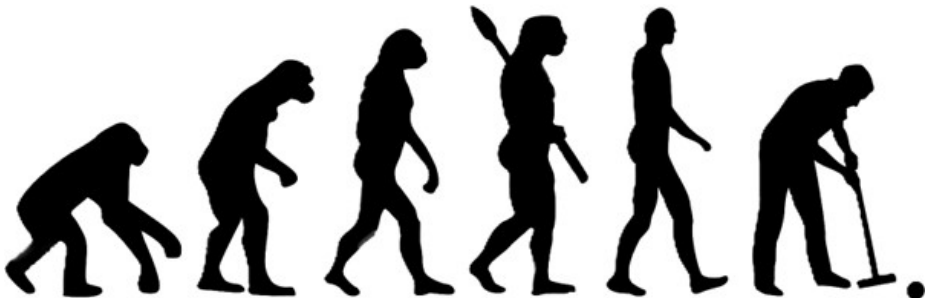


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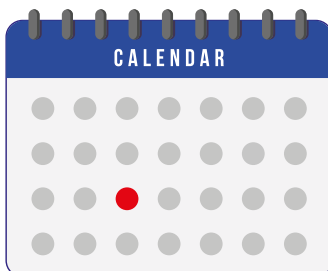
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Wednesday	Singing Gwen	09:30 - 12:30	Gwenneth Brignall	singinggwen83@gmail.com
Wednesday	ZKS Martial Arts	18:00 - 20:00	Ben Bobbington	info@zksma.co.uk
Thursday	Baby Sensory	10:00, 11:15 & 13:00	Katherine Devereaux	northbucks@babysensory.co.uk
Thursday	Qigong & Meditation Class	19:00 - 20:15	Jake Munn	sprint.sage89@gmail.com
Friday	WCA Social Events	20:30 - late	Tony Horne	tony@hornes.plus.com

The WCA organises activities and encourages and helps local clubs and societies to do so. We even offer free use of the Centre on Friday evenings for all local clubs and societies.

If you want to set up a club or society or would like assistance with an event then please contact us!

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With this issue of the Communique you should have received your copy of the 2024 Directory. If you did not receive a copy let me know. Copies are available from the Village Shop or from me FOC.

The Directory is also available on the WCA web site. Scan this QR code or go to: www.wingrave-wca.co.uk/directory

If you see any errors or omissions please let me know directly or use the directory feedback form on the Wingrave Community Association website.

John Hawkes 01296 681022 diary@wingrave-wca.co.uk



CLUBS AND SOCIETIES DAY



The WCA are pleased to announce the revival of CLUBS AND SOCIETIES DAY on Sunday 24th March 12-3pm at the Wingrave Community Centre. This will comprise of a number of clubs and societies within the Parish and it is wholly supported by the WCA. It will create an opportunity to see what may be of interest to individuals, but also if anyone has an idea on creating a new club or society. Be it sport related or social. We have a wonderful range of facilities within our parish and maybe the time is right to find likeminded people to join together to create a group. There may also be funding available to get it off the ground.

We already have a number of clubs and societies that have expressed an interest in attending on this day. If you wish to have a pitch (table) not including those who have already been emailed please contact me, Nigel Crump, ideally by email shoot@nigelcrump.co.uk

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WINGRAVE WITH ROWSHAM PARISH COUNCIL



NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

In the most recent meeting a member of the public kindly presented a suggestion for improvements on The Green. The proposal was to place a line of stepping stones, set down within the grass below the turf, surrounding The Green to allow further footpath access along the outside. The Parish Council were grateful for the suggestion and have asked the member of public to investigate costing further as tentatively, it looks like a suggestion that can benefit the parish.

Thames Water Sewage Update

Phil Lees kindly presented the result of the meeting with Thames Water. Phil has worked diligently on this project and we are overwhelmed by the extensive, analytical work he has done (see his updated report on page 11). Thames Water advised those present that the proposed upgrade of the Sewage Treatment Works to improved variable speed pumps, would commence in March this year and be complete by the end of the year. It would still be over-capacity but it would reduce the discharges. It is a start, but clearly a long way to go.

WRAG – Update on Survey on Climate - Wingrave Rowsham Action Group

A report for how to proceed ideas will be put together. We are grateful to have received a good number of people who want to get involved and learn more about the projects in how we can progress this further. There were 142 completed responses which was a fantastic response. WRAG are posting the outcomes of the survey on the Parish website. Many people have come forward to offer educational information, there were many suggestions about what parishioners would want to learn about.

Neighbourhood Plan - Design Code and Neighbourhood Plan Update

Thank you to those who have stepped forward to help with the team on this project. We have had an initial meeting to discuss the scope of the project which will be put out for consultation for your additional ideas and comments. Effectively the current Neighbourhood plan discusses the work that will happen in the village, for example Policy 2, 3 and 4 plans the intent for the house building in the area

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- house building that is now complete. To keep our plan up-to-date, this needs to be addressed as the three new estates are at the finished stage, and we need the revised plan to indicate this. There is also a need to allocate green spaces within these estates, which would become protected land. This will require an update to policy 8, the parish would also like to consider allocating green space in Rowsham, and we would be interested to hear thoughts on this throughout the consultation process.

There have been two significant changes with planning since the Wingrave with Rowsham plan was made. The Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan was adopted in 2021, then just before Christmas, there was an update to the National Planning Policy Framework. Our revised plan needs to reflect this, in order to re-take its place as the primary statutory planning document for our parish.

Finally there is a Design Code element. This is part of a national grant that is available, and an opportunity to develop the design of both Wingrave and Rowsham. It effectively creates character zones and a number of design 'codes' for each area. It has been recommended to adopt a design code as it gives both an aesthetic and structural consideration to planning in the local area. The choices of this will be reliant on the team and parishioner input.

All elements of the plan must go through consultation, and we welcome input throughout this process. Please attend parish council meetings for updates, and there will hopefully be a number of events soon to explain the process.

