

VILLAGE LIVE

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Strong signs of spring now as the nights draw out a little and dogs can be walked as late as 5 o'clock without being decked out with flashing collars and torches.

Once again there will be a busy spring for many in the parish with a Panto this week giving us the lowdown on Cinderella. There is Sunday evening entertainment at the pub, at talk on the Whittington quarries. There will be a Jumble Sale and a Tabletop sale at the hall and a crafts exhibition that we're all invited to contribute to - no judging just a sharing of enthusiasms.

The annual parish meeting is on March 14th. Events are being held to raise funds for the Hall Car Park and there are fundraisers for both Luncheon Club and Church funds.

Many will attend the Countryside march in London on March 18th.

Time to book too for the Produce Show outing and to start planning for the Produce Show.

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Pancake-day about now.

Quiz raises £167

Wendy Lee and Val Smith have asked us to thank you all on their behalf for raising £167 from the quiz at the Village Hall on January 26th.

I think though that the boot should be on the other foot and we should express our thanks for a super evening. The quiz was a great success with profits split between the Children's Society and Hall Car Park.

It was a great quiz with one question about each year of the 20th Century.

Colin Handy made a good question master though his cries of "These are the easy ones!" would have been risky in less civilised company.

Geoff and Lesley Ball did the score keeping without any apparent damage to their relationship.

There were good refreshments and a raffle with many prizes.

All in all a good evening, so thanks again to Wendy Lee and Val Smith for their efforts in organising it and to the many helpers who made the evening run so smoothly.



Looking forward to a follow up!

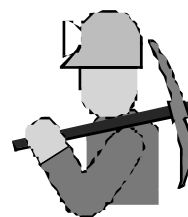
If you have never heard Arthur Price's fascinating talk on the

Whittington Stone Mines

now's your chance

don't miss it on April 6th at 7:30pm in Rhodes Hall.

All proceeds will go towards the Car Park fund.



BROCKHAMPTON YOUNG QUILTERS

meet one Saturday each month from 10 to 12.30.

Entry is £1 including all the fabrics you'll need.

Aged 8 to 18, male/female then you're welcome.

Next meeting: Saturday 24th March when

Patchwork Easter Decorations will be made.

Turn up or ring Georgina Oldham on 820423.

Future dates: 21st April, 19th May, 30th June, 21st July, 22nd September, 20th October, 24th November, 15th December.



The schedule will soon be out for this year's Produce Show

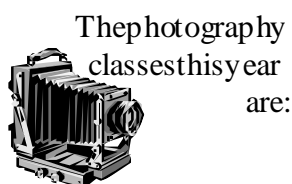
which is on Saturday 25th August

The theme this year is "Country side" and one of the handicraft classes open to everyone, any age is a model scarecrow



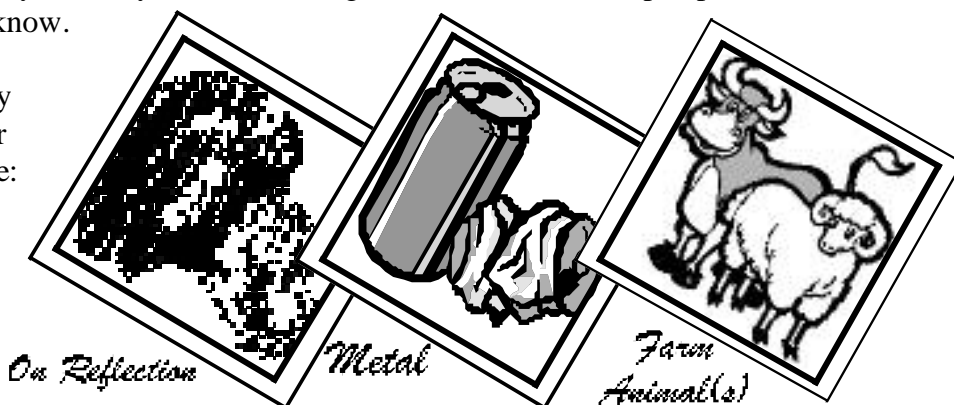
All the usual vegetable and flower classes except that the pair of marrows has changed to courgettes (and I always thought courgettes turned into marrows).

Any one who knows of any 'Country' entertainers (e.g. 'The Worzles' but cheaper) please let any committee member know.



The photography classes this year are:

The photos should not exceed 8½" by 6½"



If you are not already involved and would like to lend a hand, please let Gill Lanfear (820862) or Annie

Produce Show Outing: Thursday 24th. May

An afternoon and evening at Alderly Grange and Hunts Court Gardens followed by a supper in "The Bell", a pub by the River at Frampton on Severn, was the programme for last year's coach trip organised by the Produce Show Committee. Unfortunately it had to be cancelled because the coach operator went out of business and another could not be found. So it has been re-organised again this year - hopefully with more success.



Both gardens are near Wotton-under-Edge, **Alderly Grange** has a Walled Garden with fine trees, roses, herb gardens and aromatic plants; **Hunts Court** unusual shrubs, 450 varieties of old roses, a large collection of penstemons in peaceful 2½ acre garden set against tree clad hills and Tyndale monument. Superb views. House (not open) possible birthplace of the martyr William Tyndale

The cost will be about £10 - £12 each for the coach and entrance fees (excluding supper). Full details of times etc. will be given nearer the date.

If you would like to go please give our name to **Rod Francis** 820678 or **Gill Lanfear** 820862 as soon as possible.

(You do not need to be connected to the Produce Show to 'qualify' for a seat.)



