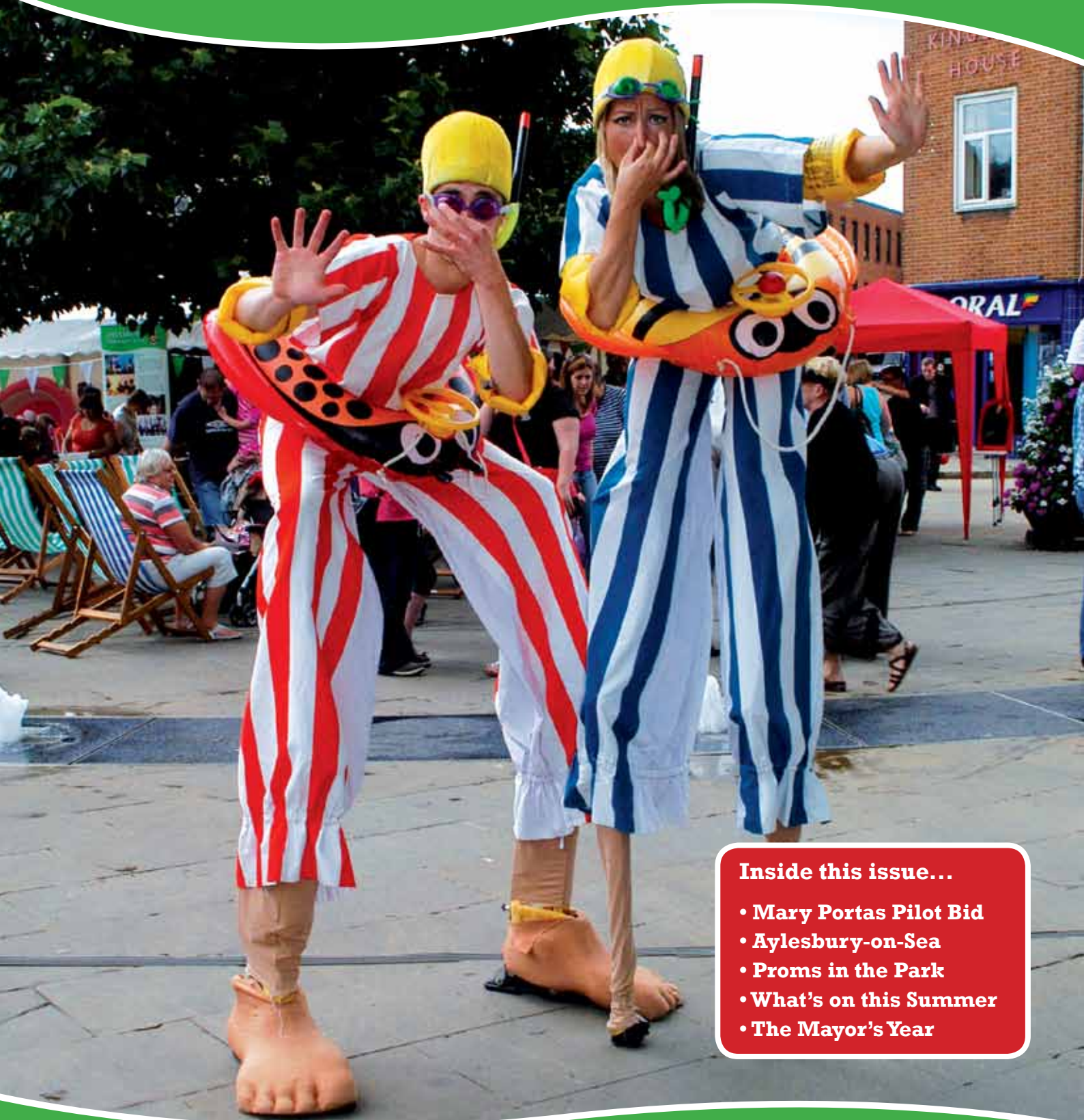


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'Take pride in Aylesbury Town'

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Welcome Note

“ **Welcome to the 25th issue of Aylesbury Town Matters.** This issue arrives as celebrations begin for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. As the summer progresses Aylesbury will be a centre of local attraction, and for good reason. After the Jubilee there are still many events being organised for residents and visitors and it's all going to be a lot of fun.

It's a very special year of course and after the Jubilee party in Market Square we'll be looking forward to the Olympic Games. If you haven't heard yet the Olympic Torch Relay is coming to our town. You can read about it inside these pages. Later in the summer we celebrate the Paralympics too. Aylesbury is the home of this world famous event and this important relationship will be reflected by a light show and giant screen in the town centre.

Summer also means the return of popular events like Aylesbury-on-Sea and the Parklife weekend, incorporating the highly enjoyable Proms in the Park. Don't forget Father's Day fun in June. On Sundays there'll be the Summer Sundays music events. In fact music features throughout the season with the Global Street Beats sessions and the Aylesbury Festival weekend in July.

The Roald Dahl Festival celebrates 10 years. Plans are afoot for a wonderful parade and activities throughout the town including at the County Museum, the Queens Park Centre and St Mary's Church. You'll find a guide to what's on in the back pages.

This edition of Aylesbury Town Matters also has lots of information from some of Aylesbury's community groups and charities. The Mayor reviews her year in office, there's a fun page with puzzles and a recipe for a tasty summer dish.

Look out for an update on business activities with the Portas high street campaign and a feature on local markets. There's a plea to the litter bugs and a warning about bike theft.

We do hope you'll enjoy our 25th edition and that you have a great summer. The next issue will be on your doorstep in September and we'll be reviewing a wonderful few months, hopefully spent in the sunshine. ”

Cllr Steve Patrick
Leader of the Council



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AYLESBURY TOWN COUNCIL



*Wish you
were here!*

AYLESBURY-ON-SEA 2012

**FREE
EVENT**



*Sunday 8th July 2012
11.00am-4.00pm in Kingsbury*

With donkey rides, seaside games, sandpits, smiley train rides and much, much more. Come and relax in our deck chairs and watch Punch & Judy perform their famous show.

