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From the Editor

I hope you like the picture on the cover. It's of Moorend Common. We were having a picnic with friends on Middle Meadow for my son's birthday in May a couple of years ago. The difference between the weather then and this year is significant and the quote is more an expression of hope than anything else!

There's lots of news in this issue. Find out about how our high street is being revitalised on p26, about the changes at Lane End Surgery on p22 and how the bus service is changing (again!) on p56. Plus there are all the usual updates from the various community groups.

It's a shame Lane End's Jubilee celebrations aren't going ahead, but I know we'll all enjoy the bank holidays. Fingers crossed the weather is kind! Enjoy the summer.

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Temporary Clerks cover

As most of you are probably aware I (Hayley Glasgow) will soon be expecting a little bundle of joy, but don't worry I am leaving the Parish in safe hands.

Sharon Henson will be taking over as temporary Clerk whilst I am on leave. The contact details will remain the same, telephone 01494 437111, email

clerk@laneendparishcouncil.org.uk.

Bus Service

Following the withdrawal of Carousel services 2A and 2C, Bucks County Council have been able to secure a replacement service to operate from Monday 16th April, 2012. (See p56 for details)

This will be operated by Red Eagle, under service number 339, and provides four additional trips for Lane End, as well as a service for Clayhill and between Booker and Lane End.

This temporary timetable will operate until June, at which time we hope a more permanent service to come in to operation. Arriva and Carousel return, weekly and monthly tickets are accepted on this service.

Parish Council Meetings

Below is the list of dates when the Parish Council meets, members of the public are always welcome to attend.

Wednesday 6 June – Sycamore Room, Lane End Village Hall

Monday 2 July – Sycamore Room,
Lane End Village Hall

Monday 6 August – Sycamore
Room, Lane End Village Hall

Monday 3 September – Sycamore
Room, Lane End Village Hall

Monday 1 October – Sycamore
Room, Lane End Village Hall

Tuesday 6 November – (proposed
Budgets for 2013-14 will be re-
viewed) – Cadmore End Village Hall

Monday 3 December – (Precept
will be set) – Sycamore Room, Lane
End Village Hall.

The late Councillor Doug Pullen

It was with great sadness that we heard the news that Doug Pullen passed away on 25/02/12. Doug served on the Parish Council for many years and was a well liked and respected member of the community. Doug held years of knowledge about the Council and the Village, he will be sorely missed.

Welcome

The Parish Council would like to welcome Nigel King as a new Parish Councillor. Nigel lived in Cadmore End for many years and moved to Lane End a few years ago. Nigel studied Civil Engineering and specialised in transportation planning and traffic engineering, working for Councils in London. We are sure Nigel will be a great asset in contributing to the Parish Council.

Lane End plane crash memorial

On Thursday 12 April 2012, 40 students and teachers came over from the Owen Sound Collegiate and Vocational Institute in Canada to pay respects to the whole crew of RF150 including Flying Officer Joseph Watson and Bomb Aimer Curwood Armstrong who attended the OSCVI. The students first visited the site where the plane fatally crashed and then a short memorial was held to remember those involved.



The Photo includes Graeme Coulter (Chairman to LEPC) Bruce James (Chairman to Royal British Legion), Dave Alexander (teacher from OSCVI) and Ryan McManaman (teacher from OSCVI).

Many thanks to Paul Taylor for the photo

I would like to thank those who attended and especially members from the Royal British Legion for taking part in the memorial service. I would also like to thank those who helped on the day, especially Mary Simmons, Ross Osborn, Margaret Scott, Councillors Jane Osborn, Lorraine Smith, Mike Detsiny and Graeme Coulter.

Would you like to become a Parish Councillor?

The Parish Council currently has one vacancy for a Parish Councillor. We advertise vacancies on the Parish noticeboards and website laneendparishcouncil.org.uk. Interviews will be held shortly for this position but if you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please keep checking the noticeboards and website.

The role of a Parish Councillor is an unpaid position which involves working for the local community as one of a team of 11 Councillors. The Parish Council meets on the evening of the first Monday of each month except bank holidays or unless otherwise stated. Any resident over the age of 18 who is able to make a regular commitment is eligible to join the council.

The Parish Council is your first point of call for any issues that concern you to do with Lane End, Cadmore End, Wheeler End, Bolter End and Moor End.

We are here to help.

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Margaret Scott: 881298

Parish Council Chairman's Report

**Report by Graeme Coulter
(abridged by Katy Dunn)**

I would like to thank all members of Council for their enthusiasm, commitment and consistent contribution throughout the course of last year, ably assisted by our Clerk, Hayley Glasgow.

Changes to the Parish Council:

Our longest-serving councillor of 41 years, Doug Pullen, sadly passed away after a long illness. Doug will be greatly missed. He was always able to cut to the heart of issues and his dry sense of humour brought

welcome levity to proceedings.

John Nicolson resigned after leaving to work abroad.

Nigel King has joined the council, but there is still one vacancy remaining.

Finance

Finances remain healthy and the budgeted expenditure was broadly in balance with income. The precept (rates) was not raised for the second year in a row.

In addition to its normal spending in 2011-12, the Parish Council awarded the following

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Review 2011-12

Ditchfield Common—In February 2012 LEPC completed the purchase of Ditchfield Common for £65,000, thanks to the generosity of local residents and businesses.

Wycombe Air Park—In July 2011 LEPC welcomed the decision of Wycombe District Council not to progress the proposed development at Booker Airfield. LEPC was instrumental to the outcome in helping to

found the campaign group, GASP.

Lane End Playing Fields—Tree work was commissioned along with repairs and renovations to the external boundary. From 2012, LEPC has assumed responsibility for the grass cutting.

New Public Right of Way, Edmonds Parade to Village Centre—LEPC secured support from residents (800 signed the petition) and authorities to progress the initiative and Bucks CC are now taking the lead on the project.

Cadmore End School Pedestrian Crossing—Upgraded road surface with red tarmac, new markings and vehicle activated signage. Scheme cost £45,000, LEPC contributed £6500, the School raised £10,000.



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Lighting Improvements to Church Road (Conference Centre to Clinkard Place) - Four additional streets have been installed and are now operational.

Christmas in the Village—the event was well received and supported and plans are already underway for a repeat this year.

Priorities for 2012-13

New Public Right of Way (Edmonds Parade to Village Centre) - there are challenges outside LEPC control, but Bucks CC are now taking the lead. LEPC provisionally put aside £20,000, but this is insufficient to meet the costs involved, LEPC will have to seek additional funding or increase its contribution.

Lane End Playing Fields—Improvement of facilities is a key priority this year. LEPC has already agreed to refurbish the changing rooms and will be looking to enhance the car park and remove the play equipment which is no longer safe to use.

Car parking—LEPC is aware of increasing pressure on the public car parks in Lane End, but expansion of carparking is cost prohibitive and ultimately, the management of existing arrangements lies with Wycombe District Council

Ditchfield Common

A Management Plan is being prepared for the ongoing management and maintenance of Ditchfield Com-

mon. Every effort will be made to ensure that local views are taken into account.

Moorend Common—The contract with Natural England for management works on Moorend Common has now ended, therefore LEPC is exploring alternative funding sources for ongoing maintenance.



Ditchfield Common, bought by the Parish Council for £65,000 in 2012 to safeguard its future for the community

Your Parish Council needs you

The Parish Council has an ambitious agenda for the forthcoming year and has limited resources. A number of initiatives can only be taken forward with the active engagement and support of members of the community.

With this in mind, the Parish Council would welcome offers of support and assistance from anyone who has an interest in any of the initiatives it is seeking to take forward. Please contact the temporary parish clerk Sharon Henson on 01494 437111.

Doug Pullen 1935–2012

Obituary written by David Shufflebotham

Let us never forget “Mr Lane End” who has passed away after gamely fighting a very rare disease for the last four years. A true Lane Ender, Doug was born in Lantern Cottage in the High Street before his family moved into number 1 Church Cottage. After local schooling Doug started his working life at Harris Bakery in the village. Called up for National Service, he found himself in the Catering Corps.

Back in civvy street his brother Bob fixed him up with a blind date to the Royal Tournament. The young lady involved, Beryl, eventually became Mrs Pullen and the couple celebrated their Golden Wedding two years ago. Their early married life was spent at number 2 Church Cottage where they raised their two children, Carole and Mark.

