

The Oaks



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Bucklebury Parish Chairman's Letter

As we all gear up once again after the summer break we have to report that the Meadows still have not been transferred to Bucklebury Parish Council (BPC). The reason for the delay is that David Wilson Homes have not to date supplied a definitive map of the meadows to accompany the transfer document. Once this is in our possession, the transfer documents can be signed.

On 11th November the West Berkshire Countryside Society will be working on the meadows, repairing gaps in the hedges and if there is time planting a hedge between the field owned by the Cottage Inn and the first meadow. We are very grateful for their ongoing help and support.

The other matter we have been concerned about is that when property owners have purchased agricultural land adjacent to their domestic curtilage (i.e. gardens!) they do not always seem to be aware that this can only become part of their garden if they apply for planning permission and this is subsequently granted. There are important planning reasons why this should be done. Those residents, of whom BPC are aware, who fall into this category will receive letters from BPC alerting them to the planning laws.

The work of felling mature trees and clearing fallen ones in Blacklands Copse is going well. BPC worked closely with the land owner, lease holder and contractor to ensure that parishioners concerns were dealt with. The programme of work is on the BPC web site (www.buckleburyparish.org).

We had reports of uncovered manholes on the common, left over from the camps that were there during the Second World War. Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and

Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT), who now manage the common have generously volunteered to fill them in.

The river Pang has been monitored all year for evidence of misuse by 4x4's. Fortunately the measures taken to make it difficult to take vehicles into the Pang, have deterred them. Posts will be erected in the bed of the Pang to further discourage misuse. We are grateful for the expertise of Sally Wallington, who works for WBC, for her expertise and help. The situation will continue to be monitored. The misuse of 4x4's and other vehicles on the common is also being monitored. CCTV cameras will be placed in strategic places shortly.

On 9th June the members of BBOWT responsible for organising and carrying out field work spent the day in Bucklebury familiarizing themselves with the work being carried out in various parts of the parish. They were very impressed by the work the Bucklebury Heathland Group had done during the winter. They had a picnic on the Hockett Field and in the afternoon looked at the area of the Lower Common which was cleared of birch scrub and returned to heathland some years ago. We hope to host a family event on one of the meadows with BBOWT next summer.

Common Clearing is on Saturday 11th October. Teas and delicious cakes will be provided as usual.

BPC would like to thank all those people who work so hard to make Bucklebury such a pleasant and friendly place in which to live.

Wynne Frankum, Chair BPC

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Bucklebury Cemetery



After having the chapel surveyed, it became apparent that the roof needed attention. We were very fortunate to employ the services of Steve Christmas, who specializes in repairing old buildings. He has replaced the roof battens, purchased old tiles and replaced the broken ones so that the roof does not look as though it has been refurbished.

He has done an excellent job. While he was on the roof he also gave the bell and its casings some much needed TLC and attached a rope, so for the first time in many years we will be able to ring the bell. We will of course ring it on the evening of our Candlelit Carols on Monday 22nd December! Which, as usual, will be from 6.00pm-7.00pm.

Alan Dunkerton and I carried out a survey of the grave markers to ascertain which were unsafe. This will be carried out annually in future to comply with insurance regulations. Grave markers are the responsibility of the family or friends of the people buried. However we found some graves in need of attention in the old part of the cemetery, so it didn't seem practical to try to find the families. Steve Christmas very kindly offered to do the small necessary repairs while he was on site and these have been done.

With time, some of the graves have sunk and these will be filled in shortly so that they don't cause a hazard.

BPC will hold a working party in the cemetery on Saturday 27th September at 10.00am. We will cut back some of the rhododendrons that are obscuring some graves and the brush that has grown up between the newest section of the cemetery and the woodland. It is hoped this will enhance this part of the cemetery.

The clerk will publish an update of the cemetery regulations shortly

Wynne Frankum, Chairman of the Burial Board.

Bucklebury Clubs/Organisations

The Clerk maintains a list of clubs and organisations within the parish. This list is included in the Welcome Pack and on the website. If you would like a copy or would like to be included on the list, please contact the Clerk.

Bucklebury Parish Council

Saturday 11th October 2014

COMMON CLEARING

Please come to help clear rubbish from
Bucklebury Common.

Plastic sacks, gloves and litterpickers
will be provided.

SKIPS at the Memorial Hall
and Chapel Row.

Meet at the Memorial Hall from 2.00pm.

Free refreshments afterwards.

"Keep Bucklebury Beautiful"

Welcome Pack

If you are a newcomer to the Parish, and you have not yet received a Welcome Pack, please contact the Clerk, Helen Pratt, for a copy (her details are on the back page).

Parish Website

BPC maintains a Bucklebury Website which contains a diary of things going on in the parish, minutes of all BPC meetings, a list of amenities and services and much more. If you run a business within the parish and wish to have details listed on the site, please contact the Clerk.

The Website can be found at www.buckleburyparish.org.


Planning

As many of you are aware, BPC is consulted by WBC on the majority of planning applications submitted for locations in the parish. In reality this means a minimum of two councillors being allocated the application, who will then look at the documents submitted. They will then make a site visit and possibly visit neighbours before reporting back to either the full Council or the Planning Committee (dependent on when in the month observations have to be returned to WBC). The Council or Planning Committee then makes its recommendations which are normally either "no objection" or "object". If it is decided to "object" reasons for the decision are also sent to WBC. Once received the WBC planning officer considers the observations of the Parish Council when deciding whether to approve or refuse an application.

The following is a list of applications which have been considered by BPC since the last edition of The Oaks.