See you there for a day of seaside fun!



For more information contact us on 01296 425678
or see www.aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk



What's on this Summer?

There's so much to do in Aylesbury this summer you will be spoilt for choice! The best bit is that most events are free, and there'll be a wide range of activities to suit every family member.

As we all know, the **London 2012 Olympics** is upon us. On **9th July the Olympic Torch** will be blessing our town with its presence. Share the excitement and enjoy the street entertainers while you wait for a rare opportunity to see the flame. Aylesbury is also the host of the **Paralympic Flame Festival**, on the 28th August. If you make your way to Market Square for the evening you can watch the event on a Big Screen and enjoy the additional entertainment and light show.

Music will feature in the town throughout the summer. There is a free **Summer Sunday Music** series from June – September. August brings the eclectic **Global Street Beats** and the **Aylesbury Festival**, featuring some local rock and pop.

Come dressed to impress in your **Princess and Knight** outfits to celebrate the **Queen's Diamond Jubilee**, and join in all the 'Royal' activities in the Market Square on the 7th June. Bring your Dad along to the town centre to enjoy **Father's Day** fun and music on the 17th June, in Kingsbury.

As July rolls in, we host the famous **Roald Dahl Festival**. It's the 10th anniversary of this wonderful event and all the previous story themes will be represented. Experience the world of Mr Dahl and his adventures.

One of the unmissable highlights of July is '**Aylesbury-on-Sea**' in Kingsbury. All things seaside come to the landlocked town for the day. This year we'll have donkey rides, stilt walkers, sandpits, a big slide and much, much more, all for free!

In September it's time for the popular **Proms in the Park** and the **Parklife Weekend**. Come along and join in with activities and games throughout the day. Don't forget your picnic and blanket for an evening of music and flag waving.

There's plenty to keep your family busy during the holidays! Make sure you take a look at the 'What's on' Guide in the back of this magazine to find out what else is on in Aylesbury this summer. Plus don't forget to check www.aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk for updates.

Donna Trichardt



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Aylesbury Festival Weekender 2012

ON BEHALF OF THE AYLESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Saturday 21st July & Sunday 22nd July

Kingsbury, Aylesbury Town Centre

11am – 4pm

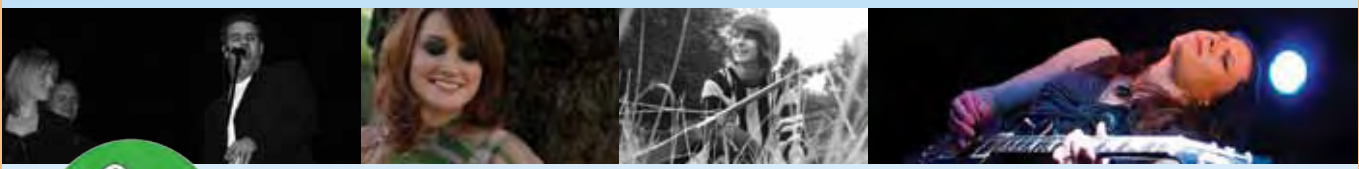
Saturday 21st July*

FREE EVENT

***Sunday 22nd July**

15:00 TO 16:00		lemonrock.com/ skasouls
14:00 TO 15:00	Katie Buckhaven	katiebuckhaven.com
13:00 TO 14:00	<i>The Stylettes</i>	thestylettes.com
12:30 TO 13:00	clare free	clarefree.com
12:00 TO 12:30	THE SYNTHETIX	thesynthetix.com
11:30 TO 12:00	PUB CRAWL	lemonrock.com/ pubcrawl
11:00 TO 11:30		almostmidnight.net

15:00 TO 16:00	<i>Indefinitely</i>	indefinitely.com
14:30 TO 15:00	SIAN CROSS	siancross.co.uk
14:00 TO 14:30	Rosie Vanier	rosievanier.com
13:30 TO 14:00	<i>Tinlin</i>	tinlinmusic.com
13:00 TO 13:30	palahniuk	palahniuk.co.uk
12:30 TO 13:00	Abbie Broom	facebook.com/ abbiebroom95
12:00 TO 12:30		deadcells.co.uk
11:30 TO 12:00	Max Unplugged	
11:00 TO 11:30	Dumb Angel	



AylesburyShowcase.com

Aylesbury Town Centre is an alcohol free zone
Alcohol is not permitted in unlicensed areas
* Line-up subject to change





Flowers in bloom in the parkland's area of the Olympic Park looking towards the Olympic Stadium. Photo credit ODA.

The Olympic Torch is coming to Aylesbury

Come along to watch the Olympic Torch pass through **Aylesbury town centre on Monday 9th July** and be part of this eagerly anticipated event. Watch inspiring local torchbearers in their moment to shine; come and line the streets to cheer and wave your support.

The Torch will arrive in Aylesbury just before lunchtime. It won't be with us for long, the bearers coming through Market Square for a brief period before continuing their 70 day relay across Britain. While you wait for its arrival in the town enjoy the street entertainers and musicians who'll be helping us make the morning special.

The flame arrived in Britain on 18th May and at the end of its journey through many towns and villages it will arrive in London before the start of the Games on 27th July.

The Torch Relay is a modern development of the games, introduced at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, its purpose to emphasise the glory of Nazi Germany and Aryan youth. The Olympic flame however remains a link between the modern competition and ancient history, originating in Greek myth and representing the divine power of the gods.

Today the Torch route illuminates the sporting and cultural achievements of the host nation. As it passes through so many communities there will be a chance for people everywhere to see the flame. Its visit to Aylesbury will give us a rare opportunity to share the experience. The Olympic Torch is an historic symbol that celebrates sporting excellence and international co-operation.

