NAPHILL GAZETTE



FAWNOF THE RED DEER January 1972

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - JANUARY 1972

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VILLAGE HALL NOTES

The Village Hall Car Park resurfacing and drainage plans have been authorized and work should now be proceeding. It is hoped that improvements to the toilet facilities will be started within the next two or three months. The plans to extend the hall are sadly beyond our current financial means. We shall, however, be planning for the future and perhaps the community would bear this in mind when the Annual General meeting is held in March. All interested persons are welcome to attend, so that a representative village view can be obtained. The date and time of the A.G.M. will be published as a reminder in the February edition of the Gazette.

The finances of the Village Hall are reasonably sound, but extension plans place severe demands upon money. Many people, too numerous to mention, have devoted their valuable time and energy to raising funds and assisting with general activities. My thanks go to all these people for their support during my year of office, together with best wishes to Mr. Bruce Holland who takes over as chairman for 1972.

VILLAGE HALL NOTES Continued

Our thanks also, to the Gazette for publishing details of council It goes without saying that the Village would be at a loss without the news and interest which the Gazette provides each months

Finally, on behalf of the Council, A Very Happy New Year to everyr one.

A.B.D.

N A P E I L L C H R I S T M A S B A Z A A R

On Saturday, the 27th of November, the Bazaar was opened by Mrs. Isabel Packwood who was accompanied by her husband, Wing Commander E.W.H. Packwood, Officer Commanding R.A.F. High Wycombe. opening speech, Mrs. Packwood called upon everyone to spend generously to support Village Hall Funds, which will become very depleted when we have paid for the essential improvements to the Hall and Car Park.

In his speech of welcome, Mr. Bruce Drewitt, Chairman of the Village Hall Council said that work on the Car Park will start in the near future, followed by the rebuilding of the Ladies and Gents Toilets. He also remarked that because of the lack of funds, the Village Hall Council had found it impossible to go ahead with any extension plans at this time.

We are delighted to report that Mrs. Packwood's plea for generous support proved successful, and a profit of £180 was made,

Our sincere thanks are due to all who helped to make this an enjoyble and profitable village event. We are most fortunate in the suport given on these occasions by many organisations in the Village and for their help with this Bazaar, we should like to thank the Women's Inwtitute, Young Neighbours, Mens Club, Tennis Club, Naphill Guiles and Naphill Primary School. Our thanks are also due to Mrs. Judy Woodruff and her friends as well as Mr. W. Wood, who organised their own very interesting and successful stalls.

Greatly appreciated donations were received from the Over 60's, Methodist Church, Mr. Tony Lawrence, Mrs. Everett (Post Office) and Wren Davis Ltd.

An event which created considerable interest was the Art Exhibition, presented by Naphill School and 370 Adults came in to see the extremely talented work of the children of the Villate.

Results of the Christmas Draw and other competitions: - (Draw results given by Mr. Fendon) Mark Lawrence, Esme Davies, Mrs. Stallwood, T.

Guessing Games:-Wilks, V. Sharp

Marbles in Pot:-Adults: Miss Edna Cooper

Children: Elizabeth Rabson

CHRISTMAS DRAW PRIZEWINNERS:

1st	Carving Dish & Carving Set	Mrs. R.A. Summerfield
2nd	Christmas Hamper	Mrs. B. Leaver
3rd	Turkey	T.S. Arnold
4th	Bottle of Whisky	J. Gabbitas
5th	Biscuits	C. Lawrence
6th	Bottle of Martini	Mrs. Hampton
7th	Sainsbury's Gift Voucher	Mrs. Syrett
8th	Cussons Soap & Talc	Mrs. Massey
9th	Biscuits	E. Lomm
10th	Christmas Dance Tickets	Mrs. Keeble
11th	After Shave	P. G. Hyer
12th	Biscuits	L. Horton

The Council would like to thank all those people who contributed to the success of the Christmas Bazaar by purchasing draw tickets.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preache	rs for January	11 a.m.	6.15 p.m.
January	2nd	Mr. D. Gregory	Mrs. Tyler
t t	9th	(Rev. P. Tucker (Covenant Service)	(Mr. D. Church (Film Service)
11	16th	Mr. D. Short B.Sc., M.A.	Mr. B. Rixon
11	23rd	Mrs. Anderson	Miss Darvill
11	30th	Mr. E. Barnett	Mr. R. Peel

On Wednesday, January 5th, at 7.30 p.m. a United Fellowship Meeting will be held in the schoolroom - Leader, Rev. Norman Burrows. On Saturday, January 15th, a Musical Evening will be given by the Marlow Gospel Singers. Full details will be given later. On Tuesday, the 18th of January, during the week of prayer for Christian Unity, there will be a United Devotional Evening with our Anglican Friends in our church at 8 p.m.

M.G.B.

NAPHILL CHURCH

Sunday, January 16th

Evensong

3.30 p.m.

23rd

Holy Communion

9.0 a.m.

(Taken by Rev. B. Houghton, Vicar of Lacey Green)

Now that Mr. Dickins has retired, the legal responsibility for Hughenden Church and Naphill Church affairs is in the hands of the two churchwardens, Dr. D. Bedford and Mr. G. Lloyd, with Dr. Day, the Rural Dean. We are assured that every effort will be made to maintain the existing service arrangements and no change's are envisaged.

No doubt, the Diocesan Authorities will be taking another long, hard look at the church in Naphill, now that the matter of a new Incumbent is under consideration; so it is up to the congregation to show that there is a real need for the church in this village.

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NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday Services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m.

All Welcome!

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"No snowflake in an avalanche ever feels responsible."

CAROL CONCERT

The traditional Carol Concert was well attended at Christmas and enjoyed by everyone. It is one of those affairs when many people take a hand from the churches and village organisations and this time, we heard a most moving appeal by a member of the Village Hall Council on behalf of Christian Aid.

The collection amounted to £17.84 which in itself is a tribute to the eloquence of the speaker and the generosity of Naphill people. The whole of this sum will be sent to the Treasurer for Christian Aid.

W.W.

NATURE INTEREST

DEERS

From information received, I had reson to beliveve there were wild deers roaming in the chilterns around the Henley Valley. I knew I must be there either very early morning or late evening because all deer are nocturnal and sleep most of the day; and eat and drink during darkness.

It was late evening on the third trip that I was lucky. I was quite a long way away from a few moving brown objects, but through my 'glasses" I could just discern at the edge of the wood a few deer. I parked the car and began to walk my way round the spot where I had first seen them so that I would be walking into the wind - deers are very nose sensitive. I kept under the cover of the three trunks and was successful in getting fairly near to them. I did not feel I had a been seen or heard.

My "prey" was about 30 yards away, there were no stags just does and fawns about 8 or 10 in all. The young fawns still had their white spots. The light was not good enough for the camera. I did, however, try a few sketches, very rough. Then I was tempted to get a little nearer and all seemed lost; for they disappeared like magic.

I ventured out into the path and within a few yards, under the cover of some yew trees and holly, I saw five or six fawns and one adult, all resting. This pleasure was only for a few seconds. Almost as soon as I saw them, they were up and away speedily chasing after the others. My third time had been lucky and now the light was fading fast and I had to find my way back to the place where I had left the car.

We have four types of deer in Great Britain. The largest, the type I had been watching, the Red Deer. Its original home was Southern Europe, but we now recognise the red deer as our own - for they had been with us for many years. The Red Deer male - The Stag - is a very handsome, majestic reature, standing up to five feet at the shoulders and weighing up to four hundred and forty pounds. He is even more magnificent during the rutting period when he must show himself at his very best. This usually takes place in September and October.

Challenge after challenge will be met and eventually, if he is victorious, he will become "King" of his collected harem, and this usually remains so through the rutting period. There will be loud bellowing and roaring by this "King Stag" and he will defend them against all other stags and in so doing, will often meither eat nor drink during these rutting months of September/October. Then the exhausted stag will leave his herd and will become silent. He will dig a hollow with his hoofs and with the rain it will become a mud bath. He will wallow in this and commence to eat day and night in an effort to replace the layers of fat that have been lost during the previous strenuous activities of the rutting period.

NATURE INTEREST Continued....

During the following May/June, the new baby fawns will be born in a quiet spot in complete solitude. Within a couple of hours - or so - "it will be strong enough to follow its mother and they will return to the normal way of life in the female herd.

Here in Great Britain, we have four types of deer. The next in size to the Red Deer is the Fallow Deer of similar habits. There is ne difference, the antlers of the Fallow Deer have webbed skin between the points. The doe does not have antlers, but both buck and doe have white spots on their bodies. Records say the Fallow Deers were introduced to Britain by the Romans, but ancient fossils found, show that the Fallow Deer was a true native of Great Britain long before the Romans landed.

Smaller than the Fallows, are the Roe Deer - the prettiest of our deers. It is just over 24 inches high at the shoulders and weighs about forty pounds. The ears are relatively larger than the other species, covered with long brown and black hair with smooth whitish hair on the inside, its' nose is black and white, a very attractive "bambie".

Now the fourth member of our deer family is the Barking Deer or Muntjac. This is even smaller than the Roe Deer. Little can be found in the books about this deer. It is about the size of a medium sized dog and extremely shy. It lives in the dense part of the forests or woods and will prefer the fir plantations for safer protection. It is about 20 inches high and only active during the night.

Its antlers are short and times grow after a few years, covered th hairy skin or "velvet" as the sportsman prefers. I understand from friends that this Barking Deer has been seen and heard in a fir plantation not very far from Naphill.

I have been invited to go any dark night to stalk this quarry. I've been told that it is best to get to the middle of the plantation a couple of hours early and remain very silent until the time the deer is expected to start its hunt for food. I've given it some thought, so "Good-night - I'm just off to bed."......

A.S.A.W.

BRITISH LEGION POPPY DAY APPEAL.

The Total collected in Naphill was £42.70. "Sincere thanks to you and all helpers for your efforts." Signed S. Tilbury.

S. Jack.

GARDEN NOTES

A Happy New Garden Year to all gardeners, big or small plots. In the starting of a new year, we all look forward to bigger and better vegetables and a flower garden blazing with colour, and full of perfumes. So we have to plot and plan now and make every effort to help nature. Looking back, 1971 was an erratic year - long dry spells, and some rainy periods. Frost on the whole was average. Vegetables, early potatoes, late peas and cauliflower were poor; other vegetables were fairly good; french and runner beans very good. The flower section made a poor start, but later did very well.

During Christmas, most people will have a present of some sort of pot plant. So many ask:- "When do I water?" I'm afraid there is no answer, you will have to use your own discretion. Perhaps a few tips will help. If the plant has a large head and a warm room temperature, it will take a lot of water. Tap the pot with the knuckles - if it rings, it's dry. Sometimes, you judge by lifting the pot. In any case, don't give a few drops. Stand the pot half way up in slightly warm water for half an hour. If possible, azaleas and camellias - give rain water. They all love a wash occasionally - a light syringe or sponge the leaves. Don't stand them in draughts. If you wish to keep Poinsettas, Cyclamen, Azaleas and Camellias another year, don't put them outside till early May.

In the vegetable garden, work to a plan in rotation of crops - it will economise with fertilizers. Carry on with the digging at every opportunity.

Get the pruning of fruit trees finished. Cut out any crossed branches or where it's too thick. A good rule is when you look at a bush or tree from underneath when the foliage is there, you should be able to see small patches of the sky.

If you are one of the old-fashioned rose pruners like myself, end of March, cut your bushes down now to 3 feet to prevent "wind-cocking."

C.P.

Y O U N G N E I G H B O U R S

We had a very enjoyable evening out on December 13th and it made a good beginning to the Christmas festivities. The raffle was won by Jane Rushby.

Members are reminded that the first meeting of 1972 is on Monday, January 10th at 7.45 p.m.. The Coffee Hostesses are D. Williams, M. Hayer, J. Elliott. The talk will be about the Boys' Borstal Institution, and we hope everyone will come along and enjoy an evening out.

S.J.M

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

We have now disposed of all our supplies of Peat and Chasmor for this year and would like to thank all who helped us. To anyone who has been disappointed I would ask them to make earlier requests when we obtain our Spring supply. Indeed, if all who wish to order for Spring could give me notice at Naphill 3565, it will help us to organize our orders and storage and make sure that everyone is supplied.

At present, all we envisage supplying is Chasmore (fertilizer and scil conditioner) in 56 lb. bags, Sedge Peat in 1 cwt bags and Irish Moss at in large handibales, which are press packed and good value.

Our next important date is Wednesday, the 26th of January, 1972 when we hold our Annual General Meeting in the Billiards Room at the Village Hall at 8 p.m. We shall welcome everyone, as this is the night for electing officers for 1972, hearing any suggestions for the improved working of the Society and, I hope, issuing large numbers of 1972 membership cards. Minimum subscription is 15 pence.

Scmeone jokingly pointed out to me the other day, that the initials of our Society correspond to the National Health. Well, perhaps that is not so funny because, although our subscription is much less, our benefits are just as important to the National Health. No matter in what small way a person tends a garden, it is a healthy occupation and Horticulture creates beauty too, which the other N.H.S. does not always do. I think people are put off sometimes, by this Horticultural label. We cannot all produce prize bloomsand win cups and medals, but anyone interested in his or her garden can contribute too, and learn from the pool of knowledge that exists in the village.

So I hope we shall have a good attendance at our A.G.M., a bigger bership and a good gardening year in 1972.

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EDITOR'S CORNER

I regret to announce the death of a former headmaster at Naphill, Mr. Cudmore who died on the 15th of November at Yarnton, Nr. Oxford, aged 68. He had the difficult task of succeeding Mr. Benwell and soon made himself popular in the village, taking a leading part in Village Hall activities. Mrs. Cudmore and three sons survive him.

Once more, gateful thanks to the volunteers who have lighted up the Christmas Tree again, a spectacle for Naphill to be proud of. These gentlemen desire no publicity, but I must mention the names of Ray Newell and Maurice Ball's. This is not the only feature to attract the attention of late drivers. A recent arrival at my house had almost run over one of the little barking deer described in this issue by Bertie Wooster.

The Viburnum Bodnantense, I mentioned last month is even better now owing to the mild weather. But for winter colour January belongs to the heather or Erica family. To see them at their best, I cannot too strongly recommend a visit to John Letts Heather Garden at Sunningdale, a few miles south of Ascot.

NAPHILL W.I.

At the December meeting, the president drew attention to the gold coloured table cloth presented by the three founder members:- Mrs. E. Brown, Mrs. Halsey and Mrs. Monger to mark Naphill's Golden Jubilee Year

As always, the stall at the Village Hall Christmas Bazaar was a success, with a profit of £31 plus £4 for teas; thanks were given to all who helped to this. A Coffee Morning at Mrs. Mines house made £3.

Miss Hibbard's latest range of costumes was highly amusing and turned back the pages for the older members; did we really wear that shapeless outfit in 1924? But as Miss Hibbard pointed out, nothing is really new. She was thanked by Mrs. Brill.

It was decided that although the adopted family in Austria is now firmly established, after many difficulties, contact will always be maintained and a gift sent each Christmas.

The competition for the best home-made Christmas cracker was won by Mrs. D. Butler, Mrs. H. Hayward was second.

At the January meeting Mr. Hill will give a talk on gardening, and will judge the competition for the best pot of Hyacinths. Tea Hostesses will be Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Gillies and Mrs. Jack.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES

On December 3rd, a welcome introduction was given to the speaker, Miss Mountain, by Mrs. Mines playing the opening bars of "In an English Country Garden."

Miss Mountain talked on "House Plants and their care." Members certainly gained a great deal of information; especially when buying plants - what to look for, etc. Tips were given on growing and taking care of a plant. Mrs. Parker gave Miss Mountain a vote of thanks for her enlightening talk.

Next came our Christmas Party. Lunch was served by the Committee, and husbands made very good waiters. Then followed musical entertainment by the Ladies of the Chiltern Choir, under the leadership of Mr. Ernest Horwood. The Village Hall was filled with their superb singing. Mr. Horwood certainly chose a most selective programme. Then we were entertained by a party of Bellringers. Tea was served and the Choir continued singing with the members joining in the carols. This was Christmas, and all too soon it came to an end and was time to go home. As each member left the Hall they received a small present.

To Mr. Horwood and the Chiltern Ladies Choir a very big thank-you and may they come again to Naphill to sing to us. To the Committee who worked so hard to make this Party a success, thank-you. To wish all members a Very Happy New Year.

January 14th is the next meeting, when Mr. J. Webster of the Forestry Commission will give a talk, with illustrated slides.

On the 28th of January, we shall have a "Bingo Afternoon."

If there is any person of 60 and over who would like to come and oih us, please do. We are a very happy Club and he, or she, will be made very welcome. We meet twice monthly, on Friday afternoons at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

A.G.

NAPHILL COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL KEEP FIT CLASSES.

The ladies' Keep Fit Class, normally held in school on Wednesday evenings, was cancelled this term due to lack of support. I understand that the class could start again if there is sufficient demand. Please let me know if you are interested and I will inform the Head of the Evening Institute. I understand that a similar class for men is a possibility.

W.A. Bradley, Headmaster.

ART CLASSES. Recommence on Thursday, 13th of January, in Naphill Village Hall Billiard Room, at 7.30 p.m.

NAPHILL CONSERVATIVE BRANCH

SUPPER PARTY

Due to the success of previous and many requests for another, your Committee are happy to announce a Supper Party will be held in the Naphill Village Hall on Monday, 24th of January 1972, at 8 p.m. Supper will be served at 8.30 p.m. Why go to the Ritz when an excellent meal, served in candlelight, together with a glass or two of wine (available at the Bar) is to be enjoyed right on your doorstep? A warm and sincere welcome is assured to all new supporters who have taken up residence in Naphill, together with any friends they bring along. Tickets from any committee member at 75 p.

Another important date to remember, the A.G.M. in the Village Hall on 14th February at 8 p.m. All are welcome and again special welcome to our newcomers, young and old.

An advance date to put on your Social Events List: Our Annual Dance at the Little Abbey Hotel, Great Missenden on the 24th of March, 1972.

The C_{ommittee} wishes everyone a Happy New Year, coupled with Good Health and Good Fortune.

Mr. & Mrs. H. Mitchell (Mitch and Mary), would like to thank all their customers and friends for their support during the last four years, and for the many expressions of goodwill for the future.

We would also like to take this opportunity of wishing you all a Very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

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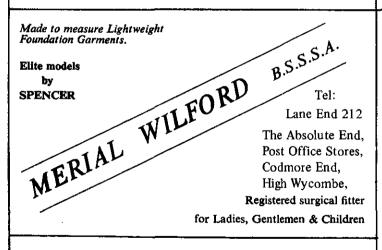
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FEBRUARY 1972

NAPHILL GAZETTE No: 247

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - FEBRUARY 1972

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)	Drama	Every Tuesday	7.30
	Play Group	" Tues, Wed. Thursday	9.00 - 12 noon
	Bingo	Every Thursday	8,00 p.m.
2	Dressmaking	Every Wednesday (B.R)	9.30 - 11.30am
ŧ	Art	Every Thursday (B,R)	7.30 - 9.30 pm
	Table Tennis	Every Wednesday	7.00 - 9.30 pm
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_	Library	4th. 18th (C.R)	7.30 pm
	Mens Club Dinner	5th	6.30 - 8.00 pm
	Private Booking	6th.13th.20th.27th.	7.30 pm
	Village Hall Council	7th	10.30 - 11.00am 8.00 pm
	Over 60's	11th, 25th.	2.30 pm
	Sunday Football	11th	8.00 pm
	Club Dance.		0.00 pm
	Bellfield Residents	12th.	6 00 pm operands
	Conservative Assoc.		6.00 pm onwards.
	A.G.M.	14th	8.00 pm
	Cricket Club A.G.M.	16th (C,R)	8.00 pm
	Welfare	2nd. 16th.	2,00 pm
	W.I.Party	19th	7.00 pm
	W.I.Committee	24th (C,R)	2.30 pm
	Mens Club	Every Tues. Fri. Saturday.(B.R)	8 00 mm
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	Party	25th	7.30 pm
	Football Dance	26th	8,00 pm
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NAPHILL GAZETTE	ABRIDGED	ACCOUNT FOR YEAR TO 30th SEPT
Balance at 1.10.70 Advertisements Donations	8.75 106.85 104.93	Printing Expenses 157.66 Administration Expenses.13.22 Transfer to Equipment
Bank Interest	9,23 229,76	Res. A/C 50.00 Balance at 30.9.71 8.88 229.76

NB: The Equipment Reserve Account is held for possible purchase of Printing Equipment that may occur in the near future.

The Village collection in October was £84.97; just a few pence under the 1970 collection

NAPHILL CHURCH

FEBRUARY 1972

Sunday February 20th

Evensong

3.30 pm

Sunday February 27th

Holy Communion

9.00 am

Both of these services will be taken by the Rev.T.R.Taggart of Amersham.

Sunday School

Each Sunday

10.30 am.

The following extracts are from the Church Wardens letter in the Parish Magazine:-

' People have asked what is happening now we are temporarily without a Vicar. We are assured that an incumbent of Hughenden will be appointed as soon as possible and, subject to minor changes in the parish boundaries, the parish will continue as before.'

' Arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals may be made by consultation with the Churchwardens. They would also wish to be notified of anyone requiring help so that suitable assistance may be offered wherever possible.'

Church Wardens:- Dr.D.Bedford, Hughenden Manor H.W.27987 Mr.G.W.A.Lloyd, 24 Wyndham Avenue, Coates Lane, High Wycombe, H.W.24828

RUMMAGE SALE

The Church Rummage Sale will be held in the Village Hall on the last Saturday in February, the 26th at 2.30 pm. To make this successful, all we need is good weather, plenty of goods to sell, all our usual helpers and, above all, everyone who likes to 'rummage' and pick up some good bargains in clothing and hardware.

Arrangements can be made to collect your goods, if you are unable to bring them to the Village Hall on Saturday morning, by telephoning:

Mrs.E.Wood, 'Hale End', Christopher Close, Naphill 3163 Mrs.A.Gibson, Stonefield House, Clappins Lane, "2231 Mrs.J.Simmonds, 4 Oak Cottages, Naphill, "2274 Mrs.M.Davies, 25 Ash Close, Walters Ash, "3305

or call on Mrs.E.Parslow at No:1 Blenheim Cottage, Main Road.

METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for February:	<u>ll a.m</u> .	6.15 p.m.
February 6th " 13th	Mr.H.J.Harradine. Mr. N. Nibloe	Mrs. Ing. Rev.P. Tucker
" 20th " 27th	Mr.E.Jarvis M.A. Mr. W. Pärkins	(Holy Communion) Mrs. Holt Rev.R.L.J.Kaye.

A United Fellowship meeting will be held at Bryants Bottom Methodist Church on Wednesday February 2nd at 7.30. Leader - Rev.Francis Watts.

A Home Mission's Film will be shown on Thursday - February 17th at 7.30 in the Methodist Schoolroom, a warm welcome is extended to all to see this interesting film.

M.G.B.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

SUNDAY Services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m. All welcome!

Thought for the Month:

Do not make friends with rowdies; with the unruly do not join hands. Otherwise you will imitate their way of life, and so bring about your own ruin.

(From the Book of Proverbs).

NAPHILL W. I.

At the January meeting Mr.Hill gave an amusing talk on gardening, There is no such thing as a house plant" he said, and suggested that ideally, they should be rushed out of the greenhouse as the guests come up the drive, and rushed back immediately after their departure. There were certainly very few entries for the competition for the best pot of hyacinths, Mrs.Kent being the winner. Mr.Hill urged members to be more adventurous and try a water garden and even a small statue. A good excuse for a class for sculpture. He was thanked by Mrs.E.Hussey.

At Mrs.D.Smith's coffee morning £6.03 was raised for the adopted family.

A Michaelmas Fair is planned and the committee hope to hold a "sewing bee" in their homes once a fortnight starting with Mrs.Balls.

Members are asked to bring any bits & pieces and ideas.

Members are asked to support the Drama Group's production of Noel Coward's "HAY FEVER".

At the February meeting the talk "Being a Policeman's wife" will be given by Mrs.McCue's daughter Mrs.McGregor.

Tea Hostesses: Mrs.Bull. Mrs.Page. Mrs.D.Smith.

GARDEN NOTES

This is what I have read about this month:-

"Double-faced February, shortest and worst of all months".

