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NEWSLETTER

*Christmas
2005*

Boxing Day is the Worst

On Boxing Day last year, the Tsunami engulfed the property and lives of so many in South East Asia. At lunchtime, a couple whose son was on a diving holiday in the Andaman Islands came to see me fearing the worst. Who can forget the terrible pictures of the tidal waves lashing the coast and the utter devastation that followed. Did the pictures move you? Did you give something to the disaster appeal? Did you reflect on the fragility of life?

Since then we have seen, Hurricane Katrina and her ugly sisters make their way up the Gulf of Mexico, the people of Northern Pakistan were shaken to breaking point, so many natural disasters following one upon the other.

This year we saw how stressful times have a way of exposing the best and worst of human nature. At a more mundane level, being closeted together with our nearest and dearest for 72 hours from Christmas Eve to Boxing Day can test the patience of the most loving family to breaking point. It is always on Boxing Day that I get busy picking up the pieces.

But take heart. The couple that feared their son lost discovered many days later that he was alive. The wonderful response of the British public to the disaster appeals has transformed the lives of those who imagined all was lost. Despite the worst that Mother Nature could do, the power of the human spirit to love and be loved is greater.

At Christmas we remember how, when all seemed lost, a small baby born in the ever divided and sorrowing town of Bethlehem taught mankind that the power of love is greater than anything this world, natural or otherwise, can throw at us. Jesus did not stay a baby, he grew up, showed how life should be lived, taught amazing truths, died for the sins of the world and rose again to a new and everlasting existence, which he calls us to join by faith in his name.

Some world, some present, some God!

Tim Harper
Rector of Amersham with Coleshill



News from All Saints'

Harvest Supper

A full house on the 7th October enjoyed the usual good company at the Harvest Supper. Our thanks go to Pat Dawson, who with Chris George, Ruth Murphy, Liz Radclyffe, and Rosie Searles, provided the excellent meal.

Harvest Gift Day

The Parish Gift Day was held on the 2nd October with the aim of putting the finances of St Mary's and All Saints' back on track. The results exceeded all expectations, the total (including Gift Aid rebate) reaching the sum of £40,774, which will make it possible for All Saints' to replenish its reserves.

Reading in Public

The congregation at All Saints' are hoping for a miraculous improvement in the standard of Bible Readings during services. On the 17th October Stan Pretty, who recently was responsible for producing both the Martyr's Play and the Passion Play, held a coaching session for readers. This was at St Mary's, but we hope for a repeat at All Saints' in the New Year. This should inspire us to project our words and meaning more effectively.

Chris Wege

Honorary Secretary - All Saints' Church Committee

Holy Baptism

Sunday 11th September 2005 – Zuko Mankazana

Sunday 9th October 2005 – Megan Ullman and Merrie Wells

Holy Matrimony

Saturday 24th September 2005 – Nicola Dahler and Darren Pacey

Saturday 24th September 2005 – Joanne Robertson and Wayne David

Saturday 3rd September 2005 - Lisa Cookson & James Ullman

You can find out more about All Saints' Coleshill by going direct to our



All Saints' Charity

A Cookery Demonstration was held in Coleshill Village Hall on Friday 21st October. This was organised by Megs and Luisa of Meluki in Beaconsfield. Unfortunately, because it clashed with half term for some, it was not as well attended as we had hoped. However it was an entertaining morning and raised a profit of £471 for the Rosanna Hospital in Kurdistan.

We are planning our next event for the end of February and, as soon as we have fixed the date and decided what it will be, we will let you know. I think I can assure you that it will be something interesting and well worth supporting!

Patsy Wright-Warren
01494 433356



Mr & Mrs Scarecrow made by pupils from Coleshill School



All Saints' Church Flowers

After all the action at the Flower Festival at the beginning of May, the Flower Group has coasted through the summer with a sprinkling of weddings to Harvest Festival, when you may have been surprised to be greeted in the church porch by Mr and Mrs Scarecrow and some very scary animals made out of vegetables! These were the creations of the village school under the guidance of Catherine Watts assisted by Jane Stainer. There were also very realistic baskets of vegetables made out of modelling clay so the porch looked very colourful indeed. Thank you and well done to everybody. The inside of the church, decorated by the grown-ups, looked very good too, and John Savory kindly provided the Harvest Loaf!