Spectators should be aware of some slight disruption that may be caused by the Torch Relay, including increased traffic and greater use of car parks along the route. More details will be released in the press as the event draws closer. If you can, please consider walking, cycling or getting the bus into town. Avoid the rush, find some space and enjoy the moment.

Cycle Theft

As we were putting the finishing touches to this magazine I decided to take a break. Some fresh air and exercise was what I needed and a bike ride down the towpath would be just the thing.

So I changed my clothes, got a drink ready and went out. My bike had gone. The steel fibres of my lock were cleanly sawn through and it was lying on the ground where the thieves had left it.

Riding my bike is one of my greatest pleasures. I ride often for practical purposes, for health and for the happy feeling of free and easy motion. Buckinghamshire County Council has established a network of cycle lanes through Aylesbury and getting around the town is progressively easier. It is clear that we are using our bikes in growing numbers, and especially in the wake of rising fuel prices.

Cycle theft is common and not a petty crime. For many people their bike is their main form of transport. It is likely that in some cases the theft causes difficulty for the victim. Not everyone would be able to immediately replace the stolen bike. If it's their only way to travel to work then that is a problem. It's upsetting too and we are generally helpless to do anything about it other than report the crime. If you travel by bike there are things you can do to make it more difficult for thieves.

Peter Robinson is the Chairman of the Aylesbury Cycling Campaign and offers good advice to cyclists who are locking their bikes in the town; "Cycles are a viable proposition for thieves. People are investing more money on expensive bikes which are attractive and easily sold on. If your bike has quick release saddles and wheels then try and lock through them. Take your saddle with you if you can. Lock your bike in a prominent position where people are passing by. Secure the bike in a tight and upright position. If they can't steal it they might vandalise it. That's harder if it can't be brought to the ground. Bikes are inherently vulnerable. Do what you can to reduce the chances of losing yours".

We hope you keep cycling into Aylesbury, but do take good care.

Alan Norchi



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Peregrine Falcons filmed nesting in Aylesbury Town for the first time in recorded history

Look up to the sky while strolling around Aylesbury town centre and you could well be greeted with the sight of the world's fastest animal swooping down on an unsuspecting pigeon. Peregrine Falcons have been in the town for a few years now and as a result of an innovative project, led by AVDC Biodiversity Team, these birds are now breeding and have laid eggs.

Bucks County Council assisted with the erection of a platform on their tower block which replicates the birds' natural habitat on the edge of a cliff. A very generous donation from an anonymous member of the public allowed for the purchase of two web cameras which are streaming amazing footage of the birds on the platform.

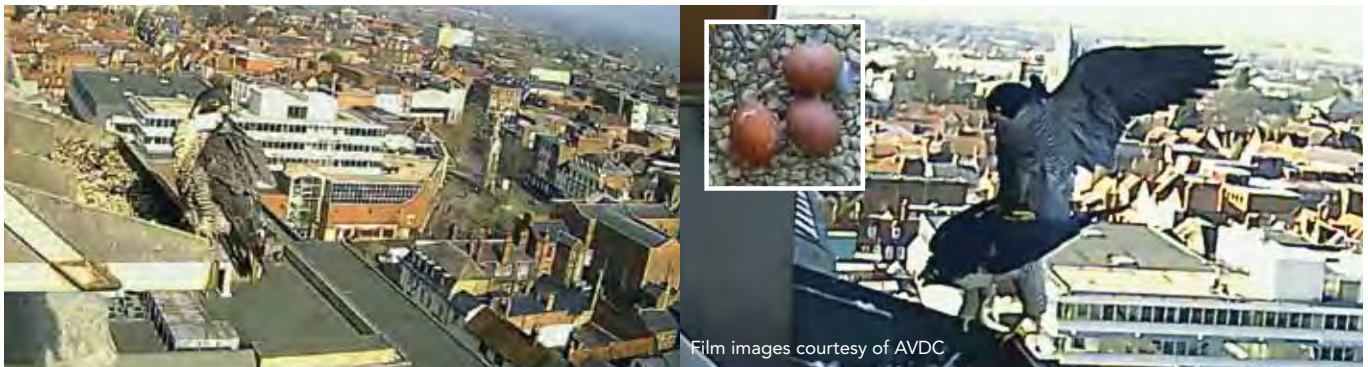
Images of the birds copulating and exchanging prey have been captured, as has confirmation that the birds have three eggs. On hatching the chicks will take around six

weeks to fledge and will disperse from the area in August or September. While the chicks are on the platform the adult birds will bring up to 11 prey items every day for the chicks to consume.

Experienced bird ringers will be on hand towards week 3 - 4 of the chicks' lifecycle to place a unique coloured ring on the birds' legs that may help solve the mystery of where these amazing birds disperse to.

We hope that for many years this spectacular bird will successfully breed in the town, something that would not be possible without the platform. A hunting Peregrine in flight is one of the most awesome spectacles of the natural world which visitors to Aylesbury can now experience on their doorsteps.

AVDC



Film images courtesy of AVDC

Visit: <http://www.aylesburyvalecd.gov.uk/leisure-culture/biodiversity-wildlife-conservation/peregrine-falcons-nesting/>

Transition Aylesbury

Transition Aylesbury was founded in 2011 by Jocelyn Chappell, a local teacher, and Mark Willis, then a Town Councillor. Transition Aylesbury is all about:-

- encouraging local communities to work together,
- learning how to deal effectively with the negative consequences of world economic decline, decreasing world energy supplies and climate change, and
- promoting signature projects that have a high chance of success and help meet these objectives.

20's Plenty



Where People Live

20's Plenty for Aylesbury

With this in mind Transition Aylesbury were looking for a new 'signature project' when Jocelyn came across 20's Plenty for Us in the autumn

of 2011. 20's Plenty for Us aims to have a 20 mph default speed limit where people live, without traffic calming.