Rowsham Missing Gate

It has taken a while but due to the effective perseverance of a number of councillors, the missing Rowsham gate at the north end of the village has been installed! Those who are eagle eyed may have also noticed the 'traffic calmed' sign is back up, which has been sticking out awkwardly towards the road for a number of weeks/months. For incidents such as this, and any other you see - please do report to <https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/> , there is a strength in numbers.

Contact the Parish Clerk

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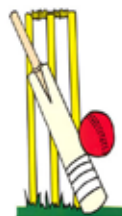
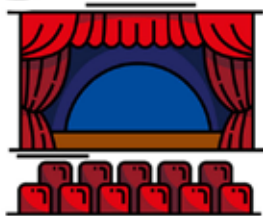
Clubs and Societies Day

Sunday 24th March



Wingrave Community Centre

12 -3pm



WINGRAVE SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS

This is an update of Phil Lee's note previously published on Postie and Facebook.

On 20 December 2023 I was invited by Thames Water to visit Wingrave Sewage Treatment Works (STW). I was able to invite a limited number of villagers to accompany me which included representatives from the Parish Council and County Councillor Peter Cooper. My thanks to all the villagers who have complained to Thames Water regarding the poor performance of our STW. Your support was instrumental in Thames Water's offer to arrange the visit which confirmed my worst fears regarding the condition and performance of the STW.

We discussed the issues with Thames Water as we stood beside the storm overflow tanks which should have been empty but were in fact full to the brim with over 60,000 litres (60 tonnes) of untreated sewage and were overflowing into the tributary of Rowsham Brook. I discovered that the automated storm return (ASR) pumps which empty the tanks in a timely manner, and which had failed in March 2023, were replaced in September 2023, after a six month delay, with inappropriate over-sized pumps. These are so powerful they cannot be run unless the input flow is very low for fear of overwhelming the STW. Critically this means they cannot operate when the input flow reaches or exceeds the treatment capacity of the STW, thus preventing emptying of the overflow tanks when they are most needed.

We discussed the trickle filtration units, one of which was taken out of service in November 2022. I had always considered this an inappropriate time of year to carry out a major maintenance on these units and this was confirmed by Thames Water who advised that during cold weather it is very difficult to resurrect the anaerobic process necessary for the units to function, and so it proved to be. You may remember that during December 2022 there was a very cold spell during which temperatures did not rise above freezing. The filtration unit affected was not returned to use until late February 2023. Whilst it was out of action a temporary processing unit was brought in but this proved insufficient to prevent untreated sewage being discharged for over 800 hours.

I raised the STW's lack of treatment capacity with the Thames Water representatives but they declined to address this issue. I pointed out that the STW processed input flow at the overflow rate required by its Environmental Permit less than 20% of the time during discharges in October 2023. I also pointed out that the Environmental Permit is based upon a population level significantly below that

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recorded for Wingrave in the 2021 census, which has increased further with construction and occupancy of an additional 130 houses. They have stated to me that the new Environmental Permit to be issued following the upgrade of the STW will not upgrade the overflow processing rate or the dry weather flow to reflect the current population level.

Thames Water assured those present that the proposed upgrade of the STW would commence in March this year, though little preparatory work on site has been undertaken, and be complete by the end of the year. It will see the inappropriate over-sized ASR pumps replaced with variable speed pumps which will reduce discharge frequency and duration. Improved screening of the input flow will be installed, which should reduce the unpleasant sight of solid items appearing in the watercourse as was noticed several times during December, January and again in February. I report all such incidents I become aware of to the Environment Agency. Tertiary treatment of the flow from the filtration units will be provided. Ostensibly this is to strip phosphates from the treated water but our water monitoring team have found no evidence of a need for this process. Critically the upgrade does not at present include any significant action to increase the flow to treatment capacity.

The responsibility for carrying out the investigations I have undertaken rests with the Environment Agency. I did advise them of the problems when I first noticed them in March 2023 and have since emailed them with the results of my investigations. Both times they replied stating they could not discuss them with me because they were part of a far larger investigation into non compliance. I believe their investigation only covers 2022 and is limited to 'dry spills', discharges of untreated sewage during periods when it has not rained for four days. These are notoriously difficult to prove against Thames Water in all but the most extreme cases and therefore fail to capture most instances of non compliance. My approach of analysing treatment rates against timing and duration of discharges is a far more comprehensive way of identifying indisputable non compliance though I acknowledge it takes more effort. I consider it unacceptable that the Environment Agency will not respond to my notification of problems which primarily occurred in 2023 and which do not refer to 'dry spills' therefore not conflicting with their limited investigation and I will be responding to them accordingly.

I have also written to the CEO of the Environmental Agency pointing out that the STW's current Environmental Permit does not reflect Wingrave's current

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population level and that to renew it on that basis, now that I have made them aware of this discrepancy, could be considered negligent on their part. I await his response which has been promised by the end of February.

In the meantime I will continue to monitor performance of our STW.

Phil Lees

plees94700@aol.com

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The first meeting of the year was held on Wednesday, 3rd January, when members and visitors were given a talk on "Tales from Woburn Auction Rooms". Mr. Evan Willison, who has 30 years expertise, gave an interesting history on the background of what goes on in the Auction Rooms. He brought along several items to the meeting. One item, the members had to guess what it was? 500/600 lots go under the hammer every fortnight.

On Wednesday 7th February members and visitors enjoyed a talk by Anna Conti. Her talk was entitled "Stained Glass: Not just churches!" She trained at Chelsea School of Art and brought along some examples of her work. Anna showed some slides which included contemporary and secular work. She has done some work for Richard Branson and also has appeared on Good Morning Britain. Anna brought along some items along for members to purchase. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed her talk.

Mary Shurlock

WINGRAVE'S SPRING CLEAN

The annual Great Wingrave Spring Clean Litter Pick takes place on Sunday 17th March. It'll be great fun for all the family and you'll be making a positive contribution to improving life in the village. Free refreshments! More details on page 20.

WINGRAVE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Calling villagers and local businesses: Would you like to be an Individual or Corporate Sponsor of Wingrave Community Choir?