The next major effort will be decorating the church for Christmas starting with the Christingle service on December 11th. This year look out for a brand new stable which Jack Haubner has very kindly constructed as the other was literally on its last wormwoody legs, and figures which Annie Gunning has given new coats (of paint) where necessary. Many, many thanks to them both.

A fund raising event will be organised in the New Year but donations to All Saints' Church Flower Fund are welcome at any time as flowers for the pedestals in church are naturally costly.

If you would like to join our Flower Group you would be very welcome. We are a very friendly bunch! Just give me a ring.

Catherine Green
01494 724922



Red Lion

As we approach the festive season we confirm we will be open as normal for drinks from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. on Christmas Day. The Boxing Day golf tournament will commence from Pools Patch with Jonathan Eardley as starter from 10.30 a.m. We will be closed in the evening on both Christmas and Boxing Day. Nothing special has been arranged for New Years Eve, but all are welcome to a complimentary buffet (hot & cold) and a glass of champagne at midnight.

Our various teams are having mixed fortunes at present. Having won the 1st division last year in the Crib and Dominoes league, we are languishing firmly at the foot of the table at present. However we have progressed to the quarter-finals of the Knock-out Cup, a competition we have yet to win. The 'B' darts team were promoted last year to join the 'A's in the 1st division and both teams are holding their own mid-table. Finally the 'A' quiz team, after being demoted last year slightly unexpectedly, are unbeaten at the top of Division 2. The 'B' team who were promoted to Division 1 are finding the going fairly tough and are yet to win a match, although in fairness they have to date played against the stronger teams.

Anybody who is interested in playing in any of the teams only has to ask and I am sure we can find a place for them.

Christine and I wish all our customers a very Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

John Ullman



You can find out more about the Red Lion by going direct to our web page on the Village website at www.coleshill.org/red_lion.htm

Parish Council

As I write this piece for the Village Newsletter the signposts are being placed, which will show the new speed restrictions that are coming into force throughout Coleshill. It has been a very long and laborious task for the Councillors on Coleshill Parish Council, who have worked closely with Buckinghamshire County Council, to achieve the correct speed limit restrictions for our Village. The hope is that the new restrictions will diminished the racing through the village from drivers trying to dodge traffic jams on the main road, and in doing so make Coleshill's roads a safer place to walk and drive.

Chiltern District Council are placing all planning applications online from December 2005, this should in time make it easier to view applications and also make it more convenient to study them, as villagers won't have to go to the planning dept at CDC to see proposed plans.

The Parish Council has had the new sign and plinth placed at the cricket meadow now renamed 'Jack Adams Field'.



The Parish Council meeting have been well attended this year by members of the public and it is always useful for the Councillors to hear your comments during the democratic ¼ hour. Sometimes it seems too short a time, but a time limit has to be observed as there is plenty for the Councillors to discuss and decide on during the meeting. The speed limit and planning applications always take time to explain as well as the ongoing discussion of the purchasing and installing of new equipment for the play-area at Hill Meadow. Our Village website has the minutes of the Parish Council meetings so if you can not come to the meeting you can keep up to-date by reading the minutes on coleshill.org. Also if in between meetings you need to contact the Parish Council please email me on susansmith@coleshillvillage.wanadoo.co.uk

and I can pass your questions on to the appropriate Councillor.

The dates for the Parish Council meetings for 2006 are as follows:-

Thursday 12th January, Tuesday 14th March, Tuesday 16th May (Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council and Council meeting), Tuesday 18th July, Tuesday 12th September, Tuesday 14th November.

Susan Smith
Clerk to the Parish Council

Coleshill Common

Working Parties will re-start in the New Year, and the following dates have been arranged:

January	Sat.	7 th	10.00 am
	Sun.	22 nd	10.30 am
February	Tues.	7 th	10.00 am
	Sat.	25 th	10.00 am
March	Tues.	14 th	10.00 am
	Sat.	25 th	10.00 am

All are welcome to come and join us for all or any of these sessions. Work will start with clearance of undergrowth opposite Jubilee Cottages on Barracks Hill. Hope to see you there! Further information from Chris Wege (tel 724152).

Chris Wege

Tennis Club

By the time you have your Newsletter, the AGM would have taken place. This year we were able to use our own Clubhouse as the venue, we now have electricity making life much easier!

