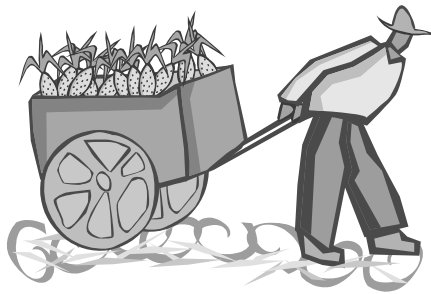


**Oving with  
Pitchcott  
Newsletter**



*October 2004*

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Quilters meeting - renamed Ladies Night see note below

CONTRIBUTIONS

Please let me have contributions for the November Newsletter  
by Monday 11th October

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Many thanks, Valerie Adams, 12 The Pightle, Oving 640296  
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Methodist Services	
03-Oct	Rev'd A. Varker
10-Oct	At Parish Church
17-Oct	Mr T. Stewart
24-Oct	At Parish Church
31-Oct	Rev'd A. Varker

LADIES NIGHT  
(Quilting, stitching, knitting  
or whatever takes your  
fancy)

The next meeting will be on  
Wednesday 13th October  
Newcomers welcome  
Call Val on 640296 for info  
7:30pm till late

**Whitchurch Combined School**

This term we welcomed Miss Mitchell onto the staff of the school, having said goodbye to Miss Morgan in July. Everyone at the school would also like to welcome all the new children who have just started, including the eleven "new" children in the Reception Class. This term promises to be as busy as ever with a number of class visits and, of course, numerous sporting fixtures.

Best wishes  
Simon Blore

**Church Nave**

Rachael Watson is working for her Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award.

As part of her Service to the Community she has offered to clean the nave of the Church for 6 months, starting on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

I am sure our present helpers will not object to having some time off!

Thank you Rachael !

**All Saints Church Harvest Supper**

**9<sup>th</sup> October - 6.30 to 8.30 pm**

**Entertainment**

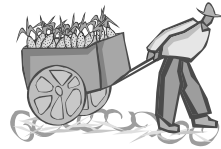
**Delicious food**

**Adults £4.00**

**Children £2.50**

**Family Ticket (2+2) £11.00**

**For Tickets call Tessa Baker 641301**



**All Saints Church Oving**



**Quiz Night**



**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2004**

**The Black Boy, Oving 7.30 pm**

**Tickets (£7.50) from Linda Nicholls (641209)  
or any PCC member**

**Sunday School - October**

**Sunday School will be held on the 10th and 24th October at the  
Parish Church between 11.00 – and 12.00.**

**We welcome all children between the ages of 5 – 11.**



**If you would like more information then please contact  
Jeremy Shields on 641020.**

## NEW BEGINNINGS

Dear Friends,

I feel I can begin my first letter addressing you as friends simply because of the warmth of the welcome we have already received – it has been fantastic and Heidi and I are most grateful. As you can imagine, the last few weeks have been very busy as we have made the transition from the frozen north to the much warmer south, though I have to say that it isn't any less wet! Boxes are pretty well unpacked, though the garage is still full of clutter. As I write, a couple of weeks before the licensing, I am looking forward to starting work here in the Schorne Team - new opportunities, new challenges and, above all, a new start.

There is a real sense in which we all face a new start. Many of you will be wondering just what I am like, just what I might bring to the post and there is a part of me which is wondering exactly the same. I was ordained some fifteen years ago and worked as a Curate in the Diocese of Chelmsford. Those of you who know the London tube map will know the name Upminster, it's at the eastern end of the District Line. From there I went to Durham Cathedral as Precentor and Sacrist, responsible to the Dean and Chapter for organising all liturgy. After just more than five years at the cathedral I moved to Ryhope, a curious place in many ways. It is an area of significant deprivation and yet has three or four farms within the parish.

I spent seven years there and now ..... we're here!

Heidi has worked as a shepherd in this country and in Zimbabwe before all the terrible trouble started there. Then she changed career to marketing working for The Royal International Air Tattoo at RAF Fairford in Gloucestershire and then, when she moved north, for the Sunderland International Airshow and The Tall Ships Race 2005 event in Newcastle.

And we bring the three girls! What can I say about them? Green Acres Close will certainly be noisier than it has been; they all seem to have boundless energy, which runs out long after ours has. No doubt they will, in time, make their own mark on the Team.

So, as I have said, an exciting new beginning for me, for the family and, for all of us. Please don't think I will be coming in to bring huge changes in the next few weeks - I hope that we can take time together to look at what God is calling us to do over the next few months, to consider, for example, Martin's suggestion made in last month's magazine, and then to move on as God's family in this place.