Wingrave Community Choir and its predecessor, The Monday Choir, has been running successfully for many years. From small beginnings, membership has grown steadily and presently involves 25 people drawn from Wingrave, Rowsham and surrounding villages.

We are very fortunate to be led by a highly committed, professional Music Director with an excellent Accompanist. At present we rehearse weekly, putting on two Concerts a year and leading the singing at The annual Carols by Candlelight Service in Wingrave Parish Church.

Our philosophy is that we welcome anyone who would like to sing with us, even if they cannot read music initially. We have also endeavoured to keep subscriptions as reasonable as possible so that they do not become a barrier to those villagers who otherwise would like to join us.

Our Community choir thrives and that local people, whatever their circumstances, can enjoy the benefits of singing together.

Although we increased membership subscriptions last year and have continued to benefit from the generous support of villagers who attend our concerts, our running costs are presently increasing faster than our income. Costs are primarily related to rehearsals, but also include purchasing or hiring music and insurance premiums, all of which have been impacted by inflation. As a result we face the prospect of having to increase membership subscriptions once again.

It is here that you may be able to help.

Many larger choirs have both individual and corporate sponsors who contribute funds to assist generally or with a particular area such as the cost of music books and scores. We have decided to offer that opportunity to support our local Community choir.

By assisting us with a grant or a regular donation you will be helping to ensure that our Community choir thrives and that local people, whatever their circumstances, can enjoy the benefits of singing together.

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Additionally, there is the opportunity for sponsoring businesses to be featured in our publicity material.

If you are interested in sponsorship and would like to explore this further, do please get in touch with me.

If you are interested in joining our choir or trying us out, do speak to me or anyone you know to be a choir member. We shall have a stall at the Clubs and Societies Day in the Community Centre on Sunday 24th March (12 noon - 3:00pm).

John Cotton

Chairman, Wingrave Community Choir

Tel: 07717 437713 Email: johnwgotton@gmail.com

LINK TO HOPE SHOEBOX APPEAL



I was pleasantly surprised to receive a letter through the post along with a thank you poster from the Link to Hope charity the other day. I wanted to share some of the information on the letter with you...

“We managed to pip last years’ shoebox figure with a final total of 26,417 Family and Elderly shoeboxes sent out to Eastern Europe. We were able to send more shoeboxes to Ukraine this year and of course to our project managers in Romania, Moldova and Bulgaria as well. Our delivery trip was to Romania this year and we visited many families and elderly who were thrilled to receive your shoeboxes”.

You can read the Shoebox Delivery Diary 2023 on their website www.linktohope.co.uk

Thanks again Wingrave, for your 111 shoebox donations! And I am so looking forward to doing it all again later on in the year! Watch out for the info!

Hannah Muckle



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This list is not limited in any way, just get in touch and the Trustees will see if they can help.

If you know of anyone in financial difficulty, please tell them Wingrave United Charities might be able to help.

Elizabeth Morgan (Secretary) 01296 681101

WINGRAVE SINGERS

Do you know that you have a top-class choir in this village, a choir which has sung in over 50 cathedrals in England?

Wingrave Singers have just returned from a very successful trip to Gloucester where we sang the three weekend services in the cathedral where “Harry Potter” was filmed, and what a thrill that was!

Trips are booked to St Albans Cathedral in April and to Salisbury in October, and we are busy planning our diary for 2025 and 2026.

We are always on the look-out for new singers, and surely there must be many who are hiding their light under a bushel in Wingrave! We have vacancies in all parts: soprano, alto, tenor and bass. An ability to sight-read music would be useful, but isn't essential. There are lots of other ways to learn the music. And we also offer scholarships to young singers aged 18 to 25.

We rehearse in Wingrave Parish Church on Fridays in term time between 8.00 and 9.45 pm, and we always adjourn to the Community Centre for a drink afterwards! It's a great start to the weekend.

There are no frightening auditions, so why not come along and try us out? For more information please contact **Brenda Dean** (01286 681291) or **Brenda Horne** (01296 681418). We look forward to welcoming you!



THE GREAT WINGRAVE SPRING CLEAN LITTER PICK 2024

Day: Sunday

Date: 17th March

Time: 1:30 to 2pm to collect bags & pickers

Meet: Methodist Church, Nup End Lane

Join in with the fun helping to clean-up our beautiful Wingrave village with our annual litter pick. The whole family can take part and we know from last year the kids loved it, especially if they have the litter picking tool.



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MARCH SERVICES

All of our Sunday services in March will be at 10am:

3rd March: Peter Honeyball

10th March: Rev Arthur Cowburn (with Holy Communion)

17th March: Rev Noreen Daley-Lee

24th March (Palm Sunday): John Bush

This service will be preceded by a procession from the Parish Church, starting at 9.30am.

31st March (Easter Sunday): Jane Knight

And, this month, Messy Church will be on Sunday 10th March at the Parish Church.

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SERVICES FOR MARCH

3 rd March	9:30 am	Parish Communion
10 th March	9:30 am 4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Parish Communion Messy Church Evening Prayer
17 th March	9:15 am	Breakfast Service
24 th March	8:30 am 9:30 am meet at Church for 10 am start at Methodist Chapel	BCP Communion Service Palm Sunday service at the Methodist Chapel
26 th March	9:30 am	School Easter Service
31 st March Easter Sunday	9:30 am	Parish Communion

Additional services for Holy Week

28th March Maundy Thursday Benefice Communion with the Stripping of the Altar at 7:30 Wpm at Soulbury.

29th March Good Friday at 2pm a service of reflection here at Wingrave

The Church is open every day as a place for prayer and contemplation.

Each Week:

Wednesday

12:00 am – 4:00pm Wednesday Warm Space Welcome. A Community Hub time. Come in for a chat and a cuppa, or soup and bread and cake too. All free. A warm welcome awaits you.

7:30pm Bell Ringing Practice (new ringers welcome)

Thursday

9:30am – 10:00 am Morning Prayer on Thursday is taken from the Book of Common

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Friday

10:00 – 11:am Tea and Tots will finish for Easter on Friday 15th March and start again on 19th April

8:00 pm – 9:45 pm Wingrave Singers Rehearsal Time. New members welcome.