Doug took a job at Elga here in Lane End and in 1971 became a Parish Councillor, a role he maintained until shortly before his death, and one which saw him become Chairman of LEPC for several years. He served as a school governor, enjoying embarrassing Carole and Mark when turning up at school during lessons for his governor visits.

In recognition of 30 years service on the parish council Doug was invited to the Palace to “tea with the Queen”. A very proud moment for this local man.

He was church sexton for many years until ill health forced his retirement from “working for the Lord” as he called it. He loved his job, having ample opportunity to have a gossip with many varied people. His local knowledge became a thing of legend. Ask Doug” was the reply to many a local enquiry.

Taking early retirement at 63, Doug spent his time doing things he enjoyed: his allotment, walking, beating for the local shoot, and holidaying with friends from the village. He was a member of the Royal British Legion as well as the Horticultural Society.

It was in 2008 that he began to struggle with his health. He never complained and took it all on the chin. He still managed the occasional visit to the pub with his grandchildren, but he did cut back a bit on the “low flyers” as he called Grouse Whisky

Amiable, active and outgoing, this local man who loved Lane End will be sadly missed. RIP.

Thefts from graves

Dear Editor

I'm writing to urge people who take things from graves to think about the families who are hurt by their actions.

It's a problem that has been getting worse at Holy Trinity church in Lane End recently. Some friends of mine were due to have twins but the baby boy died at birth. They used to put a little lantern on a green hook by his grave and it gave them comfort to do this small thing for him. Twice it was replaced, three times it was stolen. They've stopped replacing it now.

It may seem a small thing to a passer-by, but it has made a distressed family feel that much worse.

Other things that have gone missing include a tub of flowers, a silver vase of silk flowers, a basket with a planted rose bush and sometimes thieves even dig plants up. Some fuchsias were actually dug out from a grave this spring.

I suspect the thieves sell these things at car boot sales.

Whoever you are, please think twice before taking anything from a grave. It may be a trinket to you, but it could mean so much more to a grieving relative.

A concerned Resident

If anyone sees someone doing this, do not approach the person but if you happen to see them get into a car it might be worth reporting their

registration plate number to the police on their non-emergency telephone number: 101. (Ed)

Dear Miss Glasgow

Bus service

Is anything being done about the bus service now that the 2a/2c service is coming to an end with the present company.

The 340 route does not cover journeys to Asda where some people from Lane End work and shop.

We are constantly being advised to use buses, but it's rather hard when there aren't any.

Lane End Villagers

The Parish Council has been

made aware of the upcoming changes in the bus service.

At the Full Parish Council Meeting on 2nd April 2012 Mike Chadwick from the Stokenchurch and Radnage Community Action Forum attended and asked members of the public which services they considered to matter the most and how often they would prefer them to run. The overall response was the service to Asda on an hourly basis was most important to the community.

Mike has agreed to work alongside Councillor Nigel King to try and resolve the problem. (see p56 for the latest info, Ed)

Thank you for your letter.

Hayley Glasgow, Parish Clerk

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Lane End Players

Report by Eve Berry

Although there won't be a Village Fete this year, the Players are still producing our annual Revue type show for the Summer, with a chunk of the profits going to the Village Hall as usual.

This year it will be 'Just Like a Woman', produced and directed by Catherine Everitt. It will contain a mix of songs and short sketches and as ever, promises to be lots of fun.

Performance dates are Friday 20th and Saturday 21st July at 8pm. Tickets are £10 adults and £7 concessions for both nights and will be on sale from 16th June. They can be bought at the Village Hall on Saturdays (9-30am till 12 noon), email - boxoffice@laneendplayers.com (don't miss out the double 'e' in the middle!!!) or by 'phoning 077064 26320 after that date.

As usual we will be running our own bar, so all you have to do is sit back, relax and enjoy!

Lane End Conservation Group

Report by Margaret Adnitt

The Group has been given a generous gift of £100 which has been spent on the enhancement of the

Harris Garden in the centre of the village. Four new plants have been bought and planted: a New Dawn rose, a Compassion rose, a viburnum and a weigela. We look forward to many years of enjoyment from these blooms and do very much thank Sharon Hopgood, from Penrith, for her very kind gift in memory of her parents.

Many of the older members of the village will remember Sharon's mother and father – Pam and Vic Stratford who lived on Ditchfield Common for more than 30 years, before moving to Cumbria. Pam died in 1993 and Vic just 2 years ago. They both loved Lane End and retained very happy memories of the people, landscape, plants and wildlife.

Our April Action Day was spent mostly in the Harris Garden where much planting and tidying of borders was achieved. A group also did some much needed litter picking

around the village and down Church Road. It would be wonderful if everyone took their litter home, or binned it, so that our time could be spent on more constructive projects.

Lane End Evening WI

Report by Christine Jennings

Our very topical talk for 25 June is "Olympic Games, Past and Present". On 30 July we have a talk entitled intriguingly "No Phones on Saturdays" while in August we are planning to hold a Jubilee Celebration Supper.

Visitors are always welcome to join us on the last Monday of the month in the Sycamore Room at the Village Hall. Meetings start at 8pm.

Royal British Legion

Report by Peter Jennings

There is a busy schedule of events in aid of the Royal British Legion this summer. On Wednesday 20 June there is Rachael's Lunch for RBL members and their friends, where there is also a Bring and Buy sale. Tel 881389 for tickets.



On Saturday 30 June a barbecue is being held at Lord Parmoor's Bessmer Cottage at 6.30pm. The BBQ is open to the public and tickets are £7.50 each in aid of the British Legion. Bring your own drinks.

The weekend of 30 June/1 July is Armed Forces weekend. Many events are being held around the country and a service will be held in its honour on the Sunday at Holy Trinity Church in Lane End.

(www.armedforcesday.org.uk)

Holy Trinity Pastoral Group

Report by Judy Taylor

A group of people from Holy Trinity Church would like to offer support to anyone in or around Lane End who, because of infirmity and/or loneliness may be unable to meet up with others for companionship.

We come from various backgrounds in teaching, nursing and social care and come to listen and help, not preach. Please call Judy Taylor 881655.

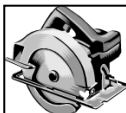


Lane End Older People's Action Group

Report by Jane Osborn

Over 50 with time to spare in the afternoon? Then do come to one of our Lane End OPAG (Older People's Action Group) meetings held on the first Thursday of each month at the Lane End Youth & Community Centre, Edmonds Road.

We meet at 2pm and have a different speaker at each meeting. Over the summer we will be having talks by Trading Standards on Doorstep Crime (3 May), then on 7 June a speaker from Bucks Healthcare will talk about Falls Prevention. On 5 July, Mike Dewey of the SWOP Pro-



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ject (Save Wycombe's Old Photographs) will be giving one of his popular talks, this time covering photographs of High Wycombe 1900-45. On 2 August, Sheila Keatinge will be showing pictures from her trip to Quito and the Galapagos Islands.

Hambleden Valley Gardening Club

Report by Janet Collins

Our last talk of the winter season had the Village Hall bursting at the seams! The speaker was Cathy Brown who gave an inspiring talk on Container Gardening. We are

fortunate to be able to follow this up with a trip to her Gardens on 5 September when she will provide a guided tour followed by her home-made tea and cakes.

We also had a fascinating tour of the National Collection of saxifrage at Waterperry Garden. It was a beautiful day to see such exquisite, tiny plants.

On 22 June we have a visit to the National Collection of rambler roses at Moor Wood Gardens in Gloucestershire and our visit will include lunch at the gardens. Please see 'What's On' for a list of our events.

New members are most welcome. Please call 01491 638690 or 01491 638691 for further details.

Recollections of a former Lane End vicar

Beating the Bounds

The traditional time for Beating the Bounds of the Parish is Rogationtide in late Spring. It is a time when the Church asks God's Blessing on the crops and the Parish as a whole.

In the past at Rogationtide it was the tradition in Lane End for the Vicar to process round the Parish Boundary according to Sid Smith's route. Members of the Congregation, especially the younger ones, accompanied them. Sometimes the boys carried willow sticks which had had the bark stripped off them to make white wands, the idea being to beat the Devil over the boundary out of Lane End Parish.

Along the way there were Parish Boundary markers, on which the youngsters were "bumped" to remind them of the border of their own Parish. One of these marker stones on Cadmore Common is in the middle of a pond and there was always much competition as to who was going to have the privilege of being "bumped" on it, and for the others to wade through the water to bump him or her.