I have known it freeze hard right through the month and well into March. And again, wet and mild conditions are not unusual. Often during the month we get one or two nice days and makes us feel that spring is round the corner. Up to now it is a very mild winter, today I saw daffodils in bud. February should bring snowdrops and crocus. My 30 years experience of the Chilterns is, on average, spring is late, but usually a good autumn. So forget seed sowing now, unless you have cloches. If so, try some early peas and broad beans and a little lettuce. Shallots and parsnips towards the end of the month. If the soil is workable, shallots six inches apart and the rows one foot.

Get the pruning finished this month, don't forget the gooseberries, thin the bushes for some nice fruit. The soft fruits are a good investment if you only try one of each say, a gooseberry, a black-currant, a red currant and a few raspberry canes. They will grow nearly anywhere except shady places. You will have to wait a year for good results - no fruit you buy equals your own fresh picked.

Most of us, I fear, are too casual about cleaning our tools and equipment. A Horticultural Supt. said to me years ago "you can always judge a gardener by his tool shed". Think about this. We press on working until nearly dark too tired to clean a spade or hoe or wash the grass off the blades of a mower. It will take a lot longer to clean them when the muck has dried on hard. Keep an old knife or sharpened stick handy and a bit of sacking - in two ticks they will be nice for next time.

C.P.

Copy of a letter from Paymaster General's Office, Crawley, Sussex. To a lady in Naphill when a penny was ld.

Dear Madam,

Due to an error in this office, your Civil Service Pension has been underpaid by 1d a month with effect from the payment due on 28th Nov.

The underpayment, amounting to 5d for the period from 1st November to 31st March, will be included in the payment due on 30th April and thereafter the new monthly rate will be \pounds ----.

Please accept my apologies for this error, and any inconvenience it may have caused.

Yours faithfully.

YOUNG NEIGHBOURS'

On January 10th Mr.Goodall came along to speak to us about his work at the Finnemore Boys' Open Borstal Institution. It was something of a surprise to learn that a large number of the lads in his care come from "good" homes, but it seems their parents never show that they "care" about their children. In these days of 'Free Expression and Doing your Own Thing', it was reassuring as a "square" parent to be told that children need parents who will set and believe in "old fashioned rules".

Mrs.N.Randall gave the vote of thanks. The raffle was won by Mrs.E.Seymour and Mrs.D.Saw, the competition by Mrs.J.Cook. Our President gave us a brief outline of the arrangements for the coming year and reminded us that subscriptions are now due. It is hoped to have the printed programmes ready for the next meeting.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all husbands and friends interested in Wycombe's history to join our meeting on February 14th. Mr.Mayes will be talking about "Wycombe Past and Present". The entrance fee for visitors is 10p and this includes light refreshments. After Mr.Mayes' talk we hope to show the film "The Town That Died of Traffic". Members are reminded that there will be no Thrift Stall as this is an open evening. The tea hostesses for this meeting will be Mesdames: Hayer, Elliott, Williams, Latham and Madgwick.

S.J.M.

NAPHTIL & WALTERS ASH OVER-SIXTIES CLUB.

Our first meeting in January was an illustrated talk by Mr.Beard of the Forestry Commission. We saw some excellent transparencies of men working by hand and with machinery in the forests. The wild life scenes also were excellent. Nature trails have been made through the woods at Wendover, where one can follow a leisurely trail for twenty minutes, or take a long walk of three hours and I feel sure some of us will be walking these trails.

On January 28th Hughenden Drama Group are to entertain us, in place of Bingo, and we look forward to their visit.

I would like to extend a Get-Well Wish to Mrs.Collicot, Mrs.Reed and Mrs.Judge. Sorry no Get-Well cards were sent, since I too am a victim of whatever virus is rushing around Naphill!

Our Chairman's holiday in South Africa is drawing to it's close and she returns on the 29th of this month. We look forward to welcoming her back at our next meeting on 11th February. On this occasion, we are being entertained by Mrs.Frazer and her dancing pupils.

The next Bingo session is on 25th February.

NATURE INTEREST

THE HERON

This very beautiful bird, almost as large as the stork, can be found wading in shallow waters at the edge of most rivers and lakes. There it will stand motionless for long periods, waiting patiently, watching for small fish in the water or a stray field mouse, vole or shrew softly moving along the bankside. It is also fond of the frog and will eat a water rat or burrowing mole. If the "fish catch" is a large one then the heron will take it's catch on to the bank and kill it before swallowing. The Heron's usual method is to stand perfectly still, it's long yellowish dagger-like bill is held at the "ready" for the slightest movement in water or on land and down will shoot this long neck and terrific bill with extraordinary speed, just a flash and the heron seldom misses. If you watch closely you may see the heron toss up it's catch in order to get it round to swallow head first, this it does with exceptional dexterity.

I have recently had the pleasure of watching a pair of these magnificent creatures in their present adopted habitat at the edge of a very beautiful ornamental lake. After feeding sumptuously from the waters edge they "floated" gracefully to the top of one of the trees by the lake side. Soon they were both in full flight, their long slowly flowing wings reaching five feet six inches from tip to tip. I watched these wings lazily lift and fall in perfect rhythmic beats. During this high flying display their long necks, heads and dagger bills are folded back to rest on the shoulders while the legs and feet are allowed to trail straight out beyond the body completing a perfectly natural ornithological glider.

The heron is not very popular with the fresh water angler because it's staple food is the freshwater fish. From observation, based on the eating habits of captive herons in private parks, records show they consume just over 31bs of food per day of which 10 ounces is fish and mostly small fish. In days past the heron was killed on sight and consequently they became very rare but they are now on the increase since there is now all year round protection.

The colours are really lovely, the long strong bill is bright yellow, on it's light blue-grey head is a black crest and when on display this black crest stands up and curves forward, similar to the cockatoo, but when not on display this black crest reaches from the forehead right over the head and falls down almost to the bottom of it's long neck; a really lovely jet black plume. The bright alert eyes are yellow and black rings and quite large. Down the front of the long blue-grey neck are black spots of varying shapes and sizes, these continue down to the breast into a plume of large long thin white feathers, these feathers also cover the shoulders and fall over on to a pair of heavy strong wings of dark blue-grey. These heavy wings cover the body completely like a tea cosey covers the tea pot, and continues down reaching a short bright blue tail.

Continuation ... Nature Interest:

All this is balanced perfectly on two long strong yellow-green legs.

The other bird life that enjoys the privacy of this lovely fresh water lake are Mallard, Moorhens, with their ancestoral reptilian feet, which are partially webbed enabling them to walk on the surface of the water, Seagulls and the regular visit of the pair of sapphire green flashing king fishers. It is thought that this pair of birds occupy one of the holes at the lake bank side for their nest, if so I hope when the time comes along, I'll be able to watch and make notes. When the young king fishers are old enough they will meet their parents at the entrance and may be that will be another treasured memory for me.

A.S.A.W.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Committee Room of the Village Hall on Wednesday 16th February at $8.00~\rm pm$. All persons interested in cricket please attend.

G.L.B.

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A son, David Alexander, born 15th December, brother for Andréw and Nancy. Marion (nee Tapsto) and Tom Wilks of 3 Purssells Meadow.

THE VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL - MYSTERY DANCE

We are holding our next Dance on the 18th March. Tickets available from usual sources at 55p each. Identity of BAND to be revealed on the night. Disguises and or Fancy Dress welcome - but optional. PLEASE_COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE FUN.



EDITOR'S CORNER

I must begin this month by confessing that when I stopped for a moment to speak to the two men who were arranging lights on the village Christmas Tree, I did not realise that there was a third man up in the branches, doing the donkey work in fact. So apologies and thanks to electrician Alan Wingrove.

It would seem that the frightful noise which has been plagueing us lately is over and if anyone doesn't know it was the earth moving equipment for the RAF houses and the school. What curious tricks noise plays. Some people were not much bothered, while others at the far end of the common complained bitterly. And a friend of mine who lives at Kilm Lane, Prestwood said that it seemed to come down his chimney when doors and windows were shut. He set out to find the cause and tried Hampden, Bryants Bottom and Upper North Dean, before running it to earth (literally) at Walters Ash.

February's shrub is the Witch Hazel. For most of the year it looks like an ordinary hedgerow hazel but just now it's bare branches are covered in golden flowers. Just right for an odd corner. Full name is Hamamelis Mollis.

Continued... Editor's Corner:

Further to my note on the barking deer last month, I now hear of a lady who found one freshly killed by a car in Clappins Lane. Being a person of above average common sense, she took it home and dressed it, obtaining ll lbs. of good venison.

The village will want to extend sympathy to the victims of two recent burglaries, our contributor, Bertie Wooster, lost his colour television set, and I hear that the Broom Smiths lost a large quantity of valuable silver.

The village collection for the Gazette amounted to £84.97, almost the same as last year. Grateful thanks to all collectors. Tony Lawrence, our treasurer, has produced the accounts printed in this issue, and the auditor is Geoff Smith.

R.P.

COPY OF A LETTER SENT TO ALL VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS:-

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS COUNCIL

Cherry Tree Cottage Main Road,
Naphill.

11th January, 1972

We are about to start on some absolutely essential improvements to the Village Hall and car park. These amount to the re-building of the women's and men's toilets and the re-laying of the car park.

Everyone agrees that these essentially maintenance jobs were well overdue but it has taken months - even years - of work by the Planning Committee and other members of the Council to achieve this and we should thank them for their efforts. We will all benefit by these improvements.

It was also planned that an extension should be built at the rear of the Hall, but this idea has had to be postponed. By the time planning approval and the necessary grants were obtained the cost of building had increased so much that Village Hall funds were insufficient to meet the costs.

It was therefore decided by the Council to have only this absolutely necessary work done. However, when we have paid for this our funds will be very low indeed and for some time it will be quite a struggle to meet the ever increasing costs of maintenance of the Playing Fields and the fabric of the Village Hall itself.

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I am, therefore, asking for your kind co-operation and help in making immediate plans to improve our financial situation. Perhaps even more important, I should like to ask for your advice and guidance regarding the future of our Village Hall and Playing Fields, with particular reference to the needs of your own Society, Club or organisation.

To this end, together with other officers of the Village Hall Council I should like to meet you to discuss the problem on Monday 31st January at 8 p.m. in the Billiard Room at the Village Hall. Please make an effort to attend this meeting as it is essential that we should look realistically to the future, bearing in mind the ever increasing costs of maintenance and any improvements we might ultimately wish to make.

Yours sincerely,

CHAIRMAN.

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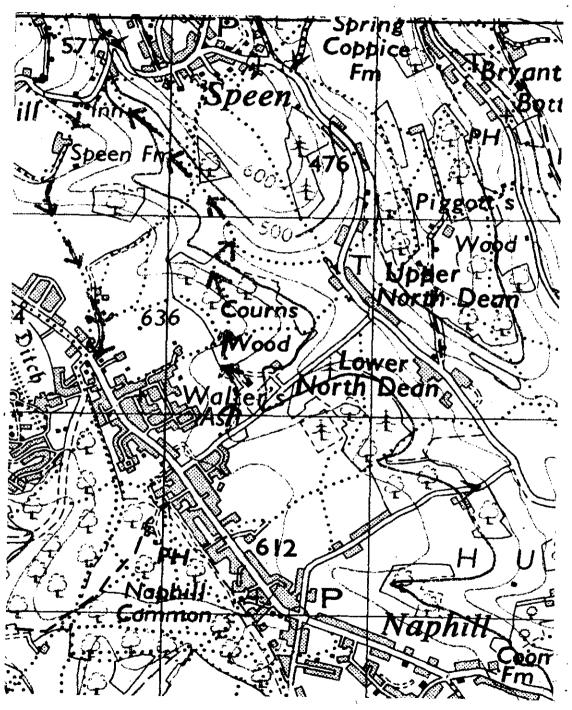
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Mens Club	Every Tues.Fri.Saturday(B.R)		
Table Tennis	Every Wednesday		$\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{m}}$
Private Dog Training	•		- 11.00 am
Dancing	Every Tuesday	3.00	- 7,00 pm
Drama	Every Tuesday	7.30	\mathbf{p}^{m}
Dressmaking	Every Wednesday (B.R)	9.30	- 11.30 am
Bingo	EveryThursday	8.00	pm '
Art	Every Thursday (B.R)	.7.30	- 9.30 pm
Play Group	Every Tues. Wed. Thursday	9.00	- 12 noon
W.I.	2nd	2.30	pm
Whist	3rd, 17th and 31st	7.30	
Library	3rd, 17th (C.R.)	_	- 8.00 pm
Private Party	4th	8.00	pm
W.I.Rummage	4th	2.30	
Private Party	5th	3.00	pm
V.H.C.	6th	8.00	
Over 60's	10th, 24th.	2.30	
V.H.Rummage	11th	2.30	
Young Neighbours	13th	7.45	
Scout Rummage	18th `	2.30	
Private Party	19th	3.00	
V.H.C. A.G.M.	20th	8.00	
Private Discotheque	24th	8.00	
Welfare	1st, 15th	2.00	
Tennis Club Rummage	25th	2.30	
Private Party	26th	3.00	
W.I.Committee	30th	2.30	
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NAPHILL SCOUTS AND GUIDES JUMBLE SALE

To be held in the Village Hall on Saturday March 18th at 2.30 pm.

Members of the Troop will be going round the Village collecting Jumble on the previous Saturday (March 11th) from 10 a.m. onward. If you have anything to spare would you please have it ready when they call, or, if you prefer, hand it in at the Scout Hut.

Thank You.

NAPHILL CHURCH

MARCH 1972

Sunday 19th March

Evensong

3.30 pm

Sunday 26th March

Holy Communion

9.00 am

Sunday School every Sunday at 10.30 am in the Church.

We are pleased to announce that the Revd.Peter Bullock-Flint has accepted the Living of St.Michael's, Hughenden and it is hoped he will be Inducted before Whitsun. Mr.Bullock-Flint and his family now live at Tilehurst, Reading.

Mothering Sunday 12th March.

A united service for parents and children will be held at Hughenden Church on Mothering Sunday at 3.00 pm and will be taken by the Revd.T.R.Taggart.

METHODIST CHURCH

During the period of Lent, leading to Easter, there will be a series of sermons on Sunday, mornings by a team of preachers. The title for the series will be: "The King and the Kingdom"

		<u>11 a.m</u> .	6.15 p.m.
March	5th	Rev. P. Tucker. Subject - "Conflict"	Wesleyan Preaching Group - Slough.
- 11	12th	Mr. H. Steevens. Subject - "Suffering".	Mr. W. A. Osborne.
11	19th	Mr. H. Lord. "Anticipated Triumph".	Sister Ruth Orton BA.
n	26th	Mr.K.Peatey	Rev. P. Tucker

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NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m. - All Welcome!

Thought for the Month:

People of intelligence are of two kinds: those who serve God with all their hearts because they know him; and those who seek God with all their hearts because they have not yet found him.

Blaise Pascal.

"The Way of the Cross". Holy Communion

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

If you are looking for fresh air, exercise, good company and the opportunity to participate in a full social season and meet new friends, why not join us at the Tennis Club. Our first social function has already been arranged and will take the form of a discotheque/dance in the Village Hall on April 21st, both members and non members will be welcome.

For the coming season we can offer tennis of all standards - including the opportunity to play in the High Wycombe and District League. Our very popular junior section will continue to be professionally coached. The club is most keen to attract new members so if you would like to join us, please fill in the application form below and also indicate whether you would be willing to play in any of the listed tornaments. More details may be obtained from:-

Mrs.Jackie Murray - Naphill 3437 Mr. Dennis Cole - " 3366 Mr. John Kelsey - " 3404

Member-ship fees for the following season are as follows:-

Senior* - £4.50

Husband & Wife* - £6.50

Semi Senior*(16-18) - £2.00

Students* (any age) - £2.00

Juniors (inc.Coaching) - £1.00

* Less £0.50 if paid before 1st June 1972.

APPLICATION FORM

To: Mr.J.Kelsey, 9 Allen Drive, Naphill.

I/we wish to apply for membership of Naphill Tennis Club and enclose a cheque/postal order to the value of \pounds

Name:

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Telephone:

I/we would like to participate in the following tournaments:-

Please tick accordingly - CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
COUNTY KNOCKOUT COMPETITION
WYCOMBE & DISTRICT LEAGUE

JUMBLE SALE

Naphill Tennis Club will be holding a Jumble Sale in the Village Hall on Saturday 25th March starting at 2.30 p.m. Addmission 2p. Teas will be served. Please bring any jumble to the Hall between 10.30 and 12 or telephone Naphill 2388 if you have any to be collected.

NAPHILL W.I.

The N.F.W.I. have sent us an attractive golden certificate of congratulations on our Golden Jubilee, and this was framed and displayed on the President's Table.

Mrs.Balls had attended the special meeting for the Chairmen of the various village organisations to discuss with the V.H.C. the finances for the essential improvements and the future of the Village Hall. She gave a brief outline of the proposals and costs and asked for members opinion. It was generally agreed that the size of the hall is adequate. Mrs.Kent's coffee morning held at Mrs.Pearwon's house made £6.00 and the Drama Group's production of Noel Coward's 'Hay Fever' made approximately £35.00.

Mrs.McCue's daughter, Mrs.McGregor talked on 'being a policeman's wife' and added some amusing anecdotes on her life as a police woman. She was thanked by Mrs.D.Smith, who, like many of us, remember Margaret when she was a little girl. She judged the 'favourite pictures' awarding first price to Mrs.A.Gilson and second to Mrs.A.Bull.

Correction: The Sewing Bee will be held once a month, not fortnightly as previously stated; the February one being at Mrs.Bull's house.

The afternoon finished with an interesting guessing game involging names of shops in Wycombe and won by Mrs.McCue. Members are reminded about Party Night when husbands and friends join us.

The March meeting will be a trip to Denman College starting at 12.15

On March 13th there will be a coach trip to London for the Ideal Home Exhibition or for shopping. Anyone interested should contact Mrs.Brill 'Vinette' Main Road, Telephone - Naphill 3575.

MRS. FRASER'S BALLET CLASSES.

All pupils entered for the Royal Academy of Dancing Ballet Examinations in December were successful. Congratulations to:-

PRIMARY GRADE:

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Judy Hornsby (Commended)
Barbara Woodward (Commended)
Susanne Gray (Pass Plus)

GRADE ONE:

Susan Dobson (Commended)
Natalie Finch (Commended)
Sara Alabaster (Pass Plus)

AUSTRALIAN BIRDS AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT

When one travels halfway round the world, it is no surprise when one is confronted with a totally different range of bird life adapted to local conditions.

Australia is a vast continent of widely varying climate zones so that bird life must be able to resist high degrees of heat and withstand low degrees of cold. For example, a typical winter day in the Hawkesbury river valley of New South Wales, has a maximum high of $70^{\circ}F$ and a minimum low of $25^{\circ}F$.

The distribution of native birds in Australia is fairly widespread. Pelicans, Ibis, Ducks, etc., are found in areas where water is plentiful rather than in the central interior where rain occurs but once or twice a year. Australian birds must be predominantly noted for their appearance. There is a wide range of gaudy parrots and cockatoos that expand on the colours of the rainbow in their plumage. It is unfortunate that their attractive appearance is offset by their harsh raucous cry.

The delightful range of finches, locally distributed, offer attractive plumage and a pleasant call similar to our native finches. Outstanding in the species, the red head, with vivid purple and yellow breast, green wings and back, this finch is the most sought after cage bird in Australia.

Birds of song are few but the Australian Bellmagpie, a species very much like and distantly related to the European Magpie, has a loud, melodious, belllike warble. There is also a small fly catcher known throughout Australia as 'Willy Wagtail'. This delightful little bird has a mellow warble not unlike the blackbird. 'Willy Wagtail' is Australia's answer to our Robin as its habitat is mostly gardens where a pair will protect their territorial rights with the same ferocity as the Robin.

Migratory birds do occur in Australia, often within the confines of the continent. The European Swallow, introduced last century spends most of the year in the southern temperate zones, migrating north for the three colder winter months. Other species such as the shirring cuckoo are summer visitors from China and Siberia.

No discussion on Australian birds is complete without mention of the Kookaburra, or 'Laughing Jackass', its more common name. This large, sharp billed, mottled brown bird, is found all over Australia with the exception of the most remote desert inland regions. It is possibly the best known of all Australian birds due to its distinct unusual call. Practically indescribable, the call builds up from a throaty gurgle to a loud hysterical laugh that echos for miles. Often they will sit on telegraph poles half a mile apart and will call to one another.

Many species of birds have been introduced into Australia by the white settlers and have only adapted themselves to coastal and near inland regions.

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Australian Birds - continued..

Two species, the sparrow and starling, a curse in any country, have built up their numbers to equal population in this country. It is unfortunate that this has been allowed to occur because many attractive birds that would otherwise dominate the garden scene, have been driven into second place. Another introduced bird, now regarded as a household pest, is the Indian Myna Bird. This species is now common all over South East Australia and New Zealand's North Island. The Myna is a scavenger and is destructive in gardens. The early settlers and sailors bought caged Myna's on route from England at various ports of call. Any owner of such a pet in this country would do well to keep it under lock and key.

A most interesting point is that birds belonging to the same family often differ considerably on the other side of the world.

Australia can claim some of the most colourful birds in the world but there are few with a pleasant note of call for which, in my opinion, there is no substitute, and nowhere in Australia is there a sound so pleasant as the dawn chorus in England.

S.Piercy

YOUNG NEIGHBOURS

Our open meeting on February 14th was well attended inspite of the "current" situation. The committee hopes everyone enjoyed the talk and films despite some technical difficulties at the beginning.

We would like to offer an apology to the local Conservative Association for any inconvenience caused by an apparent double booking of the Village Hall and we are grateful to them for agreeing to use the committee Room for their A.G.M. If we had to use the Committee Room, I cannot imagine how we should have accommodated 77 members and friends, the speaker and projector etc. Anyway, we hope they were not too uncomfortable and that the refreshments helped to compensate.

Mrs.J.Flett thanked Mr.Mayes our speaker, and also the kind friends from the R.A.F. who supplied and manned the projector.

Our next meeting is on March 13th at 7.45 p.m. when the speaker will be Miss. Williams, a Speech Therapist. Members are reminded that the Thrift Stall will be open again then. The tea-hostesses for March are, Mesdames Donlon, Stallwood, Butler and Warner.

S.J.M.

NAPHTIL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

Our Chairman has not returned from South Africa, she has had an accident and has cracked ribs. Her last letter said she is feeling better, and we wish her a speedy recovery. The box of fruit she kindly sent us was raffled amongst the members. Another box is on the way to the Club from her.

We still have a number of members on the sick list and hope they will soon feel better. Get well wishes to Mrs. Boothroyd who has had an accident, but was smiling in spite of "plaster handicaps".

We would like to thank Mr.& Mrs.Jackson of 'The Wheel' Naphill for £15.00 recently received towards our Christmas Party. This amount was the proceeds of a Raffle organised by Mr.& Mrs.Jackson, supported by tradespeople, patrons and friends.

On 11th February we were visited by Mrs.Fraser and her Ballet pupils who entertained us with a variety of dancing. A great deal of praise must go to Mrs.Fraser for her patience and work in the way these pupils dance. A vote of thanks was given by Mrs.Parker.

On March 10th Mrs.Gowland with her Guide dog Gillian, will speak to us. The Holmer Green Singing Group will entertain us on 24th March.

A.G.

Mrs. E. Judge would like to thank all friends for gifts, cards and messages sent during her illness and on her birthday.

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VILLAGE HALL NOTES

The work on the car park has now commenced but delays have arisen because it was found necessary to drill the soakaway to a depth of 80 feet, twice the original estimate. Now this is completed the Contractor expects to go ahead and finish the work quite quickly.

We held a 'special' meeting on 31st January to discuss future plans , for the Hall and Playing Fields. Representatives of many of the Associations and Clubs, making use of the facilities, participated in a lively discussion. No votes were taken or decisions made but the Chairman asked those attending to go away and talk things over with their own members and let the Council have their considered views.

Please support our next Jumble Sale which will be held on Saturday afternoon March 11th. Offers of 'Jumble' or help to Miss. Edna Cooper or Mrs. Pam Smith.