Reference	Description	BPC Status	WBC Status
14/00267/FULMAJ	<u>Rochestown House, The Avenue.</u> (Retrospective) Change of use of part of ground floor and all of first floor of existing outbuilding from ancillary residential use to self-contained one-bed flat.	Object	Refused
14/00304/FULD	<u>Windy Ridge, Burdens Heath.</u> Dwelling with integral garage.	No Objection	Approved
13/03227/HOUSE	<u>51 Broad Lane.</u> Single storey rear extension to replace conservatory, part conversion of existing garage into Gym/Workshop and installation of new window/door openings.	No Objection	Approved
14/00393/LBC2	<u>Glebe Cottage, Bucklebury.</u> 6 No. Replacement windows.	No Objection	Approved
14/00545/HOUSE	<u>46 Roundfield.</u> Part single storey and part two storey rear extension and alteration to the drive with associated new vehicular access.	No Objection	Approved
14/00578/HOUSE	<u>Osgoods Gully.</u> Double storey front and rear extensions with associated internal alterations.	No Objection	Withdrawn
14/00552/FULD	<u>Land adjacent to 46 Roundfield.</u> Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of a new detached bungalow.	No Objection	Approved
14/00273/HOUSE	<u>Byles Green Farm.</u> Change of Garden Elevation Window. Change of rear garden elevation window 9m ² . Extension of side elevation porch. Construction of Aga flue.	No Objection	Approved
14/00700/HOUSE	<u>Redwing House, Carbinswood Lane.</u> Proposed new porch.	No Objection	Approved
14/00718/HOUSE	<u>Kiln House, Broad Lane.</u> Rear extensions to ground and first floors.	Object	Refused
14/00734/HOUSE	<u>Paxton House, Sadgrove Lane.</u> Front and side extensions to existing house with new roof construction. Change of external materials. Demolition of existing utility area and roof modification to existing annexe building.	No Objection	Approved
14/00925/HOUSE	<u>Whingate, Hatch Lane.</u> Removal of external doors and window and insertion of larger window to side elevation and insertion of roof window to larder area.	No Objection	Approved
14/00968/HOUSE & 14/00969/LBC2	<u>Bucklebury House.</u> New entrance gates to replace existing and repairs to boundary/garden wall.	No Objection	Approved
14/01155/LBC2	<u>Glebe Cottage, Bucklebury.</u> Section 19 – Application for removal of condition 4 of 07/02624/LBC2.	No Objection	Approved
14/01186/HOUSE	<u>Fernleigh, Burdens Heath.</u> Alterations to conservatory to form garden room and kitchen extension with matching roof.	No Objection	Approved
14/01100/HOUSE	<u>52 Broad Lane.</u> Replacing conservatory roof with slate roof including two new velux rooflights.	No Objection	Approved
14/01120/FUL	<u>The Cottage Inn.</u> Change of use from paddock to ancillary use for Public House.	No Objection if temporary.	Approved

14/01332/FUL	Winchcombe Cottage, Briff Lane. Demolition of existing property and its replacement with a single dwelling and ancillary outbuildings.	No Objection	Approved
14/01386/HOUSE	Camplins Cottage, Turners Green. Proposed two storey side extension with a new study at ground floor and en-suite to master bedroom on first floor. New replacement garden store.	No Objection	Refused
14/01424/HOUSE	Winchcombe Farm, Briff Lane. Two storey extension.	Object	Approved
14/01470/HOUSE	Old Surgery, Chapel Row. Single storey rear extension.	No Objection	Approved
14/01605/HOUSE	56 Broad Lane. Small single storey extension to existing kitchen into the rear garden.	No Objection	Approved
14/01501/FUL	Land to the south of Red Hill House and adjoining its southern boundary. Erection of stable block, change of use of land to equestrian use.	No Objection	Approved
14/01715/HOUSE	Osgoods Gully. Single storey extension with balcony, alterations to dormer window.	No Objection	Approved
14/01585/HOUSE	Crystal Lodge, Chapel Row. Creation of basement staircase and use of existing basement for residential purposes.	No Objection	Approved
14/01680/HOUSE	Anyho, Long Grove. Replace existing garage with new one.	No Objection	Approved
14/01753/FULD	49 Roundfield. Construction of detached dwelling and associated parking.	Object	Approved
14/01816/HOUSE	Briff Well, Little Lane. Single storey side and rear extensions.	No Objection	Approved
14/02165/HOUSE	47 Berrys Road. Replace flat roof dormer window with a hipped roof.	No Objection	Pending Consideration


Carols


by Candlelight

**Cemetery Chapel,
Byles Green**

Monday 22nd December

At 6pm

**Mulled Wine and Mince
Pies**

All welcome




West Berks District Councillors

Bucklebury Ward contains the parishes of Bradfield, Bucklebury, Frilsham, Hermitage and Stanford Dingley. Our councillors are:

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Quentin Webb Tel/Fax: 01635 202646
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WBC Councillors' Report

As far as our Parish is concerned we have had a relatively quiet summer concerning District Council business, many of the road repairs and improvements reported in previous recent issues of The Oaks have been completed and we have received many favourable comments. Please do, however, report any issues that concern you either to us or directly to the Call Centre at the Council (01635 42400).

Earlier in the year all Parishes were asked to highlight roadside flooding problems. Now that major work either has been completed or is in progress on problem areas where property could be affected (for example in the Lambourn Valley, in Purley-on-Thames and in Southend Cold Ash) we are turning our attention to some of the more minor areas; roads such as the road between Bucklebury Village and Marlston and the stretch of road between Burdens Heath and The Ridge, Cold Ash. Some of the problems are caused by the riparian owners (those who own the ditch or waterway) not maintaining the drainage ditches effectively and the Council is working with these people to ensure that water can drain off the highway correctly. This is important work as water is one of the main causes of the road surface breaking up.

Autumn is always the time when we start assessing the Council's budget; this time last year we consulted on a two year proposal with the intention of not raising Council tax next May. We are now in the process of checking the figures to ensure this can be achieved without reducing frontline services. Planning issues are always of interest to residents (nothing causes more controversy in some cases!); we are currently consulting on a number of proposals to allow us to complete our Local Plan but there are no sites being considered in Bucklebury. Next year there will be a change in the way in which we will collect money for infrastructure improvements from new houses being built (now called a "section 106 agreement") and a considerable amount of work is being done to ensure that we have money for these improvements when new properties are built. The new system is called the "Community Infrastructure Levy" or CIL and is based on the number of bedrooms a new house has and its location.

As always, if there are any issues we can help you with please contact us!

Graham Pask & Quentin Webb.

Bucklebury Christmas Tree Festival

Saturday 6th December

1.00pm - 4.30pm

Seasonal Refreshments

Prizes for the Funniest, Most Original and Prettiest.

- Father Christmas
- Guess the weight of the cake
- Raffle



Theme This Year - Colour

Christmas Trees are welcome from any Bucklebury family, club or society;

Trees to be set up from 9.00am - 12.00 noon

Entry forms available from rwfrankum@talktalk.net / 01635 863372.



Who would be yours?

Do you know someone who lives within the West Berkshire District and deserves an award for their work in the community?