Why?! In a 20 mph speed limit there is a 95% reduction in risk to walkers and cyclists. Also more walking and cycling

means there is • less pollution • less noise • less fear • improved health • a better quality of life.

Mark and Jocelyn were drawn towards the positive messages behind this project and decided to launch 20's Plenty for Aylesbury. The 20's Plenty for Aylesbury campaign has a very high chance of success because everyone likes slower traffic outside their own home. Most people will sign a petition to this effect if they are asked.

What you can do to help?

Mark and Jocelyn would like to take the first 3000 signature petition to Bucks County Council before the summer holidays. Please help them now by:-

- visiting the website
- signing the petition on the website
- watching 'Why 20mph?' – a 4 minute video

To find out more go to:

www.aylesbury.20splentyforus.org.uk

Business in Aylesbury Town



Portas Pilot Bid

Support for budding entrepreneurs is the focus of Aylesbury's bid to become a 'Portas Pilot' and revitalise the town centre. The Aylesbury Town Centre Partnership (ATCP) is hoping to secure a share of £1 million being offered by television retail guru Mary Portas as part of her campaign to give high streets a new lease of life.

The Portas Pilot is offering town partnerships the opportunity to become trial areas to test her 'town team' approach. The now famous Queen of Shops' recent review of high streets emphasised the need for innovation and creative ideas. The ATCP has submitted its own pilot project, called 'Retail Lift Off' that aims to encourage budding entrepreneurs to trial their business ideas in the town centre.

A tier system of trading is proposed to give people interested in setting up a new business the opportunity to choose where, how and when to trade. The options allow for a variety of locations and business units to be offered, including the option of a portable branded barrow which can be moved around the town.

Under the initiative, aspiring entrepreneurs interested in setting up a venture would receive a wide range of free business support to help them prosper including legal and financial advice, access to a retail guru and marketing assistance. Traders would also get rent-free retail space for up to six weeks during the initial three-month trading period.

Diana Fawcett, Aylesbury Town Centre Manager, said: "Our project aims to give people who have been thinking about starting a small business an opportunity to take the first successful steps toward it. Trading in Aylesbury town centre has many benefits and more traders are recognising this by starting up their business here and investing in the town centre. We know that there are more independent retailers who are looking for a good solid location where their business will thrive. Our town team have developed a project to encourage them to choose Aylesbury."

Roger Simmons, Chairman of the ATCP, said: "This is a great opportunity for Aylesbury and a chance for us to be put on Mary's map. I know competition will be fierce but if our bid is successful, I believe we can encourage more aspiring entrepreneurs to set up in business and enhance the shopping experience in Aylesbury." At the time of writing we are awaiting an announcement of the successful bids. Look out for local news in June.

If you would like to participate in this new exciting opportunity for independent businesses please contact Diana Fawcett on 01296 585880 who would be delighted to hear from you.





Photos courtesy of Aylesbury Town Centre Partnership

Love Your Local Market

In response to the national creation of a Love Your Local Market fortnight AVDC is planning to celebrate the whole event.

- The activities begin with **live music** on 23rd June. To herald the start of the campaign there will be special discounts on the market.
- Love your **Local Farmers' Market** takes place on 26th June with gardening talks and workshops from experts. We will also be creating a "chill out" area with seating/tables and free tea and coffee so that attendees can enjoy the workshops in a relaxed social environment. We'll be giving away free promotional items including fridge magnet shopping lists and bookmarks.
- The **Antique and Collectibles market** will take place on 26th June. There will be free valuations for the public of small and collectable items by a local antique expert – John Bly.
- Our largest event for this period will be our "**Love your Local Market**" day on 30th June. We have been running this for the last three years in September and have moved it to coincide with this celebratory event. Previously there has been street entertainment, face painters, a large silver band, local discounts, recipe hand-outs, antique cars and other entertainment, i.e. fruit carvers and lookalikes. You can be sure this year's event will be just as much fun.
- There will be another **Antique and Collectibles** market on the 3rd July. Look out for an auction of special items from the stall holders – hosted by a local expert, John Dickens of Dickens Auctioneers.
- On the last day of the campaign the market is the epicentre of our annual **Roald Dahl parade**. The parade will be very large this year as it celebrates its 10th anniversary. The parade will circle the market and there will be live music on the Square, an information point for events running across the town and free activities on the market.

The celebratory fortnight will also be aimed at encouraging new market traders to the town and there will be incentives for new entrants.

The event will encourage us all to enjoy and use our local markets more frequently. They are a vital part of the town's character and provide an alternative and complementary form of shopping in Aylesbury town.



Community News & Events



Supporting families in the Elmhurst, Watermead, Oakfield, Bedgrove, Berton and Broughton area with children aged 0 – 5

What is a Children's Centre?

Children's Centres help to support families with children under the age of 5 years old. We also welcome expectant mums and dads and carers for the under 5's such as foster parents, childminders and extended family members such as grandparents. This means you and your family can get advice and support to help you access the services you need – close to your home.

What do we offer?

Our Children's Centres offer drop-in fun playtime sessions as well as more specific groups such as, Parenting Programmes, a Special Educational Needs group, Happy and Healthy, and a Grandparents' group. We can also help you find childcare and early learning services, health and family support services, help with getting back into work and training – and much more!

How can I find out more?
 Elmhurst Children's Centre on 01296 383207
 or Oakfield Bedgrove and Berton Children's Centre on 01296 423542
 For centre timetables please go to:
www.bucksfamilyinfo.org



The Jonathan Page Play Centre in Meadowcroft is open throughout the year, offering an After School Club and Holiday Play Scheme which are both designed to fit in with working parents. The timings of the play scheme have been extended this summer to offer more flexibility from 8.00am to 6.30pm. **More details and time options are available by calling 01296 33641 or via the website: www.aylesburyvaldc.org.uk.**



Are you involved in a local community group or charity in Aylesbury? Would you like to promote your work and events? This magazine is delivered to every household in Aylesbury Town.