Years ago a knowledge of your Parish boundary mattered, especially if applying for help from Parish Charities for education, fuel, or sickness benefit. Beating the bounds was a fun way to spend a day with friends and learning something of benefit for the future. *C.C-N.*



A letter from Oleron...

Lane End Twinning Association

Uniting Lane End in Buckinghamshire, UK with Saint-Pierre d'Oleron in Charente-Maritime, France



As I write this Monday morning, a cold front is sweeping through France; heavy rain, high winds and gloomy skies. But it is not cold, and we're expecting sunshine and showers as has been the case for the past two weeks. Monday morning in France is slow starter. Most shops are closed, as tradition here is that Monday morning is a time for pause and preparation for the week ahead—always a bit quirky, our French cousins!

Actually we have enjoyed a warm and sunny early spring; it was 26 degrees at the end of February and

the weather has been mostly blue and gold. The growing season has started with a great spurt. The local fields are green whilst the blossom on the trees is beginning to turn to tiny fruit. In Oleron, we have already had the *Fete de Mimosa* in St Trojan, a celebration of mothers and babies in Chateau d'Oleron, and the first invasions of camper vans at Easter.

Locally, events are as busy as ever. The approach road to Oleron, D728 at Bourcefranc is under reconstruction to install a big roundabout to eliminate traffic lights and ease the

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flow towards the island in summer, whilst new house building is going on at a tremendous rate.

However the local industry of oysticulture (oysters) has declined and continues to do so; many of the new people are retirees and others work off the island in La Rochelle. The local school Pierre Loti in St Pierre d'Oleron has had a demonstration by parents against the closure of an interim class; we wait to see results.

So as you see its all happening here. We hope that more of you will decide to holiday in this direction this summer; the 'staycation' movement will perhaps lessen after this wet and

windy Spring! One event not to be missed is the launch of "Hermione" at Rochefort in July - she is a recreated frigate of the 18th century (which we wicked Brits captured), and she will sail across the Atlantic in celebration of Jean Bart. A splendid event, and I hope many of you will be there. A Bientot!

Tim Cherry



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Lane End Youth and Community Centre

Report by Emma Savory

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Charity Number: 1101360

The School Summer Holidays are fast approaching and we know how difficult it can be to juggle childcare or even find something affordable to do with the children each day for six weeks! LEYCC can help. From 20 August we will be holding a one week Summer Playscheme for Primary school aged children. The day will start at 10am and finish at 3pm. The children will need to bring a packed lunch and wear suitable play clothes, as our fully qualified (NVQ level 2 and above) staff have organised a jam-packed week of fun and mess! It only costs £3 per day, per child (discounts for siblings). Places are VERY limited so please give me a ring to reserve your child a place now: 01494 883878 / 07932 326046.

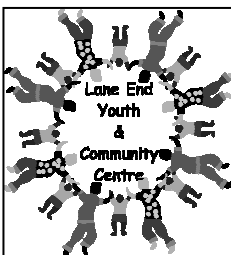
Fundraising events:

This year has already seen lots of community events held at the Centre, such as a table top sale, Easter Egg Bingo and even a Ladies Pamper Evening. Due to demand, we will be holding Bingo evenings on a regular basis throughout the year,

so please look out for posters for future 'eyes down' sessions!

Our meat raffle at The Chequers Inn in Wheeler End every two weeks continues to raise funds so that we can provide a **FREE** weekly 'Computer Class' for non-computer literate users (every Thursday from 11.30am-2.00pm). We are also in the process of organising another Gangster and Molls night, sponsored

pub walk and are already discussing plans for this year's Christmas in the Village event, which will be held on Saturday 1 December 2012.....save the date now!



Don't forget all our regular classes and fund-

raising events can be found on our website www.leycc.co.uk plus please add us on Facebook and Twitter.

Thank you for continuing to support us at Lane End Youth & Community Centre, remember it's **your** Community Centre, so we look forward to seeing you soon!

Lane End's claim to fame No. 1

Does anyone remember the day Frank Sinatra popped into The Clayton Arms for a pint after filming The Naked Runner in Cadmore End? (c1966) The scene filmed saw him run through the motorway tunnel next to the primary school.
(Bob Dobbs) continued on p21...

Footpath Update

Report by Margaret Adnitt

Following the report on the 'New Bridleways on Cadmore End Common' in the Spring edition of The Clarion the horse riders are really taking advantage of their new right of access on what was the LE 42 footpath.

This route goes from Bolter End Lane to Flint Cottage where it turns right towards Prospect Place. This new bridleway has become very muddy after the very wet weather of late but the new footpath running parallel to the original path is a superb alternative as it winds delightfully through the flowers and trees of the common.

The path has been carefully marked

by white arrows and is easy to follow from Bolter End Lane. Walking in the opposite direction, from Head and Body Pond, is not yet sufficiently way-marked in the area of Prospect Place but hopefully soon will be. Do go and enjoy this new path – and also all the footpaths on the common of which there are many to explore.

There is a handy map of all the footpaths in the parish on the Parish Council website:

www.laneendparishcouncil.org.uk/footpaths-map.pdf

Cadmore End common is just one of seven commons in the Parish of Lane End. We will explore the others in later editions.

Do contact me if there are any obstructions on our local footpaths, or if you'd like advice about where to walk: margaret.adnitt@gmail.com

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Wycombe Court Artists



with beautiful lettering) Tim Robinson, (Paintings of architectural landscapes and portraits) Sarah Jane Bennett (Contemporary Jewellery) and Steve Woodbridge (returning to WCA after a few years' break, artist blacksmith, forged steel sculpture).

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Julie Wetenhall, (Painting, sheep pictured left, ceramics, sculpture, glass)
Sue Fawthrop, (Painting, landscape pictured below)

Caroline Selvey (Indoor & outdoor sculpture and glass) John Ashton, (Painting)
Martin Cook, (new to WCA, sculpture including monoliths and sun-dials carved



Wendy Earley

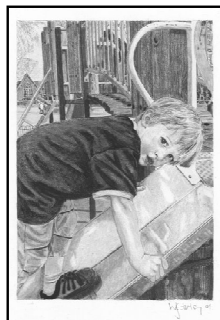
Acrylic paintings and coloured pencil drawings. (boy in coloured pencil, pictured right.)

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Bullocks Farm
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Bigmore Farm Artists

Caroline Shadbolt, (sculpture and drawings) Lauretta Milligan, (paintings in watercolours and acrylic) Lis Smith (painter, potter) Peter Hopgood (acrylic and water-colour paintings).

Open daily 1-5pm

Bigmore Farm Studio, Bigmore Lane, Near Cadmore End, HP14 3UP (Turn right after The Tree and it's on your right.)
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Graham Heron

Watercolour and graphite detailed artist (pictured below)

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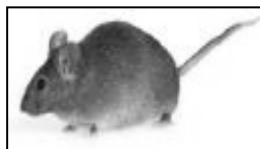
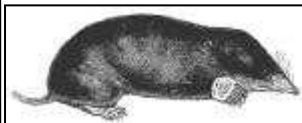
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Lane End Doctors

by Ian Barnes, Practice Manager, The Marlow Medical Group

Thank you to all those patients who attended the meeting at the Village Hall on Friday 11 May.

The meeting opened with a presentation by Dr Chris North, managing partner of the Marlow Medical Group.

Dr North explained that the Marlow Medical Group had been approached by Drs Eley and Evans to help run the Lane End Surgery. It was not a decision taken lightly - it was some two years before they made a decision. In the end they recognised that the Marlow Medical Group shared their values and goals and that it would serve the Lane End population as they had. Their decisions to move on had been personal ones and not related to the idea of having to work with the Marlow Medical Group.

The key messages of the evening were that the merger brought:

- The guarantee of a surgery in Lane End
- Integration with other health care provision in the locality as part of a commissioning group
- Continuity
- Development of services as part of a bigger team
- Investment in services and staff

- A responsible and responsive practice providing quality and value.

He explained that the new team of Doctors will be primarily based at Lane End where they will develop the practice, bringing the best clinical care possible in a GP setting with the support of their colleagues in Marlow. He also explained that continuity of care was key and each patient would have a usual, or named, GP. If patients felt that once they had seen their allocated GP that they weren't able to get on with them they could move to another.

Will patients at Lane End see the same GPs all of the time?

Yes, there are 5 GPs who will be the Lane End doctors.

It may be necessary for Marlow doctors to provide holiday or sickness cover but we believe in the relationship between a patient and their GP.

So where does patient choice fit in with this system?

