

THE PARISH MAGAZINE October 2004

Ashford in the Water & Sheldon

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Ashford Notes

Yvonne Skipper writes

It has been rather quiet over the last few weeks with lots of people away on holiday, but here we are with the October magazine! Doesn't time fly when we are having fun? We do hope everyone had a lovely break and is now raring to go!

However, we did have a couple of very happy weddings during the holiday period. Jeremy Storr, son of Jim and Caroline and his lovely bride, Kirsty, were married in church on Saturday, 21st August. Caroline has asked that many thanks be given to the choir and bell-ringers for their services at the wedding. Katie, daughter of Rod and Jackie Clarke, looking beautiful and beaming happily throughout the service, was married to George Maynard on Saturday, 4th September. Jackie has since told me how much they too, appreciated the lovely music. We wish both couples health and happiness in their lives together.



On Saturday 11th September we hosted a concert with music for the baroque flute and harpsichord given by Philip Robinson and Soile Pylkkonen. Although, unfortunately, not many of our local people were there, several of Philip's friends and acquaintances attended and we were all treated to a wonderful display of talent, especially from Soile, a young Finnish girl whom, we are all sure, is destined to have a great future. We look forward to hearing more about her when she is famous!

Our Harvest service this year will be on Sunday, October 10th at the usual time of 9.45am. Gifts of flowers and other produce will be gratefully accepted, as will offers of help with the decorating of the church. The Harvest Supper this year will be on the following Saturday, 16th October, as the War Memorial Institute is booked for the Saturday before. We do hope you will all come along and enjoy an evening out with good food and company.

Members of the PCC are reminded that the next meeting will be held in the Old School at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 29th September.

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Photo left by John Hort of Soile & Philip in Holy Trinity church after the concert.

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Sundays & Festivals

3 Oct.	Sun	17th after Trinity
10 Oct.	Sun	18th after Trinity
17 Oct.	Sun	19th after Trinity
18 Oct.	Mon	Luke the Evangelist
24 Oct.	Sun	Last Sunday after Trinity
28 Oct.	Thurs	Simon & Jude, Apostles
31 Oct.	Sun	All Saints Day

October Services at Ashford

3	Sun	9.45am	Sung Eucharist
7	Thurs	10am	Holy Communion
10	Sun	9.45am	Harvest Festival
14	Thurs	10am	Holy Communion
17	Sun	9.45am	Sung Eucharist
21	Thurs	10am	Holy Communion
24	Sun	9.45am	Sung Eucharist
28	Thurs	10am	Holy Communion
31	Sun	9.45am	Sung Eucharist

October Services at Sheldon

3	Sun	3.00pm	Harvest Festival
26	Sun	9.00am	Holy Communion

October Services at St. Giles

3	Sun	8am	Holy Communion
		11.15am	Harvest Festival
		6.30pm	Evensong
6	Wed	10am	Midweek Communion
		11.30am	School Harvest
			Festival Assembly
10	Sun	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
		6.30pm	Evensong
17	Sun	8am	Holy Communion
		11.15am	Sung Family
			Eucharist
		6.30pm	Evensong
20	Wed	11am	Holy Communion
			at Thornhill House
24	Sun	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
		6.30pm	Evensong
31	Sun	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
		6.30pm	Evensong

October Services at Wardlow

3	Sun	9am	Holy Communion
17	Sun	9am	Holy Communion

Autumn Study Course

Caroline Storr writes

A study course on 'The Teaching of Jesus' will be held at Chandle House, Church Street, home of Jim and Caroline Storr. The subjects covered over the five weeks are Forgiveness, God, Money, Heaven and Hell, and On Being Human. The sessions include an audio tape with contributions by various speakers and questions for discussion. It should be an interesting and stimulating course and anyone who would like to come will be very welcome. Please let me know if you are interested to give us some idea of numbers. Dates: Wednesdays 13th, 20th, 27th October; 3rd and 10th November. Time: 7.30-9.00pm. •

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Harvest 2004

Reverend Clive Thrower writes

The harvest services are based on the belief that God is central to his creation and to all human endeavour, especially to that of food production. The dominant notes that are sounded, therefore, are those of praise and thanksgiving to God for all his goodness; for the beauty and fertility of the earth and for the farming skills given to people. There is nevertheless an awareness that the successes we celebrate are not unmixed blessings, and those working within the industry would not claim to have got everything right. Thus there are also opportunities for penitence; for those occasions when we have failed in our stewardship of God's world and forgotten that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof". In the harvest services, the concerns of contemporary agriculture are related to ancient religious insights about creation and the divine-human partnership in the production of food. Food and farming have always aroused some religious ritual response. In the Old Testament these were viewed with a great deal of suspicion. The fertility cults of the Canaanites were believed to be a threat to the integrity of the true religion of Israel nurtured in the desert by a nomadic people for whom the revelation of God was grounded in history rather than nature. Ultimately, Israel adapted and transformed the Canaanite rituals and developed its own agricultural cycle of religious services but related them to the God who brought them up out of Egypt. From these Jewish festivals Christians developed their farming related services. The form taken by our present harvest festival service is that established in the nineteenth century largely through the influence of Parson Hawker of Morwenstow in Cornwall.