This year the summer Fete is planned for Saturday June 17th. Mr.Bruce Drewitt has kindly agreed to be organizer and he will be helped by Wing Commander Bullock. More news of this later but please make a note of the date.

Finally, our A.G.M. will be on Monday March 20th at 8.00 p.m. Please come along, we expect to discuss our plans for the future and we would like to hear your views.

B.T.A.H.

VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL DANCE

WHAT is the mysterious function to be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 18th March from 8.30 p.m. to Midnight?

WHO are the mysterious quartet playing Alec Taylor style music?

WHY is the bar laying in so many bottles of Vodka?

WHO will be arranging the fantastic refreshments?

The answers to these and many more intimate secrets can be yours to know by purchasing a ticket, price 55p (or by using the code phrase) from the usual sources - Mesdames Flett, Leaver, Latham, Smith and Woodruff, or from Mrs.M.E.Fendon, 23 Allen Drive, Naphill 3456.

Extroverts (etc) please note A PRIZE for every disguise and (in the event of there being two or more) a MAJOR PRIZE For the best one.

GARDEN NOTES FOR MARCH

Gardening, weather and soil permitting, should really get under way in earnest this month. Try and finish any digging that has to be done. In the herbaceous border fill any gaps with either new plants or lift and divide any you wish to increase. Always replant with the strong young pieces from the outside of the clump.

This is a good month to plant a hedge. I don't think any garden is complete without a hedge of some sort; and what an assortment to chose from. The shortest I suppose is Buxus Suffruticosa, about a few inches, up to other varieties of 15 to 20 feet. A hedge usually marks the different sections of the garden, and forms a windbreak for more tender sorts of plants. The deciduous sorts like Hawthorn, Beech etc., plant early in the month and the evergreens like Thuya, Holly, Yew, Cupressus, the end of the month. If you have plenty of time and love clipping, plant Lonicera Nitida, to keep tidy clip each summer month. For colour hedges, golden privet, Yew and Holly, Silver Holly, Evonymus and Box. Escallonia is good, I planted a hedge 20 years ago and it is still doing well, clip in the spring and it sends out nice pink sprays in the summer. Prepare the site for a hedge well, it will have to live there maybe a life time or more. favourite is Thuya Lobbi, it grows about 6 inches a year. A Lavender hedge is nice and with careful clipping will last for years.

In the greenhouse, sow seeds of half-hardy annuals like Petunias, Nemesias etc.,

At the end of the month prune your bush tea-roses. Cut out all dead wood, cut hard on thin wood, leave the centre open and prune the nice growths to an outside bud.

Vegetables; sow early peas, parsnip, onion, leek, broad bean, and at the end of the month a small row of carrots, lettuce and potatoes.

C.P.

COWARDLY ACTS BY THE WOMENS INSTITUTE!

(NOEL COWARD'S VINTAGE COMEDY "HAY FEVER" - circa 1925)

CHOICE OF PLAY:

Excellent: well attuned to the wishes of the majority of the audience who want to be entertained and/or amused; they do not take kindly to being 'lectured to' or given 'messages' from the stage.

SET: Always an enduring memory of any performance. To produce such an attractive and practical set on such a small stage must have been very difficult. Much thought, and much trial-and-error would be required. The idea of the cushions down at the front allowed the cast lots of extra, personal contributions - especially Maurice Balls!

CASTING:

All were well cast both in age and ability. A special Thank you to the <u>men</u>, who, by offering to, and so, taking part, allowed this otherwise all female organisation, to stage a play to the liking of all.

PERFORMANCES:

All produced clear speech not one word was lost, even in the far back corner seats; most credible. With the possible exception of the attractive Myra Arundel, there was a sufficiency of relaxed movement and participation. Myra, I found, was somewhat inhibited, ocasionally, even a little wooden. She really wouldn't (no pun intended!) let poor old Phil press his suit.

PRODUCTION:

It was evident to those of the audience who have seen some members of the cast in other productions, that the Producer had pulled more out of the individual members. The play had a desireable 'one-ness' far too rarely seen in amateur attempts, and - good sign - the cast appeared to enjoy 'doing it'.

OBSERVATIONS:

The lighting - by it's very deficiency, was not very good at all. Acres of distracting shadows danced in the rear like dervishes. The complement of lamps is quite inadequate.

The sound re-production was quite hopeless, even 'The Queen' was not heard.

Especially nice 'touches' noticed were the careful attention paid to the period aspects of dress, hairstyles (very beautiful) furniture and 'manner'. Ah, the nostalgia!

Continuation...

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. Keep future productions equally light or, certainly not 'heavy'. Continue to let both audience and cast enjoy them.
- 2. Restrict all intervals to a maximum of 10 minutes.
- 3. Don't clutter the intervals with a 'commercial' in the guise of a raffle.
- 4. Stage the raffle after the final curtain if necessary.
- 5. Spend the Box Office takings at least in part on some good lights and sound equipment.
- 6. Put your plays on for more mights even if you have to go to another village for some.

BOQUETS:

All concerned, including the backstage team of:-

Les Brill - The Set.

Maurice Balls - Lights & Sound (as well as acting!)

<u>Kathleen McCue</u> - Prompt

<u>Daisy Leek</u> and <u>Dorothy Butler</u> - Props. and Stage.

deserve the thanks of us all for giving the village two such very pleasant evenings.

AUDIENCES:

First Night - quick, friendly, uninhibited.

Second Night - slow at first, took a while to warm up, somewhat he sitant until almost halfway through.

Both - very appreciative: their Verdict, generally, "The best yet".

WARNING:

Future audiences will not lightly accept any lowering from this high standard of production.

Y.N.G.W.
(Guest Critic)

The Drama Group is open to receive and, indeed welcomes new members—male and female. The introduction of new faces gives the Group greater scope in the selection and staging of future productions. Enthusiasm is more important than experience, whether you are interested in getting 'on stage' or 'working behind the scenes.'

Although the Group is affiliated to the Naphill W.I. it is not a requirement that a lady becomes a member of that organisation if her only interest is in joining the Drama Group.

EDITOR'S CORNER

It was suggested at a recent meeting of the Gazette staff that newcomers to the village might like to learn of some of the local walks. Here is one of my favourites with a rough sketch map. If any readers would care to send in a walk with some details, we may be able to publish a selection.

Turn down Clappins Lane and take a footpath on the left which goes diagonally uphill across a ploughed field. At the top corner continue alongside a wooden fence and enter a wood by a cottage on the left. Take the centre path through the wood, ignoring paths on right and left. After a while the path goes downhill to a stile, follow a hedge down into the valley. Turn left along the bottom of the valley and keep going until arrival at Plough Inn, Flowers Bottom, where, if your timing is right, you may gather strength for return. Turn up the hill at the side of Inn following a hedge up to a farm. Circle round left of farm buildings and follow footpath across field leading to the wood you previously came through on your left. As footpath nears village, it joins a rough path to the caravan site etc. Just before a house veer left and join road at left of house. You are now on Main Road near Bradenham Corner.

My shrub of the month should have been the winter flowering Mahonia Japonica, or Bealii, but those pests, the collared Doves, have amused themselves by nipping off the flower stalks. I should have had thirteen sprays of flowers, each as big as a dinner plate, on the bush, but they have left almost nothing. But the early Rhododendron Preacox, is in flower in a sheltered spot. Give some protection in hard weather.

By the time you read this you will already have missed the usual nature drawing on the cover. This, I regret to say, is due to what was at first thought to be a heart attack suffered by our artist Bertie Wooster. I now learn that it was a slightly strained heart and congestion. After a spell in Amersham Hospital Bertie is home again, and, we all hope, will soon be "rarin' to go".

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Welfare	5th and 19th	2.00 pm
Direct Sales Evening	5th	6.45 pm approx.
W.I.	6th	2.30 pm
Over 60's	7th and 21st	2.30 pm
Private Party	7th	7.30 pm
V.H.C.	10th (BR)	8.00 pm
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Dancing	10th, 17th & 24th	4.00/6.00pm
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Library	14th and 28 th (CR)	6.30 pm
W.I.Party for Multiple Sclerosis Society	15th	2.30 pm
Play Group	(Tues,Wed,Thurs,Fri.) (Mornings commencing) (April 18th)	9.00/12 noon
Tennis Club Disco	21st	8.00 pm
W.I.Drama Evening	22nd	8.00 pm
Dancing	25th	3.00 pm
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Sunday 16th April Evensong 3.30 pm

Sunday 23rd April Holy Communion 9.00 am

Sunday School every Sunday at 10.30 am in the Church, except on Easter Day.

On April 28th at Church House, Hughenden, the Annual Vestry and General Meeting will be held at 8.0 p.m. Every adult resident in the Parish is welcome to attend although voting is restricted to those whose names are on the new Church Electoral Roll.

The Revd.Peter Bullock-Flint will be Inducted and Instituted as Vicar of Hughenden on Thursday May 4th at 7.30 p.m. and it is hoped that as many as possible will attend the service to join in welcoming him, particularly as Mr.Bullock-Flint and his family will be living in the village of Naphill.

METHODIST ___ CHURCH

Preachers for April	11,00a.m	6.15 p.m
April 2nd (Easter Day)	Mr.A. Cooper	Mr.M.Brittin
April 9th	Naphill Preaching Group.	Mr.K.Lewis
April 16th	Rev. P. Tucker (Holy Communion)	Mr.E.Pullen
April 23rd	Mrs. Mann	Mr.A.I.Mounteney M.A.

A United Fellowship meeting will be held in the Naphill Methodist Church on Wednesday April 5th at 7.30 pm. Leader - Rev. N. Burrows.

The Annual Collection will be made in the Village for the National Children's Homes.

M.G.B.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6.15 p.m - All Welcome!

Thought for the Month:

April 30th

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NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

This Society, which has been active for over 25 years, exists first of all, to spread amongst it's members, a spirit of friendship. Then to spread knowledge of things horticultural, national and local, and to be a source of information and help to all who ask.

I have found that the very word "horticulture" tends to frighten people with it's suggestion of the need for scientific knowledge. But, it simply means the art of cultivating a garden. Whilst the dictionary defines a garden as a piece of ground set aside for the cultivation of flowers, fruit and vegetables, "gardens" can flourish in window boxes, in plant pots and hanging baskets, sometimes, I am afraid, even in bottles.

No matter which you tend, there is usuallly someone in our Society who has knowledge of it, or someone who knows where to find out. We had such a one in the late Arthur Busby, our Secretary for over 25 years. Arthur was ever ready with advice and help and generous with his cuttings. We still miss him but we are endeavouring to continue the good work in Naphill and surrounding areas. After a long experience in business, of many kinds of people in various parts of the country, I can say, with some certainty, that gardeners are one of the rare breeds ready with help of all kinds, for anyone who asks.

One does not have to be a prize winning gardener to be a member of our Society. Just to be interested in gardening, however vaguely, and in one's fellow men (which term includes women, especiálly with the rising interest in Floral Art.).

It has occurred to us that, with the changing pattern of life in the village and with the welcome entry of many new residents, it is timely to make known the benefits and advantages, apart from the social ones, which membership offers. Therefore, firstly, cost. The minimum subscription is 15 pence per annum. Anything above this figure is, of course, gratefully received. Now what have we to offer?

We run two Shows each year, one in July and one in September. This year they will be held on July 15th and the Autumn Show on September 9th. The Shows are held in the village Hall and all members will be ent a copy of the Show Schedule in good time. The schedules are also sent to all last year's exhibitors. Of course, we should like to see all our members exhibiting. There is an interesting list of entries. Apart from the Floral and Vegetable sections, there is a varied Domestic section and a Children's Corner, which is always a delight. So, these are two important dates to remember and we hope you will turn up, whether you exhibit or not. It is well worth the small entrance fee. We hope to bring the matter up again in later editions of The Gazette.

The Society is affiliated to most of the important National Societies and we receive some interesting literature from them which members can see if they wish. In addition, our affiliation with The Royal Horticultural Society provides free admission tickets for two people to the big London Shows, which the R.H.S. provide (including The Chelsea Show) and free admission to Wisley Gardens, the H.Q. of the R.H.S. trial grounds etc., which is well worth a visit. Any member who is interested can borrow the tickets if, or when, they may be available. Application is to the General Secretary.

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The prices we charge are very favourable to members and can be obtained from the Secretary or from Mr.A.H.Wait, "Wyann", 1 Purssell's M_{eadow_g} which is the Main Road in Naphill, phone 3052.

It would be as well to mention that the Society is non-political, non-denominational and also almost always, non profit making. We exist to serve the community and to foster a love of gardening of all kinds. To this end, we hope to run a series of interesting talks in the darker months of the year, not necessarily on gardening, but on any interesting topic. Suggestions and, more important, offers of help, will be appreciated.

Finally, we would like to see a large increase in our membership, especially from the younger members of the community and from all new residents. Subscriptions are one of our chief sources of revenue and the Shows are expensive to run and rarely break even. So, may I suggest that you complete the form of application below and send, or bring it, with your subscription to the General Secretary, or to any Committee Member and a membership card will be issued to you. Looking forward to seeing you.

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YOUNG NEIGHBOURS

Mr.A.H.Wait, 'Wyann', 1 Purssell's Meadow.

Mr.H.A.G.Wiseman, 'Hazeldene', Main Road.

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At our last meeting, Miss. Williams, a speech therapist, gave a most interesting talk about speech defects in people of all ages. thanked by Mrs.P.Smith.

Our next meeting is on April 10th at 7.45 p.m. when Bejams, the freezer people, will be giving a demonstration. There will also be a 'Bring & Buy' Stall in aid of funds. Tea Hostesses are: Mrs.Flett, Mrs.Kemp and Mrs.Walker.

Hughenden Young Wives have invited members to a Fashion Show by Dorothy Perkins on Friday April 7yh at 8.0 p.m. in Hughenden Village Hall.

It was decided at the last committee meeting to enter a float for this year's Fete on 24th June. Would all members willing to take part or to help in any way with our efforts towards the fete please contact Mrs.E.Croxson or any other committee member.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES

Since the March issue the Council has organized a successful Wine and Cheese Party, a Jumble Sale, held it's normal monthly meeting and the A.G.M.

In view of the black-out' situation, the Wine & Cheese Party was held by candlelight and an enjoyable social evening returned a profit of £16.70 to Village Hall funds. The financial results of the Jumble Sale are not to hand at present but our sincere thanks are due to all those who helped with these events.

At the Annual General Meeting on Monday March 20th, Mr.Bruce Drewitt, Past Chairman, presented his report on the last year's activities. A vote of thanks for all his hard work was passed unanimously. The Hon.Treasurers report was presented by Mr.Don Turner who commented that although proceeds from the special events in 1971, including the Fete and Bazaar, showed an improvement, the running costs had increased by a much greater amount. The total profit on the year had dropped to £55 as against £521 in 1970!!

The election of the six members of the council to represent the village was held and the council is now as follows:-

Chairman Mr. Bruce Holland

Vice Chairmen Mrs. Eileen Croxon Mr. Terry Fendon

Mr. John Gabbitas
Mr.Don Turner

Asst, Treasurer Mr. Phil Hyne

Hon. Secretary Mrs. Audrey Moore

Six elected "village" members: Miss.Edna Cooper.

Hon. Treasurer

Mrs.Daisy Leek.
Mrs.Ann Turner
Mrs.Joyce Holland

Mrs. Jacks

Mr.Bill Latham.

The Council also includes the representatives of the village organisations.

During the A.G.M. plans for further Hall improvements were discussed and a motion was passed that no extensions or improvements should be considered in the forseeable future. It was agreed that the facilities available are quite adequate for present requirements.

It was stated that in view of our present financial status, the cost of lettings would have to be increased and that a sub-committee would be formed under the Chairman to examine the details and report back to Council in May.

B.T.A.H.

THE VILLAGE FETE 1972

For reasons outside local control, the date of the Fete has had to be changed from 17th June to 24th June.

Although a number of people have already volunteered to run some of the many Stalls at the Fete this year, about another 20 are required. Stalls not yet 'spoken for' include: Tombola, Bran Tub, Hoopla, Pulling the Cork, Marbles in Pots, Treasure Hunt, Roll a Ball, Ball in the Ring, Skittles, Ice Cream, Council Stall, Horse Racing, and, we hope, two others.

If you would like to help, and, to raise the money, we need plenty of help - please call John Bullock (telephone 3429) or one of the members of the Fete Committee, as follows:-

Bruce Drewitt Bill Latham Phil Hyne Edna Cooper Bruce Holland Joyce Holland Pam Smith John Gabbitas

Terry Fendon

J.P.B.

NAPHILL __ W. I.

The March meeting took the form of a visit to Denham College the N.F.W.I's own college. Since our last visit, new buildings have been added, spacious, well equipped rooms for dressmaking, art, pottery and cookery. But most interesting of all is a tour of the bedrooms, each furnished by a different County and each displaying a fascinating variety of handicrafts of a very high standard. The Buckinghamshire room has the bedspread and curtains beautifully embroidered in a border design incorporating the swan emblem and is something to be proud of despite some criticism of it looking a little drab. Fashions change and, unfortunately, the new rooms with their fresh white paint and brilliant furnishings do have this effect on the older rooms.

Business was brief and conducted on the coach. Mrs.McCue's tea party made £6.25. Members were reminded of the trip to the Ideal Homes Exhibition.

At the April meeting there will be a talk and slides on Arabia. Members, please bring your overseas momentoes for exhibition. Tea Hostesses: Mrs.Blackwell, Mrs.Dutton, and Mrs.Shakeshaft.

D.B.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB.

The talk given on "Guide Dogs for the Blind" by Mrs.Gowland was most enlightening, she was accompanied by her own Guide Dog 'Gillian'. We learnt quite a lot from her description of the choice of a dog suitable for each blind person, and the intensive training which the dog is subjected to before becoming the guide of a blind person. Mr.Rose gave a vote of thanks.

April 7th will be a Bingo and Natter afternoon.

The A.G.M. and Birthday Party will be held on 21st April. We hope all members will attend this meeting.

There is a piano to be given away, anyone interested in same please telephone Naphill 2231.

A.G.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

With only a month to the start of the cricket season, practise will commence on the second Tuesday of this month at 7 p.m. nets will remain in position for use every evening and weekends, weather permitting:

Working parties will be out most evenings and weekends, if you have any spare time, turn up to paint Pavilion or Repair Seats and work on the Square.

We have vacancies for 2 Scorers and an Umpire for our 2nd Eleven. Anyone who would like to help us with these Saturday afternoon jobs or wish to sign on as playing members of the club, please contact - 'Rosewood', Downley Road.

G.L.Brown. Hon.Secretary.

' A NIGHT TO REMEMBER '

Another successful dance was held in the Village Hall on Saturday March 4th. Once again demand for tickets exceeded supply, even allowing for the limit of eighty people being increased to ninety four.

Music was provided by the Modernaires dance band who kept the party going with an almost non-stop variety of old and new tunes to satisfy all tastes; so our thanks to them for helping to make this "A night to remember". I was sorry to hear, through the grapevine, that Ann Turner took our title literally and ended up with her leg in plaster after slipping on the wet path after the dance. Our sympathy and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Our thanks to all who came, for the wonderful atmosphere you created, for your generosity in the raffle, to those who kindly donated the prizes, and to all willing helpers. As a result of all our effortts a profit of £24.00 was realised and this has been given to Dr.Alan Hill at Stoke Mandeville Hospital for him to use as he thinks fit, to help the patients in the arthritis ward.

Roger Smith.

NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

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JUNIORS (INC.COACHING)	£1.00

^{*}Less £0.50 if paid before 1st June 1972.

DISCOTHEQUE DANCE

The Tennis Club is holding a dance in the Village Hall on Friday 21st April. Dancing will be to the John Mathias Discotheque. Tickets are available from Committee Members.

Club mornings will be held every Tuesday commencing April $18 \, th_{\circ}$

COLE A son for Dennis and Joan, Born 10th March, Daniel John, a brother for Ashley.

Many thanks to all kind friends and neighbours in and around Naphill.

GARDEN NOTES APRIL

Vegetation now is fully active, the temperature rises rapidly, frosts are less frequent and sunshine and showers help us to clothe the garden. Help nature all you can by hoeing to keep down the growth of weeds and open the soil to sun and showers. Continue to shelter plants where needed.

If you have planted any evergreen shrubs this spring, and if we get a dry spell, give them a good soaking over the foliage when the sun has gone down each evening.

I would advise any of our new residents with new gardens not to be in a hurry for permanent planting. Wait, visit local nurseries and gardens and make up your mind what you prefer. So much to choose from; roses, climbing and bush, flowering and evergreen shrubs, herbaceous, alpines, rock gardens, water gardens, and site for lawn. Make a plan roughly to scale and plant to it. A lot of work and expense when you have to alter. A good stand-by for the summer is hardy annuals which you can sow now. I saw an R.A.F.Officer's border some time ago of hardy annuals, as far as I can remember it was in heights COSMEA, CLARKIA, HELICHRYSUM, CORNFLOWER, GODETIA, LARKSPUR, LOVE-LIES-BLEEDING, LINUM and MIGNONETTE. He said, after thinning out, no hoeing, no staking, no weeds and the wife can cut armfuls for indoor decoration. The border was about 20 yards long by 2 yards wide and it cost 6/-then.

Most of the vetetables can be sown now, for the learners a rough guide in depth to sow is two and a half times its thickness. Don't forget your green crops, broccoli, savoys, sprouts etc., so handy and cheaper to grow your own. At the end of the month sow a few french beans.

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NATURE INTEREST

THE CROSSBILL FINCH

The crossbill finch is the only British bird which has the tips of it's bill crossed - an adaptation which enables it to pick seeds out of cones, almost the birds only food, though occasionally it will take wild fruit and some insects.

Every year invasions of crossbills cross the North Sea into Britain from Scandinavia. They start to arrive about May and spread to almost all parts of Great Britain, where conifers are in large numbers. There is, however, a distinct breeding stock in the Highlands of Scotland and some stay there the whole year round.

Some two years ago I was on the West coast of Scotland near Poolewe and Loch Maree, and while walking through one of the tall larch plantations, I heard a gentle yet continuous chattering, I had not heard this noise before. With my glasses I could see that the tops of the trees were crowded with crossbills and all were unmistakeably continued...

ergaged in their courtship display, including chasing and feeding each other. I would not hazard a guess at the number but the tree tops were full and many nests were either built or being built.

The males and females differ in colour even more so than our bullfinch. The adult male is crimson with orange tints from forehead over head, down over shoulders and back touching a black tail. Its wings are warm brown, rather dark, then the breast and rump is crimson to orange, a most beautiful bird. All this is topped off with the fantastic bill, the bottom mandible extends beyond the ridge of the upper and they cross over. This bill is pushed into a cone and then the cone is prized open and out comes the seed.

The adult female is exactly the same in shape as the male but her head and body are a bright grass green whilst the wings and tail are dark brown/green.

One of the local landsmen said they came every year but not always so many, this was a great thrill to me for I had owned and shown a crossbill in local bird shows for several years in my days of bird keeping. I was never able to produce the beautiful crimson of the adult male, as I saw it in the plantations in Scotland, something to do with seed or cones I expect.

The crossbill is rather chubby like the hawfinch, having a strong large head, short thick neck and its unique cross beak with its several variations of colours from green to red. It is one of our most gaudy birds, approaching the parrots and resembling them in the habit of "side ways" walking, also the use of the beak in hanging with claws underneath a branch.

Each year some will find their way into England and Wales but not in numbers comparable with those in Scotland. In captivity the crossbill is very tame and full of confidence in the human being and often when I put mine on show he would be on his best behaviour and won many awards.

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EDITORS CORNER

I find that the village is getting more and more concerned about the proliferating pony riders of Naphill. As a countryman, I am in favour of riding but the time is coming when there will have to be some form of control. Small children should never be loose in our roads

The chief complaint is the state of the common footpaths which are churned up in the winter, mostly by the local riding school. It seems that horses are not allowed on footpaths, but there is no penalty involved, unless the parish council brings in a bye law to this effect. Furthermore, who can tell us which, on the common, is a footpath and which a bridleway. It is time for the Parish Council to go into these matters so that the riders and the walkers may know just where they have the right of way. To show that the matter is urgent let me tell you of an old gentleman who walks a little on the common when his health permits. In a narrow pathway between high bushes and ferns he caught the sound of hoofbeats coming rapidly toward him. He flung himself into the ferns just as a pony galloped by and there came back to him of the wind a cry of "sorry". If my old friend had been deaf as well as feeble there might have been a tragedy.