Dates for your diary:

24th March 12 :00 – 3 :00 pm Clubs and Societies Day in the Community Centre – come and see the Wingrave Parish Church Presentation.

19th April 10 am – 11:00 am Tea and Tots start again.

4th May Gardener's Bring and Buy.

Our Charities

Aylesbury Vineyard

Please remember those who are less fortunate in our area. We usually take the donations to Aylesbury on Mondays. Currently they need tinned meat products, pasta sauces & long life milk. The need continues to grow, so please give as generously as you can.

Postage stamps

We are collecting used Postage stamps again. Please put your used stamps, with a small border from the envelope, in the box at the back of the church. These used stamps will go to the charity Parkinsons UK

Streetlight Charity Bookstall

The book stall is proving very popular – come into the church when it is open (10 am – 4 pm). Every penny of your donation goes to help the children in Manila who live on the streets.

Lenten Charity 2024

We are supporting the Karibuni Trust charity, as we did last year. The jar for donations will be put out at the services and at Wednesday Welcome times.

Pew News

If you want to receive Pew News emails or hard copy to your letterbox, please contact Sarah Kennedy 01296 681749 or email: sarah@leskennedy.co.uk

If you would like prayer (or other support) for you or someone else, please get in touch.

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FROM THE COTTESLOE BENEFICE



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March/Easter 2024

Lent is well under way. The end of March sees us celebrating Easter Day. The Sunday Gospel readings show that the Christmas baby has grown and the adult Christ has embarked on his ministry to any and to all who would listen. He has disturbed the powerful and given hope to the poor. He's also challenged those who believed they could clearly see and hear in faith that perhaps they couldn't; that they couldn't see, hear, understand, anything like as well as they thought. That's why there are various incidents where it was the physically blind and deaf who first recognise Christ and got the point of his ministry.

The Bible readings for Lent also make very clear the growing opposition to what Christ said and did. And it is Jesus' response to that opposition which helps us with the Easter story. Why was the tomb empty? Why wasn't he there? because throughout his ministry and especially facing growing opposition, Jesus never remained where people thought he should be or where they tried to put him. He slipped through crowds; He negotiated a path through obtuse questioning; He was not in the tomb. The tomb was empty because Christ is not contained by whatever humanity tries to do with him. Nailed to the Cross, they thought they'd got him, but no, the stone was rolled back and He was not there.

And where was He? In the garden of course, meaning the world we know because that's how the Bible uses garden imagery. The gospel begins with the birth at Bethlehem, the Incarnation, combining the Divine and the human, and on resurrection morning the message is the same. Christ is in the midst of the world; our world.

Easter faith, Easter joy, is not a foray into history, but a living experience which calls us to be an Easter people, people who accept that Jesus is out and about. Those who want a convenient Jesus, an affable Sunday morning Jesus find he's moved on. Christ says let's be the real church with the real me; let's work together. I hope that you can find time in Lent to assess priorities and then that you feel able to look forward to Easter, striding forth in the strength of the risen Christ.

With every blessing,

Rev'd. Howard Robson

WINGRAVE WITH ROWSHAM HERITAGE ASSOCIATION



Saving the past for the future

TALK – FRIDAY 22nd MARCH, 7.30 pm, COMMUNITY CENTRE
‘AGRICULTURAL LABOURERS’
“Ag Labs”

For anyone embarking on the journey of tracing their family history, one of the first places to search is the census returns, which give the names, ages, places of birth, occupations and addresses of the population, together with an indication of the neighbourhood in which they lived and worked. The earliest comprehensive census of England was completed in June 1841 and has been taken every 10 years since, with only one or two exceptions, the 1931 returns were destroyed by fire after enemy bombing in WWII and no census was taken in 1941, although a register was completed in 1939. All census returns from 1841 to 1921 have been released together with the 1939 register and can be viewed online.

In the early census returns, it is perhaps surprising to discover just how often the occupation ‘Ag Lab’ is recorded, even in places such as Westminster, hardly renowned for its farming and agriculture today. Many families will have ag labs amongst their members, perhaps some will have been more fortunate to have employed them instead.

Ian Waller is a retired professional genealogist, Chairman of AGRA and a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists. He is a regular speaker on a range of topics and author of many books, including one on agricultural labourers, and his talk will give an interesting insight into the agricultural work which was undertaken together with information on what and where any surviving records of these workers might be found.

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Next meeting: 9th March

At this meeting our topic will be:

'What place should religion have in an increasingly secular county?'

This group has been going for over twenty years. Meetings are held at Wingrave Methodist Church in Nup End Lane.

It starts at 8:45 am and finishes at 10:30 am and costs £4 for the breakfast.

All welcome (fellas only), no need to book just turn-up.

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WILD GROUP



WILD NEWS

There are some exciting times ahead for Wingrave's WILD group.

Hedge laying training at the Wingrave Park 9th and 10th March 9.30 – 3.30
Paul Blissett will be showing people how to lay the overgrown hedge at Wingrave Park.

Up to 6 places available on each day, you can sign up for one or both days.
If weather is foul, we will try again on the weekend of 16th and 17th March.
Equipment will be provided. You will need stout shoes or boots, and if you have goggles and tough gardening gloves please bring them.

This training is free of charge thanks to Wing and Ivinghoe Community Board.
To sign up or ask questions contact Jan Walmsley jwalmsley@wwrpc.org.uk

Learn how to Create Space for Nature Monday 18th March 7.30 - 9.00
Join Kate Sheard, Community Wildlife Manager for Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trust to find out how you can make your garden and community spaces more friendly to wildlife. Lots of hints and tips, and time for questions and general discussion at the end.

When? Monday 18th March 7.30 – 9.00

Where? Wingrave Park Sports and Social Club

The bar will be open from 7pm

Refreshments will be served after the talk

Verges

Over 80% of respondents to the Parish Council's Climate Change Survey said they would welcome a change to verge maintenance to allow wild flowers to grow over the summer months. So we will be extending the number of verges maintained in this way in the coming season.