If your named GP doesn't work for you then you are very welcome to try someone else.

What are the advantages of a bigger practice?

We are open from 8am-6.30pm in Lane End and we have evening and

Saturday morning appointments, pre-bookable in advance.

An advantage of a bigger practice means a wider range of clinicians with different clinical expertise and skills. For example Chris North has worked in hospital providing ophthalmology care which means he has skills greater than the average GP in this area, as such it might mean that journeys to Stoke Mandeville are reduced. We also have an experienced dermatologist, family planning, diabetes and musculoskeletal specialists. There are some very skilled nurses at Lane End surgery who are to be utilised more. MMG is not going to asset strip Lane End of its skilled staff.

Developments will centre around bringing your surgery up to date and investing in making it a comfortable and safe environment for patients and staff. We do not have endless amounts of money, but will continue to invest where we can. We have already moved the nursing room downstairs and put in a new computer system.

You have recently had computer problems?

The previous computer system at Lane End was web based and therefore fairly slow. The system operated at MMG and the Lane End system weren't compatible and didn't communicate with each other. The PCT has helped us to rectify this by putting in a new system. This means the information is in one place and is held on a server controlled by the practice and not

dependent on the internet for access.

If we can't get an appointment at Lane End can we go to Marlow?

Yes.

How long do you expect we should wait for an appointment?

We try to meet the (now abandoned) national target of 24 hours to see a nurse and 48 hours to see a GP. If it is an urgent appointment we will always endeavour to see you on the day.

Apparently we are only allowed to have one illness at a time!

That notice will be coming down! Sometimes discussions take longer than a 10 minute appointment, in which case the GP will arrange for you to come back and discuss further. Make sure the most important issue is top of the list.

What is the situation with regard to the cost to the practice to make us well?

With regard to the drugs budget, we have to be careful how we prescribe as there are limited resources within the NHS. However, GPs are doctors first and economists second. If there is a drug which will do a better job for you, but is more expensive, that is the drug you will get. However, if there is a drug that will do the same job as another but costs less, then it makes sense to use that.

Will our phone calls go through to a call centre in Marlow?

No, Lane End staff will answer.

Lane End and District Horticultural Society

Report by Trevor Perrin

The life of the 'Met Man (weather man) is a dodgy one, for most of us claim: 'He has got it wrong again,' but for March and April 2012 he has been spot on, not one error.

This past month has lived up to its reputation. During the past four months we have endured snow, very hard frosts, drought and now everlasting rain. Don't we have the best climate in the world!

It's not making life any easier for my lawn mower. My grass is now the density of agricultural silage.

So, with the weather as it is, we've

spent a lot of time in The Potting Shed and now have so much demanding to be planted if it ever dries. God willing it will, then out will go our new stock and hopefully we, along with many others will produce a variety of wonderful veg and blooms for our annual show come **11 August 2012** in the Village Hall.

We hope you will participate in one of the shows' various categories.

Fate of the Village Fete

Report by Bob Nix

The Village Hall Management Committee has decided not to hold the village fete in 2012 for two reasons. First, we thought there would be

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other celebrations within the village in early June and secondly, our fete organiser has stepped down from the role.

Tanya Sims has worked extremely hard to coordinate the fete over the past few years and the village hall committee are so grateful for her hard work, but when she resigned, a replacement had to be found.

Fortunately, the post has now been filled and the good news is that the fete will be back in 2013.

We do need help, however. If anyone has any suggestions as to how the fete can be improved or would like to be involved with the organisation of the fete, or help on the day, please contact Bob Nix on 881000 / nix682@btinternet.com'

Bob needs an enthusiastic team around him to make 2013 a brilliant fete year. Why not give him a call?

Lane End's claim to fame No. 1

(continued/...) Sinatra wasn't exactly enamoured with our area by all accounts (well, Wikipedia). One day his helicopter got lost in the fog flying out from London and Ol' Blue Eyes threw a tantrum and demanded production be moved to Palm Springs.

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Building Developments latest

by Katy Dunn

No-one likes to see empty shops in the village and it's great to see that the Chinese has reopened and that two new businesses have come to bring life to Lane End's High Street.

Vet Surgery at Stone House

Clare Hamilton is planning to open her new vet surgery at Stone House (opposite the top of Church Road which goes down to Frieth) at the end of June.

There was some concern about housing animals overnight due to the noise, but sound surveys have

shown that any potential noise levels will be well below the accepted threshold, and work has already started on putting in extra glazing at windows and insulating partition walls to be doubly sure.

'It was important to us to have the facility to house animals overnight in an emergency as it is disruptive to move animals when they are very sick. We also wanted to be able to open at weekends as we know how difficult it is for people who work long hours to get an appointment otherwise,' says Clare.

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It's a return to her roots for Clare as she grew up in the Hambleden valley. 'I'm looking forward to coming home,' she says.

Strawberry Grove

Strawberry Grove is Stuart and Marta's first shop/café, although they have a colourful portfolio of careers between them. Marta is a former professional ballet dancer and now runs Marta's School of Ballet in Marlow. Stuart is a chartered town planning consultant and alongside this he and Marta also both run an ethical cleaning company in London. Busy people!

Opening a shop is something that Marta always wanted to do. 'She wanted to create a place that was

homely and welcoming and reflected ethical values through the food it serves,' explains Stuart. 'We wanted to open in Lane End due to Marta's long association with the area.' (She used to live in Wheeler End.)

Strawberry Grove is a family affair as Marta's sister Agnieszka helps out and her fiancé Mikey makes all the dishes. Mikey is also chef in a local gastro pub. The look and feel of the shop is all down to Marta, and her father, a local builder, hand-made all the furniture.

'We have found since opening that customers seem to want the more alternative food and produce, and this is something we're going to be focussing on in the coming months,'

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says Stuart, 'If anyone has any suggestions about what they would like us to stock, do let us know, we're making a list!'

The Old Sun

There has been no progress on the proposed development to convert the former pub into a 3-bedroomed house along with building two new pairs of 3-bed semis on the site.

The developers have been required by WDC to carry out a Viability Study to show the projected profit on the project. This will determine whether or how much Affordable Housing should be included on the site – up to 30% of bedspaces. They will in any case be required to make a Developers Contribution of

circa 30K.

All these extra costs on a small site may make this project unaffordable for a small company like Henley Renovations, which would need to borrow the money to go ahead.

Elga site

No progress recently either on the application to redevelop the redundant Elga site. The plan is for a mixed-use scheme of 42 homes, including 13 affordable homes and five commercial units.

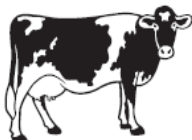
Developer Ashill is frustrated with the delay at the planning department as the application has been with Wycombe District Council (WDC) since mid-October.

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Cows, sheep and greedy pigs

The Farm seems to burst to life in the Spring. The warmer weather and rainfall has helped the crops to establish well and at the time of writing it looks as though grass yields will be good and the corn crops are looking well too.

With the arrival of new grass growth it's time to let the cows out and May has been a busy time as we take cows from the sheds in which they lived for the winter back out to the fields where they graze for the summer. This always seems to involve a lot of travelling around as we now have cows scattered between Stokenchurch and Marlow, which may not seem far, but in a Tractor it certainly seems a lot further!

With the cattle all out, the yard is a lot quieter — that is until mid afternoon when the pigs work out it's nearly tea time. We get a few pigs in the summer so that any milk that would normally be fed to calves dur-

ing the winter is not wasted. Pigs love milk and get excited whenever I'm passing in the hope I'll give them a bit more.

Very little is wasted on the farm, so any waste milk or spoilt chicken food will be devoured by the pigs. All the muck that has built up from the cow sheds over winter is also used as fertiliser on the fields where we drilled our maize seed at the start of May.

Maize is sweetcorn for cows and will supplement their diet throughout the year. Fingers crossed for a better yield from the maize than last year as it really struggled with the dry spring and cold soils. Another part of the cows' diet is grass silage and that's what you will see us working on late into the night trying to get just right this week. Then if the weather forecast is good we will aim to cut hay this month as well.

If you made it to our Spring Fayre



and met the lambs then you'll be pleased to know that they are doing well, grazing the fields and still having milk from 'Mum'. They have more than doubled in size in the last four or five weeks.

We were really pleased with the success of our Spring Fayre. We like to host it every year as it's not very often people get the chance to come on to a farm, meet some animals and hopefully learn something. For the whole week prior we had heavy showers and I was starting to think it was going to be a wash-out and no one would show up.

