trade. However he experienced problems with his wrists and decided the next job would be as a long distance lorry driver.

In 1986 while out with his mates in the Essex Arms, Watford, he met Donna and that was the start of the Phil and Donna Evans story and to 28 years of marriage. They married in All Saints Church, Marsworth.

Apart from his love of Spurs, the other great loves of his life were his three children, Daniel, Hannah and Jamie and in later years his grandchildren; he was very proud of them.

It's well known that Phil liked a pint after work and - along with that pint - to listen to and tell a few jokes and tales of his own. He was also a good listener and would always try to help anyone who was in trouble or needed a hand. Through his kindness he made many friends. A testament to that was at the crematorium where all 120 seats were taken and a full row of people stretched around all sides of the room.

Phil was a fighter and in the last ten years of his life faced and fought some hard battles; the last one being Motor Neurone Disease. Sadly, this was one battle that even though he put up a fight he was not able to win.

Rest in peace, Royal Marine Philip William Evans. We will all love and miss you.

Donations if desired, in Phil's memory, may be made to Rennie Grove Hospice Care.

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or call Bev Ralphs 07989961298
or Jo Woodbridge 07719434620



Thames Valley Police

With the darker nights drawing in, we typically see an increase in burglaries at this time of year. With this in mind, we would like to offer you some security advice.



- If you are leaving your home during the hours of darkness, leave a light on. We recommend using a light timer switch, along with a low energy bulb in a lamp, which can be set to come on and go off at a time which suits you. This makes it appear that someone is home. Burglars are usually opportunists and patrol areas. So don't let your home be their target.
- If you are going away, ask a neighbour to use your driveway if it is going to be vacant. This makes it appear that someone is coming and going.
- If you buy high value items, or you receive any for Christmas, don't leave the empty boxes outside your home as this advertises what you have inside your property.
- Make sure you key lock your door, not just pull it shut.
- If you have an alarm, ensure it is set when you are not in your property.
- Consider installing CCTV.
- We recommend installing sensor security lights which come on when someone walks onto your property.
- If you have a keyless vehicle, ensure the key is kept in a signal blocking box or pouch.
- Be vigilant. If you note a suspicious person or vehicle, report it. It may seem like a small piece of information, however it may be the missing piece of our jigsaw.

If you would like to speak with the team, or have any concerns, please email us on:
greatbrickhillwingivinghoenhpt@thamesvalley.police.uk.

The Wing and District Neighbourhood Policing Team

Bar-headed geese update

You may remember the photos of the bar headed geese at the reservoir in the October issue of *Marsworth News*.

On a visit to Whipsnade Zoo recently there was quite a colony of them on the lake by the restaurant. I told a volunteer at the Zoo about our sighting at the reservoir and this was the response from the bird team:



"The bar headed geese at Whipsnade are fully and permanently flight-restrained so definitely not the ones at the reservoir. Over the last few years there have been sightings of the species in Bedfordshire/Hertfordshire with one seen in Leighton Buzzard a couple of years ago. It seems we might be building up a little feral population. There are many private waterfowl collections around and about so they are undoubtedly escapees from somewhere. The species is of 'Least Concern' globally so doing well in the wild both in their natural range and in the UK, so it would seem!"

Linda Beardsley



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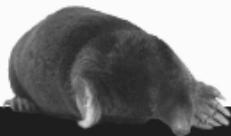
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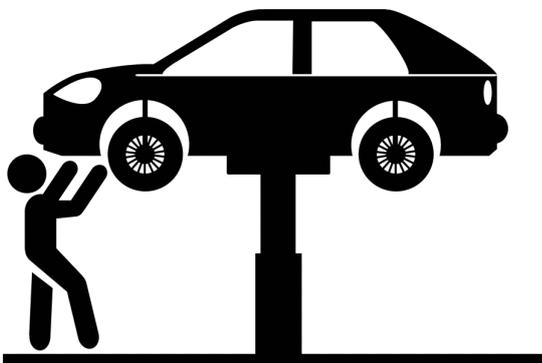
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1st	Thursday		Food, Waste & Garden collection - Route B
4th	Sunday	11.00am	Marsworth Preschool Christmas Fayre
7th	Wednesday		Food, Recycling & Garden collection - Route A
8th	Thursday		Food & Recycling collection - Route B
12th	Monday	8.00pm	Parish Council Meeting
14th	Wednesday		Food & Waste collection - Route A
15th	Thursday		Food & Waste collection - Route B
19th	Monday	7.30pm	Nine Lessons and Carols service
21st	Wednesday	12.00	Food & Recycling collection - Route A Senior s Christmas Lunch
22nd	Thursday		Food & Recycling collection - Route B
30th	Friday		Food & Waste collection - Route A
31st	Saturday		Food, & Waste collection - Route B

January 2023

1st	Sunday	11.00	New Year's Day Ramble - see p.3
6th	Friday		Food & Recycling collection - Route A
7th	Saturday		Food & Recycling collection - Route B
9th	Monday	7.00pm 8.00pm	Community Speed Watch meeting - see p.4 Parish Council Meeting
12th	Thursday		Food & Waste collection - Route A
13th	Friday		Food & Waste collection - Route B
18th	Wednesday		Food & Recycling collection - Route A
19th	Thursday		Food & Recycling collection - Route B
25th	Wednesday		Food & Waste collection - Route A
26th	Thursday		Food, Waste & Garden collection - Route B

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Autumn 2022, Aylesbury Arm - Liz Rollinson



Bonfire - Madeline Sandon



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