Shrub of the month is Daphne. Most people have or know of the Mezereum, in various pinks and also in white, but my particular pleasure is D.Odora the evergreen variety, and the cutting given to me by the late Arthur Busby is now blooming for the first time. Believe me it is well named.

I feel I must mention the passing of Miss. Fanny Dawson who lived in a little cottage in Chapel Road. Few people would realise that we had amongst us one of the great teachers of drama to whom many of our present stars owe a great deal. But she also found time to train a group from the local W.I. and turn them into a team that made amateur dramatics a real pleasure to watch. It is for this kindness that we in Naphill will remember her.

NAPHILL W. I. DRAMA GROUP

We will present two one-act plays and a duologue in the Village Hall on Saturday 22nd April 1972, at 8.0 p.m.

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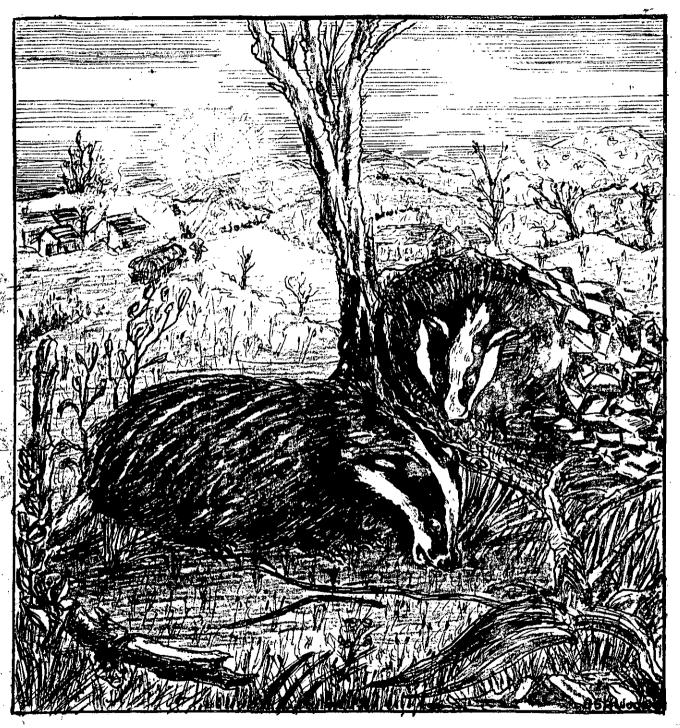
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NAPHILL GAZETTE



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NAPHILL GAZETTE No. 250

AT THE VILLAGE HALL - MAY 1972

Dancing	1st, 8th, 15th	4 - 6 pm
V.H.C.	1.st	, 8 bm
Play Group	Tues, Wed, Thurs, Frimornings	9 - 12 noon
Dancing	2nd,9th,16th,23rd	3 - 7 pm
Welfare	3rd and 17th	2 pm
Dressingmaking	Every Wednesday (BR)	9.30 - 11.30 am
Art	Every Thursday (BR)	7.30 - 9.30
Bingo	Every Thursday	8 pm .
W.I.	4th	2.30 pm
Over 60's	5th and 19th '	2.30 pm
Naphill Church Reception	5th	7 pm
Private Booking	6th	All day
Young Neighbours	8th	7.45 pm
Whist	12th and 26th	7.30 pm
Library	12th and 26th (CR)	6.30 - 8 pm
Private Booking	13th	All day
Dancing	18th	2 - 5.30 pm
Private Booking	20th	6 pm onwards
W.I. Committee	25th (CR)	2.30 pm
Men's Club	Every Tue, Fri, Sat (BR)	7.30 pm

MAY 1972

SERVICES:

Whit Sunday 21st May Holy Communion 9.00 am
" Methodist Evening Service 6.15 pm
Sunday 28th May Holy Communion 9.00 am

Sunday School every Sunday at 10.30 am in the Church.

This month we are resuming the arrangement we had last year, for the exchange of churches between the Methodists and Anglicans for their services. This month, the Methodist service on 21st May at Naphill Anglican Church will be held at a later time than last year, to see whether it is a more convenient time for the majority of people.

We would like to warmly welcome a new resident to the village, The Revd. Peter Bullock-Flint and his family, who will be living at No.1 Wellhouse Way, until a new vicarage is prepared. We hope they will enjoy their stay, in what is often described as a 'friendly village'.

		METHODIST CHURCH	
Prea	chers for MAY	11.00 am	6.15 pm
May	7th	Mrs Cooper	Rev. Eric Firth (Holy Communion)
May	14th	Sunday School Anniversa Rev. P. Tucker Afternoon at 2.45 pm Items by the children - Rev. P. Tucker	Rev. P. Tucker
May	21st	Mr. P.D. Steare	(United Service at (the Naphill Anglican (Church. Leader (Rev. P. Tucker
May	28th	Mr. D. Church	Mr. S. Prudden

A United Fellowship Meeting will be held at Bryants Bottom Methodist Church on Wednesday 3rd May at 7.30 pm. Leader Rev. P. Tucker.

The result of the collection, in the village, on behalf of the National Children's Home was £88.87. Thanks are given to all donors and collectors,

M.G.B.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services at 10 am and 6.15 pm. All are welcome !-

Thought for the Month:

"It is no use cleaning the clock-face while the main spring is broken". $_$

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES

We are pleased to report that the car park improvements are how completed, except for a little clearing up. It is hoped that a team of volunteers will, in the near future, mark out the parking spaces to help motorists make best use of the available space. We expect to go ahead with the re-building of the toilets in the near future.

Replacement Beech trees have been planted by Richard Pushman and friends. We would ask everyone to avoid damage to these new trees and give them a chance to get well established. Our thanks are also due to Mrs. Bayley for her kind donation towards the costs.

Recently serious damage was done to the Roundabout on the children's recreation area, making it positively dangerous for children to use. Fortunately it was brought to our attention before a serious accident occurred and temporary repairs have been made, so that is is now safe to use. We would appeal to anyone seeing this equipment being mishandled, or damaged, to let us know so that we can take the necessary steps to ensure that it is safe for children's use.

The Swings, Slide and Roundabout are intended for the use of children under 14 years of age. Please give the youngsters a chance and let them enjoy the equipment. DO NOT TURN THE RECREATION GROUND INTO A PLACE WHERE YOUNG CHILDREN COULD BE SERIOUSLY INJURED.

As already reported our Fete date has been changed to Saturday 24th JUNE and plans are well under way. Our organisers will keep you fully informed of the details, but please help us make it a "Bumper" one this year.

The "Fete" Dance will be held on Saturday 17TH JUNE and tickets will soon be available. This year we plan to have a Supper Party on the evening of Fete Day, to complete the day's jollifications. There will be plenty of good food and wine available. Please come and enjoy a relaxing evening. Tickets will be on sale shortly

We were all very shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden death of Alan Shrimpton. He will be greatly missed in Naphill and our thoughts are with Mrs. Shrimpton and her daughter at this time.

B.T.A.H.

NAPHILL BROWNIES

As there are more than 30 children still waiting to join Brownies and in some cases with little hope of ever doing so, (because of the length of the list) is there anyone in the village willing to give up a little of their time to help start another Pack. Previous Guiding experience is not essential. If you feel you could help would you ring NAPHILL 2528 or NAPHILL 2601.

Barbara Clarke. Brown Owl.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL

FETE WEEK DANCE on 17TH JUNE (the Saturday before the Fete) at 8.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Dancing to ALICK TAYLOR. BAR & REFRESHMENTS.

Tickets at 60P from: Mrs. Flett, 5 Wellhouse Way.

Mrs. Latham, Bowland House, Main Road.

Mrs. Leaver, "The Leaves" Naphill Common.

Mrs. Smith, "Hideaway" Forge Road.

Mrs. Fendom, 23 Allen Drive.

Or any Council Member.

NAPHILL W.I.

At the April meeting Mrs. Hulbert gave an interesting and informative talk on ARABIA, illustrated with a wide variety of excellent slides, including some of women in purdah and with the aid of telescopic lens, one showing their faces uncovered. In fact, we had a comprehensive tour without the discomfort and excessive heat. Mrs. K. Pearson gave a vote of thanks. A display of overseas souvenirs took the place of the usual competition.

As the previous meeting was a visit to Denman College, there was an accumulation of business to be dealt with. The rummage sale raised £17.50 and Mrs. Davis's coffee morning £7.60. Members were invited to come along and help at the party to be given for the Miltiple Sclerosis Society on 15th April. It was decided to postpone the proposed trip to the exhibition of Tutankhamun in view of the present long queues.

The Drama Group regretted that the Drama Evening, advertised in the Gazette, would now be cancelled, owing to unforeseen difficulties.

At the May meeting there will be a debate and discussion on Albert Hall resolutions. The Speaker, V.C.O. Mrs. Thirlway. This year it is Naphill's turn to send a delegate to represent Naphill and Hughenden.

Tea hostesses:- Mrs. Bull, Mrs. Pushman, Mrs. Reed.

D.B.

CHRISTIAN AID

The Annual house-to-house Collection will be made in Naphill and Walters Ash between 14th - 19th May. Please give as generously as possible. Will anyone willing to help please contact Mrs. Wood, Hale End, Christopher Close or Mrs. White, Mytilene, Main Rd Naphill; or 'phone NAPHILL 3163 or NAPHILL 3486.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

The Annual General Meeting and 15th Birthday Party were held on 21st April. Mrs. Bayley remains President: Mr. Geo. Smith Treasurer. The Committee were elected as follows:-

Chairman Mrs. C. White Secretary Mrs. Gilson Asst.Treas. Mrs. G. Parker Mrs. D. Brown

Mrs. D. Brown Mrs. J. Lawrence Mrs. Reed Mrs. D. Smith Mrs. Shakeshaft Mrs. Wood

The business was quickly disposed of and we were entertained by Mrs. P. Hodsdon at the piano, accompanying Mrs. Galgut, who delighted us with her sigging. Mrs. J. Lawrence gave a vote of thanks. The Birthday sponge cake was made and iced by Mrs. D. Smith.

Our next meeting will be on 5th May, when the Flour Advisory Board will give a talk, "On choosing foods for Older People".

On 19th May an outing has been arranged, leaving the Village Hall at 2 p.m.

A.G.

NAPHILL W.I. DRAMA GROUP

The Drama Group were very sorry that they had to cancel the entertainment advertised in the April issue of the Gazette. We hope the news of the cancellation got round the village on the "grape-vine" and that no one made a wasted journey. The abandonment of this evening of drama was due to circumstances beyond the Group's control.

Commencing Tuesday, 25th April, the Group will be meeting on alternative weeks, in private houses, to read plays and, perhaps have practice evenings on mime, charades etc. Anybody interested in joining the Group is very welcome to come along on these evenings. A telephone call to Mrs. McCue on Naphill 2213 or Mrs. Bullock on Naphill 3429 will enable anyone interested to find out where the meeting is being held.

The Drama Group is in need of new "flats" for their scenery.
These would be best made in hardboard. If anyone knows where material for these could be obtained at a low cost, or if anyone has anything suitable which they could give for making these "flats" the Drama Group would be very grateful. A 'phone call to either of the people mentioned above would be welcomed.

E.C.

GARDEN NOTES - MAY

This is one of the busiest months of the year. So many jobs to do it is difficult to decide which work takes priority. At the time of writing Spring seems to be late this year; cold northerly winds and hardly any sunshine.

Mow your lawn regularly, at least once a week - three times a fortnight is better. A freshly trimmed lawn, even if weedy, will catch the admiring eye of friends who drop in and will take away attention from weedy borders. Keep the edges smartly trimmed as well. A lawn needs feeding, little and often is better than one big dressing. If you use a cylinder mower, try to cut a different way each week. No lawn has a billiard-table surface, so keep your eye about a yard in front of the machine and ease it into the slight hollows and humps; gives a much better finish.

A few years ago I thought that the day of the allotment was over. What a pleasure it is today to see most of them cultivated, and what hard work the tenants have had. But after a day in factory or office, it is manual exercise, fresh air, interest and patience and then fighting pests and diseases. I hope they have every success. How nice to eat your own veg.

The chief work in the flower garden is to remove the fading spring flowers. Fork over the empty beds and mix in some decayed manure or some substitute. Wait until the end of May for planting out half-hardy annuals. Don't forget the Gladioli.

<u>VEGETABLES</u>: A late sowing of Broad Beans. Sow a bit of Lettuce every few weeks. Sow more Beetroot and Carrots. Plant Brussels 2ft. each way; Cabbages and Cauliflower 18 ins. each way. Another sowing of Peas.

If you have a greenhouse, 'hardening off' is the most important work this month. Do it gradually.

C.P.

NATURE INTEREST

THE BADGER SETT

April is the month when the badger is very busy preparing for the new arrivals, their two or three baby cubs. Badgers are devoted parents. The cubs when born are blind and helpless and are nursed by the mother for a few weeks, then the male will build up a store of grubs, bettles, young mice, voles and, perhaps, a few young birds and always a supply of wild honey. Even adult badgers hunt around for wild honey and when successful they will clear up every particle, clearing the comb and contents down to a "clean plate".

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Continued NATURE INTEREST

Most people think the badgers rare; this is not so and they are increasing in numbers, in Bucks especially. They are harmless creatures and could live next door to a poultry farm and yet never cause any damage to the farmer's poultry. The badger will never kill anything for the lust of killing; his killing is for food only. He just ambles around the countryside, always at night. He is always peaceful, just seemingly wanting to be left alone.

In the Autumn time the female will utter weird and ghostly cries, but these are seldom heard and only during the mating season.

In the past the poor badger was treated cruelly as a sport for dog and man. It would be dug out of its sett, after blocking up all known exits and usually torn to pieces by specially trained dogs, but those days are over and may our Brocks live in peace for many a long day.

A.S.A.W.

EDITOR'S CORNER

The village received a severe shock when it was learned that Alan Shrimpton had died from a heart attack in Amersham Hospital. He loved Naphill and the time when every villager knew everyone else, and even today there must be very few who did not know him. His appearances on the stage ranged from a slim 16 year old to the Falstaffian figure of recent years, chiefly as a comedian. But he had a greater talent than merely making an audience laugh with other men's jokes. How often have I seen a roomful of people holding their sides, not knowing the joke, but unable to resist the infection of Alan's laughter. His own generation will, perhaps, remember with the most nostalgia the imitation of thee Western Brothers with H.J. Adlam. As a cousin he was, to me, more like an only brother and it is difficult to realise that he will no longer come puffing down on a Sunday morning to tell me the Gazette is not what it used to be.

Harry Pearson adds a few words...... When I came to live in Naphill some 7 years ago, one of the first people I met was Alan Shrimpton and it did not take me long to realise that he was quite a 'character'. At that time hw was Fete Organiser and needless to say he was doing the job as conscientiously and thoroughly as he did everything else which he undertook.

Although Alan never really had full confidence in his own ability, he always enjoyed doing things for the benefit of the village. Many local organisations have gained from the numerous Charity Parties he arranged in the village hall and he made countless appearances on the stage in plays for the Drama Group.

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One of his chief objects in life was to give fun and pleasure to others, at the same time enjoying himself to the full. Members of the Men's Club will probably miss him as much as most, for when you played snooker with Alan there was not a dull moment. His cheerful disposition and his inexhaustible fund of 'stories' will long remain a memory in the Village Hall Billiard Room,

My personal association with Alan was a most pleasant one and I hope and feel certain that I am speaking for the whole Village when I say his memory will long be with us. Our sympathies go to his wife Margaret and his daughter Isobel.

With this issue we welcome a new typist, Yvonne Bullock. Our grateful thanks to Anne Turner who has had a long spell, but has had to give up owing to a long illness and the demands of two young children. Freda Morgan has filled in for the past few months, but is soon expecting her first child, so we must relieve her of any other worries. It is always a joy to find no shortage of volunteers.

Shrub of the month is the MAGNOLIA. Not the huge white flowered evergreen type, which is perhaps too tender for Naphill, but the more common M. Soulangiana does very well here, and do not overlook the little M. Stellata. On one of these, no more than a yard high and wide, I have almost 150 blooms.

Margaret and Isobel wish to thank the many friends who have helped them in their sad loss; for kind messages, flowers and countless offers to help whenever we need them.

Mrs. G. Gibson and family would like to thank all kind friends and neighbours from Naphill for the beautiful flowers and cards, also letters and for their kindness and sympathy in our hour of need. Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Judge for their help and kindness during a sad bereavement.

It is with regret that we have to announce that Oliver Coles, late of Burnhams, Naphill, died on 7th April in White Lodge Nursing Home, Cookham. He was 87.

The stock of tea towels belonging to the Village Hall has become somewhat depleted in recent weeks. It is appreciated that the towels might have been taken for laundering. anyone finds they have a tea towel marked 'NVH' will they kindly return it to the Village Hall or Mrs. D. Leek, 'Aldin' Purcells Meadow.

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NAPHILL TENNIS CLUB

Coaching by Mr.V.Hildersley for Juniors will commence on Friday May 12th from 5.30 p.m. If you wish to have any coaching lessons would you please come along to the tennis courts on Friday 12th May to enroll. The subscription for Junior members (up to 15 years of age) includes coaching. Tennis shoes or plimsoles must be worn.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

Fixtures for May

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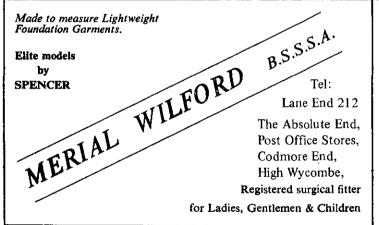
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Men's Club	Tues, Fri,	Sat. (B.R.)	7.30 pm
Art	Every Thur	sday (B.R.)	7.30-9.30 pm
Dressmaking	Every Wedn	esday (B.R.)	9.30-11.30 am
Bingo	Every Thur	sday	8.00 pm
Welfare ,	5th, 19th		2,00 pm
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Library	7th, 21st	(CR)	6.30-8.00 pm
Art Evening	8th		7.30 pm
Naphill Neighbor	urs 10th		7.45 pm
Over 60's	14th, 28th	L	2.30 pm
Horticultural S	how 15th		2,00 pm

CHRISTIAN AID 1972. The Methodist and Anglican organisers wish to thank sincerely all those who helped with the village collection this year. The total from the village, this year, amounts to £80.56 which includes a donation from Strike Command H.Q. The District Secretary has written to thank us for the 'splendid result'.

If any envelopes remain uncollected, and we must remember that our collectors usually make several calls when people are not at home, they may be handed, still, to Mrs. C. White or Mrs. E. Wood, who will gladly send the money on to the Central Fund for Christian Aid.

E.G.W. & C.B.W.

SERVICES:

July	16th	Methodist Evening Service	6.15	\mathbf{pm}
July	23rd	Holy Communion	9.00	am
Sunday	School	Every Sunday	10.30	am

We were very fortunate in having really fine weather for our trip to the Windsor Safari Park and the river trip. The whole party thoroughly enjoyed the day's outing.

In the Autumn, we hope to run a trip to London to see "Fiddler on the Roof".

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services 10.00 am and 6.15 pm. All welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"Great peace have they which love Thy law: and nothing shall offend them".

Psalm 119. 165.

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NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for JULY	11.00 am	6.15 pm
2nd	Mr. R. Ellins	Mr. P. Smails
9th	Mr. D. Gregory	Mrs. Pike
16th	Mr. Harradine	At the Anglican Church. Leader Mr. A. Goodearl. Address - the Vicar.
23rd	Mr. Nibloe	Rev. H. Hadwen
30th	Mr. D. Short	Naphill Preaching Group

A United Fellowship meeting will be held at Naphill Methodist Church on Wednesday, 5th July at 7.30 pm led by the Rev. N. Burrows. Our Choir will be singing the Cantata "Day of Rest" by John Witty at Booker Methodist Church on Sunday Afternoon 2nd July and at Lacey Green on Sunday 16th July.

M.G.B.

From the Vicar.

"CHANGE AND..."

The old Vicarage is sold and so another era has come to an end. Never again will the squire and the parson live as neighbours in the park, sharing between them the care of the bodily and spiritual needs of the district.

There is, naturally, some feeling of sadness, as there always is when something good comes to an end and the 'squirearchy' at its best was good. But the world has moved on. The parish of Hughenden, like every other country district, has grown too large and too complex for the squire, the parson, the doctor and the schoolmaster to meet everyones needs. The squire, where he exists in modern England, is fully engagedin managing his business affairs. The parson, the doctor and the schoolmaster are fully extended by their own professional duties. The pattern of society has changed and the symbols of the old era, like the Vicarage in the park, have become a liability rather than an asset.

Change is inevitable, but it need not, and should not mean decay. We need to find ways of preserving that which is good and valuable from the old traditional way of life and bonding it into our fast moving modern world. We are like people riding on a huge gramophone turntable. We are on the outer edge, which is moving very quickly. Everything around us is changing rapidly.

"CHANGE AND..." (contd)

If we are to retain our sense of proportion, keep our balance, we must hold fast to the fixed, unchanging point in the centre of the disc. I believe God is that fixed point.

He is. He is eternal. He is unchanging.

That does not mean He is against change. God wants us to develop. He wants us to become fully grown and responsible human beings and this involves change in us. It also means that the way we talk about God (theology) and the way we talk to Him (prayer) will change. It means that the way we show our love and gratitude to Him, the way we worship Him will change. But He does not change. The 'faith once for all delivered to the saints' is not something we can alter to suit every passing whim of fashion. It is the fixed point at the centre of the circle. It is the anchor which holds us fast to reality amidst the shifting kaleidoscope of impressions and opinions.

"Change - in all around I see", and welcome. It is a sign of our growth. Decay is something we can prevent by making sure that the changes and chances of this mortal life are related to eternal truth - to God.

'Surgery' Hours The vicar is available at Naphill Church every Friday from 11.30 am to 12.15 pm for the arranging of Baptisms, Weddings, interviews and any other purpose for which you may need him, without appointment.

P. Bullock-Flint

NAPHILL W.I.

Major Greenaway gave a very interesting talk on The Royal Hospital, Chelsea, at our June meeting. He explained that it is not, in fact, a hospital but a residence for Army Pensioners, founded in 1680. There are, at present, 419 inhabitants, all free to come and go as they please. Many have jobs, some working outside the hospital. Not everyone knows that the hospital and grounds are open every day and every Sunday there is a Church Parade which Major Greenaway says is a very moving sight. Mrs. V. Pushman thanked him and it is hoped that we can arrange a visit in the near future.

The coffee morning at Mrs. A. Bull's house raised £5.30.

On 23rd May some of us had an enjoyable afternoon when we visited the Chalfont Colony for Epileptics.

July meeting Mr. John Greaves will talk on Dickens and the competition will be a Victoria Sponge.

D.B.

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS

Our last meeting was on 12th June and proved to be a very tempting demonstration of potato cookery by Miss Grant of the Potato Marketing Board. Next month, our meeting is on 10th July at 7.45 pm and will be "First Aid in the Home" by the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

There will also be a coffee morning in aid of Club funds on Wednesday, 12th July between 10.30 am and 12.00 noon at Mrs. Olive Stratford's, Wedgwood, Purcells Meadow. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall.

S.J.M.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

At this time of the year we forsake the Village Hall for our meetings and enjoy the hospitality of friends who loan us their garden for a Party (weather permitting). The first was at Plumtree Cottage and was quite a success as the sun shone brilliantly for us. A very welcome guest was Mrs. E. Smith, and congratulations were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Peddle on the occasion of their Golden Wedding.

We have two more parties to look forward to: Mrs. R. Piercy's at Moseley Lodge Farm, Main Road and Mrs. Dorothy Smith's at Waldens, Main Road, on 14th July. (If wet these meetings will be held at the Village Hall).

On 28th July Mrs. Gittins will talk and show films of some of her travels.

August is a holiday month for members and Committee, but we do have one attraction in the Village Hall. This will be a Coffee morning with a bring and buy. We hope everyone will support us. The money raised helps to pay for two free outings for the members in the Spring and Autumn; also the Christmas Party, which includes lunch, entertainment and a present for every member. The Committee work very hard for these events and the members by supporting bring and buy efforts. Please come, if only for a coffee to swell the fund - it all brings happiness to a good many people. Thank you. The date is Wednesday, 16th August '10.00 am to 12 noon.