The Rectory might be slightly off the beaten track but the kettle is usually hot so please feel free to call in. The phone number is 01296 641606 – so if you need me, please call.

With my very best wishes.

David

## **QUAINTON WEA [Workers Education Ass:]**

Our new season's classes have long been selected and we start the first of three courses we have to offer this coming autumn and winter with Art.

### **SPANISH ART:**

Starting on 7th October [Thursday] 8.pm-9.30pm for six weeks Susan Trotman is a tutor we have had in the past and has proved to be very popular with the group, her enthusiasm and knowledge is very inspiring. We will be looking at six influential artists, El Greco, Velazques, Melendez Goya, Picasso, and Miro, studying their work, lives and the influence they had on Western Art. Course Fee will be £24 Venue for this still to be arranged.

### **RAILWAYS-STEAM REVIVAL**

This second course is a follow on from the course last year, same Tutor, Roger Bowen, same venue, the very popular Quainton Station. [Worth coming to see the new Rewley Road station] This will, as last year, be a day course on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 10am to 4pm. Roger will take us through the story of the steam railway to its decline in the 1950's. Course fee is £17

### **LITERATURE COURSE [afternoon's]**

Prize Winning Novels is the title of our last one and again we are pleased to welcome the return of Indrani Gleave, a tutor who has visited us many times. We have three novels to read prior to coming on the course, which will be starting on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2005 Tuesdays at 2pm -3.30pm for 6 weeks. Course fee, £24 this will be held in a member's home. Plenty of time to get these three novels read before then.

### **Reading List:**

1. The True History of the Kelly Gang. by Peter Carey
2. The God of Small Things. By Arundhati Roy
3. The Stone Diaries by Carol Shields

I will endeavour to place some WEA booklets in your local Post office where all the above information will be, along with other branch courses on offer. Please contact me for more information and/or to enrol for one of the above courses.

June Hanson Tel 01296 655249

### **Green Scene: What the Inspector said....**

The report from the Examination in Public into the Milton Keynes and South Midlands Sub-Regional Strategy (MKSM) came out a few weeks ago. It contained encouraging recommendations in terms of sustainability, but little to rejoice about in terms of housing numbers. Mind you, many people endorse sustainability until they realise that it usually costs more to build well-insulated homes, add rainwater collection tanks and solar panels or provide public transport in quantity. The new residents of Aylesbury will need some 28,000 new jobs and it remains a mystery how such a quantity will be lured to this area rather than London and elsewhere. If more congestion is to be avoided, these jobs need to be as local as possible so that people can walk, cycle or use public transport to get there rather than commute long distances.

So what did the Inspector say to give us some crumbs of comfort? The Inspector did recommend that the scale of housing growth should be scaled down after 2016 and reviewed. Probably the biggest limitation on this scale of housing growth is the fact that there just isn't enough water or wastewater facilities locally post 2011. Thames Water will need to be funded to build new treatment plants and these could take a decade to build. At the inquiry Thames Water actually explained that water might need to be pumped three times, something that has never been done in any other area.

The recommendations of the Inspector were that Aylesbury should accommodate a total of 14,100 new dwellings over the period 2001-2021 and other parts of Aylesbury Vale District should provide for a further 3,300 new dwellings up to 2016. Development should maximise the use and re-use of land within the urban area and new and enhanced public transport systems should be provided. The Chiltern Line should be extended to Berryfield and Aylesbury should be connected to the East-West Rail route from Bicester to Bletchley. The latter, as far as I know, seems no nearer to becoming a reality despite much enthusiasm for its return.

Two separate Delivery Vehicles have been set up in Aylesbury Vale to help implement this huge expansion. Explained in July's District Link was the makeup of the Delivery 2031 group, consisting of 17 representatives, which disappointingly has been created behind closed doors. There is a second body called the Vision 2031 which has about 60 members drawn from the private, public and voluntary sector. This group will oversee and feed in to the Delivery 2031 group's work – Aylesbury Vale Friends of the Earth being one such member. How democratic this whole delivery machine will be remains to be seen, but rest assured that I shall keep you informed. With the whole planning system moving away from local people, this growth plan could just be steam-rolled through by John Prescott using a few local puppets and some big housing developers! Oh dear...I do sound cynical!

Ricky Gershon

Aylesbury Vale Friends of the Earth

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## Oving's Church...