Our fundraising event, the Barn Dance was very successful, the dancing was extremely energetic and tribute must be paid to the live band, The Kinderhook Band. The musicians of the band and the caller were very professional and enthusiastic.

Tuesday evening Club Play has of course finished for the Winter period but Sunday Club Play continues, commencing at 10:30. If you are new to the Club, thinking of joining us or simply would like to play more often, do come along on Sunday mornings.

The Junior Fun Day and Tournament, a one day event during September was well supported and enjoyed by all who attended. The tournament winners were presented with cups and shields, we hope that this will be a yearly event. Our Junior numbers have increased during the course of this year which is very gratifying.

Happy Winter Tennis to you all, when the winds and rain allow of course.
Happy Christmas Holidays.

Angela Perry



Horticultural Society

As promised in the autumn newsletter, the Committee have been busy on ideas for next year's Diamond Jubilee.

The highlights of our programme for 2006 will be:

Spring

The Spring talk will be held on Friday April 28th in the Village Hall. Our speaker will be Timothy Walker – back by popular demand after his entertaining and informative talk this Spring. More details in the next newsletter.

We will also be holding a Bring and Swap plant sale in the couple of hours prior to the talk, similar to the one we held this year as part of the May Bank Holiday Flower Festival. I'll remind you again in the next newsletter, when you might be in the process of dividing perennials.

Summer

We hope that the green triangles at each end of the village will be blooming. We are working on a low maintenance planting plan that will give some interest throughout the year.

The other idea is to have an 'Open Gardens' day in late June – limited to residents of the village only. We hope to be able to offer a wide range of different types of gardens for people to look at and get ideas from, and if you would be interested in opening your garden, please let me know. We also hope that the children will be planting containers to make a display in the centre of the village over this weekend.

Autumn

The 60th Annual Show will take place on Saturday September 9th.

We will not be changing the classes substantially from this year's show, and we obviously hope that as many people as possible will participate in this landmark year.

Tea and cakes will be available!

The childrens' workshops will also be continuing – the next one is planned for February - details from Sarah Parker on 432983

I would also like to welcome Peter Ellingham onto the Committee – as you can see, we will be grateful for the extra help!

Heather Auton
Chairman



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Christmas Greetings to all Friends in the