For more information contact us on 01296 425678 and ask for Alan or Donna, alternatively email: info@aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk. There is no charge for community groups and charities.

OPEN TO WOMEN ONLY!



Movers & Shakers in Bucks Islah Asian Women's Style

Gentle Exercise Class

Weekly sessions at:
 Elmhurst Community Centre
 36 Fairfax Crescent, Aylesbury, HP20 2ES
 on Tuesdays at 9.30am - 1.00pm

Sessions will consist of keep-fit activities that keep mind, body and soul active! ...including physical exercises, health talks, wellbeing and creative experiences! Plus a healthy lunch!

A contribution of £3 will be payable for sessions for hall hire and lunch.

To confirm attendance, please contact:
Sayd Laskar on 07789 706807
email: saydlaskar@hotmail.co.uk
or Maria Ahmed on 07500 133134

Come and join the fun!





Over 55's have all the Fun!

Local people who are over the age of 55 are invited to come and enjoy a range of fun activities at **The Elms in Verwood Road, Aylesbury**.

With a wide range of activities on offer seven days a week, there's something to appeal to everyone. You can enjoy quiz nights, play bingo, try your hand at a range of arts and crafts, come for a chat over coffee and cake or sit down to a full Sunday lunch. You can bring friends with you or meet new ones here.

Every Tuesday and Thursday you can enjoy a Movers and Shakers session. This offers a mixture of fun exercise with creative and mental activities. Movers and Shakers aims to help anyone over 55 to stay healthy and active. The sessions also include a healthy lunch, the chance to meet and chat with others and the opportunity to get advice and information on a wide range of wellbeing issues.

As well as having facilities for use by the wider community, The Elms offers older people the independence of living in their own home, built with their needs in mind, together with the reassurance of on-site care and support, 24 hours a day.

We ask anyone coming along to contribute to the cost of the activities, but this is usually only between £2.00 - £5.00. Please phone us on **01296 381435** to find out more information.

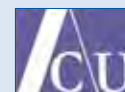


Give it a Go Week

You don't have to be an Olympian to be part of the London Games in 2012. Why not try a sport or activity during the next Reactivate Bucks Give it a Go Week taking place 11th to 17th June? There are hundreds of sports and physical activities to choose from with many being free or light on your pocket. Or if you want to make sport happen where you work or live why not become a Sport Maker – we'll provide you with all the training and support you need.

There's also the opportunity to be part of a Community Games and to celebrate London 2012 here in Aylesbury Vale with friends and neighbours. Don't miss out on your 2012 moment. **Visit: www.reactivatebucks.org or call 01296 585215.**

Aylesbury Credit Union



'Not for Profit, not for Gain, but for Service'

Credit Unions are a member's Community Bank, a financial organisation owned and run as a Co-operative by their Members for their Members. Credit Unions are regulated by the Financial Services Authority (FSA). Money saved with us is protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

As a member once you've established a record as a reliable saver we will be able to arrange a loan up to twice the value of your shares, and agree repayment with you based on what you can afford to pay. Members must be living or working within our bonded area HP17 to HP22 or living in Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust accommodation. **For your membership call: 01296 331547.**

Dealing with loan sharks

Loan sharks are unlicensed moneylenders who charge high interest rates and sometimes use threats and violence to frighten people who can't pay back their loan on time. Find out how to spot loan sharks and how you can report them. Because they are not licensed, loan sharks are breaking the law.

- If you have borrowed from an illegal money lender, you haven't committed a crime they have, and they could receive a prison sentence
- Get a loan on very bad terms
- You could pay an extortionate rate of interest as high as 131,000%
- Be harassed if you get behind with your repayments
- Be pressured into borrowing more from them to repay one debt with another.

How to spot a loan shark

Loan sharks will often:

- They start by being friendly, their behaviour changes when repayments are missed
- They offer little or no paperwork
- They continue to find reasons to increase the debt or add additional amounts
- They often refuse to give the borrower vital information, such as the interest rate or how much they still owe
- Take items as security for example, passports, bank cards or driving licences
- Resort to intimidation, threats and or violence.

Best advice about dealing with loan sharks is 'DON'T'

Aylesbury Credit Union
Regulated by the Financial Services Authority.
Registration Number 613C

Community News & Events

You choose the projects to share £15,000

The Greater Aylesbury Local Area Forum has allocated £15,000 to local projects and wants local residents to say which ones they would choose to receive a share of this funding. Check out the brand new website: www.choose4greateraylesbury.com to find out more about each project and why they need funding and then you can rank your top choices.

If you don't have access to the internet, voting slips attached to ballot boxes have been placed in locations throughout Aylesbury and nearby parishes.

An event is also being held in Aylesbury Market Square on 14th June where a range of activities will also be on offer for residents of all ages and where you can talk to the project leads and vote for your top choices.

All the projects meet local priorities – helping young people or our older and vulnerable residents.

So please get involved. It's a difficult decision to make but if you had £15,000, which projects would you choose?

Quarrendon & Meadowcroft Community Centre

Jubilee Breakfast - Free Event

Tuesday 5th June 2012

10.00am - 12.00 noon

Jubilee King and Queen Costume Competition

Live coverage from Westminster

Weekly Activities

Monday Evenings

Music lessons - guitar

Wednesday Evenings

Dove Dance Group 4 - 14 years

Sunday School 11.00am to 12.00 noon

All above are run voluntarily by Community Unity Projects and supported by Open Door Community Church Aylesbury.

For more information contact Shoshana on 07828 162267



The Grandparents' Association

Did you know about Grandparents Rights? How many of us look to our family and grandparents for support, guidance, love and family?