Thankfully the weather man

was wrong and the sun came out and my worries were for nothing as nearly 700 people came over the two days and all our efforts were worth it!



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M40 Chilterns Environmental Group

Report by Ken Edwards

The shaded areas below show the parts of Lane End Parish that suffer excessive noise from the M40.

DEFRA's Noise Maps of England identify these among 14 First Priority Locations (dark blobs) and 5 Important Areas (light blobs) for action between Loudwater and Wheatley. The Highways Agency is preparing action plans for First Priority Locations – many will include improved noise barriers and quiet surfacing.

While improved noise barriers are likely to come first, planning is subject to national priorities and budgets. There are 500 excessively noisy locations on England's trunk road network. The Agency's environmental pot has traditionally been £5M per year, M40 CEG decided to explore how costs – £1M per mile – might be offset.



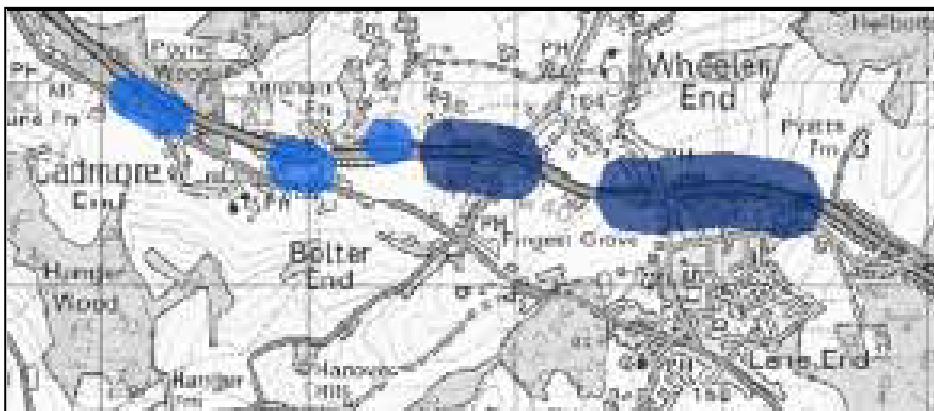
The M40 runs almost East / West at Lane End – an ideal alignment for noise barriers to capture solar energy. What if solar panels were integrated with improved barriers?

At our suggestion, WDC asked local environmental consultants Thames Valley Energy (TVE) to look at the idea. TVE reported that it looked feasible and there are about a dozen integrated barriers in Europe already. Encouraged, we submitted a proposal to the Co-operative Community Energy Challenge, which is providing £40,000 each for study of promising proposals for alternative energy.

From 120 submissions, ours is one of 30 shortlisted. We submitted a final proposal on 25th April. If we are successful, we hope collaboration with experts and with the Highways Agency will at last achieve reduction of needless noise from the M40.

Wish us luck!

We'll keep you posted.



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and events



What's On?

To include your event or group meeting (free) email: katyjdunn@btinternet.com
Please also be sure to inform me of any changes

Mondays

Regulars

Simply Walk—10am Meet Lane End Playing Field's car park. Walk and chat for 1-2 hours

LEOPAG (50+)—10.30-12.30am coffee pop in Lane End Youth and Community Centre (LEYCC), Edmonds Road, Lane End. Tel: 883878

Dinky Dancers—10.30-11.15, Lane End Primary School Tel Sure Start 477110

Gentle Exercise for over 60s—2-3pm LEYCC

Baby Welfare Clinic—2-4pm Lane End Village Hall

Lane End Parish Council Meeting—First Monday of the month, 7.30 in Lane End Village Hall

Lane End Evening WI—Last Monday of the month at 8pm in the Sycamore Room, Village Hall

Mustang Country Linedancers—7.30-9.30pm LEYCC

Bridge Club—7.30pm Lane End Village Hall

Pensioners Lunch—special offers 12-3pm at The Tree, Cadmore End 881183

Events

June

4th **Jubilee Garden Party** BBQ at The Tree Cadmore End. Tel 881183

4th **Planned Jubilee event** in Lane End **cancelled** due to unforeseen circumstances

July

2nd **parish council meeting**, LE village hall

August

6th **parish council meeting**, LE village hall

27th **Frieth Village Fete**

Tuesdays

Regulars

Bumps, Babies and Toddlers—10-11.45am, Holy Trinity Church, Lane End. Tel 883647

Parent & Toddler Group—9.30-11 Lane End Primary School. Tel Sure Start 447110

Tuesday Luncheon Club—11am-2pm Elim Centre. £5 Tel Maggie 881261

Zumba—7.30pm Lane End Village Hall Tel Cheryl 07812 180076

Slimming World—7.30-9pm, contact Rachel Sherlock on 07866260158

Hambleden Valley Gardening Club—7.30pm, First Tuesday of the month, Skirmett Village Hall. Tel 01491 638690

Wednesdays

Regulars

Music & Rhymes—9.30-10.15 Lane End Primary School. Tel Sure Start 447110

Lunch Bunch—parent and toddler group, 11.30am-1.30pm, Elim Centre, Tel 882587

JUMP—children's club, 3.45-5.30pm, Elim Centre Tel 882587

Bridge Club—2.30pm Lane End Village Hall

Junior Youth Club—for 8-12 years, 6.30-8.30pm LEYCC

School of Traditional Medieval Fencing—7.30pm Lane End Village Hall

Events

Events

June

6th **Parish Council meeting**, Lane End Village Hall

20th **Rachael's lunch** RBL Tel 881389

Thursdays

Regulars

Simply Walk—10am Lane End Playing Field's car park. Walk and chat for 1-2 hours

Coffee Stop—Village Hall 10-12noon. Coffee and chat. All welcome, run by Methodist Church

Physical Fun—9.30-10.30 Lane End Primary School. Tel Sure Start 447110

Computers@The Centre—11.30-2pm LEYCC

The Drop-In (Social lunch) - 12-2pm LEYCC

Four Ends Flower Club—Fourth Thursday of the month 2pm in Lane End Village Hall. Visitors £4.50. Flower arranging demonstration, raffle, tea and cake. Contact 883096

Circle Dancing—First Thursday of the month, 2pm Lane End Village Hall. Contact Mary Williams 01235 520608

LEOPAG—First Thursday of the month 2-4pm LEYCC

Methodist Church Wives group—2nd Thursday of the month 2-4pm LEYCC

Citizens Advice Bureau—12-3pm, Lane End Primary School. Tel 07717 652302

Line Dancing for Beginners. 7.30-9.30 Frieth Village Hall

Zumba— 6.30-7.15, LEYCC Tel Mel on 07827911209

Lane End Players—8pm Village Hall Tel 07706 426320

Special Curry Night— The Tree, Cadmore End, Tel 881183

Events

Fridays

Regulars

Look at Me! —9.30-10.30, Lane End Primary School, Tel Sure Start 447110

FSFH Circuit Training—9.30-10.30am LEYCC

Live Rock—first Friday of the month in the evening at The Tree, Cadmore End, with JJs. Tel 881183

Live Jazz—last Friday of the month in the evening at The Tree, Cadmore End, with Tim Dawes & Friends. Tel 881183

Ladies Cocktail Night—every week at The Tree, Cadmore End

Events

June

20th **Lane End Players Summer Revue**, 'Just Like a Woman' - 8pm Tel 07706 4263320

22nd **Hambleden valley garden club visit** to Moor Wood Gardens, Gloucs. See p15

29th **Holy Trinity Whist Evening**, Lane End Village Hall, 7.30pm

July

27th **Holy Trinity Whist Evening**, Lane End Village Hall, 7.30pm

August

31st **Holy Trinity Whist Evening**, Lane End Village Hall, 7.30pm

Saturdays

Regulars

Coffee Shop—every other weekend, 10-12noon Village Hall, check calendar overleaf for details

Lane End Conservation Group Action Day—10am First Saturday of the month meet in the Car Park by Lane End Surgery

Local Produce Market—9am-1pm Lane End Village Hall, first and third Saturdays of the month.