Bird Surveys

These are continuing. If you would like to join one of our experienced bird watchers on an early morning walk to find out about our local birds, just get in touch – jwalmsley@wwrpc.org.uk

... WILD GROUP

Quadrat Surveys

Will continue in the summer, starting in the week beginning 8th April. Contact Val Godfrey to find out more godfreyvlre@gmail.com

Wildlife Photo of the Month

Thanks to Olwen and Chris Stovold, this rare sight of mating foxes.

Jan Walmsley



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

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VILLAGE WALKING GROUPS



JANUARY WALKS

After an exceptionally wet December, walking conditions in January improved and both the Village walks attempted during this month took place in reasonable conditions. On the days in question the weather (dry, but dull) and conditions (care required to avoid too much mud) were acceptable and we had good turnouts for both walks.

The Monday walk took place on January 8th and was led by Jan Walmsley. She took the group up to the Greensand Ridge at Woburn Sands. The sand is free-draining and apart from one short stretch where we were confined to a narrow path next to a badly maintained ditch, we kept to the dry. Leaving the road, we

walked up into Wavendon Woods, passing Wthe Danesborough earthworks and out towards the Woburn Golf course. This area is tree-covered with mostly mature conifers which grow well on the sandy soil. We walked through Bell's Copse on the MK Boundary Walk, then along the Greensand Ridge walk to Pinfold Pond. The path took us to the north end of Woburn, we crossed the main road and took the paths up to Apsley Wood and back into Woburn Sands. This gave us a good circuit of just over 7 miles, and about 3 hours' walking.

Seven walkers took part and we finished with a pleasant lunch at the Swan Hotel in



... VILLAGE WALKING GROUPS

Woburn Sands.

On Sunday 21st eight walkers, led by Richard Keighley went up to the hills behind Tring for a circuit taking in the hill village of St. Leonards.

We started at the White Lion, crossed several fields, with the thin flint/chalk soil showing the first signs of growth of winter wheat or barley to Drayton Wood.

A narrow path between paddocks leads to Shire Lane and on to Grim's Ditch. Here we turned and took the line of the Ditch west before turning south to cross St. Leonards Common and pass by the Church.

The final part of the walk is across a cricket pitch behind the Parish Hall and on towards Dundridge Hall. We were a little too early for what will be a fine display of snowdrops here, and found ourselves just a short distance from the White Lion after a walk of about 3½ miles

Our group finished a fairly easy-going walk with a drink in the pub on what had been a dry but chilly winter day.

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DENIS GOLDNEY

Excerpts from Eulogy presented by Richard Keighley and Jane Reed

Wingrave has been the home to Dennis Goldney all of his life. Dennis was born on 8th July 1949, until he was 6 he lived with his parents Joan and John and his Grandmother in a Rothchild cottage overlooking the Recreation ground. The family later moved to 15 Chiltern Road until his death.

He started school in 1954 and from the outset he was an outstanding pupil. His parents were thrilled with his school reports each year and he carried that over into his love of sport too.

He excelled at the three-legged race for three years literally on the trot. The

identity of the other leg never came to light. His diversity extended to winning the wheelbarrow race too, undoubtedly with a partner, who must have been either the legs or the barrow. He also was a winning quarter of the relay team at District level.

In 1960 Dennis earned a place at Aylesbury Secondary Technical school. Once again he excelled at all academia obtaining GCEs in 6 subjects. He was offered an apprenticeship at Negretti and Zambra Ltd in Stocklake, Aylesbury, a company which designed and made aeronautical and metrological instruments. Whilst he was there he won a National Certificate in Mechanical Engineering at Aylesbury College.

After a short stint at Airtech Ltd he joined Hozelock in Haddenham to use his engineering skills and to learn about project management. He travelled widely abroad for the company, especially to Malaysia and remained with them for the rest of his working life. In 2006 he received a Long Service Award after completing 35 years of recognition of “his loyalty and valued contribution to the business” When the Company moved to Birmingham he took early retirement.

In the meantime, he followed in his Father’s footsteps, Dennis became a very



... DENIS GOLDNEY



enthusiastic and successful sportsman in Wingrave. In his teens he became a regular member of Wingrave's football team and his talents as a reliable left half were recognised by his selection for Aylesbury and District League team twice and the Marsworth league once. He continued to play at a high standard for many years. He was also a member of the Wingrave Bowls Club, but he will be remembered by many as a stalwart at Wingrave Cricket Club over more than 20 years.

Richard Keighley's fond memories extend to life in Wingrave in 1970. The ground was the Rec and the cricket Square was created each season over the muddy centre circle of the football pitch. The 'bounce' was variable, a true bowlers wicket. The team was made of 'old village' and newcomers. The latter having to prove themselves in action. Banter was the order of the day. Umpires were rarely neutral and appeals for LBW were loud and frequent, even by square leg! Games were competitive but played in a good spirit with moments of unsympathetic hilarity if a team member was out first ball, misfielded or dropped a catch.

Dennis's name was always first on the team sheet as he was the best bowler and a reliable batsman. He enjoyed thrilling memories of victories in the inter-village Coronation cup and the occasional heavy defeat (all out for 11 to Stoke Hammond). Cricket teas were popular with the flowing of big pots of tea and the occasional egg sandwich, The post match celebrations sometimes became a little raucous.

... DENIS GOLDNEY



Dennis was a humble man who was renowned for being modest about his achievements, both at work and in sport. His looks deceived, but he led his life in so much order, this was reflected in his home and his garden, both of which were immaculate. He was always a thoughtful neighbour and a cheery companion on the many walks he undertook all over the UK. He had his favourite spots and had many friends to share his memories with. Some of

his favourite walking spots were Beddgelert in Caernarfon, Wales and Knoydart in the Highlands of Scotland. Amazingly he made many friends here too.