Unfortunately today there are thousands of grandchildren who are denied or only allowed very restricted contact with their grandparents and vice versa. This is as a result of divorce, a family rift, bereavement of a son/daughter or as a result of the care system in the UK.

The Grandparents' Association celebrate the joys of grand parenting, but they also provide support and advice for grandparents who for some reason have lost or been denied contact with their grandchildren. The Grandparents' Association works with government, and local authorities and campaigns with key charities to raise awareness of the needs of grandparents.

Working as a support group with a monthly meeting at The Holiday Inn Hotel, Aston Clinton Road, the Aylesbury group promotes awareness of contact issues in general. Recently we joined other grandparents in lobbying Parliament and handed in a national petition to No 10 Downing Street, asking for 'indirect contact' (letters, 'phone calls) to become law, so that grandchildren will ultimately have their rights enshrined in law so they can have contact with their grandparents, and hopefully in time this will also include direct contact as well.

So if you are a grandparent who has lost contact or have been denied reasonable contact with your grandchildren, why not contact our local Grandparents' Support Group or just come along to one of our monthly meetings at: The Holiday Inn Hotel, Aston Clinton Road, Aylesbury at 7.00pm. Our next meeting is **13th June** and on the second Wednesday of the month thereafter. We provide friendship and a sympathetic ear as well as information, support and advice in a totally confidential environment.

Further information can be found at the **National Information and Support Line on 0845 434 9585** or the **Aylesbury Support Group on 01296 582614**. Or go online: www.grandchildrenhaverights.wordpress.com which also has a lot of information and resources to help grandparents.



**FREE
ENTRY**

TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC

Wednesday 6th June 2012 from 12.00 noon
at Southcourt Community Centre, Prebendal Avenue



Join us for an afternoon of children's activities; Mix 96 bouncy castle, go karts and giant space hoppers, craft activities, stallholders, refreshments. Nearly new children's clothes sale... and lots more! Competition for the best dressed and best drawn teddy!

Charity Golf Day on 6th July at Chartridge Golf Club; £55 for a day of golf including lunch, dinner and trophies. Partners welcome to the dinner in the evening. To book a place contact the CHAT office.

CHAT also has stands at **The Winslow Show** on August Bank Holiday and **Bucks County Show** on 30th August. We are holding stalls on various markets throughout the month selling cakes. We are in desperate need of volunteers who could spare a few hours to help us run these stalls.

Come and support our events or help us in other ways. There is something for everyone throughout the year and it's all good fun. For more information contact the CHAT office on 01296 566085 or see our website: www.chat-charity.org.uk



Prebendal Farm Open Day

On a bright and unseasonably warm afternoon in March the **Prebendal Farm Residents' Group** held an Open Day at their Community Centre in Fowler Road.

The purpose of the Open Day was to encourage local residents to express their views and concerns. Aylesbury Town Council is keen to hear from people with ideas about how their neighbourhoods can be improved.

The Open Day also provided an opportunity to learn about the work of the Residents' Group, and how members of the Prebendal Community could get involved with the group itself or with other projects originating from within the local community.

Aylesbury Town Councillors Mike Smith and Tom Ahmed were present to meet and converse with local residents, and inform them about the work of the Town Council. They were also on hand to serve a cup of tea and guide visitors towards a fine and free buffet lunch, provided by the Residents' Group.

There were representatives from several other local groups hoping to raise awareness and recruit members, or provide information on matters of interest or concern. Amongst these groups were Community Impact Bucks, Addaction (Drug Advice Service) and the Youth Café. Tiger Martial Arts pupils gave an excellent demonstration led by teacher Jo Fuller; they hope to recruit new members to their Adult and Children's classes in Aylesbury (0800 612 5670).

Little Kickers Football Training Company were promoting approved football training for children aged 2 to 7. Perhaps they found a future star of the game.

Local Police Officers and PCSOs were also present to offer support and advice. But perhaps their most important contribution was to raise a lot of laughter as they joined in with the Sumo wrestling.

The Chairman of the Residents' Group, Michael Young, said "I am sure everyone enjoyed themselves. The day was a great success".

If you would like to know more about the work of the Prebendal Farm Residents' Group you can find them at www.pfrahp19.weebly.com

Alan Norchi





Retinitis Pigmentosa

Support for People Facing Sight Loss in Buckinghamshire

Retinitis Pigmentosa (RP) is an incurable genetic condition that results in sight loss; it affects people of all ages and though many would not have heard of it, RP is one of the major causes of sight loss in children and people of working age.

Typically, sight loss will start with night blindness, then loss of peripheral vision, then tunnel vision, and eventually that tunnel closing up, leading to total blindness.

Sight loss can be traumatic; it leads to dramatic change in lifestyle and needs. In a child it can be painful for a family, as well as bringing practical issues that need to be tackled. Being genetic, RP has implications for the rest of the family too, which raises all sorts of questions and concerns. The main needs are invariably for information, support, and hope for the future.

RP Fighting Blindness has a very informative website and provides the free and confidential RP Helpline and befrienders programme. In addition the charity funds medical research into RP. David Head, Chief Executive, says "Though RP is incurable at present there have been great advances over the last 5 years, and clinical trials of many potential treatments are underway. Optimism is high, but meanwhile there is a huge demand amongst people affected by RP for information and support".



As well as RPFb's dedicated RP Helpline, local support and more general advice for people faced with sight loss is available from BucksVision who are based in Aylesbury. This local charity offers support to the 4,000 or so people registered as visually impaired across the county, including those with RP.

"Local and national charities together provide essential practical and emotional support, and our research provides essential hope for the future", said David, "Anyone in Bucks affected by RP can get in touch with us through the helpline or website. Anyone wishing to support our work can also donate through the website or by sending a cheque to Freepost RP".