Events

June

2nd **Twinning Association Coffee Shop and produce sale**, LE Village Hall 10am

2nd **Jubilee Garden Party** and sports afternoon, Cadmore End. Tel 881976

9-24th **Bucks Open Studios** (see p20)

16th **Holy Trinity Coffee Shop and Produce Sale**, Lane End village hall. 10am

21st **Lane End Players Summer Revue**, 'Just Like a Woman' 8pm Tel 07706 4263320

30th **Royal British Legion BBQ** at Lord Parmoor's Cottage . 6.30pm. Tickets £7.50 Tel 881436

July

7th **Twinning Association Coffee Shop and produce sale**, LE Village Hall 10am

14th **Cadmore End Revels and Dog Show**. 1.30pm Tel Nora 482859 or Lynne 881623

21st **Holy Trinity Coffee Shop and Produce Sale**, Lane End village hall. 10am

August

11th **Lane End Horticultural Show**, Lane End village hall

18th **Holy Trinity Coffee Shop and Produce Sale**, Lane End village hall. 10am

Sundays

Regulars

Parish Communion—9.30 Holy Trinity Church Lane End (crèche first Sunday of the month)

Elim service—10.30 am at Elim Christian Centre, Edmonds Road, Lane End

Whistles & Bells dog behaviour school—9-12noon LEYCC, Tel Jenny 07703020344

Sung Eucharist/Family Service—11am St Mary's Church Cadmore End

Morning Service (Methodist)—11.15am Holy Trinity Church Lane End

Sunday lunch—Grand International Buffet and traditional carvery at The Tree, Cadmore End. Tel 881183

Evensong—6pm Holy Trinity Church Lane End

Lane End Players—7.30pm Village Hall Tel 07706 426320

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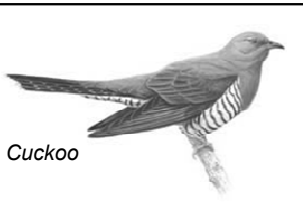
June

17th **Father's Day lunch** buffet at The Tree, Cadmore End Tel 881183

Nature notes

We are incredibly lucky to have such wonderful countryside all around us. Alan Gudge, Chair of Frieth Natural History Society, tells us what we should look out for in summer.

April turned out to be colder than March and slowed down the appearance of many butterflies, but the plentiful April showers did wonders for plant life in the countryside, not to mention parched gardens.



Cuckoo

An early local cuckoo was heard on 10 April by John and Joy Silvey at Southend; it was just pipped to the post as the first in Bucks by one heard in North Bucks a day

earlier. Cuckoos shake the toxins out of caterpillars before eating them.

The spotted leaves of Common-spotted Orchids have started to appear and those of the locally much rarer Heath-spotted Orchids should appear soon too on the north side of Moorend Common ready to flower in June in their thousands.



Heath-spotted orchid



Common British Garden Toad

Ponds are very active with mating amphibians: frogs, toads and newts. Look out for the protected but locally quite common Great-crested Newts; they are bigger than Common Newts and the males have a large crest and a silver band along the tail. You may also see dragonfly nymphs moving around in the water, some of which will emerge and turn into dragonflies later in the year.

Frieth Natural History Society has a programme of outdoor events through the summer aimed at seeing local wildlife and we welcome occasional participants as well as new members; give me a ring if you are interested.

Alan Gudge 01494 881464

It's been a story book start to the natural year by all accounts in Lane End...

Jordanna Wetenhall had what she described as a 'Snow White moment' the other morning when she came out of her house to find three ducks, two pheasants, blue tits, chaffinches, a robin and two squirrels all happily nibbling on the bird feeders.

The Wetenhalls are obviously a soft touch as her mum has a particularly vociferous robin who, says **Julie**, 'shouts at me to put food out when he sees me coming down the garden to my studio.'



Karen Cronin came across this fungus (the photo doesn't work so well in B&W! It's bright red with white spots) on Bolter End Common

last autumn and wondered what it was. 'It looked like something Snow White would find in an Enchanted Forest,' said Karen. It's the quintessential toadstool called Fly agaric (*Amanita muscaria*) and is almost as poisonous as the story books suggest, but exciting to see.

Angela Detsiny

remarked on this year's violets: 'There seem to be more than ever and they are looking lovely.'



Last month I stopped in my (car) tracks to watch a herd of about 25 fallow deer rutting and larking about in the huge field to the right of the lane from the peacock to Fingest. It was just magical. There were couple of white bellied youngsters which were particularly playful. There's a lay-by on right which provides perfect viewing on a spring evening. (**Katharine Sharp**)



The Dunn family had our own nature soap opera in the garden in May. Over three days we watched the slow progress of a fat, fluffy blackbird chick nicknamed 'Ro-land' (1980s Grange Hill reference, irrelevant to anyone under 35!)

He had obviously fledged too early and couldn't fly, so he just ambled lazily around our lawn, much to the consternation of his mother and livelier brother who were desperately urging him to flap up onto a fence-



post. The mother even drafted in the services of blackbird dad and at one point the whole family was proferring Ro-land worms and hopping solicitously around him.

Each morning the kids rushed down to check that Ro-land had not become cat fodder in the night. Bill and I would hear a little cheer and 'There's Ro-land!' from our daughter, and we'd sigh with relief.

Sadly (did you think this was going to end well?) on the third day there was no such cheer. We came down to breakfast that day with heavy hearts and there, on the decking, was a sorry ball of fluffy brown feathers with twiggy little legs pointing incongruously at the sky.

Alas, poor Ro-land. We knew him.

Moorend Common

Report by Katy Dunn



The next few weeks are the ideal time to visit Moorend Common to see the orchids at their very best. Head over to South Meadow (nearest the Marlow Road) for a carpet of

purple flowers which will take your breath away.

Thanks go to Moorend Common resident Angela Detsiny for reminding me that June is the month for flailing bracken. She advises: 'Take a stick along when you go for a walk and take out your tensions on



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the horrid stuff.' Swipe it or trample it, the idea is to break the fibres of the stem (rather than just snapping it) as that seems to be the only way to discourage it from taking over.

Other ferns can look similar, but they usually have a hairy-looking stem. Bracken has smooth stems when they're coming out with the ferny part unfurling from the top.

We've had lots of visits to Moorend Common recently, including Radnage cubs who participated in an animal tracks trail and gained points towards their nature badges by successfully identifying various plants. Bucks, Berks and Oxon Wildlife Trust also ran a very well-attended guided walk on Moorend Common in May.

Link Footpath

Report by Mike Detsiny

There was a great response to the parish council's petition for a new footpath to link the two sides of Lane End village. Following its delivery to the Local Area Forum there was a meeting with the majority of tenants on The Industrial Estate.

The meeting was attended by three LEPC Councillors and a representative from BCC Highways and WDC Planning. The meeting was reasonably constructive and friendly and it has been agreed we will all meet again in June.

So slow progress is now being made.

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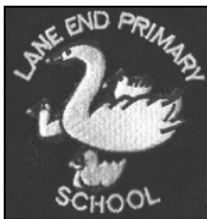
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Schools



Thanks to the generous grant from the Churches in Lane End, the school has been able to run a number of trips in the

Spring Term.

The London Aquarium

It has been a very busy term for Reception, Yr 1 and Yr 2 (Diamond and Opal Class). We have been busy learning about our topic: Oceans and Seas and also had the opportunity to visit the London Aquarium.

We learnt about many different aspects of ocean life ranging from locating oceans on world maps and finding out which different creatures live in hot and cold seas in geography, to making our own sea creatures and doing observational drawings in art. We also learnt about the different types of people that help us at the seaside, what their jobs are and why they are important. We even created our own aquariums in the classrooms and made an underwater world in the water tray!

Our trip to the London Aquarium was not only a fun day out, but also provided an excellent opportunity to consolidate everything we had learnt through first hand experiences. Everyone had the most amazing day and are still talking

about it!

The British Museum

In Sapphire Class (Year 3), 'The Egyptians' was the topic. We have looked at Egyptian art, studied the afterlife, created our own mummies and canopic jars and also created our own artifacts out of clay.

The children visited the British Museum and benefitted from the opportunity to see firsthand the artifacts and objects that we had looked at in books and on the internet. It was a fascinating day and the



children were beautifully behaved. Some quotes from the children:

'I had a lovely time and I want to go again.' (Finley Ogle)

'We looked at enormous sculptures!' (Eleanor Brindley)

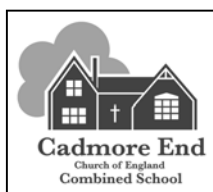
'It was very interesting.' (Brandon Eldridge)

'Finally, we saw the Rosetta stone!' (Charlotte Whale)

Diamond, Opal and Sapphire Classes would like to say a great big thank you to all the parents and governors who accompanied us on our fabulous trips!