David & Jan Atkinson

Heather & Frank Auton

Kate, Tony & Pauline Barber

John & Rita Bennett

Nigel & Sue Bilderbeck

Peter & Jennifer Brock

Julie Burton

Peter & Petrina Clackett

Nancy Collier & Chris King

Penny, Ken & Edward Crossley

Jean & Leslie Croydon

Pat, John & Fiona Dawson

Andrew & Joan Domín

Barbara & Peter Dodds

Jonathan & Lindsey Eardley

Tom & Sandra Ellison

Pat & Jack Emblow

Janice & Stephen Foster-Jones

Peter & Eileen Gershon

Catherine & Howard Green

The Gajadharsingh Family

Robin Ferguson & Dorothy Gajadharsingh

Denis Hall

David & Sharon Hall & Family

Derek & Heather Hollamby

Jack & Lindsey Haubner

Barbara, Bill & Guy Houlton

John & Lavinia Horsbrugh-Porter

John Jefford & Pantip

Florence Krebs

Salisbury 2025
*and Happy New Year
Village from*



Peter & Ann Lawrence

Marjorie Long-Brown

Hilary, Owain, Ella & Oliver McGuire

Henry Maynard & Barbara Tempest

Rosalind Pearce

Terry & Bernice Pethica & Family

Alex & Derek Pond

Kim, Joe, Tanya & Taylor Richardson

Jane & June Stefanovic

Rosie, Matthew, Antonia & Laura Searles

Graham & Dumpy Swerling

Richard & Rosemary Valentine

Chris & Mary Wege

Penny, Dick & Dickon Ware

Patsy Wright-Warren

Patrick & Carolyn Leventon

Mary Machin

David & Ineke McCammon & Family

Ron & Ruth Murphy

Angela Perry & Peter Ellingham

Jean & John Powell

Sinn & Tim Proctor and the ducks

Colin, Gillian, Clare & Fiona Sach

John Savory

Susan & David Smith

Mike, Emily, Harriet & Louis Smith

Sue & Paul Windsor

Jean Whitefield

The Willoughby Family

Phyllis Wright

Licensing Act 2003

This Act comes into force on Monday 21st November 2005 and I am sure many of you will have heard in the press of the horrors of 24 hour binge drinking. Not in Coleshill however! The main differences from the old act are that all licensed premises have to operate under a Premises License which states the hours of opening and the conditions that might apply and a person holding a Personal License has to supervise these conditions. Also, responsibility for licensing matters has passed from the Magistrates to the Local Authority (Chiltern District Council). As Christine and myself are the only two people at present in the village with personal licenses, we have agreed to take responsibility for the licensed premises in the village. There are three of these and a brief synopsis of the licensing position is as follows:-

1) Cricket Club

The license runs exactly the same as under the old act. This means any function cannot continue past 11.30 p.m. with the benefit of alcoholic drinks being served.

2) The Red Lion

We are able to serve drinks now from 10.00 a.m. and during the week (Monday to Thursdays) up to 11.30 p.m. On Friday and Saturday evenings we can stay open until 12.30 a.m. and on Sunday evening until midnight.

3) The Village Hall

Previously the hall was not licensed. Under the act there is a limit of 10 functions a year where alcohol can be sold unless the premises are fully licensed. Therefore the committee wisely applied for a full license which enables functions to take place as before (i.e. ending at midnight) but instead of having to apply to the Magistrates for a license, they have to see me to complete a form and pay a fee of £20 to the Village Hall.

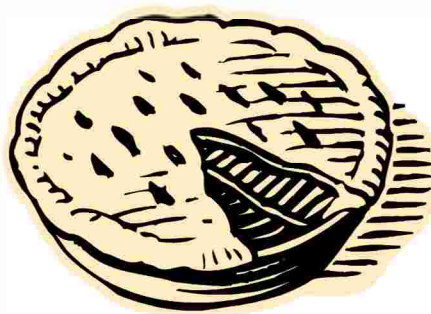
If anyone has any queries on the new act, I will be pleased to try and answer them. In addition there is a very helpful Licensing Department at Chiltern District Council. If any villager wants to have a function where alcohol is to be sold outside the three above places then somebody holding a personal license will have to apply to Chiltern District Council for a 'Special event certificate' and at present the fee is £20.

John Ullman
(727020)

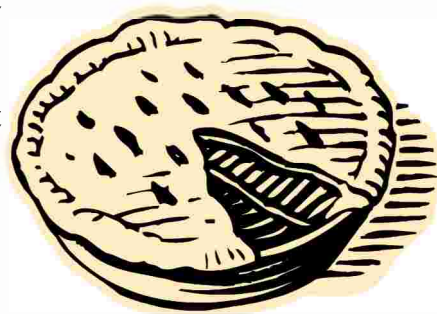
Many thanks to John for being one of the first to act on these new provisions and ensure that events in Coleshill do not run 'dry' in the years to come. The same will not be true for many other locations!



Mini Farmers Market



A Mini Farmers Market will start in the Coleshill Small Village hall. We have savoury pies, fruit pies, cakes, jams, marmalades, Bennett Farm products, Christmas decorations and much more.



The first date is Saturday morning
17th December 2005 from 10 a.m to 1 p.m.

Thereafter, we will try to have a market on a Saturday once a month. More details to follow in 2006.

Anyone who lives in Coleshill who wishes to supply products or produce for sale will be welcomed.

If you are interested, please contact Cynthia 'Sinn' Proctor on 01494-724149 or email sinnlou01@onetel.com for information or enquiries. To make this a success for the village, we need everyone's support.

Village Hall

The Hall has been busy with Children's Parties, Bridge Drives and Fitness Classes.

Planning permission has been granted to build a permanent ramp for access to the Hall.

Unfortunately the present one was damaged on the forecourt and although repaired, kindly by Jack Haubner, it will only be put out when required and due notice has been given.

Once again the Hall will be used for the School's Christmas Bazaar on 19th November and Church Tea following the Carol Service on 18th December.

Ann Lawrence

You can find out more about Coleshill Village Hall by going direct to our web page on the Village website at www.coleshill.org/village-hall.htm



Global Village - Pakistan

Dear All,

Every morning we count the helicopters flying to Muzzafarabad and then returning late afternoon. Regrettably, we count the numbers with fingers, there are just not enough to cope with this disaster but the road to the devastated area has re-opened and the highly decorated trucks trundle north with tents, bedding, shovels, spades, wheelbarrows and plastic containers full of water. Aid is now pouring into the country, together with relief workers, doctors and other specialists from a variety of nations.