A.G.

TENNIS CLUB

Despite being somewhat hampered by bad weather, the Club has made a good start to the Season. Membership has increased significantly over previous years, as has the amount of competitive tennis being played. Although we were eliminated

TENNIS CLUB (contd)

in the first round of the Bucks Knock-out Championship by a strong Aylesbury team, we remain undefeated in the Wycome and District Mixed League, which is indeed encouraging.

Don't forget that Club evenings function on Tuesdays and Thursdays and ladies mornings on Tuesdays at 10 am. Members who have, so far, been unable to make an appearance are particularly welcome.

Additional dates for your diary now include - Sunday 2nd July for an American Tournament and Friday 22nd September for the Autumn Dance.

We would still welcome more new members, so if you are interested or know anyone who might be interested in joining us, please telephone Naphill 3404 or 3366.

SUNDAY 2ND JULY - 2 PM. TENNIS CLUB AMERICAN TOURNAMENT

Make it an afternoon for the family - bring your own picnic - we'll supply the tea.

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The first of our big Annual Events, the July Flower & Vegetable Show, takes place on Saturday, 15th July, in the Village Hall, opening at 2.00 pm. By the time you read this, all members and regular exhibitors will have received a copy of the Show Schedule through the post. If, by any mischance, anyone has failed to receive one, or would like to become a member, and receive one, please apply to the Hon. Secretary. I must warn, though, that we have very few copies left now.

However, I might remind readers that in the April issue of the Gazette, we published the names and addresses of all Officers and Committee Members, so please do not hesitate to approach any of us for information. We will be only too pleased to help.

I amy have mentioned before that it is a little difficult to pick a day entirely suitable to make a success of a Show such as this. The weather, for weeks before, and particularly the last few days before the Show, has an enormous effect on the number and quality of exhibits. However, as we have 67 classesin all, I am sure that, in spite of any obstacles, we shall have a splendid Show, with, of course, your help and encouragement, both as exhibitors and as visitors. We rarely break even on a Show and it would be nice to have a marvellous profit for once.

The Gift Stall is one of our sources of revenue. At this Show it is being organised and run by Mr. and Mrs. Wood, "Hale End" Christopher Close, Naphill and they will be grateful for any

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY (contd)

suitable gifts for their stall. These need not necessarily be horticultural objects, but any small object of interest to visitors. Will anyone wishing to help please get in touch with Mr. and Mrs. Wood, as soon as possible, so that they can budget for the space they need in the Hall. We don't always have enough space on the day. They need all the help they can get, so please rally round.

We have some very imaginative items in the Floral Art Section and I hope that all the ladies will help to make this section a great success, although there is no rule against male entries in this class.

Whilst on this subject of Floral Art, I must draw attention to Page 8 of the Schedule. There is a note that niches, 22" wide, 32" high, with wings (depth) of 10" are provided for Classes 32 and 33. This is quite correct, but it may have given the impression that niches are not provided for the other classes in this section. This is not so. The niches for classes 32a, 33a, 34 and 35 are provided but the dimensions are slightly different, being 16" wide, 32" high and 13" deep. This is to provide for the possibly different shapes of the exhibits and titles, but it is of course of great importance to keep the exhibits within the prescribed space laid down.

Finally, in hoping that everyone will do his, or her best, to make the 1972 July Show a record in every respect, may I answer one question that is often put to me. Our subscription year for membership begins on 1st January and ends on 31st December of each year. The minimum annual subscription is a mere 15 pence per person, but we will accept anything up to £20 per person, at any time. Our financial position is, as ever, a little precarious, especially at this time of the year, when we have to find the prize money for the Shows and other expenses of running them, before we know what the number of exhibitors and attendance will be. So, if by any mischance, you have overlooked paying your subscription for 1972, please do rectify this.

See you at the Show. Those who have attended one before will know it is good. Those attending for the first time, and how we look forward to seeing you, have a treatin store.

I would remind members that, at the time of writing, we still hav a few bags of Chasmor (fertiliser) and a few bales of Irish Moss Peat, for sale. Application to the Hon Sec.

J.B.

STOP PRESS I am informed that there will not be an edition of the Gazette in the month of August, so I will take this opportunity to mention that our 27th Autumn Show will be held in

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY (contd)

the Village Hall on Saturday, 9th September 1972. The Dahlias, Chrysanthemums and Gladioli are always a treat to see. More about that Show later, but one bit of advance notice is that Mrs. Penny Darvill has promised to run the gift stall in the September Show and will be pleased to receive any items at her address "Minuet" Naphill any time after the July Show.

J.B.

GARDEN NOTES - JULY

Up to the present 1972 has not been a very happy time for gardeners. We have not had our usual ration of sunshine and most crops seem to be late. One good thing has been the absence of late frosts.

Are you going on holiday? If so, last thing cut the grass short. Nip around and do all the hoeing you can. Attend to any plants that need tying and if necessary give them another tie Check all plants on walls etc. A heavy thunderstorm may bring some down and it's not pleasant, when you come home, to find a Wisteria lying across your front doorstep. Pot plants are a problem; you may persuade a neighbour to come in and water them. Ask her to check them over three times a week.

Now is a good time, when the garden is looking at its best, to consider planning and re-planning. To admire or disapprove. View it from all angles and the house windows. By now it should be clear whether some shrubs or plants 'have had it' and ought to be replaced in the Autumn. Is there a steep grass bank which could be altered to a gentle slope for easier mowing?

In the vegetable garden if your runnerbean canes are not too good, put in strong posts about 3 yds apart to help support the row when gales are blowing. Carry on planting out green crops, kale, purple sprouting broccoli and sprouts. At the end of the month sow a few seeds of spring cabbage. Sow thinly in shallow drills 8 ins. apart.

The soft fruits should be plentiful this year. Raspberries, currants and strawberries look good. When the black-currants are all gathered in, cut out all the old wood, cut to nice strong shoot. This will bear next season's fruit.

C.P.

NAPHILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The majority of members, present at the last Committee meeting, expressed the opinion that insufficient interest existed in the village to warrant continuation of the Association. It was

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proposed that the Association be wound-up and the current funds, less commitments, be donated to the Village Hall Council. This proposal will be offered at the next A.G.M. (to be held at 8 pm on 5th July) for formal acceptance by all members.

You are urged, therefore, to attend your Association's A.G.M. to express your opinions and views.

R.A.M. Secretary

EDITOR'S CORNER

It has been regretfully decided that there will be no Gazette in August as most of those concerned will be on Holiday at the relevant time. Also Lawrence's factory, where the printing and stapling is done, will be shut down. The printer will be taking the Assistant Editor on holiday, whilst I hope to be sipping a contemplative 'Pernod' and studying form, somewhere in France.

For the last of the shrub of the month feature I take one of nature's social unions like red clover and ryegrass for the farmer. For the first part you need a close clipped evergreen hedge or bush and then set the little scarlet nasturtium "Tropeaolum Speciosum" to go rampaging over it. Gardeners at great houses have told me this is difficult to grow and I read an article, this week, in which a lady wrote that she had given up in despair trying to grow it. But it likes Naphill. I saw self-sown plants going up Ralph Biggs brussels and when he gave me some I was glad to find it liked me. So now my Box and Yew are about to burst into scarlet flowers.

NATURE INTEREST

THE KESTREL

A short while ago the telephone rang and a lady said she had just seen a very large bird in Clappins Lane and she thought it might have been a buzzard? Imagine my immediate interest. I knew it could only be the Common, the "Honey" and the "Rough Legged" Buzzards are rare visitors to Great Britain. If a buzzard it could be an escapee from a local Falconry and may be a tame bird. I was soon down Clappins Lane and very hopeful, but no luck. My thoughts, while waiting, were surely whatever this bird may turn out to be, it would possibly be coming into one of the surrounding woods to roost and evening would be the best time to watch, so I decided to come another day.

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Within a few hours from the THE KESTREL (contd) telephone call, I met a friend who lives in the bungalows at the top end of Clappins Lane, he too is a nature lover and he told me a Kestrel was roosting under the eaves of one of the A Kestrel, today, is almost as Well ! bungalows nereby. thrilling as an escaped Buzzard. Early next evening I found a suitable parking place and with my "bird watching" glasses at the ready I waited and, sure enough, in a short while from over Speen way I saw this big, beautiful, long-winged bird slowly moving towards the fir plantation. Suddenly it appeared to almost stop, suspended high in air with its head towards the wind and surveying the ground below. Soon it was flattening out and in a flash it dived straight down to the ground and without touching the ground soared straight up and once again it was anchored in the sky, to hover for another patient wait It seemed several seconds, then another dive, this time to touch the ground and up again, gracefully flying to perch on the top of the nearby telegraph pole. My glasses were then well focussed and I could see, clenched in those long, strong claws, a long-tailed field mouse, quite a large one. So, like the rest of us, our Kestrel would enjoy his supper, before going to roost.

I was able to get a good view of this "large bird" which now I knew, without doubt, to be a Kestrel, the only British hawk to hover. He or she was a fine example of its specie. I now think it might have been a female, for I have since read the female is the larger of the two, but the male the most handsome. He is a bluish grey, with rump and undertail to match. He also has a white tip on the end of his tail (see title page sketch) and large, keen, black eyes, with a long black moustache each side of his face; his back is reddish-brown, with dark brown streaks and unevenly shaped markings, of different sizes, covering the whole of the body - indeed a very handsome bird. The female follows much the same pattern, but lighter in colour and no moustache; both are beautiful in flight and very graceful

The Kestrels are invaluable to the farmer, as they destroy bettles, grubs, caterpillars, also the mice that live on the ripe crops. It has been recorded that a Kestrel was once shot and in its craw were 79 caterpillars, 24 bettles and two full size parts of field mice, also grasshoppers and earth worms. When a Kestrel does catch a bird, usually in the winter time, it plucks off all the feathers before eating the bird.

The Kestrel does not build a nest. It selects a ledge of a building or a crag; sometimes it will take over old nests of the crow or magpie. Eggs 4 to 5 of a whitish ground colour, heavily bloched with reddish brown. Pellets of indigestible

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THE KESTREL (contd)

food remains are cast up and accumulate in the nesting place; this is a help to keep the eggs in the next

Threeyears ago there was a decline in numbers, but during the last two years records have shown a decided increase.

A.S.A.W.

FROM OUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

You will read, elsewhere in the Gazette, of the proposal to wind-up the local Residents' Association.

In common with your other Parish Councillors, I hold the view that termination of the Association would be a retrograde step. The difficulties of running such a venture are appreciated. However, a viable and active Association offers countless benefits to the community and helps safeguard the amenities we all wish to enjoy.

If we are to keep our village as a small, pleasant and friendly rural community, we must exert continual vigilance. If we do not, we will, if the developers and speculators have their way, disappear into a suburban horror of the Hazlemere type. In the past two years, planning applications have been lodged which, if not contested, would have more than <u>DOUBLED</u> the size of our village !

The choice is yours, ignore the dangers and lose your village, or work together and preserve our environment.

R.A.M.

ROYAL AIR FORCE MUSEUM, HENDON - AN APPEAL

We have been told that, as much of the World War I aircraft construction was carried out in the local area and that in World War II the famous MOSQUITO, among others, was also built locally, it is thought more than likely that there may rest, in private houses, sheds, outhouses, etc., many potentially valuable and certainly historically very important 'bits and pieces' of aircraft.

Currently, for instance, the Museum Staff is, at the invitation of the Village Hall & Playing Fields Council, planning to inspect the circa-1930 wooden propellor used, on Fete Day, for "The Spinner" stall.

If, therefore, you have any such pieces of aircraft, or associated equipment that you think may be of interest, or know of the location of any such items, would you please contact John Bullock, Traveller's Joy, Main Rd. (NAP.3429) so that he may advise the Museum accordingly. Thank you.

J.P.B.

NAPHILL W.I.

ART EXHIBITION AND COFFEE EVENING

on SATURDAY - 8TH JULY 1972

at NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL

Doors open 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm Tickets or at door - 15P (including refreshments)

Proceeds in aid of Naphill Village Hall Improvement Fund.

REMINDER ! THE NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL SUMMER SHOW

Will be held in the Village Hall on Sat. 15th July - opening at 2.00 pm. Splendid displays and exhibits of flowers, vegetables, fruits and floral arrangements. Plus: Cakes, sweets and jams!

Classes for all: Children, 'beginners', novices and 'aces' - so DON'T BE SHY - HAVE A TRY !

There are plenty of Medals, Certificates and Cash Prizes to be won. All are welcome to enter - members or no. Entry Forms, with Schedules, will be available, shortly, from The Show Secretary, Traveller's Joy, Main Rd. Naphill.

REMEMBER ! Your own could well be good enough to win !
Admission to the Show: Children 3P. Adults 5P.

BIRTH: Ron and Freda Morgan are delighted to announce the arrival of Abigail Sarah on the 13th June. We would like to extend our warmest thanks to all our friends for their good wishes.

NAPHILL FETE PRIZES

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GRAND DRAW

l.	Geebro Garden Umbrella	3434	D. Vere, Flackwell Heath
2.	Set of Suit Cases	3535	Pip Miles
3.	Moulinex Elec. Hand Mixer	2887	W. Colbourne, Plomer Hill
4.	Wilkinson Edging Shears	2644	I. Leek
5.	Plastic Waste/Laundry Bin	1533	A.J. Lloyd, Downley
6.	Voucher - 5 galls. Petrol	2646	M.D. Clarke, Naphill Common
7•	Bottle Martini	2127	Mr.Rourke, MT Sec. R.A.F.
8.	Voucher - £1.00 meat from		·
	local butcher	3548	Mr. Dent, "Black Lion"
9.	Cushion	1313	A.M. Kettell, Coombe Lane
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NAPHILL FETE PRIZES (contd)

GRAND DRAW

10.	Basket Fruit	148	D. Gabbitas, Allen Drive
11.	Prestige Palette Knife	518	P. Hyre, "Oatley"
12.	Voucher - Shampoo & Set		•
	at Hair Boutique	1248	A. White, Green Lane, Radnage
13.	50 Benson & Hedges Cigs.		D. Bevan, Tylers Green
14.	Voucher - Kepping & Wood		Odell, 5 Ash Close
15.	Voucher - Cleaning at	1640	Mrs. Webb, Plomer Green,
	Smartset		Downley
16.	Goya Gift Box	2526	R. Wheeler, B.R. H.Q.
17.	Tin Biscuits	3203	Beryl Saunders, Tylers Green

Lucky Programme - 50P No. 384 Winner please collect from Mrs. D. Leek, Aldin, Purssels Meadow.

GUESSING COMPETITION - The Lucky Card.

Mrs. I. Chaplain, 6 Belgrave Mews, Cowley, Middx. has won a prize in the above competition and it may be collected from "Hale End" Christopher Close, Naphill.

FANCY DRESS

Up to 7 years	Over 7 years

1st. Cory Wingrove 1st. Debbie Wilson
2nd. Jeremy Gilson 2nd. Clarissa Ratcliffe
3rd. Catherine Levine 3rd. Timothy Jones

3 Fete Princesses: Jane Woodruffe: Lucille Holmes: Deborah Colicott

FLOATS & TABLEAUX

1st.	"Tutankhamun"	Naphill	Neighbours	Club
2nd.	"Nessie"	Naphill	Brownies	
	"Cries of London"	Naphill	Guides	

NAPHILL FETE PRIZES (contd)

FLOATS & TABLEAUX

Three additional prizes given by the Earl and Countess of Ilchester to:

"Riding through the Ages"
"Nursery Rhymes"
"Olympix"

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Walters Ash Brownies
Naphill W.I.

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NAPHILL W.I. RAFFLE

Ticket No. 71 - Sharp: Ticket No. 218 - no name. Holders of the above tickets may collect their prizes from Mrs. Piercy, Moseley Lodge Farm, Main Rd. Naphill.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES

From the financial viewpoint, it seems certain that the Fete was a great success ! We will probably make a profit in excess of £300. Thank you all for your participation and support.

As part of the 'Fete Week' celebrations, we have had two other successful events. Our Dance on Sat. 17th June and the Fete Supper on 24th June will, together, add more than £50. to our funds.

The carpark has already been re-surfaced, after we complained to the contractors about their first efforts. Unfortunately they gave us no notice of when they planned to do this work and they caused considerable inconvenience to the Naphill Football Club and their guests by completing the job on the day of their Annual Dinner-Dance. We are very sorry this happened and I should like to express my sincere thanks to the Club for their thoughtful response to my request not to park on the new surface that evening, whilst it was still soft.

The new Hiring Rates were approved at the last Council Meeting and they will apply, in most cases, from 1st July 1972. Everyone concerned will be informed in due course. We were delighted to hear that Hughenden Parish Council has increased its grant to £600. for Hall improvements and thank Richard Pushman for so successfully presenting our case.

B.T.A.H.

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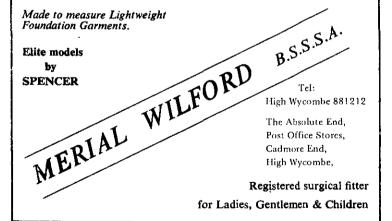
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NAPHILL GAZETTE



LONGTAILED TIT SEPTEMBER 1972

NAPHILL GAZETTE No. 253

AT THE	VILLAGE HALL - SEPTEMBER	1972
Whist	1st. 15th. 29th.	7.30 pm
Library	1st. 15th. 29th. (C.R.)	6.30-8.00 pm
Wedding Rec.	2nd	All day
V.H.C.	4th	8.00 pm
Dancing	4th. 11th. 18th. 25th.	4.00-6.00 pm
Drama	Every Tuesday	7.30 pm
Bingo	Every Thursday	8.00 pm
Art	Every Thursday (B.R.)	7.30-9.30 pm
Dressmaking	Every Wednesday (B.R.)	9.30-11.30 am
Men's Club	Every Tues. Fri. Sat. (B.R.)	7.30 pm
Play Group	Every Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri.	9.00-12 noon
Welfare	6th. 20th	2.00 pm
W.I.	7th	2.30 pm
Over 60's	8th. 22nd	2.30 pm
Horticultural S	how 9th All day - u	ntil 7.00 pm
Private Party	9th	7.00 pm onwards
Young Neighbour	s 11th	7.45 pm
W.I. Michaelmas	Fayre 16th	2.30 pm
Dancing	19th. 26th	3.00-7.45 pm
Naphill Tennis	Club 22nd	9.00 pm
Naphill Scouts	Rummage Sale 23rd	2.30 pm
W.I. Committee	28th (C.R.)	2.30 pm
W.I. (Downley)	28th	12 noon-5.00 pm
Tennis Club Rum	mage Sale 30th	2.30 pm

NAPHILL CHURCH

SERVICES

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∍ September	10th	Sunday School recommences	10.30	am
	17th	United Service in the Anglican Church	6.15	рm
If ·	24th	Holy Communion - (with Hymns - Thanksgiving for Harvest)	9.00	am
11	26th	Parish Harvest Supper at Hughenden Village Hall		
October	14th	Naphill Church Rummage Sale		

The Sunday School will re-open, after the Summer break, on 10th September and Mrs. Anthea Coles is looking forward to seeing all the children on that day, with some new children as well. Children of school age and those approaching that age will be made very welcome and they will receive the teaching of the Church of England, presented in a way they can all understand. The Sunday School lasts about forty minutes, which is not too long for the children. New residents, in the village, are particularly invited to send or bring their children to meet Mrs. Coles on the second Sunday in September.

The day for Harvest Thanksgiving, at Hughenden Parish Church and Naphill, is 24th September. We would like to receive harvest gifts at Naphill Church on the Saturday morning, when we hope the ladies will come and decorate the church. Goods suitable for distribution to the sick and elderly will be very welcome.

NAPHILL CHURCH (contd)

Our Parish Harvest Supper has been arranged for the Tuesday following the Harvest Festival. This will be held at Hughenden Village Hall, but as the seating accommodation is limited, it would be advisable to purchase your ticket, at 50p, in advance of the date.

May we remind you that we shall be glad of any goods you can spare for the forthcoming Rummage Sale. Goods may be left with Mrs. E. Parslow, 1 Blenheim Cottage, or with Mrs. E. Wood, 'Hale End' Christopher Close.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for September.

11,00 am

6.15 pm

3rd

Rev. P. Tucker (Holy Communion)

Mr. E. Pullen

10th 17th Mr. Ivor Mounteney M.A. Mrs. Holt

Mr. K. Peatev

(United Service at (Naphill Anglican (Church, Leader: (Mr. Sutcliffe. (Address: The Vicar

24th Harvest Festival

Mrs. Anderson

Rev. P. Tucker

Services

Children's Gift Service at 2.45 pm

A Harvest Supper will be held in the Methodist Schoolroom on Monday 25th September at 7.15 pm.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday Services at 10.00 am and 6.15 pm. All welcome :

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"The difficulties of Christianity are no doubt great; but, depend on it, they are nothing compared to the difficulties of infidelity".

J.C. Ryle

From the Vicar.

"AFTER THE BABY HAS BEEN DONE..." Many people come along to the vicar within a few weeks of the baby being born because they want the child done, but after he has been baptised, what then?

"AFTER THE BABY HAS BEEN DONE ... (contd)

Baptism is the beginning of a child's Christian life; by
Baptism he is born again into the Family of God, but baptism,
like birth, is only a beinnning. The baptism needs to be
confirmed when a person has been sufficiently instructed in the
Christian Faith and is ready to take personal responsibility for
his decision. When anyone is baptised as an adult, he can
learn his faith and make his decision before being baptised, so
confirmation of the baptism can follow immediately. When a
baby is baptised there can be no instruction beforehand and the
parents make the decision, so before confirming the Baptism we
wait for some years until these necessary preliminaries have
been fulfilled.

All branches of the Christian Church, which baptise babies, have some form of confirming the baptism in adult life. In the Church of England we have a special service of Confirmation, which is administered by the Bishop. On Sunday, 17th December at 6.30 pm the Bishop of Buckingham will administer Confirmation in Hughenden Parish Church and the vicar will be starting preparation classesin September.

Anyone who has been baptised and who wishes to take a full, adult part in the life of the Church may be Confirmed. Many people are Confirmed between 11 and 16 years old, but there is no upper age limit. The vicar has already been asked to present a 21 year old and two 22 year olds in December. A few years ago he presented a person of 65 \$\frac{1}{2}\$

Those of us who were confirmed in our teens sometimes feel we would like to go over the whole thing again. The Confirmation cannot be repeated, but there is nothing to prevent anyone coming to the classes and at the Service kneeling to re-dedicate ourselves to God.

If you would like to be Confirmed, or if you think you would like to, but do not know what it is all about, or if you wish you had been, but are afraid you are now too old, or if you would like a 'refresher course', please give your name to the vicar. He will arrange classes to suit you and you can make your own decision in December.

NAPHILL W.I.

At the July meeting we"Enjoyed Dickens with Mr. John Greaves", who brought some of the writer's characters to life with his wonderful impersonations. Mrs. Bullock thanked him.

Mrs. A. Bull won first prize for the best Victoria Sponge Cake. Mrs. K. McCue second.

NAPHILL W.I. (contd)

Mrs. M. Piercy raised £8.38 at her tea party. She also stood in, at short notice, for the delegate to the Albert Hall, and gave a most entertaining account of this, her fifth visit.

The raffle, together with last month's will go toward the fund for the Bucks Room at Denman College.

The Art Exhibition & Coffee Evening is proving to be a popular annual event and this year raised £43.80 toward the Village Hall improvements. We are grateful to Mr. Piggot, the art master, who gave a lot of his spare time to stage this.

Those of us who visited the Bramshill Police College had a very enjoyable day.

There was no meeting in August. In September there will be a talk on "Probation Work in London & Bucks": a Harvest Festival and a competition.for a Golden Flower arrangement.

D.B.

Saturday
16TH SEPTEMBER

Members may bring any contributions to the September meeting.

W.I. ART EXHIBITION & COFFEE EVENING

The eighth Art Exhibition and Coffee Evening organised by the Naphill W.I. was a great success. With the co-operation of Graham Piggott and his pupils of the Art Class an excellent show of nearly 70 paintings, by 18 artists, was set up in the village hall, displaying a high degree of talent and a wide variety of styles.