The RP Helpline 0845 123 2354 or
helpline@rpfightingblindness.org.uk

RP Fighting Blindness is at
www.rpfightingblindness.org.uk

BucksVision is at www.bucksvision.co.uk

Celebrating 25 editions of Aylesbury Town Matters

This is the 25th edition of Aylesbury Town Matters (ATM). Since the first issue in April 2006 the magazine has covered the work of the Town Council, and highlighted the contribution that so many individuals and groups have made to the life of the town.

Whilst the style and content of ATM has evolved over those 6 years some things have remained constant and intrinsic to the purpose of the magazine.

A review of past editions shows that we have given hundreds of grants totalling thousands of pounds to many organisations in the town. This is something we are proud of, and in addition to supporting the groups it has allowed us the privilege of meeting many people in the town who make a difference.

Encouraging the work of committed individuals and community groups is at the heart of the Council's work. Aylesbury Town Matters is the perfect platform for promoting the work you do and we encourage you to help us make the magazine as useful as it can be in this regard.

The Town Councillors are often busy in their wards and a look through old issues demonstrates what a variety of functions, charities and activities they support. Of course the Mayor of Aylesbury is often the busiest of our Councillors and we have a great collection of stories and pictures from many years of active involvement in the town, within the communities and at a more formal Civic level.

The magazine also seeks to entertain and inform. Over the years we have included celebrity interviews, recently speaking to Mark Webber, the Formula 1 racing driver, the actor Lynda Bellingham and local singer John Otway.

The Town Council organises many events and they are all reported through these pages, giving us the opportunity to include many wonderful photos. They have brightened the pages of our magazine and in looking back have provided us with many happy memories.

These pages are also a record of how, like the magazine itself, the events have evolved. New events are created and older events have gone. The archive gives us an interesting perspective for newer members of the Events Team.

Some of the most colourful pages have been those displaying the flowers that glorify the town during the Britain in Bloom competition.



This, our 25th edition coincides with Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee and we were delighted that Her Majesty graced the front cover of Issue 17 showing Cllr Ranjula Takodra being presented with her MBE.

Not only do we celebrate the Queen's Jubilee this year. The Olympic Games come to London and the Torch Relay passes through Aylesbury (see page 6). You can be sure the 26th edition of ATM will portray all the colour and celebration of an eventful Aylesbury summer.

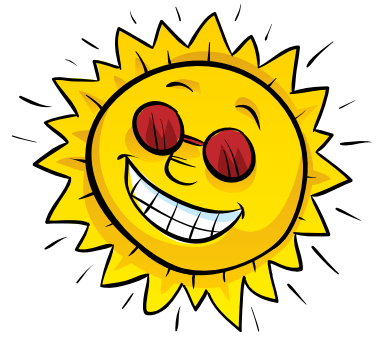
Finally, in celebrating 25 editions of Aylesbury Town Matters we gladly take the opportunity to thank those behind the scenes who have helped to make it successful. The Town Council clerks and staff have worked hard on every issue (well before deadline of course). The relationships we have with the organisations and groups in Aylesbury mean we are never short of news, pictures and notices.

We'd like to thank our designers and the many enthusiastic and excellent photographers in the town, without whom we would be quite the poorer. You will always see their name by the photos that have been generously donated to us.

In other words Aylesbury Town Matters is the work of a big team, of which the residents and groups of Aylesbury are very much a part.

Keep reading and keep in touch.

Alan Norchi



Fun for all the Family

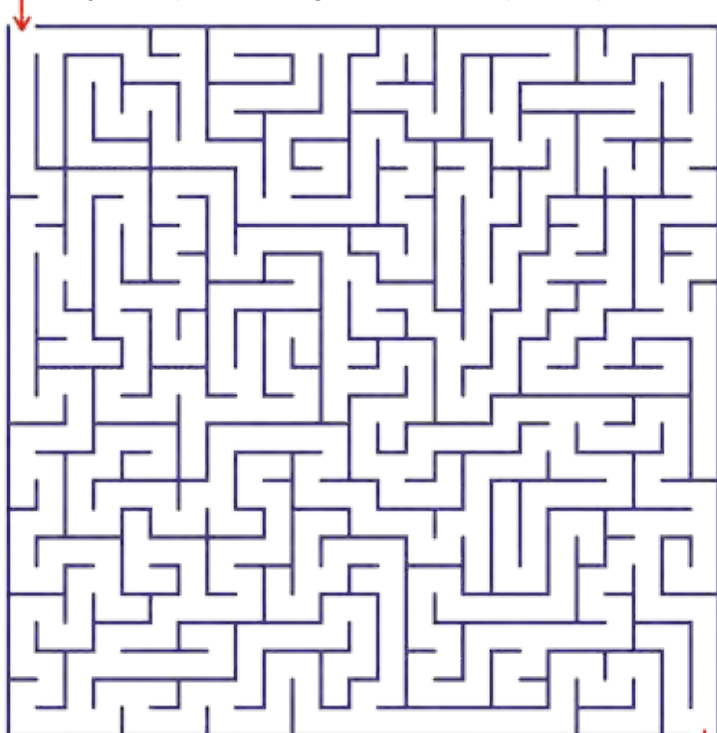
Spot the Difference

Can you spot 7 differences between the two photos taken at our Tudor Fair last year? You can find the answers on page 21.



Maze Challenge

Can you help our alien get back to his spaceship?



Puzzle supplied by www.peppertop.com

Anagram Puzzle

Can you rearrange the eight anagrams below to find a word that links them all?

1. D U O J
2. I N L E V A J
3. Y C N C G I L
4. W S I G M N M I
5. E T R P A O L M I N
6. I M A D T B N N O
7. G N I F N E C
8. I A S G I L N

Did you know?

Golf was an Olympic event in the early 1900s and will appear again in the 2016 Olympic Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro. The 2012 Summer Olympics will include 26 sports.