Farming worldwide has developed over the years, banishing the spectre of famine from many parts of the world. The fact that millions even now still die of hunger and related diseases must weigh heavily upon our consciences and constitutes a continuing challenge. The inspiration to respond to that challenge will be provided not so much by a sense of guilt but by a joyful sense of thankfulness to God for all that has been and can be achieved, accompanied by a solemn commitment to the biblical vision of universal peace and justice. Hence we send donations from the services to third-world projects and promote Fair Trade goods.

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Ashford WI

Jean Beard writes

On 2 September Ashford WI President, Mrs. Ann Lindsay, welcomed Chef, Mr. Mike Cullan, who gave a talk about cooking with herbs. Mr Cullan demonstrated the making of some starters, main courses and sweets, whilst at the same time giving a humorous commentary on the other uses of herbs, garlic, honey and olive oil apart from cooking.

The members enjoyed sampling the delicious food, provided during his demonstration, after which Mrs. G. Pykett thanked Mr. Cullan for his fascinating talk.

The raffle was won by Mrs. J. Mansfield and Mrs. D. Greenhalgh won the competition with a pot of home grown herbs.

The Tea Hostesses were Mrs. G. Marvin & Mrs. G. Pykett.

Next Meeting: 7 October -

Speaker- Mr. T. Wragg –
“Not Just a Wall”

Competition: “A Stone Object”

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A CAR SCHEME FOR BAKEWELL

A new type of service, catering for the transport needs of individuals, is due to start in Bakewell in January 2005.

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Family, friends or taxis are not always available to help when essential journeys - to hospital or chiropody, for example, or to attend a local community group - are needed. This new scheme may provide a solution and also help someone maintain a degree of independence.

The scheme is likely to be confined initially to residents living within two miles of Bakewell, but will expand once established.

We want to recruit a team of volunteer drivers to provide this service using their own cars. In return, drivers can expect to be reimbursed for all their journey mileage and for any associated costs as well as getting great satisfaction from the work they do and the option to pursue various training opportunities.

No minimum time commitment is asked. Prospective volunteers will be warmly welcomed to discuss the project without obligation.

Anyone who would like more information about becoming a volunteer driver or how the service will benefit them, a friend or a member of their family, is welcome to ring **Colin Heath on 01629 815707.**



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Sheldon Jottings

Jenny Spafford writes

It's a very long time since I actually wrote the last notes. Since then much has been going on. As you may know Sheldon Day raised £3,229.08 less expenses of £482.29, and the Fell Race had a record 102 entrants. The penultimate Cream Teas have been held making £80 with over £65 on the charity tombola. Well done Sheldon folk! Last Saturday saw the 16th annual Horticultural Show with an extremely good turnout considering the weather, and last night there was a lively Parish Meeting to discuss amongst other things the Planning Application for Home Farm. No doubt John's extensive report will be with us soon. By the way, Sheldon's answer to Paul Hudson - Ralph Lord - assures me that global warming is all a load of rubbish as he remembers that in 1961 the climate and temperatures were exactly the same as this year. So it's all been round before.

At the time of writing Tony Gyte is still in Calow hospital so our best wishes go to him at this time.

The summer sad news is that father donkey 'Noddy' and mother 'Sophie' had a baby 'Christie', a sister for 15 month old

'Brandy'. Unfortunately 'Christie' died at just three weeks old. Then Mrs. Pig 'Black Bess' had 5 little piglets which also died. She now has a consolation companion called 'Pinky'.

There will not be a skip this month. •

Confirmations 2004

Confirmation is the service of renewing before the bishop, the vows made at their baptism (Christening). In some cases adults have not been baptised but are prepared to declare their willingness to follow Jesus Christ. For those of secondary school ages (and some mature younger candidates) I provide a short course of preparation to remind them of the basics of the Christian faith (these will start on 13th October at the Longstone Vicarage). For older candidates this is also available but where adults have been regular attendees at church over the years such preparation can be inappropriate so I would directly present these adults to the bishop.

There will be a service of confirmation on Thursday 18th November and anyone interested in being confirmed should contact me on 01629 640257 or write to Revd Clive Thrower, The Vicarage, Church Lane, Great Longstone, Bakewell DE45 1TB. •



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Ashford War Memorial Institute

Dorothy Daybell writes

A comparative lull recently, but now things are hotting up again, with the adult education classes getting under weigh and soon it will be time for the Bowls Club to recommence.

Soon too it will be another **Quiz Night – Saturday 2nd October** – make a note of the date because it's always popular – there will be a bar and the usual refreshments.

We have a nicely renovated old photograph now on display, showing the cast of one of the pantomimes that used to be produced by Mrs. Albine Thorpe – this one is dated 1948 and will be of particular interest to those Ashfordians who took part! •

Friends of Longstone School

Lottery Winners - August 04

1st. Brian Waddington
2nd. Dane Tresize-Harding
3rd. Jeanette Hockley-Webster •

Guide Dogs for the Blind

Dorothy Daybell writes

Sheldon Day, Bakewell Show, Chatsworth Country Fair – all past and done with; goodness, how this year has raced! Bakewell Show introduced us to an adorable Labrador puppy, Bates, and it's a sobering reflection that the donations takings went well and truly up while he was with us. And again at Chatsworth... who needs any of us when there's a puppy???