Most of the works on view were on traditional lines, the subjects ranging from still life, portraits and figure studies to land-scapes and local scenes. The standard shown was remarkably good and reflected great credit on all concerned. It is invidious to mention names, but I particularly liked 'Windmill at Lacey Green' by June Bedford, and in a different style, Dennis Thomas's 'Mark 8' a finely detailed study of an early aeroplane, contrasting with the muted tones of Dennis Syrett's work, his 'Fleet's Farm', lent by Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cook, being outstanding.

Some of the still life paintings had an almost photographic quality, executed with great skill, but I preferred the softer outlines of Bill Pook's 'Still Life with Bucket' or 'Study in Glass' by Muriel Piercy, a difficult subject successfully tackled. Flowers were popular, and there were several excellent portraits of 'Mrs. Munger' which were full of character.

W.I. ART EXHIBITION & COFFEE EVENING (contd)

If I could venture a mild criticism I would suggest that a more adventurous approach to the subject might allow individual styles to develop more strongly. How about some impressionists and abstracts next year?

Hugh Bridgman

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS

About 16 members went on the ramble to Speen on 14th August. It was a very pleasant evening and we all enjoyed a drink and some delicious sandwiches at the "King William" at the end of the walk.

Our next meeting is on allth September when we have the A.G.M. together with a Cheese and Wine evening. The Thrift Stall will be open for business, so bring along all your bargains and perhap make a sale which will help you and the Club funds.

The wine hostesses for the A.G.M. are -

E. Seymour

P. Smith

B. Lever

C. Russell

S.J.M.

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The second of our Shows, the Autumn Show, will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday, 9th September, opening to the public at 2 pm. This will be the 27th Annual Show to be held in the village and we look forward to seeing you all there on the day.

By the time you read this, we hope that the Show Schedules will have reached all Members and Exhibitors, but anyone who has not received one, or who is interested, should be able to obtain one from the Hon. Secretary, or from the Show Secretary, John Bullock Travellers Joy, Main Road, Naphill.

I would particularly mention the Gift Stall at the Show. This is one of our chief sources of revenue: indeed, but for the really splendid efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Woods, at the July Show, we should have made a much larger loss. For the Autumn Show, the Gift Stall is being organised by Mrs. Penny Darvill, Minuet Coombe Lane, Naphill, and Penny, whom everybody knows, will be glad to receive any contributions for her Stall, be they Horticultural, animal, vegetable or financial, before the Show. As Penny is pledged to surpass the July efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Woods, she needs all the help and encouragement you can give her.

I would again remind everyone that entry forms should reach the Show Secretary not later than 8 pm on Friday, 8th September and much earlier for preference. It makes a great difference to the organisers of the Show if they know, well in advance, what space

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY (contd)

they have to provide for the various classes. As usual, staging can commence on Friday evening, prior to the Show, or from 8 am on the Saturday morning, but I must emphasise that the Hall must be cleared for judging by 11 am. on the Saturday morning. The Autumn Show is usually a big one and we must give the judges a fair chance to do their valuable work without pressure.

The July Show was held on a lovely summer day and we had to face several local counter attractions, notably the Booker Air Show. So, considering everything, we can regard the July Show as a success. The Flower displays were really magnificent, having regard to the inclement weather that preceded the Show. The Sweet Pea classes, especially, were very good indeed. We were a little disappointed that the Floral Art classes were not too well patronised and can only conclude that most of the ladies, who support this popular art form, were on holiday. We hope this will be remedied this month.

We regard the July Show as a financial success if we do not lose much money. This year we were in the red for some £12. which washalf that of the previous year. So you will realise that the nett return of £16. which Mr. and Mrs. Woods returned from their Gift Stall, did have a marked influence on the result. Thanks again, Mr. and Mrs. Woods.

However, we once made a profit from the September Show and we are really hoping that this year we shall see another, and larger, one !

Thanks to all who helped us in July and bless all those who are going to help us in September, whether in running the Show, exhibiting in it or simply paying your 5 pence at the door on 9th September. The auction of produce will be held around 5 pm on the Saturday. This is a popular event, with bargains in flowers, fruit and vegetables for everyone. We look forward to seeing you on the 9th.

TENNIS CLUB

CAR RALLY Sat. 9th September - starting at 6.30 pm from the Club House. Numbers will be restricted, so all interested please telephone Naphill 3366.

JUNIOR TOURNAMENT An American Tournament has been arranged for Sunday, 10th September, starting at 2.30 pm.

AUTUMN DANCE A dance will be held in the Village Hall on Friday, 22nd September. Dancing will be to the Leman Trio. A bar extension has been applied for. Tickets are available from Committee Members or telephone Naphill 3366.

TENNIS CLUB (contd)

JUMBLE SALE A fund raising jumble sale is scheduled for Saturday 30th September in the Village Hall. All assistance in collecting jumble will be most welcome.

CHRISTMAS DANCE A booking has been made at Monkey Island, Bray, for a Dinner/Dance to be held on 3rd November. More details will be available from Committee Members or by telephoning Naphill 3366.

NATURE INTEREST

THE LONG-TAILED TIT

I begin by expressing my sincere thanks to a friend who came round to my home recently and said, "Would you like to see the nest of the Long-tailed Tit, it isn't far away "? He had brought his car round and was ready to take me. My word, I had scarcely time to put on my jacket and hat, say "thank you" and we were on our way.

The nest was in a dogrose bush, situated between Walter's Ash and Hampden Common, four feet up from the ground. We both had a quick peep at the nest, still only in its building stage, and then retired to a fair distance and patiently watched, but we were out of luck. I think those long-tailed tits had seen two strangers watching and probably peeping at us from a distance.

During the next five to six weeks I continued to visit the nest, frequently, sometimes early morning, sometimes in the evening, occasionally twice daily, always covering up my tracks before I made notes in my book and many sketches. end it proved to be one of the most interesting "watches" I had made for a long, long time, for I consider the nest of the longtailed tit to be the most wonderful of them all. For a whole fourteen to sixteen days these little nest builders were bringing masses of moss, grasses, hairs and feathers to weave cunningly around and between the forking twigs of the wild rose bush, with I watched them through my wonderful skill and patience. glasses as they worked continuously at speed. They would weave and mould the contents of their little chubby beaks with the speed of a Buckinghamshire pillow lace maker, in and out they pushed and pulled and gradually the nest grewinto a pear shape, the size slightly larger than a cricket ball with a very small hole near to the top.

As I watched the long-tailed tits, their visits became more frequent; then finally the lichen was tightly attached by an application of saliva; the whole was then covered with the silken web of the spider - really a most magnificent affair. The outside of the nest is possibly finished, but now follows the very important item, the feathers for the bed, the nursery.

THE LONG-TAILED TIT (contd)

It has been recorded that in one nest over 2,000 feathers have been packed inside a long-tailed tit's nest, most of which were soft pheasant feathers. The sunlight flickering across the nest and the white spots of lichen, the light green-yellow new leaves of the wild rose bush, the light green spots of moss, all this combined to make the nest almost imperceptible, so perfect was its camouflage. When the building and bed of feathers were completed I felt the hen bird must be busily laying her eggs. because the birds are identical, both in size and colour, but only the one adult bird was outside the nest feeding the one For many days the outside busybody brought spiders to inside. the nest and like a flash "he" would push his little beak into the nest and out again and away for another food hunt. pattern continued for about sixteen days. (I am sure those birds had become used to me and were now taking no notice of my Soon the incubation period was over and then came the happy event - a nest full of ten or twelve baby chicks, helpless, naked and unable to see. Ten or twelve little open beaks must be fed and the nest must be kept clean and tidy. The correct number of youngsters I'll never know. fourteen days before the young will be able to leave the nest, Each night, until they leave, both parents will press into the nest to sleep and keep their young ones cosy and warm. parent birds and twelve chicks, and all have a comfortable sleep in this tiny nest? There is no difficulty; the long-tailed tits fold their long tails up over their backs and rest them on the back of their head and squeeze themselves into the nest.

I continued to watch and hoped I would see what happened when they all left the nest, but it was not to be. They were all there, being fed, one evening. I was there fairly early next day, but no activity. I ventured nearer to the nest and all had gone. I wished them well, but now they were gone there was a kind of sadness at losing such an absorbing interest. Such is the life of an enthusiastic bird watcher. This family will stay together in this country the whole of this winter and probably in the protection of the tall trees in our woods around here in Naphill or district.

You may like to know the colour of the long-tailed tit. The head is a brilliant white with a black streak over each little bright eye: pink on back and shoulders, also rose pink flanks. The upper wing feathers are black with white edges and a black tail with large white edges. The beak is small and slightly hooked. The whole making a very attractive sprightly little bird.

A.S.A.W.

NAPHILL W.I. will have a GOLDEN MICHAELMAS FAYRE on Saturday 16th September in the Village Hall. To be opened by ENID LADY BURNHAM at 2.30 pm. Admission Free.

To all Naphill Council Members.

The Social Club Members.

The Methodist Chapel Friends.

The Naphill Church Friends.

All friends and neighbours of the village.

My grateful thanks to you all for the kind letters, cards, gifts and flowers; also offers of help you have given to my family and myself in our time of need. We are recovering slowly. Once again, my sincere and grateful thanks to you all.

MICHAEL WEBB

NAPHILL BALLET CLASSES

All pupils entered for the recent Royal Academy of Dancing Ballet examinations gained their certificates. Congratulations to:-

Primary Grade	Jeffrey Cleaver Sandra Finch (Co Caroline West Sara Lewis Deborah Saw	ommended)
Grade One	Patricia West Helen Clarke Susan Fraser Suzanne Tucker Katherine Hussey	(Highly Commended) (Highly Commended) (Commended)
Grade Two	Kate Carruthers Cherrie Steel Elaine Tucker Deborah Cairns Barbara Cairns Jane Finch	(Highly Commended) (Highly Commended) (Commended) (Pass Plus) (Pass) (Pass)
Grade Three	Daphne Tagg	(Pass Plug) Sybil Fraser

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

The Garden Party, held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. R. Piercy, was a most enjoyable one. Members had an unexpected pleasure when three young girls arrived and presented them all with a gift of teabags, and a raffle which consisted of jars of jam and bars of chocolate. The money for these gifts was raised by Claire Sawyer, Joanne Darvill and Susan Horne. Claire Sawyer gave a little speech, the contents of which Mr. Editor would you please print.

"Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. My name is Claire Sawyer and these are my two friends. You may be wondering why we are at the Over Sixties Garden Party! Well, about two years ago we three formed a little club which meets every week in my house. We decided to plan different ways of raising money to help people. For our first project we had a flower stall, at the end of the Glebe, and we collected nearly a pound, which we sent to an organisation which was helping children in Biafra.

This year we decided we'd like to help older people instead of children, so last October we held a Coffee Morning and Milk Shake Bar and we raised even more money. We thought it would be nice to do something for the older people in our own village, so we contacted your Club for some ideas how we could use the money for you. As you will see, we have managed to make up a useful little gift for each one of you and also some extra parcels for everyone holding a ticket with a lucky number on it. We hope you like what we have chosen for you and also that you all have a very enjoyable afternoon."

Mr. Rose thanked them. As adults we congratulate them on their very kind thoughtfulness in bringing happiness to others. Well done, Claire, Joanna and Susan and thank you from us all.

Congratulations to the members on winning prizes at the Village Horticultural Show.

The Coffee morning was an outstanding success; the proceeds amounted to £36.42 $\frac{1}{2}$ p and we would like to say thank you to all who came and made it such a happy morning.

The next meeting is on 8th September and the 22nd September will be the Harvest Festival.

A.G.

GARDEN NOTES - SEPTEMBER

This can be an erratic month. Sometimes September can appear as a summer month; sometimes a touch of autumn in the air. Gardeners with tall fruit trees will welcome a calm month, to avoid windfalls and ensure the fruit will ripen well and better for keeping.

It is nearly time to think about ordering bulbs for Spring flowering. With bulbs it is a case of getting what you pay for; it never pays to buy the cheapest. Wander around to see which is the best bargain. For Christmas flowering, plant now in pots or bowls, in bulb fibre.

Naphill is not one of the best places for bulbs. Some places they do well, others they just exist. Some years ago I planted 200 daffs in grass. They did very well - a succession of blooms from late March to early May - all first class blooms for years. I heard afterwards the place had been used for concrete mixing. This seems to be a lesson, sandy, well-drained soil. Eventually the site was wanted for building extension. I transplanted them, but they gradually disappeared.

This is a good month for planting evergreens. Try and get a good ball of soil. If dry, water well, a good soaking and spray over the top each evening.

Have you cut out the old cames which bore fruit this year of the raspberries and the older wood of the blackcurrants. Do it as soon as possible.

Harvest time commences this month in the vegetable plot. Lift potatoes as the haulm begin to die down. Diseased tops should be burnt at once. Leave the tubers on the ground for a few hours to dry. Beet and carrots can be stored in sand, protect in very frosty weather. Parsnips can be stored, but if convenient can be left in the ground, but lookout for mice.

Dahlias, early Chrysanthemums and Michaelmas Daisies should be at their best this month. Sow Sweet Peas singly in pots or boxes, the middle of the month.

C.P.

EDITOR'S CORNER

Hello again & - after an interval of two months. We hope you have missed us.

The return from holidays brought a few surprises. A speed limit in Clappins Lane; Stocking Lane temporarily closed and a suggestion that Naphill should be moved into Bradenham Parish.

Some time ago we ran a feature on Parish Boundaries, but got a little bogged down on the difference between church and civil limits. While Hughenden looks overdue for rationalizing, (it goes almost to Haslemere Church) I don't think Naphill will

EDITOR'S CORNER (contd)

consider moving. Especially as we have begun to take the Bullock-Flints to our hearts. But it makes sense that the whole of Strike Command should be in one Parish and that would, obviously, be Bradenham. I will try and induce the Vicar to give his views on the subject, next month.

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AT THE VI	LLAGE HALL						
Wednesday	Dressmakin	ıg	Mrs. J.Bissett	9.30	LEAST,	11.30	am
Thursday	Art		Mr.G.Piggott	7.30	-	9.30	pm

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Drama			Every	Tuesday		7.45 pm
Bingo		•	Every	Thursday	у .	8.00 pm
Art			Every	Thursday	y (B.R.)	7.30-9.30 pm
Dressmaking			Every	Wednesda	ay (B.R.)	9.30-11.30 am
Play Group			Every	Tues.We	d.Thur.	9.00-12 noon
Men's Club		•	Every	Tues.Fr	i.Sat. (B	.R.) 7.30 pm
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Over 60's			6th.	20th.		2.30 pm
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W.I. Committee	е		26th	(C.R.)	2.30 pm
V.H. Dance			28 th	•		8.00 pm

NAPHILL CHURCH

SERVICES

October 22nd Holy Communion

9.00 am

22nd United Service at the

Methodist Church

6.15 pm

Saturday, 14th October, is the day for our Autumn Rummage Sale at Naphill Village Hall. Goods are already coming in, but we can cope with plenty more, so please 'phone Mrs. E. Wood on Naphill 3163 or Mrs. A. Gilson on Naphill 2231, who will both be pleased to arrange for collection of any saleable goods you wish to give. Goods may also be left with Mrs. E. Parslow at No.l Blenheim Cottage, Main Road or Mrs. M. Davies of 25, Ash Close.

The doors open at 2.30 pm so come along and join the queue and have a look at the stuff we have to sell.

W.W.

Our thanks to all who helped to make Mrs. Hyre's coffee evening a success. £11.35 was raised to buy bulbs for planting in Hughenden Churchyard.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services at 10.00 am and 6.15 pm. All welcome !

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"Let my body be servant of my spirit and both body and spirit servants of Jesus Christ."

Prayer of Jeremy Taylor.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

Preacher	s for October	11.00 am	6.15 pm
October	lst	Mr. W. Osborne	Mr. M. Brittin
	8th	Sister Ruth Orton B	A Mrs. Tyler
	15th	Mrs. Ing	No Service
	22nd	Mr. D. Church	Rev. P. Tucker (United Service with Anglicans)
	29th	Mr. G.F. Young	Mr. R. Peel

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH (contd)

There will be no Service at our Naphill Methodist Church on Sunday evening, 15th October, as we are to be favoured with a visit from Rev. Harry Morton, the President of the Methodist Conference, at the evening Service at Wesley Church, High Wycombe that evening, at 6.30 pm.

A United Fellowship meeting will be held at Bryants Bottom Methodist Church on Wednesday, 4th October at 7.30 pm led by Rev. Norman Burrows.

Our Annual Bazaar will be held on 11th November in the Village Hall.

M.G.B.

THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH

The Church of England is the Established Church of this country, which does not mean, as some imagine, that it is paid for by the State, but that it is that branch of the Christian Church which is charged with the 'cure' (or to use the modern spelling 'care') of souls in this land. In order to do its job the church has divided the country into Dioceses with a Bishop to look after each one. These are sub-divided into parishes with a 'curate' living in each one, to whom is committed the 'cure of souls' in that parish. This priest, usually known as the vicar or rector, may have another priest to help him, an assistant curate.

As the years have passed the numbers of people living in any parish have changed and so it has been necessary to alter the arrangement of parishes so as to prevent one man having too many people to look after, while another has too few. For instance, the village of West Wycombe has only about 150 people, while the parish of High Wycombe has over 35,000, so some re-organisation is needed.

The present suggestion, so far as it affects us, and I must stress that it is only a suggestion, is that the parish of Bradenham, which has 750 people, should be joined with the parish of Hughenden, and the two run as one.

Hughenden parish consists of more than Hughenden Valley. It includes also parts of the Borough of High Wycombe (the Park Estate, part of Hughenden Road, Green Hill and Brands Hill Avenue) part of Widmer End, part of Great Kingshill, Cryers Hill, part of Bryants Bottom, North Dean and the whole of Naphill with part of Walters Ash. In this area there are over 6,000 people for whom I have the 'cure of souls'. With Bradenham that will make it over 7,000 and growing all the time.

Clearly I shall need some help if I am to fulfil my charge, but contd.....

THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH (contd)

as we are so short of priests in this country, it will probably have to be part time rather than full time help. There are others who can help - you - the lay members of the church. If you hear of anyone who does not know if they are coming or going, who are completely bewildered, or in some sort of trouble or distress, please let me know. I had rather be doing my job of 'caring' for God's people than sitting politely sipping tea!

In all this I have said nothing about running the Sunday Services. This is not too difficult. It can be arranged on a carefully planned timetable. Sunday is the easiest day of the week for a priest. The real work, the work of caring, is done during the rest of the week over the whole parish of Hughenden, and may soon include the parish of Bradenham.

Rev. Bullock-Flint

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES

My apologies for missing the September edition, but I was called away on a business trip unexpectedly.

Since July, the re-building work has been going ahead and soon we should have those "loos" to be proud of !- We hope that we may be able to replace those old, unhygienic sinks in the kitchen too with new stainless steel units, if the funds will stretch that far.

Recently we received a very generous gift from the Women's Institute of £44. the proceeds of their Art Exhibition in July. Thank you ladies :

We were all very sorry to hear of the serious car accident involving Michael Webb and his family, whilst they were on holiday this summer. We send them our best wishes for an early recovery.

In response to a request from a group of young people in the village, we are giving careful consideration to the formation of a Teenagers Club, to hold regular meetings in the Hall. If you are interested and between 14 and 18 I suggest that you contact Mr. David Cox, The Quarries, Main Road, Walters Ash.

Please support the Village Hall Supper on Saturday, 14th Oct. and the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 25th November.

We have just heard that Mr. Frank Gibbons, who has been caretaker at the Hall for more than twelve years, feels that it is now time for him to retire at 78. Thank you, Frank, for all the care and attention you have given to the Village Hall over the years. We wish you all the best for the future.

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES (contd)

Whilst we are looking around for a new caretaker, you can obtain the Village Hall key from:

Cherry Tree Cottage, Main Road, Naphill if you need it.

B.T.A.H.

NAPHILL W.I.

There was no meeting during August, but members were able to meet at Mrs. J. Ball's house for a coffee morning which raised £4. and at Mrs. V. Pushman's tea party which made £8.70.

At the September meeting, Mr. Stanley Kirk gave a very interesting talk on "Probation work in London & Buckinghamshire". Time was limited, so he spoke mainly about the problems of the young people who have come under his care. He was thanked by Mrs. N. Randall.

The competition for the best golden flower arrangement was won by Mrs. M. Piercy, Miss E. Cooper second.

£3.15 has been sent toward the renovation of the Bucks Room at Denman College.

Mrs. Balls, President, reminded members about the Michaelmas Fayre on the 16th also the trip to Stratford-on-Avon on the 30th.

The afternoon finished with an auction of the Harvest Festival gifts.

5th October will be our Birthday Party. Mr. John Timpson will talk on "The Lighter Side of Broadcasting". The Drama Group will entertain with a one act play.

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS

Our A.G.M. on 11th September was attended by 31 members. After Mrs. Croxson had dealt with various reports, thanks to the retiring committee and notices, we all enjoyed our cheese and wine together with a chat before electing a new committee. following 10 members were chosen to serve on the committee:-

Edna Chamberlain Eileen Croxson Jean Flett Judith Mettem

Marie Donlon Christine Russell

Evelyn Seymour Olive Stratford Barbara Tole

Pam Smith - President

The raffle prizes were won by Joyce Cook, Eileen Croxson and Eileen Jones.

The next meeting is on 9th October when there will be a demonstration of cake decorating by Aylesbury College. Coffee hostesses for October are: Joyce Holland, Marie Helps and Judith Mettem. contd.....

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS (contd)

Members are reminded that the Village Hall Christmas Bazaar will be held on 25th November and any offers of help and items for the stall will be most gratefully appreciated.

S.J.M.

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

A mystery trip is being arranged for 6th October, leaving the Village Hall at 2 o'clock sharp, returning to the Village Hall for tea.

On 22nd October there will be a "Quiz Board Game" arranged by Miss D.M. Barnes and Miss E. Hawley.

Mrs. Mayfield and members of Ludgershall Club will be joining us at the 3rd November meeting, when we hope to be entertained by the Wye Valley Singers.

A.G.

NAPHILL BROWNIE PACK

The 2nd Naphill Brownie Pack was officially launched on Wednesday, 20th September 1972, when the Guide District Commissioner, Mrs. N. Thomas, enrolled a new Guider and 11 Brownies.

The afternoon included light refreshments, during which time the Brownies demonstrated some of their activities, concluding with a Pow-Wow, when Brown Owl (Mrs. Hampton) thanked Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Clark (1st Naphill Brownie Pack) for attending and so giving herself and the new Brownies great encouragement.

A.H.

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our 27th Annual Autumn Show was held in the Village Hall on Saturday 19th September. The Show was well attended and the flower exhibits filled the Hall with colour. Unfortunately we were very disappointed with the small number of entries for the Floral Art Classes, which, following on a similar experience at the July Show, makes us wonder if this once popular art form is losing its appeal for the ladies of Naphill. The children's entries, in the senior class, were very imaginative and augured well for the future efforts of these children who entered.

A full list of the classes and all prize and trophy winners was published in the Bucks Free Press following the Show.

We must thank all those who contributed to this Show, in whatever form; Mrs. Ginger and Miss Wait and their helpers in the kitchen, the strong men who erected and dismantled the stagings,

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NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY (contd)

the stewards and the judges, as well, of course, as the many exhibitors - not forgetting all those who paid at the door, patronised the Gift Stall and purchased flowers and other things at the auction. As ever, with such a popular Open Show, the great majority of the Exhibitors were 'from away' and many were, reportably, 'National Class' standard. We express a particular word of thanks to 'Penny the Post' and her helper for running the Gift Stall so well.

Whilst the final accounts are not yet ready, it seems we made the expected loss, and, really we must think up some ways of keeping out of the red for future shows. The Society, alas, continues to run on a shoe-string and it would help a great deal if any unpaid subscriptions were promptly deposited with the Secretary, or any member of the Committee, before our financial It seems to me, and many others, that what this Society needs is a number of enthusiastic younger people, with new ideas and a willingness to work toward continuing this very well-worthwhile village effort, before it dies of inanition. We shall be having our Annual General Meeting sometime in January; everyone is welcome and, perhaps, we may then be able to enrol some new officers, hear of new suggestions and discuss new ideas and perhaps generate some new enthusiasm. Some of the "Directors" are getting a bit tired. a bit of 'Workers Control' from the village 'Shop Floor'? One does not need to be an expert gardener: keeness, devotion are the main requirements. There must be a large supply of young executive types, now in the village, who know how to run things successfully. We would be very glad to enlist their skills: the Society needs you, gentlemen !