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A VIEW FROM THE FIELD



I read an article with a grin on my face last week, where a man was caught in woods next to a layby on the A41 near Kings Langley, having a Wild Wee. He was fined an £88 fixed penalty for littering, urination is classified as littering by the Environmental Protection Act 1990. The Gentleman from Winslow has a prostrate condition and “wild wees are not uncommon”. The gentleman is pleased that after telling the council that “the signals received from the bladder, due to pressure on an enlarged prostate, in the brain makes it difficult for a person to resist or ignore the urgency to pass urine” he explained. He got the fine lifted!! Frankly, I have never read such utter nonsense, being of an agricultural upbringing when faced with sitting on a tractor all day, the sight of a large tree or hedge was very welcome, what are you expected to do, cross your legs for 12 or 14 hours? Really as long as the desperate man hid himself in the bushes, what is all this nonsense? Has the council man got nothing better to do?? On yet another moan, I hope you like me are cross about the amount of litter on the sides of the road along the Leighton Bypass to the A5, it is truly disgraceful. Why do people chuck all sorts of garbage out of their car windows, to make it worse there are handfuls of smashed beer bottles on the side of the tarmac near the roundabout turning to Ledburn, glass takes decades to break down.

Back to another difficult subject as the closing down of The Rose and Crown pub, I feel it is so important for a crew to get together and make an offer to the Brewery, maybe this is in motion, I shall be so happy if that is the case. Once closed for a period of time it shall probably not reopen, it is a vital part of the village, I for one shall put a donation towards its opening, and I hope a proportion of the village folk shall do likewise. I talked to a long time Estate Agent last week and he told me that house prices in a village without a Pub or one that is closing can drop up to 8%. I find that pretty steep but not surprising. I feel the only way forward for a small village pub is to be owned by the village, this is happening much more regularly and some pubs are making a go of it on that basis. I leave you with a question, do the young use pubs less than we all used to?

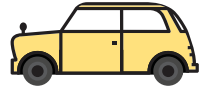
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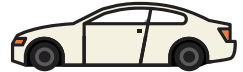
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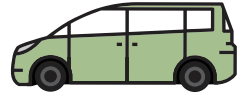
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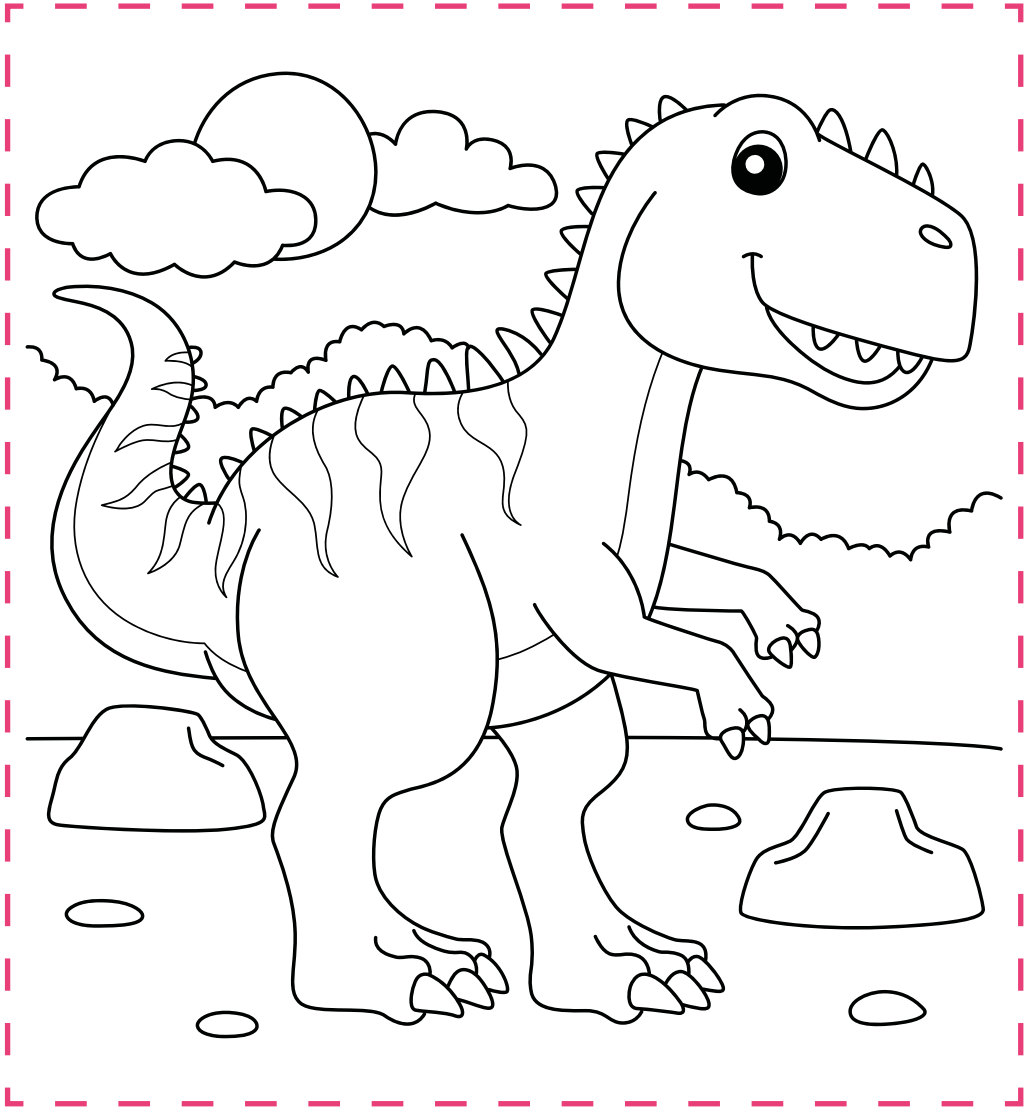
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CONTACT

To learn more please drop in at the Village Clubs and Societies Day in the WCA on Sunday 24th March from 12 to 3pm or contact Chris Harrison Club Secretary Email: ccsharrison@gmail.com Tel: 01296 688782.

NETBALL - Men's only netball nights

This is a four week trial to gauge interest.