The UN has established their headquarters in the Visa Section at the British High Commission so I receive updates from Brigadier Strick, the Dutchman in charge. The news is pretty grim, many of the villages above and around the Kagan Valley have still to be reached, there are increasing incidence of gangrene and tetanus, from wounds remaining untreated and doctors are establishing field hospitals to carry out amputations in an attempt to save lives. The UN say that this is far worse than the tsunami since the area at the epicentre of the quake is so difficult to access. Winter too is on its way. Jumpers and blankets were necessary in the Kagan Valley in September and by November the first snow falls are expected so a desperate battle to airlift people out before the winter closes the area completely.

It is Ramadan so a time for the people of Pakistan to donate generously to the poor. They are doing so with relief centres in every area, fund raising activities galore (casino nights in Pakistan) Many of our Pakistani friends have opened their homes as emergency clinics and convalescent homes, whilst the businessmen of Sialkot have switched from making baseball caps to tents and blankets.

The earthquake continues to dominate our lives here but life goes on. Adam returns to Australia on Tuesday, after an absence of 18 months, to prepare for his return to University. Susannah will stay on here for the time being but has plans to be in Perth after Christmas. Pip and Kirsten are busy booking the next part of their adventure - Lahore, Amritsar, the Taj, Delhi, Mumbai and Goa- whilst Derek and I are off to Thailand at the end of the week for a holiday.

Love and blessings

Alex & Derek Pond
FCO Pakistan



Neighbourhood Watch



I am delighted to report that the village has been very quiet since the last Newsletter. That is, apart from the dreaded fireworks. Adults seem to enjoy them at every opportunity now, whereas they used to be a treat for children on just one, special, day of the year. New regulations mean that they should only be let off after 12 midnight once a year, on New Year's Eve but it is very difficult to police. We were amazed this year, on November 5th, to see how many were being let off in the most congested parts of London, way after midnight, as we traveled through. They must have been letting them off from balconies.

At least, with the arrival of the new speed limits in the village, we might be spared some of the squealing brakes and acceleration noise we have had to put up with recently. One recent speeding car was a stolen vehicle, with a police car in pursuit, which managed to evade the police through Winchmore Hill.

We have received the annual suggestions from the police about fitting timer lights to property if you are going to be home late. Keep curtains pulled – especially if you have presents being wrapped for Christmas. You will not be able to see people looking in but they will be able to see your interiors and what you have worth pinching. Exterior movement lights will show them up. And do make sure children, as well as adults, have bright clothing on, when walking in our gloomy roads. There are many, pocket sized torches available now. Even at 3p.m. I have almost not seen dog walkers on the road until the last moment.

May we wish you a safe, carefree Christmas – but don't leave it to luck!

Jack & Lindsey Haubner

Cricket Club

It is the close season for the cricket club so all the players are taking a well earned rest. The Cricket Club AGM will be held at the clubhouse on the Monday 21st November 2005. New club officers will be elected at the AGM and a full report will be published in the next Newsletter.

Graham Flack



Congratulations - 100 Years

Congratulations to Marjorie Long-Brown who celebrated her 100th birthday on the 21st November 2005. Although not a life-long resident of Coleshill she has lived here in excess of twenty years and is well known in the village. It is believed she is the longest living current Coleshill resident.

I am sure everyone will wish her 'Happy Birthday' on such a splendid occasion and that she enjoys many more years in Coleshill.

Eggheads



Eggheads presenter
Dermot Murnaghan

Susan Smith organised a village quiz team to take part in the BBC EGGHEADS quiz competition.

The team consisting of Susan and David Smith, Dick Ware, Heather Auton, Terry Power and Jim Walker were all interviewed by telephone, attended an audition quiz round and were then filmed at Elstree Studios in competition against the Eggheads.

They are sworn to secrecy about the outcome but they will say it was a great contest. We expect the show to be broadcast on Thursday 1st December 2005 at 6.00pm - but check the weeks listings for any late changes.