We're now looking forward to the Summer Term which includes our Diamond Jubilee Street Party (on the playground!); our school wide topic on 'The Olympics' (including Sports Week and a World Tasting Day run by the PTA) and our annual Art Exhibition to name but a few.

Debbie Williams, Head.



The summer term is upon us and we all welcome the warmer weather. It's been a busy term at Cadmore End and we cele-

brated Mayday with country dancing and Maypole dancing. This has now become an enjoyable annual event at Cadmore End. We also had the official opening of our outdoor classroom by the local MP Steve Baker, and Reverend Jennings. The PTA served up wonderful refreshments.



Class 1 have been busy in the outdoor classroom since it's been up

and running, with various school links to nature and outdoor activities. Class 2 have thoroughly enjoyed planting a vegetable garden and even managed a sleepover in the new log cabin, which was a fantastic new experience for all. Class 3 took a school trip to Hazard Alley in Milton Keynes, where the pupils were learning all aspects of safety in everyday life situations, such as road and river safety. Class 4 are all eager and can't wait to go on their yearly summer residential trip while the rest of the school will be immersed in a Castle theme week, incorporating a visit to Oxford Castle as part of the experience, and I'm sure it will be a fun packed week.

In May the whole school joined forces with Marlow liaison church schools for "Praise in the Park". This was an opportunity for many of the local church schools to come together for praise, dancing and readings from the children.

This year the children have raised a total of £1161 towards various charities, all chosen by the children's school council. Those charities included, Oxford Air Ambulance, Diabetes UK, Macmillan Cancer support, Marie Curie and Sports relief. This is a huge amount for a small school like ourselves to raise, and gives an average amount of £14 raised per pupil.

Please contact the school office if you have any enquiries regarding Cadmore End Church of England School on 01494 881460.

Emma Spencer, School Governor.



Lane End Village Pre-School

Our Easter egg colouring competition went down very well and we had lots of entries from the children and even their parents.

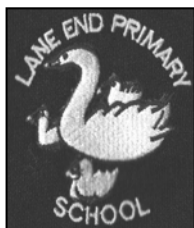
As usual we have been outside a lot this term, taking advantage of our splash-proof suits this rainy April. We've been planting vegetables and flowers in pots in the pre-school garden and enjoying watching brave birds hop onto our bird table to feed during the pre-school session.

The children have also been planting their own sunflowers to take home and watch them grow and

they're even charting the growth by taking their own photos.

Cress heads (putting cress seeds in a pot, then they decorate the pot with their own face designs) have been particularly popular recently.

We are organising our own Jubilee garden party for pre-school children and their family and friends on 31 May. It will be a traditional cream tea with triangle cucumber sandwiches, fairy cakes, and fun and games with pick-up-ducks, a coconut shy, face painting and crafts. Children can come in their royal fancy dress. We'll also be raising funds with a cake raffle and plant sale, so cake and plant donations are very welcome. Children are welcome to join the pre-school from age two. Call Karen on 07703 926196



Lane End Primary School had an Ofsted inspection in March. The report is very positive, recognising the current strengths of the school as well as new initiatives that are already having a positive impact on learning. Come and see the school in action



'Children make a good start in the Early Years Foundation'

'Teachers are good at engaging the pupils' interest in practical activities.'

'There are good relationships between staff and pupils to support the development of social skills. Behaviour management is consistent and clear guidance supports the development of a clear set of shared values.'

'Parents and Carers make positive comments such as, 'The school is improving all the time. Members of staff are friendly and very approachable,' and 'Behaviour has improved in the last year.'

Contact the Head, Debbie Williams on 01494 881169



This term began with an afternoon of creating an Olympic-themed art work in the school hall. The children split into their

house teams and it was wonderful to watch children from all age groups working collaboratively. They certainly embodied four of the Olympic values of friendship, determination, equality and respect.

The seven Olympic values are the focus for this term and we have already run the Sports Relief Mile, raising £394 for this worthy charity.

We have also got some new and exciting ways to get active in the playground thanks to the

PTA. We now have hopscotch, a trim trail, netball court and other educational games painted onto the playground surface.

Yr 3s played tag rugby with London Wasps coaches and learned about the importance of healthy foods .

Lots more Olympic experiences are coming our way this term including Zumba and Olympic-themed days.



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On the land

with Bryan Edgley 



Rainiest April for 20 years

Rainfall this season has been brought to everyone's attention by the current hosepipe ban in March. This was followed by an exceptionally wet April, after a winter when the reservoirs and ground water reserves were not sufficiently replenished by natural rainfall. Gardeners can still water their plants and vegetable gardens with a watering can instead of a hosepipe, but all the local farms on the Chiltern Hills have to rely on natural rainfall, since mains water would be too costly to be economic for use on cereal crops or on grazing pastures.

Those farmers in other regions who use irrigation have to use a natural source of water, such as a river or borehole from which water can be pumped, and generally then they only use irrigation on high value crops such as potatoes or vegetable crops. But even if they own the bed of the river from which they want to

pump water for irrigation, they are still only allowed to pump out the water if they have a Water Abstraction Licence granted by the Environment Agency. In south east England demand for water is so great that new Abstraction Licences are seldom granted, and in the current season further restrictions have

been imposed on long standing existing Abstraction Licences.

At Kensham Farm we have kept accurate rainfall figures throughout the last twenty years. These records show that

April 2012 has been the wettest April in those twenty years, with 152mm (just over 6 inches) recorded in the month. This followed three unusually dry winter months, January to March, in which total rainfall was only 112mm.

This high April rainfall has been good, but it has reduced the number of days suitable for spreading fertil-



Oilseed rape flower

izers or spraying crop protection chemicals. However it has been a great benefit in limiting the hatch of Saddle Gall Midge larvae, which only hatch when soil conditions are dry and warm (over 18 degrees centigrade). These larvae feed on the stem of the growing wheat plant, thereby weakening it and reducing the yield of grain. In the last two years of hot dry springs we experienced a significant reduction in the yield of wheat from some of our fields, despite three spray treatments of insecticide. This year the heavy and continuous rain in April seems to have provided a most effective control.

This season we are growing oilseed rape on some of those fields on which the midges caused trouble last year, having taken that decision in late summer last year, long before we realised that it would be such a wet April this season. Oilseed rape fields can always be recognized when the fields become bright yellow in April and May as the rape plants come into flower. Seed pods are then formed containing the very small round seeds, about 2mm in diameter, which are the valuable part of the crop.

The oilseed rape crop is harvested generally early in August with the same combine harvester which harvests wheat and other cereal crops. However the trailers carting the rape

seeds to the grain drier have to be well maintained, almost water tight, otherwise the tiny seeds would pour out from any small crack or badly fitting tail gate. Sale of the rape seed is through a grain merchant, in our case through the large Farmers' Co-operative trading under the name of Openfield from offices near Andover in Hampshire, to one of the only two firms which have crushing and refining facilities in the UK



At the refinery the rape seeds are crushed to extract the oil, and the remaining fibrous part of the seed is made into meal as a by-product suitable for feeding to livestock. The valuable rapeseed oil, which is known in

USA as canola oil, will mostly be made into margarine, mayonnaise, ice cream or cooking oil for frying. But some of the rapeseed oil will be used as a lubricant, and some will be used as a biofuel which can be mixed with mineral oil for use in diesel engines.

Bryan and Alison Edgley started farming Kensham Farm at Cadmore End in 1955. Their son, Charlie Edgley, now manages the arable crops for the family partnership—around 2,300 acres, mainly of milling wheat, centred on Kensham Farm but including rented fields between West Wycombe, Sands, Booker, Fingest and Lane End. www.kenshamfarms-horseriding.co.uk/

Safety and Security

with PC 2272 Danny O'Driscoll

Neighbourhood priorities

PARKING:

The team will be continuing to target drivers who park unlawfully.

SPEEDING:

Speeding is still a concern on the neighbourhood. The local neighbourhood team have numerous speeding operations planned for the coming. Fixed penalty notices will be issued to any motorist caught speeding.

Crime Information

Theft from Motor Vehicles

Overnight on 6-7 April four offences of theft from a motor vehicle took place on Bolter End Lane and Finings Road. The vehicles that were targeted had all been left unlocked by the owners. Some of the vehicles were parked on drive ways. A series of similar offences have taken place over the past couple of months in our area.