- * Junior Citizen of the Year Award
- * Volunteer of the Year Award
- * Community Group of the Year Award
- * Lifetime Achievement Award

The closing date for entries is Friday 24th October 2014

If you would like to nominate someone for this new and exciting award please visit the website:

www.westberks.gov.uk/communitychampion

or contact Jude Thomas or Jo Watt on

01635 519083 / 01635 519242

email jathomas@westberks.gov.uk or

jwatt@westberks.gov.uk

Family

Bucklebury Toddlers

After our usual summer break, it was lovely to welcome some new faces to our toddler group this September. Over the next few months, we will be organising plenty of seasonal toddler craft activities, and our wide variety of toys, musical instruments and indoor and outdoor play equipment will ensure that our little ones are kept very busy! The annual Christmas party promises to be the highlight of the term, with festive games, entertainment, party food and a small gift for every child.

We are a small, friendly group of parents, grandparents and childminders who meet every Friday morning during term time from 10am to midday at Bucklebury Memorial Hall. Admission is £1.50 for the first child and £1 for each subsequent child, which includes a mid-morning drink and snack.

We love to welcome all newcomers! So, please feel free to drop in and join us for tea, chat and play. Alternatively, please contact Rose Auld for more information on 07887 803246 or email rosemcf@hotmail.com.

West Berkshire Ballet School

Our Summer Term came to a spectacular finale with 3 sell-out performances of *The Wiz*, a 1970s soul musical, obviously based on *The Wizard of Oz*, which originally starred Lena Horne, Diana Ross and Michael Jackson! Quite a cast to follow! Our 40 modern and tap dancers put their hearts into making it a success and we were very proud of all of them. Claire Bowden not only directed and choreographed the show but, with the help of her amazing mum, made dozens of beautiful costumes which gave the dancers a great sense of style and occasion. At Claire's right hand was Gemma Cole and we are delighted to announce that Gemma is joining the teaching staff at WBBS this September.

Jane & Holly attended the annual meeting of Cecchetti ballet teachers in July, this year held at Rambert Ballet company's brand new studios on London's South Bank. No need to tell you how thrilled we were to hear that 2 of the 5 ballet cups went to our students! Chloe Brown from Chapel Row won the 1st year Scholars' Cup for outstanding progress and Dominic Rocca from Hampstead Norreys won the Boys' trophy. Dominic has now gone on to vocational training at Rambert School for Ballet and Contemporary Dance and we all wish him lots of success for his very promising future.

You might think that the summer break would have seemed rather flat after our July successes but we still had the anticipation of watching Aamina Morbi from Beenham, Chloe

& Dominic dancing with the National Youth Ballet in Sevenoaks and Wimbledon's New Theatre. Claire, Holly & Jane were in the audience with Dame Monica Mason, Wayne Sleep, Sir Peter Wright and Matthew Bourne to cheer our dancers on and cheer we did! It was a wonderful evening from Britain's most talented young dancers aged from 8 to 18 years.

In the last week of August, we held our 4th Summer School. This year Claire, Gemma & Lucie produced a quick fire version of *Oliver*, a minor miracle in 4 days! 27 children enjoyed our Summer School this year. It was made very special with the help, all week, of our 'leavers' who are off to university – a huge thank you to Aimie, Elly, Emily, Kim and Dom – we couldn't have done it without you and all the very best for your adventures in the future.

And so to the new term! Rehearsals will start for our 2015 major ballet production of *Sleeping Beauty* at Arlington Arts on 30th & 31st May. Holly & Jane have 24 tutus to make so we shall not be idle. We all wish a warm welcoming to the mini ballerinas joining us, and a very happy dancing year to all our students.

Jane Scholl, Claire Bowden, Holly Unnuk, Lucie Dale & Gemma Cole

wbbs.org and facebook



Students from WBBS performed *The Wiz* to packed houses in July

Bucklebury Primary School



As we welcome the children back and settle into the new school year there is lots to look forward to, but first a quick look back at the very busy summer term. In addition to the usual school activity, including SATs we had sports day, the summer fete and a production of "Alice the Musical" to fit in.

Every child participated in sports day; even younger siblings who will join the school in the future got to show off their athletic skill. There was a lovely family picnic in the sun at lunchtime. The children all tried very hard and were full of enthusiasm and a healthy competitive spirit.

Despite a wet and thundery morning, the sun came out as the gates opened for this year's summer fete. As always the event was organised brilliantly by FOBS (Friends of Bucklebury School) and was a great success, raising the fantastic sum of £2,300. There was the normal variety of stalls and entertainment, which included country dancing, a busking corner and our famous cake stall. There was also a special visit from Malcolm Hynes's little steam engine which went down very well with the dads as well as the children.

This year, "Alice the Musical" was our Summer play. A huge amount of work went into the production and again everyone in the school was involved; even our youngest children, some just 4 years old, learned many songs and put in a great performance. The lead roles were played by our departing Year 6 pupils who worked very hard and did a brilliant job learning an awful lot of lines! We always get great support from parents with costumes and props to help these productions work so well; this year we had some great artwork produced by one of our mums; these were so impressive we were able to auction them off afterwards.

Our mission at Bucklebury School is to "nurture and develop the whole child, by helping our pupils to thrive academically, physically, socially, emotionally and spiritually" and all of these extra parts of school life play a very important role in that. We are very grateful to all of the families and local people who support us with this.

Academically, we were delighted to close the year with some excellent SATS results which place us in the top 20% of West Berkshire Schools. We are so proud of the achievements of our pupils and are looking forward to building on our success this academic year.

During the summer break we have been busy with some long awaited refurbishments. The infants now have completely new toilet facilities, an outbuilding has been converted to create extra storage space and the main hall has been totally repainted. This has created much excitement with both staff and children and is all part of creating a welcoming and comfortable environment.

We welcomed 27 new pupils to the school at the beginning of September and are now knuckling down to some hard work before the Christmas festivities creep up on us. Plans are already well underway for the Christmas Bazaar which will take place on 29th November, we hope to see many of you there.

Organisations

Bucklebury History Group

The meeting in June outlining the history of BUCKLEBURY SLADE was well attended and was a very interesting evening. Many thanks to Hilary Cairns and everyone else from The Slade for working so hard to make the evening so enjoyable. The history of the building of the chapel is included in this edition of The Oaks.

Anne Hillerton, anne_hillerton@yahoo.co.uk 01635 871327, is working on World War One in Bucklebury. If you had a relative who took part in the war and would like to pass on any information please let her know. In particular she would like to have more information about the lives or backgrounds of those men recorded on the war memorial in St Mary's Church. Other villages have produced a vast amount of information in this centenary year – it would be good to be able to do the same, so please help if you can.

We would also like someone to come forward who would be able to help with recording grave stones in the cemetery – in particular the drawing up of the map of the gravestones. Work came to a halt a year or so ago and it needs to be re-started! Hopefully this will happen in 2015.