Next we had "Mrs. Pepper's Coffee Morning" – this year in the Institute, where we were pleased to welcome her as our guest after so many years of being our hostess. The occasion raised £450 for Guide Dog Funds – our thanks to everybody who supported it and to those who helped us in so many ways.

Next stop – Buxton Flag-day on 25th September, then Bakewell market stall – fingers crossed for fair weather! •



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The new Peak District National Park Skills for Sustainable Business project is offering support to businesses with fewer than 250 employees, voluntary organisations as well as interested individuals. Mini environmental health checks are on offer as well as a range of short events to help organisations reduce their environmental impact whilst saving money. The project will also run staff development training to help organisations work more effectively. If you would like to get involved in the project and find out the support available please contact Pete Spriggs, Project Officer or Julie Slinn, Admin Assistant on 01433 620 373 or ssb@peakdistrict.gov.uk. There is a short questionnaire to complete and return so the relevant support can be provided.

Please note that due to the project's European Funding requirements those eligible for support must *live or work* in the following areas: Staffordshire Moorlands District Council area: Alton, Alstonefield, Hulme End, Ilam, Ipstones, Leekfrith, Longnor, Tissington, Warslow, Waterhouses, Derbyshire Dales District Council area: Ashford and Longstone, Bradwell, Brassington and Parwich, Eyam and Stoney Middleton, Hartington and Dovedale, Hathersage, Stanton, Taddington, Tideswell, Youlgreave. If you are unsure of your eligibility please call Julie Slinn, Project Admin Assistant on 01433 620 373. •

Ashford-in-the-Water

Summary of July and September Parish Council Meetings (No Meeting In August)

1. Fence on the Donkey Path: Dales Housing have stated that this should be repaired within the next two months.

2. The Old Bridge, Mill Lane: A more secure fence has been requested.

3. Sheepwash Bridge: The stakes have now been replaced and a request has been made for repair of part of the wall.

4. Audit of 2003/2004 Accounts: The parish council accounts have been audited and prepared by Mr Foster of West and Foster, Bakewell, and submitted to the Audit Commission.

5. Rights of Way: Derbyshire County Council have stated that Ashford parish council's applications for Rights of Way have been received and acknowledged and that all applications are dealt with in the order in which they are received. As there is currently a substantial backlog, they did not anticipate that Ashford's applications would be dealt with until 2005. They had also confirmed that no planning applications affecting the footpaths in question could be considered, much less approved, whilst the application for Rights of Way is under investigation.

6. Dog Fouling: Dog fouling continues to be a problem in the village. Please use the dog litter bins provided.

7. Drain on Pennyunk Lane: Derbyshire Dales District Council have been requested to clear this.

8. Dangerous Wall, Highfields: Dales Housing have confirmed that they will inspect this.

9. Playground Inspection: The playground has been inspected by ROSPA and their report received. This is being acted upon by the parish council.

10. Grass Cutting 2005/2006: In view of the inflated quotation received from Derbyshire County Council for grass cutting for 2005/2006, the parish council has decided to seek alternative tenders. An advertisement will therefore be placed in the Peak Advertiser inviting tenders for grass cutting in Ashford for 2005/2006.

11. Planning Matters

a) Application: No 6 Hall End Lane: Extension and Garage - The parish council has no objection to this application.

b) Application: Park Farm, Ashford Lane: Change of use of redundant barn to form two holiday cottages - Cllr Brocklehurst declared an interest in this application and withdrew from the meeting. The parish council has no objection to this application.

c) Decision: Fieldgate, Longstone Lane: Alterations and Extension to Dwelling - Cllr Brocklehurst returned to the meeting at this point. Decision granted subject to conditions.

d) Application: Thorpe Cottage, Greaves Lane: Replacement of roofing materials: The parish council has no objection to this application.

e) Decision: Bretnor House - Demolition of garden room and erection of new garden room: Granted subject to conditions.

f) Decision: Sheepwash Bridge - Strengthening upstream parapet wall, raising height of wall on right bank upstream of bridge and lowering invert: Granted subject to conditions.

g) Application: 6 Hall End Lane: Withdrawn.

h) Provision of New Licence: Thornbridge Hall: The plans were inspected. There were no objections.

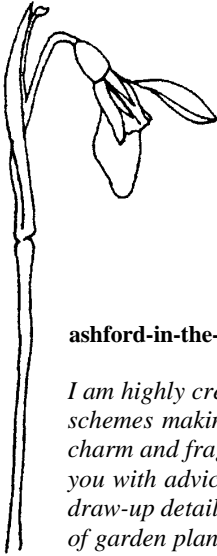
12. Date of Next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday 12th October 2004 in Ashford School at 7.30 p.m. •

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