Coleshill Stool

John Tissington - who works as an antique furniture restorer with a passion for returning items to their place of origin, has contacted us through the web site.

He has discovered a petit point tapestry footstool of a garden done by a resident of Coleshill House.



On the bottom edge of the tapestry - not clearly visible above it says 'Coleshill House' on the left and on the right K.HEL-Y-HUTCHINSON FECIT'.

The footstool is in nice condition and the tapestry could be removed and mounted if so wished. Frank Auton has several more high definition pictures if anyone wants a closer look.

The owner - Elizabeth Chapman is keen to sell the footstool and would love to see it returned to either family or residents of Coleshill House. She can be contacted by email at elizabeth@mellowmede.com

Greatest Quiz on Earth

The greatest quiz on Earth is to be held on
Friday 2nd December 2005
at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall

Bring Your Own Booze

Tickets £5.00

Available from The Red Lion or call 07768 694526

Make up your own team of eight players
or come on your own and join another team

This is your chance to challenge the Coleshill 'Eggheads Team'

Coleshill Infants School

This term is very busy as usual with many exciting events for the children to enjoy. In September, all the children took part in an art week, learning about the Spanish artist, Antoni Gaudi. A large mosaic dragon was made for the entrance hall and two of our parents worked with the children to make a beautiful ceramic path in the style of Gaudi in our garden. Sixth form students from Chesham High also helped with the project.

The whole school visited Whipsnade Wildlife Park earlier in the term and we had a very happy day looking at the animals and talking to the staff in the education department. It was fun having the opportunity to touch a wriggly snake and see a giant African snail close up. The highlight for some children was riding on the safari double decker bus and seeing all the animals 'from above'.

Harvest Festival took place in October and was well attended by parents and visitors. We sold the harvest produce after the service and the children also held a second hand book sale, which raised £200. The money raised was given to the Neema School in Kenya. Many of the children at the school are orphans and very poor. The school badly needs equipment and the facilities there are very basic, so we were happy to help in the appeal organised by Margaret Williams.

In October the Blunderbus theatre for children group visited the school and gave an excellent production of 'Elmer the Elephant', followed by an exciting workshop for the older children, which was great fun. The 'Brazilian Soccer Coaches' are teaching the children soccer skills every Tuesday afternoon, which is also proving to be very popular.

Our Christmas play this year is 'The Very Hopeless Camel'. We always appreciate an audience for our dress rehearsal, so if you are able to come you will be warmly welcomed on Monday, December 12th at 11.00 a.m. Our end of term service will take place at 11.00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 20th at All Saints Church, which you are also very welcome to attend.

A very happy Christmas from everyone at the school.

Jenny Earp

Ann Davison

Villagers, parents and ex pupils of Coleshill School will be saddened to learn that Ann Davison, who was a teacher at Coleshill School from 1949 and head teacher from 1973 - 1982, passed away on 26th October 2005.



Coleshill W.I.

By the time you read this our November A.G.M. will be behind us and we will be forging onwards with a new committee. It is always difficult to identify people with the energy to find time for committee work and I am very grateful to those who volunteered to help this year saving me the painful business of twisting arms!! After some serious fund-raising efforts this last year our finances are in good shape and our membership is in good heart. We were delighted to have a visitor in September who got in touch through the village web-site, making our attempts to grapple with modern technology well worthwhile.

It seems no time since our last report but, as usual, we seem to have fitted a lot in. Members have visited Wycombe Swan theatre to enjoy the Mikado, Rebecca and Betty Boothroyd. Many of the audience who went to hear what the last Speaker of the House of Commons had to say for herself were amazed to find themselves at a W.I. meeting! The evening was organised by the County Federation as part of their 85th Anniversary celebrations and was hugely appreciated by everyone who was quick enough to get a ticket. Those of us who went to the W.I. half-yearly council meeting in Aylesbury were treated to a performance of 'Yours Truly, C.B.' the life of Charlotte Bronte and later this month some of us are off to Windsor for a shopping expedition followed by a visit to the theatre for an Alan Ayckbourn play. So it has been a theatrical few months, even our last speaker, at the October meeting, was on the subject "The humorous side of being an actor"! It has all been good fun but at the same time educational, especially as opinions are always exchanged in a lively manner after each occasion! This is very much in the tradition of W.I. and long may it continue.