First session will start 5th March from 8pm-9pm at Wingrave Park, Winslow Road, Wingrave HP22 4BQ.

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WINGRAVE CROQUET CLUB



Established 2006 *“May you play on interesting lawns”*

Oyez, oyez, oyez!! (other spellings are available, but you get the drift...) Our 2024 Club Annual General Meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 12 March at 7.30pm at the Wingrave Sports Pavilion, followed by a buffet supper from 8pm. A chance to see if you have been mentioned in dispatches and named for one of the sought-after Chairman’s Awards. Our Committee has already planned the two Club Doubles events booked for this season, and hope to see as many members there as possible (get your diaries out please). The Spring Pairs will be on Saturday 4 May, and the Autumn Pairs on Sunday 1 September. There is even a National Croquet Week organised from 18-24 May, which the National Trust are supporting.

We shall be opening (officially) for business on Saturday 6 April at 10.00 (weather permitting, flippers and snorkels not provided). Everyone welcome, let’s make this a day to remember. Bring your mallets, bring a friend, join in the fun – see you there and let joy be unconfined! It will be good for us to be playing once again, on a regular basis, so get ready one and all! Play has not been possible since last October thanks to the appalling weather conditions, and the lawn ornaments (our fantastic team of garden gnomes) are raring to go and get the court ready for play. Thanks as always, what would we do without you all?

Please note that our Club sessions have changed slightly with play available on Saturdays from 10am, Tuesdays and Fridays from 4pm, but members have the opportunity to pick up additional play (even at short notice) via our WhatsApp group.

Our well-supported Ladder League got people out there playing (or watching) with a good purpose, and it will be up and running again for this season, (please contact Roy Bradbury if you are interested as he has kindly agreed to organise this).

Southern Federation Doubles. Wingrave won the competition last year and the cup awaits collection from Abingdon. We have entered again this year and we shall pit our mallets against High Wycombe, Abingdon, Harwell, Eynsham, Winchester

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and Winslow. It is also to be hoped that some more Friendlies can take place and get some of our newer members into the fray.

Our Chairman and qualified handicapper will be prowling around to check the GC Handicaps of all members (hopefully before the season begins). This relatively painless procedure is available to help with planning for the above Doubles League, Ladder League and Friendlies, so please don't be shy.

Don't forget - there is also a free offer of introductory, tester and coaching sessions as and when required. We look forward to seeing many new faces on the lawns, and especially at the Clubs and Societies Day on Sunday 24 March (see elsewhere in the Communique for further information) .

For any additional information, please contact:

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WINGRAVE BOWLS CLUB

NEWS FROM THE GREEN



Whilst there is no play on the green, aside from the odd Pied Wagtail searching for grubs. All activity amongst Wingrave bowlers is restricted to indoors. Both short mat and indoors at Foxhill in Aylesbury are still very popular, some members wander across to Bletchley too. One of our members actually plays short mat or indoor bowls every day somewhere.

Awards presentation night

Last month our Awards presentation night was held at the Sports and Social club. It's always a great night with full capacity attendance and a delightful buffet courtesy of Julie. It is an opportunity to chat to members and prepare for the coming season, which is only less than two months away.

New season coming soon

Maintenance will start in earnest with paint brushes in hand and spray bottles at the ready for a complete blitz of our clubhouse. The green of course, our most wonderful green will get the full treatment prior to play. If you think that an average green will get between 20-30 hours use a week that equates to 1800 hours in a season of footfall. On top of general play, there's the cutting, rolling, swishing, watering, re-seeding, sanding, dressing, feeding, scarifying, brushing. All of which should give you an amazing playing surface. The green team will be kicking into action very soon to identify pests, grubs, disease and dying off, all of which is due to the dedication of a few good people under the guidance of Tony White and Ken Hill. Without whom we just wouldn't be able to operate. All Bowls clubs throughout the land rely solely on members stepping up and getting involved. Our funding to keep the aging clubhouse going is fully reliant on subscriptions from its members. But the hard graft is finding volunteers who are willing to put in a shift. We are so very grateful that we have a good core of members who do just that, but we always need more.

Game time

This current month we will be playing indoor bowls against Watford, there is also a short mat game with our friends up the road in Wing and possibly Stewkley. Our short mat group are doing a couple of social events this month and hopefully

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if I can plan it in time a ten-pin bowling evening with Wing with a curry to finish the night off.

100 years Anniversary

Throughout 2024 plans will be gathering apace for our anniversary celebrations in 2025. So far we have a match planned with the Royal household at Windsor, a Gala invitation day and an Open day. There will be lots more happening throughout 2025, so lots of planning is going on behind the scenes. It would be nice to announce that we have funding for our new clubhouse, but alas it is becoming a strength-snapping and frustrating time for the fund raising team, with nothing more to announce.

Clubs and Societies day

Don't forget to come and chat to us if you are interested in being part of a very active group. There are places available for membership, although we are full on social membership.

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LONG MARSTON CRICKET CLUB



Play Cricket in 2024! Winter Nets Start Friday February 16th

Fancy getting into (or back into) cricket? We field teams across a wide range of abilities in the Cherwell Cricket League and friendlies. We also have various youth teams. If you would like to join us or have a try-out at winter nets please contact James Beesley develop@longmarstoncc.co.uk. Ladies are welcome as well as gents - all our teams are mixed!

Scorers and Umpires Wanted!

Have you played cricket in the past? Do you enjoy the game and want to be part of it? We're looking for umpires and scorers for 2024! Umpires need some knowledge of the game, but further training is available, whereas we can provide start-from-scratch instruction for would-be scorers – it's not difficult once you know how, and it's a role that can be enjoyed by anyone. So why not spend your Saturday's sitting (or standing) in the sun with one of our friendly teams at some of the finest and most picturesque cricket grounds in the area. Interested? Please contact chairman@longmarstoncc.co.uk.