Research continues on the 1851 census and adding data to the Group Database, which now stands at over 14,508 records. These include Baptisms, Marriages, Burials, Census Returns, Probate, Directory Information, Memorial Inscriptions and photographs etc. We have been able to help various people over the year with their researches.

Please get in touch if you would like to help with the researching of Bucklebury.

Helen Relf
01635 867619
helenrelf@relfsociety.org

Bucklebury & Marlston Horticultural Society

After several years of indifferent weather, we have at last had a perfect gardening year. A late damp start turned into a fine gardening season. Our outings to Hidcote and Wisley were blessed with fine weather, and our Summer Show hit record entries for recent times. The flower workshop had stimulated lots of attractive arrangements, but the stimulus had faded by the Autumn Show, which only attracted a total of two entries! The September Show entries were generally down, mostly the Homecraft and Children's exhibits. The Hall looked good however, and deserved a bigger attendance than it actually achieved.

The Autumn Show numbers reflect a long-term problem within many other village clubs besides ours. It is one of ageing membership and dwindling committee. It is a reality that we cannot ignore and to sustain our current level activity we need an injection of fresh blood. We are a very small committee and when illness or other commitments arise, we are reduced to the bare minimum of numbers to organise our activities. An influx of youth would inevitably bring new ideas, and drag the society into the 21st century. Hopefully our AGM on 31st October will provide reinforcements.

During the summer we supported the school fete and the Chapel Row Fayre, running horticultural related stalls. Our efforts raised a decent sum of money for the worthy causes. Our next social event of this year takes place on Saturday 11th October, starting at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall, with entertainment provided in the form of a light hearted Beetle Drive, plus our famously good supper (tickets available from Terry Stares 0118 9713481, or any committee member). Finally our AGM is in the Memorial Hall on the evening of 31st October, starting at 8.00pm. After the business there will be some entertainment and refreshments, plus the chance to chat with friends.

In the New Year, members will soon receive their new schedule, delivered to the door by our volunteers. Please have your annual subscription ready, then sit next to the fire and enter the dates into your 2015 diary. The first of which will be a gardening talk on Friday 2nd January.

Happy gardening.

Derek Matthews (0118 9712587)

St. Martins Club

At the beginning of this year our Chairman Stewart Denton and Treasurer Reg Allum decided that after 10 years in office it was time to retire. A new Chairman, Treasurer and Committee were elected at our Annual General Meeting in February.

Our summer season of monthly coach trips which ran from

April to September, were well supported. They catered for a wide range of interests and were thoroughly enjoyed by our members and visitors. This year we visited Oakham Treasures near Bristol, Evesham Blossom Trail, Isle of Wight, Severn Valley Railway, Weymouth and the National Memorial Arboretum. The Isle of Wight trip was particularly popular and was oversubscribed.

For the months of October to March we will be back in the Memorial Hall except for December, and have the following programme. The Memorial Hall meetings / talks are on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 2pm and last about 2 hours.

7th October – Talk by a retired Customs and Excise Officer

4th November – Talk by our local Police Community Support Officer

2nd December – Christmas Lunch at the Old Mill, Aldermaston

6th January – Annual General Meeting

3rd February – Talk by a retired Beekeeper

3rd March – Talk on The Growth of Popular Music in the 20th Century

Visitors are welcome to our talks but the Christmas Lunch and AGM are restricted to members only.

On Fri 17th October between 2 and 3.30pm and Fri 21st November between 2 and 4 pm we are going to try out a free tea / coffee and biscuits afternoon for members in the Oak Room at the Memorial Hall. If this is successful they will be continued from January through to March.

We are now starting to think about our coach trips for 2015. I normally provide a list of ten possible venues and the final selection is decided by members at the AGM. If you have any suggestions for coach trip venues then please do get in touch

If you would like more information then please ring me on 01635 864310

Pat Bodsworth

Tuesday Ladies' Club (TLC)



A very select group met on 9th September for our very short AGM where Jackie Sadler gave a financial report for 2013/14 and we then all enjoyed wine, cheese, an excellent quiz and a lot of laughs.

We would like to give our thanks to Christine Milward, who is standing down from the committee, for her computer skills and input, wishing her and Dave well as they seek pastures new. We would also like to welcome two new committee members Karen Warne and Susan Puri.

Looking forward to 2014/15 we have a very varied programme which is as follows.

October 14th - Holistic talk by Roz Kitson
November 11th - Table decorations with Derek Matthews
December 9th - The Christmas Party
January 13th - Living in Egypt - a talk by Wael Latif and Rabab Monaem
February 10th - Turkish cookery with Oz Graves
March 10th - A talk about her time on Masterchief by Annie Asshton
April 14th - A history of Shaw House and Gardens
May 12th - Wildlife photography by Tom Way
June 9th - Visit to a garden
July 14th - History walk and the Pub

We are a very friendly ladies' group, meeting in the Oak Room, next to the Memorial Hall, at 7.30pm for 7.45pm, there is no fee to join and just £2 per meeting to cover costs (slightly more if our speaker has expenses) and there is an optional raffle ably run by Sue Wright; the evening is rounded off with tea, coffee and biscuits at 9.30pm.

We welcome new members and ideas for guest speakers are always very much appreciated, so come along...bring a friend and enjoy a local night out.

Committee members are:

Wynne Frankum and Jackie Sadler co chairs,
Hilary Pask, Karen Warne and Susan Puri.

Macmillan Cancer Support

We continue to help many people in West Berkshire with heating, clothing and living expenses together with their medical and emotional support. So far this year we have raised £34,000 locally, thanks to you all for your support. With all your help the Newbury committee has raised over £440,000 in the last ten years.

The Cancer Care Centre at The Royal Berkshire Hospital is there to advise on all aspects –emotional, medical, financial – do not hesitate to contact them or The Macmillan Support Line free on 0808 808 00 00.

I hope you all enjoyed a Coffee morning – last year's total nationwide exceeded £20,000,000. Will keep you posted on this year! Thanks to everyone who helped make 2013 our most successful year yet. With your support we had an impact on a record 5.2 million people affected by cancer and raised and spent more money than ever before. We want to reach and improve the lives of everyone living with cancer and to inspire millions of others to do the same.

We also helped to identify £234.4 million in financial gains for people affected by cancer through our financial support

services.

Our Annual Christmas Concert is on Saturday December 6th at St. Nicolas Church Newbury. This is a very popular event and it is wise to apply for your tickets early. Those of you not on our mailing list can ring Sue Wood 01635 32167 for tickets and further details.