Plans are well advanced for our Christmas lunch party, with rehearsals taking place for an in-house entertainment. This year we have decided to invite a local caterer to provide the meal so that everyone can relax and enjoy themselves, and better still, we shall be free of the clearing up too!

Next years' programme is about to go to the printers, so if you are interested in seeing it then please get in touch. January is the time for New Year's Resolutions, why not make yours to come and visit us. We can promise a warm welcome.

Eileen Gershon

You can find out more about Coleshill WI by going direct to our web page on the Village website at www.coleshill.org/the_wi.htm



Diary Dates

Saturday 19th November	School Christmas Bazaar
Thursday 1st December	Eggheads on TV
Friday 2nd December	Fit Quick Greatest Quiz on Earth
Monday 12th December	School Christmas Concert dress rehearsal
Saturday 17th December	Farmers market
Sunday 18th December	Church Tea following the Carol Service
Tuesday 20th December	School end of term service
Saturday 7th January	Common working party
Sunday 22nd January	Common Working party
Tuesday 7th February	Common Working party
Saturday 25 th February	Common Working party
Tuesday 14th March	Common Working party
Saturday 25th March	Common Working party
Friday 28th April	Horticultural Society Spring Talk
Saturday 9th September	60th Annual Village Show

Bowls Club

I am delighted to say that Coleshill Short Mat have had an unprecedented start to the league season with straight wins over Farwell and Amersham taking maximum points in both games, let's hope it continues.

Coleshill also is proud to have the current English national singles champion within their midst. Steven is going on to play the British Isles championships in Scotland over the weekend of the 19th /20th November and the World championships in the new year, old hat for Steve as he has held the title before of World Champion. We wish him the best of luck and hope to see the trophy. I will keep you informed!

All that aside the club continues to thrive and the membership remains in the low twenties. This is good given the slight lowering of bowls membership generally. Of course we still welcome new faces to a great game.

John Holland



Contact Numbers

Reverend Tim Harper - Rector	724426
Dorothy Potter - Parish Secretary	729380
Dumpy Swerling - All Saints' Pro-Warden	873931
Patsy Wright-Warren - All Saints' Pro-Warden	433356
John Brumwell - Parish Treasurer	724704
Chris Wege - Hon Secretary All Saints'	724152
Catherine Green - Church Flowers	724922
Ruth Murphy - Organist & Choirmaster All Saints'	433539
Frank & Heather Auton - Newsletter	431036
Susan Smith - Clerk Parish Council	724490
Ann Lawrence - Village Hall Bookings	433421
Marianne Holt - Magpie Club & Parish Youth Worker	723793
Jenny Earp - Head teacher Village School	727206
Jack & Lindsey Haubner - Neighbourhood Watch	722589
Eileen Gershon - President Coleshill W.I.	727868
Amanda McCallum - Iain Rennie Hospice at Home	725083
David Smith - Coleshill Horticultural Society	724490
Angela Perry - Secretary Coleshill Tennis Club	721865
Terry Power - Secretary Coleshill Cricket Club	431186
John Holland - Coleshill Short Mat Bowls	729357
John & Chris Ullman - The Red Lion	727020
Chris Wege - Common Management Committee	724152

Parish Councillors

David Hall	Chairman of Parish Council	725231
Richard Valentine	Vice-Chairman of Council	725794
Jan Atkinson	Member of Parish Council	434830
Frank Auton	Member of Parish Council	431036
Tony Barber	Member of Parish Council	722143
John Jefford	Member of Parish Council	433230
Mike Smith	Member of Parish Council	tba

Services in the Parish

St Mary's	8.00 am	Holy Communion
All Saints'	9.00 am	Holy Communion (except 2 nd Sunday)
All Saints' (2 nd Sunday)	10.00 am	Holy Communion
St Mary's	10.15 am	Holy Communion
St Mary's	11.45 am	Matins
All Saints'	6.00 pm	Evensong (1 st Sunday of every month)
St Mary's	6.00 pm	Evensong (except 1 st Sunday of month)

All Saints' Christmas Services

Sunday 11 th December	5 pm	Christingle
Sunday 18 th December	4 pm	Carol Service Followed by tea in the Village Hall
Saturday 24 th December	4 pm	Christmas Eve Crib Service For under 5's
Sunday 25 th December	9 am	Christmas Day Communion