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**PARISH
COUNCIL**

The next meeting of the Council will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting for all Parishioners and on Wednesday 14th March 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in Rhodes Hall. At their last meeting on Jan 10th, they voted not to increase the Parish Precept for 2001/2000

Finger-pickin' & Lickin' at the Local



Congratulations to Dale and family for reviving the Craven's Sunday night entertainment.

It seems a long time since we had the "Spag Bog" ("Bol" if you must) competition and even sometimes since we had a Sunday night quiz, so it is good to see something happening again.

The run kicked off on Jan 25th with "The Tickle Fisherman", a local jazz, blues and country three-piece who will be back on Feb 18th. They played a broad range of music but really excelled when they included their mandolin and banjo.

The following Sunday brought a curly competition and then (pictured) "The Anonymous Jazz Band" - whether names are being withheld to protect the guilty, I can only guess at.

Depending on your bravery, Sunday 25th February should be special. An invitation to bring your own acoustic instrument and play. Pass me my didgeridoo! There will be more music on Sunday 4th March starting at 7:30.

Keep an eye on their website: www.thecravenarms.co.uk for future attractions.

CHURCH NEWS



**LENT begins on
February 28th**

with an Ash Wednesday
service of Holy Communion
at 6.00 in the new
**Andoversford
Church Centre.**

there will be a
JUMBLE SALE
in aid of Church Expenses
on Saturday March 17th
At 2.15pm
in Rhodes Hall
Brockhampton
Information from Gill Hyatt 820458

Art and craft exhibition

acrylic, action, airbrush painting, aquatint, batik, book-binding, brass rubbing, calligraphy, ceramics, china, collotype, colour wash, conté, cup, drawing, dry-
enamelling, engraving, painting, decoration, flower
glover pressing, gouache, grisaille, sculpture, icing,
impasto, intaglio, cut lithography, marbling, metalwork,
miniature, montage, mosaic, musical making, painting,
photography, photomontage, portraiture, pottery,
quilting, ragbolls, rolling, samplers, sculpture, scumbling, sgraffito, sewing, silk painting, silk-screen printing, sketching, soft
ground etching, spray-can painting, stained glass, tapestry, technical drawing, tempera,
cartooning, decoration, collage, print, colour
dramatic make-
point, embroidery, encaustic, etching, finger
fingernail
arranging, fresco, frottage, hat-making, ice
illumination, lion work, lino
lost wax, marquetry, mezzotint, painting, mud
painting, instrument
needlepoint, oil
painting, pastel, photogravure, photoprint, puppet-making, making, raf
screen printing,

There is so much talent in our villages and some of this never comes to light. Now is the chance to put your talent on show and help relieve the car chaos outside the village hall at the same time.

**The exhibition will be on
Saturday 26th, May
Sunday 27th May and
Monday 28th May
in Rhodes Memorial Hall**

**Proceed to the hall car park
fund.**

**If you have anything you would
like to exhibit please contact
Georgina on 820423.**

B.A.D.S. Present...



**ALL STAR CAST, FRONT
OF HOUSE &
BACKSTAGE CREW**

so all that's needed is
an audience at

**Rhodes Hall
on**

Thurs 23rd Feb: 7:30

Fri 24th Feb: 7:30

Sat 25th Feb:

2:30 & 8:00

**Tickets - Adults: £4.00
under 16: £2.00**

**Get yours from the Post
Office**

by
**David
Tristram**

Luncheon Club



**In December the club ended
an active and happy year
with our Christmas Lunch,**
this time at the Apple Tree
Woodmancote.

Although we are already
planning the year's garden
party, coffee mornings and the
outings, the main purpose of
the club is just to meet on a
Wednesday for a coffee and a
simple meal and, of course, to
share the good company of
friends. Everyone is
welcome, as a member or a
helper, and there are cars to
pick you up if you wish.

*Fund-raising remains a
constant priority and our first
event for 2001 is a*

TABLE TOP SALE

At

Rhodes Hall

On

SAT APRIL 21st

2:00pm

With

TEAS and RAFFLE

If you would like to sell the
family heir-looms or even
some bric-a-brac, why not put
your name down for a £5.00
table or share with a friend.
Failing that, make a note of
the date - April 21st. Come
along, enjoy a cup of tea,
search for a bargain and so
support the Luncheon Club.

Enquiries for Tables or for joining -
Mrs Mildred Jarman 820462
Mrs Rita Rhone (01242) 234021



**The scheme has completed three very
successful years**

Each year an increased number of
journeys has been undertaken with a total
of 195 in 2000 - a rise of 122% on 1999.

Although last year there was no rise in the payments to cover volunteers' costs you will see from the enclosed leaflet that it has been necessary this year for an adjustment. Some pricing anomalies have also been rectified. The success of the scheme is due to the great support of a small group of

very willing volunteers. Any extra
helpers would always be welcome.

If you would like to become a
volunteer or need transport give one
of the coordinators a ring: -


☎ **Sheila Agius 820102**

☎ **Fay Swain 820402**

☎ **Di Brown 820271**

MILLENNIUM GOODIES

*There are still for sale at the
Post Office jigsaws, first day
covers and notelets
celebrating the Millennium
and the New Postbox. From
now on all proceeds from
sales will go to the Car Park
fund as this is the next big
parish project!*



**Support the car park fund ~
buy extra copies of**

Chronicle 2000

**£3.00 each from
the Post Office (820966)
or Lynne Jackson (820408)**

buy two for £5.00