Any ideas or fund raising you wish to do for Macmillan please contact me on the number below. If you have a spare hour or two and would be willing to help with our street/shop collections you would be very welcome.

Please continue your support; it is very necessary and much appreciated. Without your support we could not provide all our services – together we can make sure no one faces cancer alone.

Details: Erica Tipton 01189712148

E mail erica.tipton@yahoo.co.uk

Chairman – Macmillan Cancer Support Newbury Committee.

New befrienders needed in West Berkshire

Alzheimer's Society needs more volunteers to come forward to become a "befriender" in West Berkshire.

A growing waiting list has meant more volunteers are needed to join the already 20 strong team, who support people with dementia by befriending them.

The charity's befrienders provide companionship and are matched with people depending on their personality and common interests. With the support of befrienders, people with dementia are able to continue to do things they love.

Neal Goddard a befriender in West Berkshire, said:

'Befriending is the best thing I have ever done in my life, it's challenging but it's a great and worthwhile thing to do. It is so good when my clients' face brightens up when I'm with him.'

Alzheimer's Society's next training day for new befrienders will be on Friday 17th October at West Berkshire Volunteer Centre, in Newbury.

Louise Rawlins, Alzheimer's Society Befriending Manager in Reading, said:

'Befriending not only provides some support and company for a person with dementia but is also very rewarding for the person volunteering where friendships can be formed. If you would like to volunteer, please don't hesitate to contact me.'

Residents who would like to volunteer and can spare a few hours every week or fortnight or want to know more are urged to call Louise Rawlins on 0118 959 6482 or email her at louise.rawlins@alzheimers.org.uk

Chapel Row Surgery



The Chapel Row Surgery can be contacted by Post, Telephone or Facsimile as detailed above and the surgery has its own information website at www.crsurgery.co.uk for those people who have access to a computer and the internet.

If patients require specific information, perhaps, which is available on the surgery website, this can be printed and provided free of charge via our Surgery Reception staff. Please ask our Reception Staff.

The 2014 Flu Vaccination programme begins in October 2014 and the surgery is operating its annual Flu Clinic on Saturday 18th October 2014.

- As this clinic is always a busy time, the Nurses will take patients for their vaccination, in order of the time slot indicated to patients when booking into the clinic.
 - Please could patients **Be Prepared** for their vaccination by removing any clothing which covers the preferred arm for the vaccination.
 - Unfortunately if patients arrive early, the Nurses may not be able to see them until their allotted appointment time, unless the clinic is running ahead of schedule. It may be possible to see patients early if there is an available gap in the schedule, but early arrivals may have to wait until their indicated time.
 - Equally if patients arrive later than their allocated time slot, the patient will be fitted in at the nearest possible time, which may mean a long wait if other patients have already arrived for their allotted vaccination time slot.
- Please be “A Patient Patient”**, you will be seen as soon as we can.

You can participate and input into the surgery by attending The Patient Participation Group meetings held 5 times a year. The next one being Thursday 15th January 2015. For further details Erica.tipton@yahoo.co.uk

Please take time to visit the website as it contains valuable information and contact numbers. www.crsurgery.co.uk

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West Berkshire Village Agents



The Village Agent Scheme offers a signposting service to provide good quality information and guidance to residents concerning the services and facilities available to them in their local area. These would include, for example, leisure activities, social care provision, fire safety measures, trading standards assistance, transport schemes, pensions and benefits schemes.

The Village Agents seek to help older and/or socially isolated residents in the community, to maintain their independence and live comfortably in their own homes; by putting them in touch with agencies who can give them the help they might need.

If you, or someone you know, would like to speak to Carolyn the Bucklebury Village Agent, please call 07547206030 or contact the Village Agent Co-ordinator on 01635 49004 .

Halls

The Victory Room “A Vision for the Future”

As you are aware the Trustees of the Victory Room have been drawing up a proposal to replace the existing building with a facility to serve the requirements of future generations.

Following consultation within the parish and with current and potential users of the Victory Room, the Trustees have prepared an outline proposal document entitled “a Vision for the Future”.

This document is now on the Bucklebury Parish Council website www.buckleburyparish.org, together with the first draft of the Architect’s drawings which, when finalised, will be used for planning purposes. For those of you who don’t have access to the website, hard copies can be found in the Victory Room lobby.

Please address any questions you may have to our email address: buckleburyvictoryroom@gmail.com

Many thanks to those who have already written.

**NEXT AGM DATE IS
THURSDAY 6th NOVEMBER AT 8PM**

All are welcome.

CHANGE OF LETTING SECRETARY

Lindy Clarke is standing down as letting secretary of the Victory Room at the AGM after fifteen stalwart years. The new letting secretary is Dini Hunt and her contact details are:

Email : dini.hunt@btinternet.com
Tel : 0118 9712597.

Sports

Bucklebury Badminton Club

Our end of season club tournament in June saw an excellent turnout of 13 pairs battling for the winners' trophy. Local siblings Kayleigh and Christopher Brims went through unbeaten in group A. Runners up in that group were father and daughter partnership, Olivia (aged 14) and Stuart May. Clearly talent is in the genes of both families! In group B, it was junior Dee Morgan and her partner John Holloway who sailed to the top unbeaten. A brilliant performance from young newcomer Lisa Arnold who played with Neil Vockings, secured the pair a place in the semis but they were just pipped at the post by the Brimses. Brother and sister went onto fight bravely in the final against Morgan and Holloway but couldn't



Bucklebury Badminton Club winners and runners up

match their tenacity in the final.

After the short summer break we have now restarted with very good numbers. We are particularly pleased to report that we have many lady members now. Another mixed team has been entered in the league this year and the first match has already taken place between the mixed A and the mixed B which was keenly fought by all but won by the mixed A showing that the selectors were right at least for the moment. However, there are several younger members in the B team who are likely to usurp certain A team members before long!

At the time of writing we have not yet played any ladies or men's matches but are looking forward to doing so shortly.

Due to the increased number of matches this year, we have hired the hall on another night for some of them, leaving club night freer for members. We have four courts and there is plenty of time for everyone to play several games on a Tuesday night.

We welcome new members of all levels. Experienced players are likely to be offered the chance to play in matches. Beginners and developing players will be encouraged and coached on club night. I know that many local residents have thought of coming along but have not quite taken that step. Please do! We are a very friendly club and you will be made to feel welcome from the start. Just turn up on a Tuesday night at around 8 p.m. with indoor trainers and a racket if you have one. Find us on Facebook or ring me if you want more information.