### Your Church

Oving church is important to virtually everyone living in the village. Even if they are not churchgoers, most people cannot fail to admire the building and be interested in its history. All Saints' Church, Oving has stood where it is for centuries, serving the village community as a whole. It is a building that is regularly visited and admired by people coming from far and wide. They appreciate the historical tradition and the well-kept churchyard (one of the best in the area), but most of all they appreciate the peace and solitude of the church itself.

For me however, the church is the living witness of the history of Oving. It's been here longer than almost any other building and is the centre of the village for many. Indeed some would consider the village a much poorer place without it. Could you imagine the village without the church?

If you've never been inside, please do visit. It doesn't matter if you are not particularly religious, or if you are of a different faith, you will be made very welcome. It is unfortunate that in this day and age we have to keep it locked for most of the time. I wish we could leave the church open all day, everyday, but we cannot. However please telephone me (or any Parochial Church Council member) and we would be delighted to let you in. The building is a living reminder of the history of Oving and it is an extremely interesting place to visit.

Obviously, it is an active church and as such regular services are held, including weddings, baptisms, confirmations and funerals. Most importantly, All Saints' church is for everyone who lives or works in the village - for the whole village.

Sadly, it is a simple fact of life that any building needs maintenance and Oving church is no exception. At the moment stone masonry needs urgent repair, the wall alongside the public footpath is beginning to collapse and guttering needs urgent attention. Just recently thieves stole approximately 40 stone paving slabs from the pathway outside the main entrance and this now needs urgent attention. In addition to these problems, the main gates have collapsed and will have to be replaced.

All of this maintenance and repair work is in addition to the general running costs of the building, which are escalating all the time. If the church is to survive it desperately needs help – your help.

Several villagers have expressed a willingness to help with the replacement of both the path and gates, either with materials, manpower or financially. Quotes are being obtained for the path and the gates and as soon as the Church Council have made a decision, everyone who has kindly offered support will be contacted.

We are extremely grateful for all the offers of assistance but we need more. We especially need financial help and any donations will most gratefully received no matter how large or small they might be. The church is important to our village and it needs your support so, even if you don't feel able to make a donation, please consider coming along and joining in one or more of the following events.

Saturday 9th October

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Wednesday 3rd November

Harvest Supper

Churchyard clear up

Church quiz in The Black Boy

*Linda Nicholls, Treasurer/Fabric*  
01296 641209/07763 009828

**[www.all-saints-oving.org.uk](http://www.all-saints-oving.org.uk)**

## 1ST GRANBOROUGH SCOUT GROUP

1st Granborough Scout Group has a thriving Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop and we are fortunate to have a dedicated team of Leaders for all sections supported by an Executive Committee. This team provides a wide range of fun and educational activities for nearly 60 members across the three sections. It is worth remembering that all the Leaders are volunteers, willingly giving of their own free time.

However, change in Leaders' circumstances and work patterns means we need to look for new Leaders if we are to continue to provide an active challenging programme for our young people.

After leading the Scout Troop for some 5 years, Trevor Jenkins will be unable to continue running the Troop after 30th September 2004. I should like to thank him for all he has done with the Scouts over those years.

We therefore, need a new Scout Leader for the Troop to continue. I am sure that within the Beaver Cub and Scout families of Granborough Group, there are potential Leaders. All we need are 2 Leaders for the Scout Troop.

The major commitment of a Leader is to attend the weekly meeting, how much extra you do is entirely up to you. There is training and support available and the rest of the Leader Team will be on hand to offer guidance, advice and support.

If we do not find new Leaders for the end of September, meetings of the Scout Troop will be suspended until new Leaders are found. If no Leadership team can be found, we will, reluctantly, have to consider the future of the Scout Troop.

If you would like to know more about being a Scout Leader, please call me on 01296641473. Please talk to family, friends and neighbours and encourage anyone who expresses an interest to contact me.


**SHEILA LODGE, GROUP SCOUT LEADER  
1ST GRANBOROUGH SCOUT GROUP**



*Food for Thought*

You probably wouldn't worry about what people think of you if you knew how seldom they do

*Olin Miller*





**Thursday**  
7th October  
7:30 pm

**Venue:**  
Mulberry Flat  
Church Lane  
Oving

**Telephone**  
Jo - 641644

Meets every 1st  
Thursday of the  
month.