GARDEN NOTES - OCTOEER

Weeds and falling leaves are the plagues of the season now. It may seem they do no harm, but they are directly injurious to any crop on the ground. Keep the garden clean from end to end. Collect all leaves and rubbish and put it in trenches out of sight or on the compost heap.

I was talking the other day to a visitor from the north, and he remarked how clean the village was and how nice the people keep their gardens. How nice to hear. Speaking for myself as a stranger, (I have only lived in Naphill 25 years) I quite agree. The only 'eye-sore' I find is litter at the bus stops.

A good investment is a greenhouse. It means spending more time in a cosy greenhouse and less time in a bleak garden. A lot can be grown with a little heat, a modern paraffin heater runs cheaply.

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GARDEN NOTES - OCTOBER (contd)

The end of the month should see the finish of lawn mowing. Don't forget to give the machine a good clean. A strong jet with the hosepipe and a pointed stick to ease the dirt away. When dry, rub over with a oily rag, especially the cutters.

This is the start of another season, so remove the summer bedding to make way for the Spring bedding plants. Fork over the borders and work in manure or compost or bonemeal.

The old gardeners' calendar says expect frost any time after the first week in October, so get under cover azaleas, geraniums, late chrysanthemums, etc.

This is the time to take cuttings of shrubs, also roses, floribunda, polyanthus, poulsen and the climbing sections.

The veg. garden - plant out spring cabbage. Earth-up celery and leeks. Lift carrots and store in sand. A sowing of hardy lettuce can be sown in frames early in the month.

C.P.

NATURE INTEREST

THE PIED OR GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER

The pied woodpecker is very rarely seen feeding on the ground and only an occasional visitor to the garden bird table. It prefers to stay in the tops of the trees in the woodlands. This bird's main food is insects and it particularly enjoys probing for them in rotting hollow trees or dead branches. It appears to prefer the oak, ash or pollarded trees.

When the right type of feeding ground has been chosen, it will bore holes in the rotted wood or remove the outer bark then extract the insects with its long sticky tongue. This tongue is covered with backward pointing barbs which thrust into the holes and rapidly withdraws with the attached tasty morsel. When this long tongue, four times as long as its upper beak, is not in use, it is automatically curled round up into the woodpecker's head and anchored near its right nostril. This wonderful system is known as 'The Hyoid'.

The pied woodpecker will drum rapidly on trees and branches by pushing its head and strong beak backwards and forwards with terrific intensity, not unlike a road drill at work. It is a distinct rapid tapping and this re-sounds throughout the wood. I understand this drumming or tapping is not only a means to feed but it is also a form of communication with other woodpeckers. They signal their presence and identity to one another by an identifiable rhythm and this is understood by other woodpeckers.

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NATURE INTEREST (contd)

The female pied woodpecker is slightly smaller than the male and does not have his lovely crimson cap. They both have the very strong beak and both have the very important woodpecker toes; they are arranged in opposite pairs, two pointing forward and two pointing backward, each toe has a very sharp hocked claw. Then in addition they have the stiff short supporting tail; with these advantages they can cling securely to the trunk of the tree, moving up or down to drum and probe.

The incubation of the 5-7 eggs is carried out by the female, in a deep hole made by the help of the male and you will find these "chips" on the ground, under the tree; no further material is used. The pied woodpecker will return to the same woodland vicinity each year, but a new hole for the nest will be made each year.

A.S.A.W

AN OPEN LETTER TO NAPHILL PARENTS

From: The Chairman of the Village Hall Council.

Recently vandalism around the Village Hall has been increasing and we have been contending, throughout this summer, with numerous cases of wanton damage, all of which has to be paid for out of Village Hall funds.

Windows have been broken, drains blocked up, trees stripped of their bark, glass bottles broken all over the car-park, dust-bins emptied and their contents scattered about and the equipment on the recreation ground seriously damaged. The repairs to the roundabout cost us nearly £50. and I see that more damage has already been done to it.

Because we thought the old 'pantechnican' was creating an attraction to vandals and was consequently becoming dangerous, members of the Council demolished it. We believe this has helped, but gangs of youngsters are still gathering around the Hall and getting up to all kinds of mischief. We do not want to be forced into taking action against any of these youngsters, but as members of the Village Hall Council it is our duty to look after its property. Alternatively we do not like the idea of fencing off the Hall, but this may have to be done if all else fails. This would be very costly and completely unnecessary provided these children would only behave themselves reasonably.

The contractors, who are working on the car-park and Hall improvements, have reported to me that new brick walls have been knocked down, new drains damaged and even tiles broken by boys climbing over the roof. The foreman commented that the children in Naphill were more troublesome to them than those in many "rougher" areas in the towns. The work on the Hall has been delayed in consequence !!

AN OPEN LETTER TO NAPHILL PARENTS (contd)

As parents I should like to ask for your help with this problem. If your child is regularly coming up to the Hall, perhaps you might like to check on what he and his pals are doing there. You might be surprised or even horrified ! !

Yours sincerely,

BRUCE HOLLAND.

Chairman, Village Hall Council.

EDITOR'S CORNER

The Vicar has now put us in the picture with regard to possible changes in the parish, but on a question which all interested people would like answered - the future of the old school - the word is "let sleeping dogs lie".

The re-action of West Wycombe Estate to the Common's registration is regarded as a bombshell, but I, for one, never thought that Sir John would sit still and do nothing, while his ancient privileges were taken away. The kind of arguments he will use are, no doubt, "How can it be common land while I hold the right to fell and sell the timber". Or, "How can it be common land when there are well defined footpaths across it to which the public should keep".

It is now up to the V.H.C. and the Residents' Association to produce their own evidence to the County Council, when someone will sit in judgment and pronounce if Naphill Common is or is not. I could find them sworn testimony of how farmers used to graze their cattle on it.

I mentioned recently a Mr. West, who had been Disraeli's gamekeeper and lived in Louches Lane. I thought of him again, when reading a book review in the Observer. It was the life of Mary Ann, the rich widow whom Disraeli married. Having acquired both a hostess and the means to entertain, Disraeli gave some lavish parties, at one of which a group, including the future Edward VII, is said to have shot 86 brace of grouse. And all, says the Observer euphorically "in the heart of leafy Bucks". Since grouse live on heather, the late Mr. West must have had his work cut out!

And now, believe it or not, its a whole year since you were asked to contribute to the cost of the Gazette. Some time in October a tin will be brought to your door. The Gazette's future is in your pocket. Thank you.

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NAPHILL SCOUT & GUIDE GROUP are holding their ANNUAL AUTUMN FAIR on Saturday 21st October at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall. To be opened by Rev. P. Bullock-Flint.

Lots of stalls with goods at competitive prices, including Kmas Cards - Games and Bran Tub for the children - Mystery Parcels 5p each.

Also Grand Draw with bumper prizes.

Teas will be served, also Ices and Soft Drinks.

Bring the children to receive a present from Merlin in his Cave.

Admission by Lucky Programme 3p each.

SUPPER PARTY at the Village Hall - Saturday 14th Oct. at 8.30 pm

In response to many requests, we are holding another "Village Hall Supper" - so please come along and support us. We are sure you will enjoy the food, the wine and the good company!

The tickets are now available at only 50p - sorry that does not include the wine - but you will get coffee.

You will be able to get tickets from members of the Council and from Mrs. Joyce Holland, Cherry Tree Cottage, Main Road, (Naphill 2290).

All proceeds will go toward Village Hall improvements.

B.T.A.H.

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R.S.F.C.A. AUTUMN FAYRE - will be held in the METHODIST SCHOOL ROOM (by kind permission of The Trustees) on Saturday 21st Oct. at 2.30 pm. Admission 5p including refreshments.

Stalls of Toys, Knitwear, Household Goods etc., White Elephant, Cakes & Jams etc., all homemade. An opportunity to buy useful Christmas Gifts at reasonable prices.

Gifts, however small, for any of the stalls will be much appreciated. Please come and support the R.S.P.C.A.

L.M. Sharpe Aux: Hon. Sec.

NAPHILL BALLET CLASSES

Classes are held on Tuesdays at Naphill Village Hall, from 3-745 pm. Autumn Term commences 19th September. Further details from Mrs. Sybil Fraser, Naphill 3308.

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NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING-

FIEDDS COUNCIL Invites you all to the Village Hall, for 15TMAS BAZAAR SATURDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER Chriskmas Gifks, Toys, Sweets, Ice. Cream-Bran-Tub- nick-a-Straw-Marbles-in-the-Pok-Young Neighbours Stall, Tombola « Womens Institute Stall; - Money-map. Horse-rucing TREASURE HUNT * ATTICANDHOME-TREASURES EXHIBITION * TATHER CHRISTMAS -- and GRAND DRAW.

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Dressmaking	Every Wed. (B.R.)	9.30-11.30 am
-Art	Every Thur. (B.R.)	7.30- 9.30 pm
Play Group	Every Tue.Wed.Thur.Fri.	9 - 12 noon
Men's Club	Every Tue.Fri.Sat.	7.30 pm
Drama	Every Tues. 1st & 29th (Hall) 8th 15th 22nd (B.R.)	7.45 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm
W.I.	2nd	2.30 pm
Over 60's	3rd 17th	2.30 pm
F.T.B.A. Auction preparati	on 3rd	6.00-8.00 pm
F.T.B.A. Auction	4th	. ₹.30 pm
Scouts & Guides Dress Rehe	arsal 5th	7.30 pm
V.H.C.	6th	8.00 pm
Dancing	6th 13th	4.00-6.45 pm
Dancing	7th 14th 21st 28th	3.00-7,45 pm
Cubs	8th 22nd	6.30-8.30 pm
Whist	10th 24th	7.30 pm
Library	10th 24th (C.R.)	6.30-8.00 pm
Methodist Bazaar	11th	2.30 pm
Private Party	llth	6 pm onwards
Remembrance Service	12th	3.00 pm
Naphill N eighbours	13th	7.45 pm
Horticultural Society	13th (B.R.)	8.00 pm
Naphill Residents Assoc.	15th	8.00 pm .
Scouts & Guides Slide Show	17th	7.30 pm
Dancing	·18th	9.30-1.00 pm
V.H.C. Christmas Bazaar	25th	2.30 pm
Private Party	26th	2.00-7.00 pm
W.I. Committee	30th (C.R.)	2.30 pm

Bingo has been cancelled until further notice.

NAPHILL CHURCH

SERVICES

November	12th	Remembrance Day Service at the Village Hall	3.00	рm
	19th	United Service at the Anglican Church	6.15	рm
	26th	Holy Communion	9.00	am

A purse, containing cash, has been found in the church. Please call at 'Hale End' Christopher Close, if it belongs to you.

The recent church Rummage Sale resulted in a profit of just over £75. thanks to the efforts of our helpers. We very much appreciate the support of those who gave and those who came to buy.

Our parish church is holding a Snowball Fair at Hughenden Village Hall on Saturday, 18th November from 11.00 am - 5.00 pm. There are so many people actively making preparations for this event that Naphill residents would be well advised to make a special point of attending. We believe it will be possible to buy almost everything you can think ofexcept Snowballs!

If anyone has raised bulbs, in response to our earlier appeal for the Plant and Bulb Stall, will you please deliver them to 'Hale End' Christopher Close, or we can call and collect your gift. Vases or anything similar connected with gardening will be welcomed.

For a long time now the Methodists and Anglicans have been holding united services and now the pattern for these services has changed. Representatives of all the various Christian denominations in this country have evolved and published a Form of Service which should be acceptable to all shades of religious opinion. In Naphill, we are now using a Form of United Service based on that recommended by Methodist, Anglican, Roman Catholic, Congregational and other church leaders, so you are invited to join in one of these United Services and see what you think of it.

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday services at 10.00 am and 6.15 pm. All welcome : THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

God is more interested in making us what we ought to be than in giving us what we think we ought to have.

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26th	Mrs. Pike	Mr.E.Steevens
		(Anglican (Church. Rev (P. Tucker.
19th	Sister Kathleen Burgess	(United Ser- (vice at the
12th	Mr. E. Barnett (Family Service)	Mr.K.Burden
5th	Chapel Anniversary Service Rev. A. Kingsley Turner MA (Chairman of the District)	Councillor
Preachers for November	11.00 am	6.15 pm

ANNUAL METHODIST BAZAAR

at the Village Hall on Saturday 11th November - to be opened at 2.30 pm by MRS. BERRY.

Real bargains at various stalls. Please come and support our church.

M.G.B.

NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL NOTES

At the monthly meeting of the Council, we were pleased to welcome two new members, Mrs. Foster (Social Club) and Mr. Bert Waite (Football Club).

Several items of interest to the Hall and village were discussed. In particular we talked about the Gazette Editor's comments, in the last edition, concerning Naphill Common. Local Parish Councillor, Richard Pushman, was invited to give us his comments on the subject and it was then thoroughly discussed. It was decided that there was nothing that the Council could do, as a body, to influence the situation, although several individual members are involved.

Despite all our efforts, vandalism still continues around the Hall. Another six windows have been broken! We had hoped to start on kitchen improvements, but perhaps the money would be better spent on a high barbed-wire fence!!

We thank Mrs. Timberlake for the kind gift of a boiler for the kitchen.

Unfortunately our Autumn Dance had to be cancelled, but the Supper Party went ahead, although rather poorly supported. Only 46 people came along, but we understand that they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. As a result of their generous support, we were able to show a profit of £25.

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VILLAGE HALL NOTES (contd)

We are hoping to run a New Year Party Dance on Saturday, 30th December - if we get sufficient support. There will not be a Christmas Dance this year.

SUNDAY - 12TH NOVEMBER at 3.00 pm a Service of Remembrance at the Village Hall will be conducted by the Rev. P. Bullock-Flint, vicar of Hughenden, followed by the laying of wreaths on the War Memorial.

SATURDAY - 25TH NOVEMBER at 2.30 pm the Christmas Bazaar will be held in the Hall. All the usual attractions will be there, including the Christmas Gift Stall where you may easily find the answer to that "present" problem. Father Christmas has promised to attend.

Especially for the children, we have arranged to have an entertaining show in the Scout Hut, given by Ken Plested, the well-known Magician. The children's show will start about 3.00 pm and will cost only 12p. A good opportunity for Mums and Dads to look round the stalls, in peace !!

PLEASE SUPPORT US AND ENJOY YOURSELVES.

B.T.A.H.

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VILLAGE HALL CARETAKER

We are pleased to report that with effect from 1st November '72 Mr. J. MALOY, Crossways, Main Road, Naphill, will be taking over the duties of Caretaker at the Hall.

From that date, onwards, the Hall key may be collected from Mr. Maloy, who lives close to the Hall, just opposite the Post Office.

B.T.A. HOLLAND.

B.T.A. HOLLAND, Chairman, V.H.C.

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Events over recent months prompt me to put the record straight, as ill founded rumour can lead to widespread misunderstanding.

Firstly, reports of opposition to the registration of common rights has led to much speculation as to the future of Naphill Common. Readers can be assured that the 'Common' which is, technically, not common land but manorial waste belonging to West Wycombe Estate, has been registered under the new act as common land, and rights of access and rights of way and usage for recreation are not opposed. Only registration of specific rights, (i.e. grazing etc.) made under the 'second' application have been opposed by the Estate and now it will be up to the applicants to prove their rights to the Commissioner when he is

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES (contd)

appointed, to adjudicate, by the Minister. It should be remembered that only residents within the boundaries of the old West Wycombe Parish enjoyed defined rights, which are probably included in their Deeds. Residents adjacent to the old boundary, which includes most of the properties facing the common, had privilges, which can be revoked by the land owner; this, of course, cannot apply to 'rights of way' which have been enjoyed, without 'let or hindrance', for thirty years.

Parish boundaries have again been the subject of discussion; please let me state, once again, that there is a difference between civil parishes, under the Local Government Act and Parochial Church Council Parishes. In the case of Hughenden Parish there is little similarity with the church boundaries. The boundary Commission will be sitting within the next four years and no doubt some modifications will be made - possibly the inclusion of Bradenham, possibly the putting together of Naphill and Lacey Green into a new Parish Council, but please remember, I am referring to the civil parish!

Planning applications are always of interest, especially to those whose properties adjoin new developments. The Parish Council pays an annual fee to the Rural District Council for the privilege of receiving information relevant to all planning applications. These lists come through fortnightly and are discussed with the representatives of the Wards in which the applications are made and also, where possible, before the whole Council at the monthly meeting. It is my endeavour, always, to try and inform owners of adjacent properties when an application for development is made. The Rural District requests our opinion regarding development applications and I must report that there have been no instances of their voting against our recommendations, which does give some confidence to the operators of 'grass root' democracy.

Within a short time we should see the new Green Belt areas clearly defined by the Minister, who in principle has accepted the recommendations of the Bucks County Council. This means that the majority of Naphill, at present within the proposed extension of the Green Belt, should become confirmed and put an end, once and for all, the rumours of speculative development.

NAPHILL W.I.

A stranger looking in at the October meeting would have been startled to see the W.I. ladies drinking champagne. We don't do it often, but this was our fiftieth birthday, the climax of our Golden Year; a busy year, full of special events. A year thoroughly enjoyed by our three founder members, who have taken their place as V.I.P's. So, who better to cut the cake than

NAPHILL W.I. (contd)

Mrs. Ted Brown, Mrs. Halsey and Mrs. Munger. A most professional cake made by Mrs. E. Hussey and iced by Mrs. M. Piercy and Mrs. K. Stewart. A toast was proposed by Mrs. Gosling V.C.O.

Sharing this with us was Mr. John Timson, B.B.C. radio personality, on his second visit to Naphill. Mr. Timson had already put us in good humour with his hilarious account of the hazards of broadcasting. It seems the B.B.C. assume that listeners only switch on the early morning programmes for a time check. Mrs. Blackwell thanked him.

Business was brief; Mrs. Hyer's coffee morning made £1.40. The Harvest Festival £6.25 and the Michaelmas Fayre £87.50. Many thanks to all who helped.

A one act play by the Drmam Group brought a very enjoyable afternoon to a close.

November will be the A.G.M. and the V.C.O. will be Mrs.Lackford. Competition - article made from 2 ozs. wool - to be given to the stall at the Village Hall Bazaar.

We are always ready to welcome new members. We meet at 2.30 pm on the first Thursday of the month, at the Village Hall.

D.B.

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS

At the October meeting, members were given a demonstration and talk on Cake Decoration, by a representative from Aylesbury College. There was a competition to guess the number of currants and sultanas in jars, and prizes were won by Mrs. J.Cooke and Mrs. Wilkes.

At the meeting on Monday, 13th November, we will be entertained by the Whittaker family. As many of you will know, Mr. Stephen Whittaker and his family have travelled to many unusual and interesting places and have many exciting pictures to show and stories to tell. On one of his family expeditions, Mr. Whittaker made a travel film, which won for him the B.B.C. Television Travel Film Award for 1970.

As this promises to be a very interesting evening, the Naphill Neighbours are making this an 'Open Meeting' and anyone who would like to come along will be very welcome. Ladies, please bring your husbands and friends along with you. The meeting will start at 7.45 pm and Mr. Whittaker's talk should begin about 8 pm.

Coffee Hostesses for the evening will be:

Mrs. Donlon
Mrs. Latham

Mrs. Holland Mrs. Cooke

NAPHILL NEIGHBOURS (contd)

We are having a Christmas Dinner on the second Monday in December. This will be held in the Chiltern Rooms, High Wycombe and any members wishing to go should have their names down, and if possible money paid, at the next meeting. The approximate cost will be £1.80 for the Dinner.

NAPHILL & WALTER'S ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

The weather was perfect for the mystery coach trip and the pleasant ride through the countryside of North Bucks was greatly enjoyed by all. Everyone enjoyed the tea prepared for them by members of the committee.

3rd November, The Wye Valley Singers conducted by Miss Crips will entertain us and members from Ludgershall Club will join us for the afternoon.

17th November, Mr. Halliday will give a talk on "Local Air Crash".

To the many members who are ill, we send you our greetings and best wishes for a speedy recovery and hope you will soon be back amongst your friends.

If you wish to loan your antiques for Village Hall Bazaar on 25th November, please contact your Secretary, as soon as possible.

A.G.

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

EXTRA-ORDINARY A.G.M.

The above meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 15th November. The special meeting has been called because of insufficient attendance at the previous A.G.M.

Villagers will, in the next week or so, receive a circular restating the Association's aims and needs. Briefly these are, protection of your amenities and invironment. The needs are, your support.

Readers will be aware that Bucks has just had 127 square miles of Green Belt confirmed. Also, that Burnham Beeches has been spared proposed devastation. Further, that the 2,000 houses plan intended for Four Ashes has been rejected. In all three cases the concerted and continuous effort of various amenity associations, played a substantial part in achieving success.

Nearer home, the Hughenden Valley is being fought for, so far, with encouraging results. One situation we must face, shortly, is possible loss of Common Rights! The Editor, in the previous issue, quite rightly stated such a threat must be contested. This is the very type of amenity which the Association exists to protect.

GARDEN NOTES - NOVEMBER

The book says, "Dirty days hath November". We can expect all sorts of weather this month. It can be gales, fog or heavy rain, when it is better to keep off the ground, doing more harm than good. In open, mild weather, borders can be re-modelled; hardy plants can be lifted and divided, but those of doubtful hardiness should not be disturbed. Wallflowers, polyanthus, arabis and other spring flowering herbaceous plants should be in their permanent quarters, but so long as the soil is not too frosty it does no harm to move them now.

Trenches should be opened now for exhibition sweet peas. Dig from 18 ins. to 2 ft. deep, break up the bottom soil and throw in all you can get of farm manure, leaves or compost. Cover with a little soil and leave till after Christmas.

There has been a lot of 'bolting' (sending up flowering stems) of vegetables this year, especially beet, leeks, celeriac and some carrots. Don't blame your cultivation. The main cause - a late cold spring and some long, dry spells. It won't happen next year?

We should have had the last lawn cut this year. Don't forget to give the machine a good clean and if it has not been cutting too well, send for repairs now. If left till the Spring, you might have to wait.

Pruning of fruit trees can start now and on the first still, dry day, spray the trees with a tar oil spray. This is the most important spray for fruit trees.

Clear up all fallen leaves and the remains of the vegetable crops and dig vacant ground. Leave the surface rough so that the frosts will break it down, ready for raking to sow and plant in the Spring.

C.P.

NATURE INTEREST

THE BRAMBLING OR BRAMBLE FINCH

During the month of November you can expect to see flocks of Bramblings in our beech woods, almost throughout the whole of Britain. They cross over the North Sea from their breeding grounds in Scandinavia and Siberia.

The attraction, in this country, is the beech mast (nuts) their main item of winter diet. The Bramblings also visit the stubble fields in search of grain and weed seeds.

In 1971 we did not have quite the large numbers of previous years, but Bradenham Beeches had large flocks of the Bramblings. It is a grand sight to see 50-100 of these birds rise spontaneously from their search for the fallen beech masts. Their colourings are mainly warm Autumn brown with pure white shoulder patches,

NATURE NOTES (contd)

also pure white back and rump. When the flock rises, the Autumn Browns, within their colourings, are almost invisible, but the pure whites are like rising snowflakes as they lift to the top of the tall beech trees.

The Bramblings will stay with us from November until March or April, then they fly back to their breeding grounds in the extreme northern parts of the continent. Some may even travel as far as Japan.

The Bramblings will find Birch woods or Pine woods to build their lovely cup-shaped nest, similar to our British Chaffinch. They will lay 6-7 eggs. During the breeding season the male will completely change its appearance: the mottled brown head will become a jet black, its breast and shoulder patches will become a bright orange-red and the winter white will become "whiter than white" - a real handsome chap.

The female, alas, will remain a dull brown, but still retain its "whites".

The length of the male Brambling is $5\frac{3}{4}$ inches, the female slightly smaller. My sketch is approximately correct size and the black and white sketch is representing the Brambling's colour while here during winter.

Only one nesting has been reported in this country, date 1920 and this was in Sutherlandshire, Scotland.

A.S.A.W.