VENUE: Elstree School, Woolhampton, RG7 5TD

DAY: Tuesday 8 to 10 p.m. September to July

CONTACT: Margaret Neville 01635 873811

<http://buckleburybadminton.intheteam.com>

Bucklebury Tennis Club

Floodlights

These are exciting times for Bucklebury Tennis Club (and all parishioners who aspire to keep fit)! We certainly have a buzz of excitement amongst our current membership, all awaiting the switch on and their first opportunity to get on the courts under lights.

Now the shorter evenings will no longer be a limitation to those working folk so we hope to see a new influx of enthusiasts taking to an evening game..

An opening ceremony, with tennis and barbeque, will have been held (Friday 26th Sept) so by the time this issue of The Oaks is circulated, the courts will be there for everyone to enjoy in the evening. *Note: A problem arose, so unfortunately the lights are not working yet.*

We have an on-line booking system in place for members to reserve a court for an evening game. Non-members should contact the Committee for further information if they want to play. (See below)

Our **Junior coaching** (Under 13's) will continue on Mondays at 3.30 p.m. and the **Teens Coaching** has now been changed to Monday evenings from 4.45 to 5.45 p.m. Sessions carry on while the weather remains warm and dry; hopefully at least to the end of October. There are still a few spaces for anyone who would like to join in. **Contact Pam Norman 01635 865221 or pamnorman@hotmail.co.uk**

We have entered the Club for Men's, and Mixed teams into the **Newbury & District LTA Winter leagues**. All these matches are played at the weekends. Whilst we have a lot of enthusiasts playing there is usually plenty of scope to include more participants so please make sure the Committee or **the team captains** know of your interest.

The teams, captains and fixture days are set out below:

Mixed A – Darren Blackwood – Sunday morning

Mixed B – Darren Blackwood – Sunday afternoon

Mixed C – Robin London – Saturday afternoon

Men's A – Andrew Rogers – Sunday morning

Men's B – Paul Munton – Saturday morning

Socials

The **Club annual BBQ** was a great success with 40 or so members kindly invited to join Mark & Veronica Brunwin at their home. Great fun, great food and a wonderful occasion once again.

Our **Quiz night** was another very successful evening, with Norman Casson setting a great mix of questions. Over 50 members and friends puzzled hard to find the answers; not so for the winning team led by Pam & Dave Norman, nor for the runners up led by Edmund Hills.

Next social evening will be **Skittles** on Saturday 22nd November. We hope to see a number of local clubs and societies take up the challenge to win "The Peach's Skittles Challenge Cup" currently held by the Horticultural Society. Look out "Hort. Soc." It's time the Tennis Club won it again!

Club Membership

If you would like to join the Club, or if any of the above is of interest please contact: Mike James (01189712285) on m-a-james@tiscali.co.uk or go to our website www.buckleburytennisclub.com

Bucklebury Cricket Club



Many thanks to all who played cricket this season for Bucklebury Cricket Club on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings (the Wednesday evening side is known as the Woolly Badgers).

The Sunday side played 12, won 9 and lost 3, while the Wednesday evening team played 8, won 4 and lost 4. All round a good result.

Everyone who played had a great time. We always look to welcome other new players to pick up a bat or ball, so if you are keen to have a game, please look to join us next year.

As ever, the results and the statistics for the season are online (so you can check your averages etc). <http://bucklebury.play-cricket.com/>

Thanks to all who helped run the club this season, whether it be captaining when I wasn't playing, mowing and preparing the pitch, collecting and setting up tea, clearing up after home games etc. Without people helping out, we couldn't make it all happen.

Thanks also to the Royal Oak that kindly prepared teas for our home games (at our pitch in Yattendon). Thank you also to our Vice Presidents and all others who make kind donations to the club's funds.

Our annual BBQ match between the Chairman's XI and the Captain's XI was an especially poignant game. Sadly the club's former captain Brian Ward had passed away that morning. Nevertheless, as he had wished, we played on with his family there to play in and watch the game, joined by a large throng of Bucklebury residents.

We will hold our annual prize giving at the start of January and pre season nets will begin in the spring.

During our non-playing season, we will host our annual prize giving and AGM.

In the spring there will be indoor nets at which to practise and meet new recruits. Look out for all club information (results, statistics and announcements) on the club website <http://bucklebury.play-cricket.com> or follow us on twitter [@BuckleburyCC](https://twitter.com/BuckleburyCC)

Piers Allison (Captain), 0776 96 95 940

Country Life

Restoration of the old Water Mill in Bucklebury Village

Many Parishioners will be aware that a small group of us have been trying to find grant funding to restore this historic old mill back to full working order. As you know it was badly damaged by fire when the adjoining old barn burnt down back in 1996. But all the essential machinery, gearing, grinding stones, wheel etc. were saved intact. A lot of work was done to assess support for its restoration, obtain quotes and get planning consent a year or so before the floods of 2007. We then had to wait for the flood defences to be installed before progressing which took us to 2011. Although we now have full planning consent for this listed building, including its use for educational purposes, and following 5 separate applications for funding from the major national and local grant-funders, we have been

disappointed and sadly have failed in our efforts. This is despite significant enthusiastic support from schools and educational trusts in the district and endorsement of our efforts by the Environment Agency and our own parish council, as well as considerable enthusiasm from numerous parish residents and the Pang Valley Conservation Volunteers. It would seem that, although the cost is quoted at less than £50,000 and despite being short-listed each time, the grant-funders simply have too many calls on their funds to be able to help.

So this article is to update everyone on the situation. It is still theoretically possible to raise money through individual approaches to quite a number of charitable trusts (we know of over 30 such) and it would even be possible to set up a formal crowd-funding scheme. Unfortunately this takes a fair bit of time but a group of say 6 or 8 people could easily handle it. I, am retiring from the project but will work with anyone else who would like to take over. The planning consents have more than two years to run and are renewable. All the work is quoted for and readily activated. If anyone would like to take this on perhaps they could let the Bucklebury Estate or the undersigned know and we can readily put something together. Meanwhile I am afraid to say this very worthwhile and historical project is now in abeyance and a unique opportunity may be gone forever. The old mill is now only a ruin but its full restoration is not very difficult. I look forward to hearing from any enthusiasts who might be interested.

Alastair McOran-Campbell
The Watermill Restoration Company Ltd
Bucklebury
0118 971 3325

Building of The Slade Chapel (Copied from "The Gospel Herald" no 1569 November 1963.)