**Future dates:**  
4th November  
2nd December

**Quanton New Memorial Hall**  
**Fundraisers**

In the mood for some fun and activity?  
Come and join us, and the lively 'Pump Action Band' at our autumn Barn Dance to be held on  
Saturday Evening  
9th October in  
Waddesdon Village Hall  
Tickets will be available from  
Venetia 655758 and  
Quanton Village Store  
Ticket price includes a supper  
£10 adults, £8 children  
before Monday 4th October  
thereafter  
£12 adults and £10 children



**Vale Cycle Training (VCT)**

Learn to cycle with confidence on road

Have you been meaning to arrange some cycling lessons but just haven't got round to it? Would you like to feel more relaxed about letting your child cycle around locally? I am a Nationally Accredited Cycling Instructor living in Oving and currently the only one in Bucks. My trainees, especially adults, often say to me "I didn't know there was so much to cycling." A cyclist has to be even more alert and communicative than a motorist. Cycling is fun and keeps you fit and it also gives children independence.

Whether you are a complete novice or refreshing your skills, I can teach you and your children how to cycle in safety and with confidence on-road. I'm offering an introductory half price hour's lesson for £10 up to the end of November for Whitchurch and Oving residents.

I also have specific cycle training packages for schools, businesses and organisations. For further information please get in touch: Tel: 640967

Email: ricky@greatexplanations.co.uk

Ricky Gershon B.Ed.Hons M.Sc.

## SCHORNE TEAM CHURCHES

Date	Granboro'	N.Marston	Oving	Dunton	Hoggeston
<b>03-Oct</b>	8:00 HC/PB				
<b>Trinity 17</b>		10:00 FS/UM	11:00 +B Harvest		
<b>Green</b>	6.00 1st Sunday		6: 00 UM		6:00 Harvest
<b>10-Oct</b>					
<b>Trinity 18</b>	11.00 FC	9:30 Harvest			
<b>Green</b>			6: 00 ES		
<b>17-Oct</b>					
<b>Trinity 19</b>		9.30 FC	11:00 FC		11:00 MS
<b>Green</b>	6:00 ES		6: 00 UM		
<b>24-Oct</b>					
<b>Last Trinity</b>	11.00 FS	9:30 HC			
<b>Green</b>			6:00 HC		
<b>31-Oct</b>	8.00 HC/PB				
<b>4 b/f Advent</b>		9:30 FC			
<b>Red</b>	<b>TEAM SERVICE - TAI</b>				

Notes: HC = Holy Communion /PB = Prayer Book 1662  
 FC = Family Communion MS = Matins  
 ES = Evensong FS = Family Service  
 UA = United Service at the Parish Church  
 UM = United Service at the Methodist Church  
 +B = With Baptism  
 Other services according to Common Worship

### Clergy:

Rev. Andy Bell	670298	Rev. David Meakin	641606
Rev. Martin Partridge	655237	Rev. Liz Welters	655069
Janet Bayly	670245		

Holy Communion is celebrated each Thursday at Weeden Schoolroom at 10.00am.

# Services for October

Hardwick	Whitchurch	Quainton	Waddesdon	Westcott	Winchendon
9:30 HC/PB	11:00 Harvest		11:00 Harvest	9:30 HC/PB	
		6:30 HC			
			8:00 HC/PB		
	11:00 FS	9:30 FS +B			9:30 Harvest
6:00 Harvest		6:30 Harvest		6:00 Harvest	
		8:00 HC/PB			
9:30 HC	11:00 FC		11:00 FS	9:30 FC	
		6:30 ES			
	8:00 HC/PB				
9:30 FS at Weedon	11:00 MS	9:30 FC	11:00 UM		9:30 MS
		6:30 ES			
9:30 HC	11:00 FC		11:00 FC		

**ZE WORSHIP - QUAIN TON - 6:30**

<b>ROTAS</b>						
	03-Oct	10-Oct	17-Oct	24-Oct	31-Oct	07-Nov
11.00 am	Harvest Family Service	Sunday School	Family Communion	Sunday School		Family service
Sidesmen	T.Baker N.Shields	D.Midwinter R.Goss	C.Jenner J.Goss	S.Hodges A.Williams		C.Roberts H.Bowen
Readers at 6.00pm	United at Chapel E.Corbett	T.Cleaver 2 Timothy v 8-15	United at Chapel H.Bowen	J.Peeters Joel 2, 23-32 H.Parrott Luke 18, 9-14	Team Taize at Quainton 6:30pm	United at Chapel M.Ponsford
Chancel	M.Hodges	N.Law	N.Law	C.Roberts	C.Roberts	J.Brunswick
Nave	S.Berriman					
Porch and Bins	S.Taylor	J.Peeters	R.Smith	P.Berriman	D.Smith	D.Goss