EDITOR'S CORNER

For most of the Gazette's life it would have been unthinkable for the Editor to talk about contraception, but not today. So when Ortho of Saunderton held their 25th birthday celebration, though Mr. Heath and Mr. Wilson both declined, luckily I was able to accept their invitation.

We were received and taken round by a most charming young lady and saw the hormone pills etc., being made by men clad in plastic space suits and working in short spells, lest certain unfortunate things should happen to them.

This is a factory in a garden and much of the interior resembles a smart hotel and we saw pictures of similar factories in many different countries.

Among items of useful information I learned that if ever I wished to travel overland to Persia, Russian railways are the cheapestform of transport in the world.

Have you ever wondered what it would be like if all the people who ever lived could rise up and join us? Well, according to Ortho $\frac{1}{3}$ of the people who have ever lived are alive today and in

EDITOR'S CORNER (contd)

the year 2000 it could well be $\frac{1}{2}$. I used to think that as an 86 year old I would like to see the 2000 A.D. celebration, but being no lover of crowds, I am now not keen. Many animals, when they become overcrowded, commit a form of mass suicide; with terrorists likely to get hold of an atomic bomb, there is no reason to think that man will be different.

Moral standards, because of Crtho's pill, can no longer be enforced by fear and the Quakers have come right out and declared that Charity is more important than Chastity, but to my mind they did not add sufficient instructions against bringing unwanted babies into the world.

On Mrs. Oakeshott's plaque in the Village Hall, are appropriate lines from a famous poem. Quoting from memory the first line of that poem reads, "Abou bin Ahmed, may his line increase". But as I said before, "Not today Ahmed", but "Ortho Pharmaceuticals may your factories increase", and thank you for a very nice tea.

THE NAPHILL VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS COUNCIL - CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - 25TH NOVEMBER

It has been suggested that, as the good people of the village support their Council by spending generously at this Annual Function, some attempt should be made, this year, to give them something a little out of the ordinary, for a very small fee.

Of the several ideas suggested, the one called "ATTIC TREASURES AND INTERESTING BITS & PIECES" seemed to offer the best solution, the idea being that we would ask you all to try and produce one or two 'items of interest' for Exhibition, in the Billiard Room.

A description of each item, together with a note or two about origin, history, etc., neatly printed on an accompanying card would be most helpful: the 'lenders' would also be invited to help 'stage' their own pieces to display them to best advantage.

It is thought that there will be many old maps, photographs, tools, small pieces of locally-made furniture, pieces of needlework, overseas items and so on, which would prove of interest to fellow villagers and visitors alike - and it is hoped that, as was done for the Krazy Kitchen China, for the Fete, a good response will be forthcoming.

John Bullock of Travellers Joy, Main Rd. Naphill (3429) has volunteered to help organise and arrange things and anyone willing to help make this new feature a success, is asked to contact him, as soon as possible.

IT IS STRESSED THAT THE ITEMS WILL BE FOR EXHIBITION ONLY - NOT FOR SALE.

VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL - NEW YEAR DANCE

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or ring 2028. Thank you.

STOP PRESS: We regret to announce the sudden death of the vicar's mother, Mrs. Frances Bullock-Flint.

We offer our sincere condolences to the vicar and his family in their bereavement.

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Those of you who read the October issue of the Gazette will know that the Society is very anxious to recruit a lot of younger and enthusiastic men and women to bring new ideas and prosperity to this Village Society. We did suggest, in that article, that this was something we hoped to enlarge upon at the A.G.M. of the Society in January next.

However, the Committee have discussed this further and we now think that it would be an even better idea to hold an OPEN MEETING in November, to which everyone is invited, so that we can enlarge on what the Society has done in the past twenty seven years, what it offers now and what it is hoped can be achieved in the future, given more interest and support from the villagers.

We hope that such a meeting will serve more than one purpose. For instance, it would be an occasion to meet one's neighbours and enable the Committee to meet you and explain what we have in mind. There is a wealth of information, local and beyond, to do with gardening and allied subjects, waiting to be tapped. On the other hand, there must be many people who have come to live in Naphill, who might be glad of the opportunity to put questions on soil conditions, varieties of flowers, shrubs and vegetables, to men who have the answers to these questions. Also, I hasten to add, we have two charming ladies on our Committee who specialise in Floral Art and many lady members who know a lot about other branches of Domestic arts.

We intend to have a panel of knowledgeable members, ready to answer questions. We hope to have some samples of locally grown produce, which will be for sale, if required. We hope, also,

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to stage a competition for indoor grown pot plants, open to anyone.

1st Prize £1.00 2nd Prize 50p

Exhibitors to retain their exhibits, unless otherwise desired. Please bring your plants with you.

So, will you please make a note of the following event in the life of the village and, we hope, turn up in large numbers: If, in the meantime, anyone has any special pet ideas, offers of assistance, or any particular question on gardening, why not let me have them in advance. It would save time on the night.

Write or call: Hon.Sec. Jo. Boothroyd 8 Allan Drive, Walters Ash. Naphill 3565.

AN OPEN MEETING in the Billiard Room at the Village Hall. 8.00 pm - Monday - 13th November. All are welcome. See you there.

J.B.

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Play Group	Tues.Wed.Thur.Fri.	9 - 12 noon
Men's Club	Tues.Fri.Sat. (I	3.R.) 7.30 pm
Drama	Every Tues.	7.45 pm
Bingo	Every Thurs.	8.00 pm
Art	Every Thurs. (I	3.R.) 7.30-9.30 pm
Dressmaking	Every Wed.	9.30-11.30 am
Over 60's	lst	2.30 pm
Whist	8th. 22nd	7.30 pm
Library	8th. 22nd (C.R.)	6.30-8.00 pm
Conservative Supper	2nd	7.30 pm
N.V.H. Coffee Morning	2nd	10.30 am
V.H.C.	4th	8.00 pm
Dancing	5th. 12th	3.00-7.45 pm
Cubs	6th. 20th	6.30-8.30 pm
W.I. Drama Rehearsal	6th	(B.R.) 7.30-9.30 pm
W.I.	7th	2.30 pm
Wedding Reception	9th	All day
Private Party	9th	6.00 pm
Drama Rehearsal	10th	3.00-7.00 pm
Naphill Neighbours	11th	7.45 pm
Drama Dress Rehearsal	13th	7.30 pm
Cricket A.G.M	13th (B.R.)	8.00 pm
Play Group Xmas Party	15th	2.30 pm
Drama Production	15th	7.30 pm
11 11	16th	7.30 pm
Over 60's Xmas Party	16th	2.30 pm
V.H, Carol Service	17th	3.00 pm
RAF Over 60's Xmas Party	20th	noon-6.00 pm
W.I. Committee	28th (C.R.)	2. ,3 0 pm
V.H. Dance	30th	8.00 pm

NAPHILL CHURCH

SERVICES

December 17th No United Service in view of the Confirmation. Service at Hughenden Church at 6.30 pm.

24th Holy Communion Service transferred to Christmas Day.

25th Christmas Day - Holy Communion at 9.15 am.

All those who helped with the 'Snowball Sale' at Hughenden V.H. will be pleased to know that the profit, to date, is over £250.00.

VILLAGE CAROL CONCERT

This annual event will be held on Sunday afternoon of 17th Dec. at 3.00 pm in the Village Hall and will follow the usual pattern of carols, sung by the audience, interspersed with other items, all by local people.

There is no charge for admission and only one row of seats will be reserved for those taking part in the concert. You are advised to come early to obtain a seat, or you may stand at the back of the hall.

NAPHILL METHODIST CHURCH

Preachers for	December 11.	00 am		6.15 pm
3rd		.P.Tuc ly Con	ker munion)	Mr.A.E.Steevens
10th	(Family Se	rvice. a Nat	J.Kaye 11-11.45 tivity Play	Mr.E.M.Andrews
17th	Mr.	D.S.	Howard	${\tt Rev}_{\:\raisebox{1pt}{ ilde{\circ}}}{\tt H}_{\:\raisebox{1pt}{ ilde{\circ}}}{\tt Pettet}$
24 au h	Mr.	P.D.	Steare	Carol Service
31st	Mr.	н.Ј.	Harradine	Mrs. Cooper

The mid-week monthly United Fellowship Meeting will be led by Rev. F. Watts at Naphill on Wednesday, 6th December at 7.30 pm. On Christmas Day there will be a service at 10.00 am.

MGB

NAPHILL EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Sunday Services at 10.00 am and 6.15 pm. All welcome !

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH: "O

"O Holy Child of Bethlehem, Descend to us we pray; Cast out our sin and enter in,

Be born in us today."

THE CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

I do not think it is only because I am a parson that I now receive far more Christmas Cards, which have some connection with the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, than the snow scenes, robins and holly decorations which were common a few years ago. It is easy to find 'religious' Christmas Cards in any stationer's shop now, whereas before one had to go to a specialist religious bookseller. It seems that the Knights of S. Columba, a group of Roman Catholic business men, have succeeded in their efforts to put Christ back into Christmas, and we now have a real basis for our celebrations. joicing in the fact that at this time God himself took flesh and became man for us, in order that we might know God personally, and that He might save us from the results of our own sinfulness. Now Christmas, once again, has some meaning and is more than just an excuse for an orgy of eating and dranking. throughout the country will be packed on that day. below a list of all the services in Anglican churches in this parish and I would draw your attention to an unusual one, namely the Candlelight Carol Service at 5.00 pm on Christmas Day.

By 5.00 pm Christmas Day has gone flat for many of us. It is too early to have tea, or put the children to bed: we have opened all our presents: the children are getting scratchy and we have already seen too much television. A change of scene, a breath of fresh air would liven us all up, but it is not easy to say, "Let's go for a walk", unless we have somewhere definite to go. Might I suggest you walk (or ride) to the Church in the Park. It is a beautiful setting and in a church lit only by candles we can join in singing the well known carols, listen again to the Christmas story, thank God for the good things we have received and pray for those less fortunate than ourselves. Come along and bring the whole family, from Grandma and Grandpa down to the baby.

Carols are a traditional part of Christmas and the waits are a traditional way of singing carols. We shall be organising carol parties on Tues. 19th Dec. and on Fri. 22nd Dec. If you can play an instrument please bring it. (We already have two clarinets and a guitar and hope to add horn, cornet and flute). If you camp in the summer and have a gas or paraffin lantern, mount it on a pole and bring it. If you have none of these

THE CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS (contd)

things, wrap up warmly, bring a torch to read the words and come and join us in singing carols round the street for the entertainment of others, for our own fun and for the joy of the new born Christ. Any money collected will be given to children's charities. We shall meet on Tues. evening at the corner of Disraeli Crescent and Coates Lane and on the Fri. evening at Naphill Village Hall.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

At Naphill: 9.15 am Holy Communion

Hughenden Parish Church: 11.45 pm Midnight Sung Eucharist

8.00 am Holy Communion

11.00 am Mattins

12 noon Holy Communion

5.00 pm Candlelight Carol Service

May I wish you all a very happy and a holy Christmas.

P. Bullock-Flint

VILLAGE HALL NOTES

By the time this edition of the Gazette comes out, our Ciristmas Bazaar will have been held. We hope everyone will have had an enjoyable afternoon and that we will have raised a record amount for Village Hall Funds. Mrs. Jean Balls, past President of Naphill Women's Institute, kindly agreed to open the Bazaar. We thank her and all the helpers for everything done to make this event a success.

We are pleased to report that after a careful investigation into the legality of the running of the Social Club's Bingo sessions, the Council is quite satisfied that everything is in order. The Bingo sessions will continue on Thursday evenings and we are sorry that we had to cancel two meetings in November.

Unfortunately, Mr. Maloy, who had agreed to become Hall Caretaker in succession to Mr. Gibbons, later decided that due to ill-health he could not take on the job. We hope Mr. Maloy will soon be feeling better.

We would be pleased to hear from anyone prepared to take on the caretaker's job. There is a small remuneration, but the tasks are not very onerous.

At the last Council meeting, the election of Officers for 1973 was held and the following will be serving next year:-

Chairman: Bruce Holland Sec. Mrs. Audrey Moore Vice Chairmen: Mrs. Eileen Croxson Treas. Don Turner

Terry Fendom Asst. Treas. Phil. Hyre

NAPHILL W.I.

Our A.G.M. opened on a sad note when a minutes silence was observed in memory of Mrs. Bullock-Flint Sen. a very new member. Three new members were welcomed, Mrs. Cole, Mrs. Hyre and Mrs. Sawyer.

Mrs. B. Brill was thanked for having taken over as Treasurer and her report showed a very sound financial state.

It has always been difficult to get nominations and most of the committee are of long standing, some of fifteen and nineteen years, and the time has come for a well earned rest. Mrs. Lackford, V.C.O., urged some of the newer members to "have a go" pointing out that after the activities of the Golden Year, we can relax the pace. The result of her timely pep talk - an almost complete change of committee with an experienced President, Mrs. McCue, to guide them. Mrs. Butler gave the vote of thanks.

Mrs. McCue won first prize for the best article made from 2 ozs. wool. All entries will be on the stall at the Village Hall Bazaar.

Mrs. J. Ball's coffee morning raised £4.10.

The new Committee: President - Mrs. McCue

Secretary: Mrs. Sawney Treasurer: Mrs. Stanfield

Mrs. D. Brown Mrs. Pushman Sen.

Mrs. Bullock Mrs. Randall

Mrs. Croxson Mrs. Reed Mrs. Gillies Miss Waite

Mrs. E. Hussey

December meeting

A. Palmer.

Talk and Wig Demonstration by Mr. Cyril

Competition: Prettiest wrapped gift for Booker Hospital patient.

To all those ladies who have laboured at the Village Hall sinks. Don't forget the coffee morning in aid of the new stainless steel ones.

D.B.

NAPHILL & WALTER'S ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB

The year 1972 has been a very happy one, the Club grows in membership and our meetings are enjoyed. Subjects have been varied; entertainment has been given by singing groups. We have had talks and children have entertained us with their dancing. We have had outings and Garden Parties and on all these occasions the weather was fine for us.

To all members who have been absent through illness this year, we wish you a speedy return to health and a brighter 1973.

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NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH OVER SIXTIES CLUB (contd)

If there are any newcomers to the Village who are over 60 years please come and join us. We meet fortnightly on a Friday afternoon in the Village Hall at 2.30 pm. You will be made very welcome.

On 1st December we hope to have a speaker talking on "Pets". Our Annual Christmas Party will be held in the Village Hall on Sat. 16th December. Lunch will be served at 1.15 pm. Will members who are collected by transport please be ready at 12.30 and bring with you 2 KNIVES, 2 FORKS and 2 DESSERT SPOONS.

As we end this year, may we wish all Club members and helpers a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

We commence our New Year with a meeting on Fri. 12th January, when Mr. Mayes will be the guest speaker.

26th January - Mrs. Halliday will entertain us at the piano.

A.G.

Dear Mr. Editor,

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I first came to Naphill 51 years ago and I have always been struck by the kindness of my local friends and neighbours. May I now ask for their help with the transport of our Senior Citizens to their Club, once a fortnight?

The Club meets on alternate Fridays and the transport consists of collecting one or two members at 2 o'clock and deliver them to the Village Hall and take them home again between 4.30 - 5 o'clock. I and our helpers have done this job for 17 years and I would like to feel that there are some younger ones ready to help when our time comes to retire. Those that are kind enough to help, please ring Naphill 2239 or call and see me at Plumtree Cottage.

Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely,

MARGARET BAYLEY.

Plumtree Cottage. 18/11/72

NAPHILL & WALTERS ASH RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

The Extraordinary A.G.M. was held on 15th November with sufficient attendance for a quorum. It was agreed that a need existed for the Association, but that it should continue in a low profile form.

The committee stood down, but all volunteered to lend their support, as and when events demand. The new Chairman, Mr. H. Bridgman, will publish details of the revised organisation, in next month's issue.

R.A.M.

NAPHILL CRICKET CLUB

Annual General Meeting - 13th December at 8.00 pm. In the Billiard Room. Everyone welcome. Come and air your views on Naphill Cricket Club. We need your support.

G.L. Brown Hon.Sec.

NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Following upon our articles in the October and November editions of the Gazette, we could be forgiven for thinking that few people in the village were unaware of the Society's attempts to arcuse some enthusiasm toward the continuance of the Society in village life. So, it was a little disappointing to find that our Open Meeting held on 13th November was not, so far as attendance is concerned, an unqualified success. In searching for the true reason for this, we must mention that on the same evening the Naphili Neighbours were holding an Open Meeting in the Main Hall. I would like to make it clear that we did not know that the Neighbours were holding an Open Meeting, nor, I am sure, did they know that we were, until the November Gazette was issued, and then it was too late to do much about it. We hope their meeting was a success.

But, to come to our own problems. We had an attendance of thirty three people, which is possibly 1% of the available adults in the local area we try to serve and we would have liked a higher percentage ofpeople who are not already heavily committed to the Horticultural Society, as most of those present are. However, having sounded the gloomy bit, I would like to say that in other ways the meeting was a great success.

The enthusiasm among those present was very high. We had invited questions on any gardening problem, with particular reference to purely local problems, such as soil conditions, etc. I had asked, through the Gazette, for anyone to send or bring any questions or ideas, direct to me, before the meeting, so that answers could be prepared. Unfortunately, none came in that way. So, with some past experience of this sort of thing, I prepared some questions to set the ball rolling. No ball was needed, nor were my questions, for they came quickly from all quarters of the room. They were ably answered by members of the Committee and our particular thanks are due to my colleagues (in strictly alphabetical order) Messrs. Jo Batts, Sid Blick and Ralph Ginger.

Our thanks are due also to all who brought plants and produce for sale. Considering the lateness of the season, we had an astonishing variety on show and although we sold at nominal prices, we did raise almost £3.00. so the evening was not a total loss and the Village Hall Committee are sure of their booking fee !

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NAPHILL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY (contd)

I am sorry that we had no entrants for the competition for Indoor Pot Plants, so that competition and the prize money will be held over for the Annual General Meeting. The experts in the Society had held off this competition, to enable other members - or non-members - to enter with confidence.

How then to sum up our feelings at present. Well, we shall hold our A.G.M. in February, in the Billard Room and will try to avoid clashing with anyone else. Also, we will publicise the actual date later on. We hope that we shall have a good turn up at the A.G.M. when we appoint Officers and Committee for the year. We are looking for proposals for several new Officers and Committee members. We are not exactly tired of our present members, but we want new and younger blood. At the A.G.M. important matters for discussion and decision are:-

Is there a need, or a future, for a Horticultural Society in the village? If there is, should we hold one large good Showonly? If we do, shall we run it for the pleasure of the villagers, or for a few distant exhibitors who take many of the prizes?

It is not that we wish to exclude our outside visitors, who have been the backbone of the Shows in recent years, but wewould like to see many more village people taking an interest in showing, in running the Show (or Shows) and indeed, in extending our activities to regular monthly meetings, with varied programmes.

Food for thought for all. Meantime, may I, on behalf of the Naphill Horticultural Society, wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year, free from Black Spot, Mildew, Moss on lawns, green fly, black fly and all the other enemies of gardeners.

GARDEN NOTES - DECEMBER

Flower beds and borders should now be in order. Weeds and leaves should have been buried in the autumn clean-up. Herbaceous borders renovated and beds planted with spring flowers.

Have a look at your garden now - does it look dull and heavy? If so, think about getting some variegated or berried shrubs - there is a lot to choose from, either golden or silver. The CUPRESSUS family, YEW, HOLLY, BOX, ELEAGNUS, all evergreens. The berry shrubs, COTONEASTER, BERBERIS, VIBURNUMS, A few LAVENDER and ROSEMARY brightens up the winter months. Don't overdo it, just a "splash" here and there.

Tidy up the rose beds, but don't dig more than two inches with a dusting of lime after. Cut the roses down to about 2 ft. now to prevent wind-rock. If you have been troubled with black spct or mildew, collect all the dead leaves and burn.

GARDEN NOTES - DECEMBER (contd)

In the vegetable garden dig any vacant plots. For the beginners digging is not easy. Take out a trench about 9 ins. wide and deep and wheel the soil to end where you are finishing. Keep this trench right through. If you have time, skim off the top two inches of soil and put in the bottom of trench. This two inches contains the seeds of weeds and spores of diseaces. Our soil is a hungry soil, you have to feed it and it will give you good results. Dig in any manure, dead leaves, compost. If you cannot get any of this, a dusting of bone-meal along each spit, say a handful each yard, and a sprinkle of GROWMORE fertiliser once or twice next summer.

If amy of your friends are in difficulty about giving a Christmas present, drop a hint garden tools would be welcome. Stainless steel spade, fork, rake, hoe, trowel and handfork.

NATURE INTEREST

RABBITS

I hope you started your first day of the month with your first word being "Rabbits", if so, then you can expect good luck for the rest of the month. So the old country sotry goes !

Well, it was on the first day of November that a friend rang me up to say, "Had I ever seen young black and white wild rabbits running about in the open field "? My reply, "No, but I would be extremely interested if it wasn't too far away." Well, it wasn't too far and the first chance I had I was on the spot. It was fairly early one evening and I was hoping the light would be good enough to take a photograph of these rare creatures. I could see before me a number of holes in the ground; this I knew to be a fairly large burrow, but I also knew the doe, or female, would not have her "family" in this main burrow, or warren, but she would dig a separate shallow hole a short distance from the main burrow. There she would give birth to her young, keeping them there until they are old enough to look after themselves; this is usually about one month.

The mother rabbit is known for her great devotion. First, she will strip fur from her chest to place in her nursery to give her young ones a nice warm bed - they will need this because they will be born naked, blind and deaf, with no power of movement. At about the tenth to the twelfth day, the eyes will open and until this time the mother is very near and seldom leaves the nursery, but when she does, she will cover the entrance with new grass and hay so that it will be very difficult to be seen by predators, or me.

I had already made up my mind that a domesticated rabbit had found its way back to its natural wild state, probably someones lost pet and the pet had found a mate in the wild rabbit burrow. If of the Dutch or white variety, then the result would be the bi-coloured off-springs.

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NATURE NOTES (contd)

Suddenly, I noticed a movement in the weeds and grasses. I lifted my glasses and sure enough I saw a small, but larger than I had expected, young rabbit. Soon it was joined by another, both were black and white. They were nibbling away at the juicy weeds. A real land of plenty for them. Then speedily they commenced to romp around, then suddenly they disappeared back into that warm nursery, I expect.

In the wild state, rabbits live a very inoffensive social life. One male, or buck, will live with several females in a well organised burrow. They seldom fight, except for the territorial rights of the senior male. Nefore myxamatosis, the rapid multiplication of the rabbit was recorded. One pair, if left with no interference, over a period of four years would produce over one million, but happily for mankind the rabbit's enemies are numerous. It is believed that, originally, the rabbit was a native of a Western part of the Mediteranean. The Romans have been credited with having brought them to Britain. The rabbits we see today appear to be resistant to the myxamatosis virus, so this is a happy thought on which to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year ! A.S.A.W.

Editor's Note: Mr. Wooster and I share a love of nature, but pests are another matter. For me, the thought of rabbits immune to "myxie" is as bad as rats immune to warfarin.

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EDITOR'S CORNER

A crisis in the Gazette's affairs has been looming in recent months. It will be remembered that at a time of financial crisis, some years ago, the magazine was saved by Tony Lawrence offering the use of the firm's printing press. They also found an old employee, who has done the printing of the Gazette for the princely sum of 5/- an hour. At that time the number printed was 400. It is now 800 and should soon be 900. This old employee, Mr. Wood of Speen, has now died and I have been horrified to find that Tony has been putting in eight hours work on a Sunday to produce the Gazette. Furthermore, owing to re-organisation, the firm can no longer house the press and may want to sell it. We have now sufficient funds to buy it, but nowhere to put it. Tony is contacting local men associated with printing and discussing some ideas.

I am hoping there will be no break in the monthly issues, but there we must leaveit for the moment. Once again the yearly collection is about £85.00. I feel it ought to be rising a bit. I know that a few houses have been missed, but Tony Lawrence will be pleased to receive any contributions.

COFFEE MORNING A coffee morning will be held in the Village Hall on Sat. 2nd December from 10.30 - 12.30 in aid of the kitchen improvements. There will be a bring and buy stall. Admission 10P. We are sure that all who have used the kitchen will support us in raising funds for the new sinks.

J.H. & D.B.

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