There lived in the early part of the nineteenth century a farmer by the name of **Mr. JOHN MORTON**, with his gracious wife, both of them living witnesses to the Grace of God. Mr Morton ran Holly Farm with great care both for the land and for those who worked for him. He was also minister of the Independent Chapel which stood a mile away at the opposite end of the large common. There he carried on good work, and large crowds attended.

Amongst his girls and boys who attended with their mother was one **JOHN**, named after his father. John was a very serious minded boy, and it soon became evident that God was calling him for special service. Soon he confessed himself a Christian and his mind was much concerned about baptism. He was baptised in the river which runs right through the village of Bucklebury, about two miles from the Slade. He soon began open air services with the two young men who were baptised with him, **Mr. ALLUM** and **Mr. COXETER**. He preached that baptism should be by immersion, and this

caused a big upset in his father's church.

Possibly his father and mother were in sympathy with him, but we cannot be sure. John kept to the point, and preached fearlessly, and many were baptised in the same river. One young person named **MARY PIKE** was baptised and she afterwards became Mrs. **JOHN MORTON**. They lived in a cottage newly built. Here they held prayer meetings, while the open air meetings continued.

My own mother was baptised, but my father was very bitter about it. There was a lot of unpleasantness all round, but the Baptists held on to their prayer meetings. Then the landlord of John's house gave him notice, because he said that so many people would wear out the floor. He told the people at the next meeting, and his mother sent over sacks to cover the floor, and the meetings went on with the house full of praying men and women.

Much prayer was offered regarding the building of a Chapel where they might worship in the bad weather; also they needed a place nearer than the Independent Chapel. None of them had any money to spare for this purpose.

At last they went to my Grandfather, **Mr RICHARD TULL**. He was a Plymouth Brother, and a very gracious man. He said that they could have a piece of land at the back of the cottage but they would have to build the Chapel so that it could be taken down again as, after his death, the land would belong to his son, who was Superintendent of the Independent Chapel.

They therefore built in the orchard a chapel of wood upon four brick columns. There were four steps leading up to the door, and there were two windows on either side. The inside was panelled in light brown, and a small pulpit stood across one corner like a half moon. The seats were long forms with a piece of wood at the back. They were very hard, the sermons were long, and I remember how my young back often ached. The last hymn was very welcome.

A Sunday School was started, but at first we were not allowed to go. One Sunday afternoon my sister, Nellie, and my brother, Tom, were taken to the Independent Sunday School, but on the way Tom was bitten by an Adder. By the time he arrived there he was black, and soon unconscious. He was carried home, the doctor was sent for, and he was seriously ill for many weeks. After this we all went to the Baptist Sunday School.

When I was eight years old the friends saw that my grandfather was getting very old, and they discussed what they should do about the Chapel. There were many difficulties. Mr. John Morton had been called to a large Chapel far away. Mr. Allum was thinking of going with his family to America. Mr. Coxeter said that he would stay with his little flock. Mr. Milsom, who had been with the people all through, took over the superintendency of the Sunday School. He was a good man, and we loved him. Mr. Coxeter was looking around for a piece of land where we could find a home for our Chapel. At last he

bought a cottage with a very nice entrance into the orchard, with ample room for the Chapel to stand inside the gate.

Now, the next thing was to move the Chapel from the orchard, up the hill into the new home where they were already preparing a Baptistry. Mr. Milsom arranged to bring four big wagon wheels and two very strong horses. He fixed the wheels by some means to the Chapel where the four brick columns were, and the two horses were attached to the front of the Chapel. We all pushed when the word was given, and we rested when we were told, and we pushed our dear little Chapel out of the orchard and up the very stony hill and into its last resting place.

About that time Mr. FRANK GRIMWOOD became very interested in the little chapel. He was living in Newbury, a market town some five miles away, and he was apprenticed to a building firm. He was baptised at the age of sixteen by the Rev. KNIGHT of Newbury, but eventually joined our little chapel in the Slade. When he finished his time he went as an improver to a firm at East Woodhay. One day he told the builder the history of the little chapel, and Mr. CARLEY rode over with Frank to see the place. He said "I will put up a permanent building for £100". The people were very serious because they were all poor, but they prayed in faith, and the new brick building began to materialise. They built all round the little wooden Chapel, and put on the roof without disturbing the Sunday Services or the week-evening prayer meeting. The pulpit was put in the new Chapel, and the very hard seats. The same windows were used but made a little longer. Mr. Coxeter continued his ministry, and baptised not a few. I was baptised with my sister, Emily, and two other girls on May 20th 1893.

The Sunday School was carried on by the Superintendent, with a few helpers. Mr. Frank Grimwood remained with the cause until he moved away to London. In 1898 he became my own dear life partner, and we lived happily together for sixty-one and a half years, when on November 4th 1959 God took him suddenly from my side far beyond the reach of tears and sorrows.

Mr. Coxeter had passed on some years earlier. He died in his beloved Chapel while conducting a service. Mr. W. PRIOR, who had been such a help to the cause, carried on the work, but the long journey from Reading, coupled with a very delicate wife, made him retire. Then it was carried on by various members and friends until they passed to the other side.

Now I believe a gentleman belonging to the Newbury Baptist Church is engaged in the work there at Bucklebury Slade. In our days we used Gadsby's Hymns in the services, and a very dear little hymnbook in the Sunday School called Gems of Song.

That is how it came about that a Baptist Chapel was built in Bucklebury Slade, which has been a great blessing to many.

[NOTE: This interesting story was sent to us (The Gospel Herald) by

MRS. ROSE GRIMWOOD, the widow of the late Pastor Frank Grimwood. She describes herself as the only one who can now recall the events here related, and we are grateful to her for this record of an age that now seems far removed from our own.]

(NOTE: Rose Grimwood lived from 1877 – 1965 and recorded her memories in a booklet which will, hopefully, be published in future copies of The Oaks. Helen Relf)

First-class delivery for postie Mark

When popular postie Mark Godfrey tied the knot this summer he was delivered a first-class surprise by grateful customers on his round in Bucklebury village.

They collected £333 towards a wedding gift for Mark and his bride Renata who were married on July 11th at Heron's Farm, Buckhold, near Pangbourne.

Mark, who was also given a gift by customers in The Slade, was thrilled to be picking up the post on his last round as a single man. He said: "I've been overwhelmed by everyone's kindness and their generosity and we are both very grateful. I'm extremely lucky to have such a lovely bunch of people on my delivery!"



Postie Mark with some Bucklebury villagers.