10km Fun Run Sunday 12th May 10AM

After the success of the Long Marston Cricket Club 10K run last year we have decided to repeat the event. This fantastic off-road 10k will send runners on a beautiful rural route along the Hertfordshire / Buckinghamshire border. Come along for the charming views and claim your awesome goodie bag at the finish line. There are also custom event medals for all. Plenty of cakes, coffee and tea is available for a small donation at the end of the run and for those that may want a stronger drink, the bar will be opening at the end of the run. Free parking. Enter at <https://www.letsdothis.com/gb/e/lmcc-10k-188696> Cost is £16.00 per person plus £1.50 admin charge.

Club Sundays

The Club Bar is open on Sundays between 12 and 2PM - all are welcome. Please remember that our clubhouse is available for hire and includes a kitchen, large open area and licensed bar, which we can staff. Please contact Paul Marsh (info@esipower.co.uk) for more information.

Ground Security

If anyone spots anything untoward at either of our grounds at Marlins (Cheddington Lane, Long Marston) or Mentmore then please contact our Chairman Paul Dumpleton at chairman@longmarstoncc.co.uk. If a crime is in progress please call the police. We would also like to politely remind dog-owners that our grounds are not public open spaces. Dogs must be kept under control at all times and any mess must be cleared up.

Find out more at www.longmarstoncc.co.uk

WINGRAVE FOOTBALL CLUB

Playing since 1891



THE 1970s

1976-77, with the decade of the 60s starved of any Oving cup success, the 70s proved to be equally barren. The team selected to play at Wing was largely from the reserve team. Goal keeper Les Reynolds, Sammy Golding, David Lewis, Nick Henley, Sprig Bignell, Pete Reynolds and Alan Giggs, 2nd October 1976, Wing recreation ground. We lost 6-1, our goal was an own goal. Other team members were Steve Pearson, J. Cousins, B. Fleet, P. Day, A. Frankum.

1975 saw the founding of the Sunday team, managed by myself. This was gathering much interest and momentum. We were playing friendly matches all organised by me, from the phone box in Winslow road. Long since gone. The Sunday team of 1976-77 was playing well. A trip down to Marsworth, 29th May 1977, saw one of the finest displays in the history of Sunday football. We were playing the Red Lion, they had enjoyed success and silverware. We had secured services of Wimbledon player Leo Markham, who had played for Watford and later Aylesbury United as player manager. As a central midfielder, the Marsworth team didn't know what had hit them. We scored 9 goals that day, as said one of the best performances from that Sunday team. Leo scored twice, Charlie Ellis (1) Nigel Bonnick (4) Nick Henley (1) and Steve Rickard (1).

The final score was 3-9 to Wingrave. Team -

A. Frankum GK, R. Tarbuck, L. Reynolds, C. Ellis, S. Bignell, C. White, N. Bonnick, N. Henley, S. Rickard, L. Markham, and A. Henley.

Note - four players from that team were selected to play in the Oving cup 76/77, A. Frankum, L. Reynolds, S. Bignell and N. Henley.

The 1977/78 season came round. Losing at Cheddington 6-1, first came, Bonnick on target. Team -

M. Higgs, C. Ellis, L. Reynolds, D. Lewis (school master), G. Gurney, Chalkie, N. Bonnick, S. Bignell, A. Higgs, S. Rickard, R. Tarbuck sub A, Vizked.

We used our new blue and white striped shirts for the first time. These were provided by Wimbledon F.C via Leo Markham. In 1977 a set of shirts would cost you £37.00 with a match ball thrown in. (Bargain). Whilst the colours were not the traditional red and green, they did have a village connection. The school colours of 1936-37 were blue and white stripes, worn in the Berks and Bucks final schools cup competition during that season.

Chalkie White, hon. President
Wingrave football club and Oving cup com

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Wingrave Park Pavilion bookings: Julie Mann 07585 454299 julieannemann66@gmail.com

MARCH 2024

Fri	1	1800	Family spud night	Community Centre
Sun	3	1400	Annual PCC meeting	Parish Church
Sun	3	1500	Wingrave dance	Community Centre
Wed	6	1000	Wl: The KenSal Duo, singalong	Methodist Church
Fri	8	1930	Family Bingo	Community Centre
Sat	9	0845	Men's breakfast talk: What place should Religion have in an increasingly secular country?	Methodist Church
Sun	10	1230	Sunday Roast to take away or eat in	Community Centre
Sun	10	1600	Messy Church	Parish Church
Mon	11	0915	Wingrave Monday Walking Group walk contact Jan: 07813 085211	
Fri	15	2000	Twining AGM and cheese & wine	Community Centre
Sat	16	1400	Twining jumble sale	Community Centre
Sat	16	1930	Aston Abbotts quiz night	AA Village Hall
Sun	17	0930	Wingrave Ramblers' local ramble	Nup End Lane
Sun	17	1400	The Great Wingrave Spring Clean litter pick	Methodist Church
Wed	20	1800	Copy deadline for Communiqué	
Fri	22	1930	WwRHA talk: Agricultural Labourers	Community Centre
Sun	24	1200	Clubs and Societies day	Community Centre
Tue	26	1930	Parish Council meeting	Community Centre
Wed	27	1200	Over 60s lunch club	Wingrave Park
Thu	28		School term ends	
Sun	31	0200	British Summer Time starts	
Sun	31		Easter Day	

APRIL 2024

Wed	3	1000	Wl: Stoke Mandeville Spinal Research	Methodist Church
Fri	5	1800	Family spud night	Community Centre
Mon	8	0915	Wingrave Monday Walking Group walk contact Jan: 07813 085211	
Fri	12	1930	Family Bingo	Community Centre
Sat	13	0845	Men's breakfast talk: Community Energy: power to the people	Methodist Church
Sun	14	1600	Messy Church	Methodist Church
Mon	15		School term begins	
Tue	16	1930	Parish Council meeting	Community Centre
Wed	17	1800	Copy deadline for Communiqué	
Sun	21	0930	Wingrave Ramblers' local ramble	Nup End Lane
Wed	24	1200	Over 60s lunch club	Wingrave Park

Recycling bin collection: Wednesday 13th 27th March, Thursday 11th Wednesday 24th April;

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