Anti-Social Behaviour

There have not been many reports of anti social behaviour over the past month. We have received a few reports of incidents in Lane End and a couple in particular have caused some concern. These relate to youths starting fires in Millennium Park. Two ten year olds have been

identified as being responsible and have been warned by officers. It is alarming that they were in possession of lighters. Please can we request that if you have young children ensure that they do not have access to lighters or matches. We do not want this trend to escalate.

Partnership Activity and neighbourhood action group

Did you know that there is a Neighbourhood Action Group that represents the Lane End area? Please see this document for more details.

<http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/nagleaflet.pdf>

Offenders brought to justice

A male from High Wycombe has been charged with Robbery following an offence in Stokenchurch.

A female from Stokenchurch has been cautioned for stealing money from a friend's bank account.

A male from Stokenchurch is in court for common assault following an incident in November 2011.

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Elim Christian Centre **Report by Pastor Nick**



Hello again everyone!

This year there will be no God In The Car Park event on 26 May, in favour of joining over 40 other churches across High

Wycombe the following Sunday, at an event called **Love Wycombe**.

The event is an open-air service of worship, word and unity on 27 May which is Pentecost Sunday. The event is being held at Frogmoor in the town centre. Why not come along at around 10.30am for an 11am start – it promises to be a fantastic occasion!

We would like to wish former pastor John and his wife Marion Richards all our blessings for the future. They take their leave of us after many years in our fellowship, although John will be continuing his valuable work with Oasis.

Our relaxed and welcoming **Sunday Services** are from 10.30am. Come casually dressed and enjoy worshipping with our live band.

We also have a page on **Facebook** called *Elim Christian Centre Lane End* – why not click Like, and be a part of our community on-line? We have also just started using **Twitter** – follow us at *elimlaneend*

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with Paul Rubens 



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You can buy the software - often at less than half the normal price - from www.software4students.co.uk, which is the website of a Microsoft authorised education reseller. You'll have to provide the name of your son or daughter and the school or university they attend, and the software is to be used for educational purposes - in other words, you can't use it to run your business. (In case you are wondering, I don't have any connection with the site other than being an occasional customer.) If you have any questions about this or any other computer issue, please don't hesitate to give me a call!

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Lane End Youth Club

Lane End Youth Club is looking for volunteers to help with its youth clubs on Wednesday and Friday evenings. This could be anything from making refreshments to assisting the Youth Worker and actively engaging with the youngsters. Whatever our age, we all have useful skills to pass on. Please contact:
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Lane End Parish Council

Lane End Parish Council could do with some help with managing specific projects. If there's any cause you'd like to champion, a particular issue you'd like the parish council to take forward with your help, or could just lend a hand to the community where needed, please contact the parish clerk on 437111.

Conservation Work

This could include anything from litter picking to laying a footpath. You get hot and sweaty and often muddy, but it's such fun and you can learn some useful new skills. It's very sociable and extremely satisfying to see what a difference you've made. The Lane End Conservation Group meets monthly on the first Saturday of the month. Contact Robert Briggs on 882090 / rbbriigg@aol.com

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Gardening

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Turn herbivore this summer

When it rains, it pours! April gave us so much of the stuff, but to fill a reservoir....it seems not. Last update from the start of May was the hose-pipe ban is still on, and likely to continue in the foreseeable future, despite the wettest April on record!

Seasonal Top Tips:

More and more people have been growing their own produce in gardens and allotments, including incorporating herbs. The herb garden for convenience's sake is often situated near the house, so nipping out of the kitchen for some fresh produce is no hardship, especially if it's raining! Herbs are also attractive plants which do not have to be restricted to a herb garden. Many love hot dry conditions such as Rosemary, with pale blue flowers in spring, and scented leaves. Plant near a pathway or door, every time it gets brushed against is like outdoor pot-pourri.



Allium giganteum—one of Dave's favourites

How about Thyme? This can be planted in paved areas or paths creeping over the ground and if trod on has the same effect. There is sage, which can be green leaved, purple, or variegated yellow leaved, all scented but contrasting colours.

For a fine leaved herb, Fennel is

soft to touch with an aniseed/liquorice taste often used with seafood. It self-seeds anywhere so lift seedlings and replant where preferred. Finally, how about chives, planted with several bunches is great just picked and thrown in a salad,

and if left have attractive ball shaped lilac/purple flowers.

A quick note on lawns, and cutting wet grass. Unless the lawn has become boggy underfoot it can still be mowed. (Obviously electrics and water don't mix). The main drawback with cutting wet grass is it sticks to the edges of the machine

and doesn't fill the box up well, but won't damage the grass. Lets hope we don't have to do it too often!

Favourites:

Allium.....the Latin term for garlic but commonly known as the family name for the onion. The name could have derived from the Celtic word *all*, meaning pungent or burning.

There are many different varieties but shown on the previous page is 'the big one', Allium giganteum.

Summer flowering purple spheres made up of fifty individual flowers, a massive 12cm, 5" across, standing on sturdy stems commonly 4ft tall. It may need staking but it's definitely worth it.

Dave's Mystery Plant:

I am a summer flowering perennial and evergreen if allowed to live through the winter. I will flower continuously throughout the summer, more so if I am in a sunny spot all day, and if my dead flower heads are picked off. I flower in all shades of pinks, reds, whites and lilacs, singles and doubles, and have upright standard or trailing varieties, so I'm great in pots, hanging baskets and for filling fronts of borders. My main problem is the cold, so I'll usually be with you from May until Christmas, unless someone brings me inside for the winter.

What's my name?

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Village pond, Lane End 1908 (*Thanks to James Bowley*)

New Air Park proposals

Report by Katy Dunn

There is nothing to get overly worried about at this stage, but in case you hadn't heard—in April a proposal was made to Wycombe District Council outlining proposals for development of the Air Park site at Booker following the end of the current lease in 2014.

The proposals are currently very high level and vague, but the general gist included an expansion of the current activities at Booker, construction of a hotel and ancillary facilities, a new flight training academy and an extension and realignment of the existing runway.

It is suggested that the new proposal will also require an enabling development of housing to go with it, but hopefully nothing near the large scale proposal the stadium proposal involved.

The original campaign group, GASP has now been dissolved, but a new group: Wycombe Air Park Community Interest Group has been formed. It is led by the gliding club, who have an interest in taking over the recreational and sport flying activity.

You can find out more information on WAPCIG's facebook page or for more information email:

nuttall-gary@hotmail.com

Bus times

I am writing to confirm the bus service arrangements for Lane End from June 11th, 2012.

There have been a number of changes in the area recently, first with Carousel withdrawing the 2A and 2C, when it was replaced with a temporary 339 service.

Arriva will be withdrawing service 340, and replacing it with a new service 48. This will run a similar level of service to that which was previously provided by the 340, but will not continue beyond Lane End to Stokenchurch.

From July 30th, the temporary 339 service run by Red Eagle under contract to the County Council will be replaced by a permanent service on the route. Whilst still provisional, it will run approximately every two hours, Monday to Friday, and will provide a link from Lane End to Clayhill, Booker and Cressex and a limited service to Stokenchurch.

It is hoped that once the July changes have happened, the 48 and 339 services will continue to run for the foreseeable future in order to give some stability for the residents of Lane End.

The 339 timetable is likely to be confirmed next month.

James Loader

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Monday to Friday	48	48	48	48	48	48	48
High Wycombe Eden Centre	9.40	10.40	11.40	12.40	13.40	16.25	18.10
Lane End, Pond	9.55	10.55	11.55	12.55	13.55	16.43	—
Simmons Way	9.58	10.58	11.58	12.58	13.58	16.46	—
Archers Way	10.00	11.00	12.00	13.00	14.00	16.48	18.27

Saturday	48	48	48	48	48
High Wycombe Eden Centre	10.25	11.25	25 past each hour	16.25	17.45
Lane End, Pond	10.40	11.40	40	16.40	—
Simmons Way	10.43	11.43	43	16.43	—
Archers Way	10.45	11.45	45	16.45	17.59



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Monday to Friday	48	48	48	48	48	48	48	48
Lane End, Pond	—	—	—	9.56	56 past	13.56	16.44	17.39
Simmons Way	0700	07.33	8.50	9.58	58	13.58	16.46	17.41
Archers Way	7.02	7.35	8.52	10.00	00	1400	16.48	17.43
High Wycombe Eden Centre	7.20	7.54	9.10	10.15	15	14.15	17.05	1800

Saturday	48	48	48	48	48	48
Lane End, Pond	—	9.41	41 past	14.41	15.41	16.41
Simmons Way	8.58	9.43	43	14.43	15.43	16.43
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