Walk: Byles Green - Miles Green – Turner's Green – Hopgood's Green

This is a lovely walk in February / March due to the numerous snowdrops through Byles Green.

From The Memorial Hall car park turn left and cross the road to take the footpath on the right after Morton's Lane and before Three Crowns Cottage. Follow path across the fields to Byles Green turning left by Byles Green Farm and following the track to the road. Turn left and follow the road down the hill to the bend (*lots of snowdrops along here and known locally as The Ups & Downs*) – and take the Byway (*wide lane*) on the right leading down the hill (*make sure you don't go too far down the road or you will miss this path*) and then immediately left down a narrow

Bridleway.

Continue to the end when another path joins from the right, over a small stream and up the hill past Miles Green House on the right (*can be muddy*). Take the right hand lane to the road – turn left and immediately right (*Bridleway*) and then immediately left following the path parallel to the road. Bear right at cross paths towards Turner's Green and turn right again at the lane. (*Note the plinth on the green opposite commemorating George Lailey, Bow! Turner, who had his hut on this site for many years*).

Continue on down the hill past Furze Cottage, Camplin's Cottage and Underwood Cottage (*this path can be wet and muddy!*). Turn left at the T-paths past a pond on your right and keep straight on. Ignore the first small path on the left, cross the path, which leads to Briff Farm, and continue up until Hopgood's Cottage on the right hand side and then turn left on to Fanny's Lane.

Continue on the road until you see the car park on your right – take the Bridleway to the left opposite this car park. Continue across the common heading south until reaching the main lane, cross over and follow the left hand path of two down the hill back to Turner's Green.

Continue up the road and straight over the crossroads past the large oak tree and The Blitz on the right. Go over the next crossroads to Byles Green, past the buildings on the left hand side (*can anyone tell me the history of these buildings?*) and cottages on the right. Continue up the hill, round sharp bend and past Byles Green Farm again on the right. Further on take the narrow path (By Way) on the right to join a track and follow this back to the start.

Helen Relf

West Berkshire Countryside Society

The events below give you the opportunity to come out on practical tasks, learn new skills, meet new people and, above all, enjoy yourself. The tasks usually begin around 10am and finish by 3pm but you are very welcome to come for as much time as you wish to give during these hours. Please wear suitable footwear and clothing, and bring a packed lunch if you are coming for the full day. Hot drinks are usually provided, as are the necessary tools. For further information please see the website - www.westberkscountryside.org.uk.

Saturday 11th October 10.00am Bucklebury Common. SU550 688.

Heathland Management. Join the Bucklebury Heathland Group to help maintain this important heathland habitat. Parking at Angels Corner SU550 688.

Sunday 19th October 2.00pm Down the Pang.

A 7km (4.5mile) walk. Starting and finishing at Rushall Manor Farm. SU584 723

Join Gordon Patterson to look at the Blue Pools and the river to Bradfield and the fields and woods back to the Black Barn. There are two short hills on this walk and surfaces can be uneven and muddy.

Tuesday 28th October 10.00am Bucklebury Common. Heathland management. SU550 688

Join the Bucklebury Heathland Group with their habitat management. Parking at Angels Corner SU550 688.

Tuesday 4th November 10.00am Kents Down Farm, Coxs Lane, Midgham. SU547676

Woodland management. Parking at the farm.

Sunday 9th November 10.00am Bucklebury Common. SU550 688.

Join the Bucklebury Heathland Group to help maintain this important heathland habitat. Parking at Angels Corner SU550 688.

Tuesday 11th November 10.00am Bucklebury Meadows. SU 543 687

Help plant new hedge whips. Parking in Mortons Lane by the sub-station not in the Cottage Inn car park.

Saturday 15th Nov 10.00am Bucklebury Common. SU550 688.

Heathland Management. Join the Bucklebury Heathland Group to help maintain this important heathland habitat. Parking at Angels Corner SU550 688.

Contributions

Material to appear in The Oaks should be sent neatly typed for scanning or as a word-processor document (e.g. MS Word), attached to an e-mail and sent to "lindy.clarke@live.co.uk". Don't worry about layout as it will be re-formatted to the house-style. Please supply any pictures or artwork as separate files, as they are not usually recoverable from word processor files and don't forget to include captions for the pictures.

All contributions appertaining to the Parish are very welcome but the Parish Council reserves the right to adapt or omit submissions.

The deadline for submissions is the 20th of the month prior to publication.

Wynne Frankum

Parish Diary Dates

October

6th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
11th	Bucklebury Heathland Group	10.00am	Angels Corner.
11th	Common Clearing	2.00pm	Meet at the Memorial Hall.
13th	Bucklebury Parish Council	7.45pm	The Memorial Hall.
14th	TLC - Holistic talk	7.30pm	The Oak Room.
19th	Walk - "Down the Pang"	2.00pm	Rushall Manor Farm.
20th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
27th	Planning Committee	8.00pm	The Victory Room.
28th	Bucklebury Heathland Group	10.00am	Angels Corner.

November

3rd	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
4th	Woodland Management	10.00am	Kents Down Farm, Cox's Lane.
6th	Bucklebury Walkers	10.00am	The Cottage Inn, Upper Bucklebury.
6th	Victory Room AGM	8.00pm	The Victory Room.
9th	Bucklebury Heathland Group	10.00am	Angels Corner.
10th	Bucklebury Parish Council	7.45pm	The Memorial Hall.
11th	West Berkshire Countryside Society	10.00am	Morton's Lane.
11th	TLC - Table Decorations	7.30pm	The Oak Room.
15th	Bucklebury Heathland Group	10.00am	Angels Corner
17th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
24th	Planning Committee	8.00pm	The Victory Room.

December

1st	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
4th	Bucklebury Walkers	10.00am	The Cottage Inn, Upper Bucklebury.
6th	Christmas Tree Festival	1.00pm - 4.30pm	The Victory Room.
8th	Planning Committee	7.45pm	The Memorial Hall.
9th	TLC - Xmas party	7.30pm	The Oak Room.
15th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
22nd	Carols by Candlelight	6.00pm	Cemetery Chapel, Byles Green.
22nd	Planning Committee	8.00pm	The Victory Room.

January

1st	Bucklebury Walkers	10.00am	The Cottage Inn, Upper Bucklebury.
5th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
12th	Bucklebury Parish Council	7.45pm	The Memorial Hall.
13th	TLC - Living in Egypt	7.30pm	The Oak Room.
19th	Mah-Jong	2.00pm - 4.30pm	The Oak Room.
26th	Planning Committee	8.00pm	The Victory Room.

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