Tuna Salad



Seared tuna, quail egg, roasted cherry tomato and asparagus salad topped with a black olive tapenade.

Ingredients - serves 4 people

Tuna Salad

4 x 150-189g tuna loin steaks
20 x asparagus spears
20 x cherry tomatoes
Half a thinly sliced red onion
Whole thinly sliced red pepper
Mixed crisp salad (radicchio, iceberg, lambs lettuce)
8 quail eggs
20 x anchovy fillets (optional)

Tapenade

50g anchovy fillets
100g black olives
Half tablespoon capers
Extra virgin olive oil slowly add until desired consistency
Zest and juice of one lemon, Seasoning

Method for tapenade

Put all ingredients into a blender and blitz, slowly adding the olive oil until desired consistency and then season to taste.

Method for salad

Place tomatoes and asparagus onto oven tray and drizzle with olive oil and add a sprinkle of sea salt and pepper. Place into pre-heated oven for 10 mins.

While asparagus and tomatoes in oven, put a little olive oil in a griddle pan and heat until smoking, season tuna and place into pan for 1 min on each side until outside is sealed and leave to one side to rest.

Boil quail eggs - place into simmering water 3 to 5 mins, soft to hard boiled.

Add salad leaves, onions, peppers and roasted asparagus and tomatoes together using the oil and juices from the oven tray as dressing.

Cut tuna in half at an angle to show the beautiful pink centre of the tuna. Place salad into bowl, tuna at an angle on top and tapenade and quail eggs on top of the tuna.

You can add a little drizzle of balsamic if you would like some extra acidity.

Created by Matt Kelly at The Queens Head, Aylesbury

Litter Bugs!

As the summer approaches preparations are being made to ensure that Aylesbury town is a good place to be, for residents and visitors.

As you can see from the pages of this magazine, the next few months hold the prospect of a lot of fun and celebration. Many people are working hard to organise not just our regular events, but also to bring the Olympic Games and the Queen's Jubilee into the heart of Aylesbury.

The town will be decorated and regaled with colour; bunting will trail through the High Street and into the squares. The hanging baskets will be bright and beautiful, the roundabouts and flower beds planted in glorious shades, in tribute to a special year.

Visitors will come to the town and we hope they will enjoy their experience, stay a while and then return another time; to eat and drink, to shop, to seek entertainment.

The people who live and work in Aylesbury can help to make the town even more attractive. We want our streets to be clean so that all the good work is not spoiled. It is sad to say that many people still throw their litter on the ground. It is a common and frustrating sight. Litter is ugly and it is disrespectful to your fellow residents. Litter makes it harder for businesses to attract people to the town. Litter costs us money – someone has to clean it.

The culprits are not always those you might point the finger at. I watched a school pupil stop in his tracks when he realised he'd missed the bin with his wrapper. He turned around, went back and picked it up. Thumbs up to a responsible young man. On another occasion I asked a grown man why he hadn't used the bin so close to where he stood. His response was an abusive tirade against me.



Please be careful with your rubbish. There are bins throughout the town centre and we would like you to use them. Help us keep Aylesbury in good shape.

Alan Norchi



The Mayor's Year

In May 2012 the Mayor of Aylesbury, Cllr Mrs Jenny Puddefoot ended her year in office. Over the past 12 months the Mayor has been busy with her duties, visiting and supporting community groups and charities throughout Aylesbury.

The Mayor represents the Town Council at many other Civic events and receives invitations to represent Aylesbury throughout the region. Cllr Puddefoot has thoroughly enjoyed her second spell as Mayor and there have been many highlights.

In addition to attending Aylesbury Town Council's own events, the Mayor has had the pleasure of visiting many of the important organisations that are a part of Aylesbury life.



Recently the Mayor featured as a subject of the Aylesbury Camera Club, and she has had the pleasure of presenting prizes at The Rotary Club's Technical Tournament. Cllr Puddefoot spoke about the Mayoral role at a meeting of the "Yours" club for retired members of Marks and Spencer. This gave her the opportunity to try out a new PowerPoint presentation, created by her assistant, Sue Carpenter.

The Mayor, accompanied by Town Councillors, received an invitation from RAF Halton to attend a presentation on the current role the station performs within the RAF. A surprise donation of £500 was gratefully received for the Mayor's charities.



“ Looking back at the various invitations received to the Mayor's office shows a strong commitment and community spirit amongst the residents of Aylesbury ”

Cllr Puddefoot has met many special people during her year. It was a particular pleasure to meet a resident, Craig Gibbons, who had heard that day that he'd been selected for the GB Olympic Swimming Team. We all wish him well. The Mayor has also met many talented students including pupils from Aylesbury's Upper Schools at the Slambassadors modern poetry competition held in High Wycombe. A concert was produced and performed by the Mandeville School music students, to raise money for the Stoke Mandeville Scanner Appeal.

The Mayor also attended the High Sherriff's Best of Buckinghamshire competition at the Waterside Theatre.

The newly formed 10th Aylesbury Scouts visited the Mayor's Parlour. The Scouts, who paraded with the





Mayor on St George's Day showed interest in the badges of office, and she was interviewed by students from Harding House for their Citizenship course.

Fifty one French exchange students visited the Mayor in the Council Chamber during the spring, and it was the 10th Anniversary of exchange visits between students from Aylesbury Grammar School and our French neighbours. As a town we are glad that these young people continue to develop our relationship with Bourgen-Bresse. A retiring French teacher, Mme Genevieve Mayollet was presented with a certificate of appreciation by the Mayor.

A commemorative Oak Tree was planted in Bedgrove and the Mayor, accompanied by local councillors, was invited to cut the ribbon. The tree celebrates a carbon reduction project managed by a partnership of Aylesbury's councils, local residents and schools. Cllr Puddefoot said she was "very impressed with the environmental awareness of the attending pupils and parents".

Quarrendon and Meadowcroft Community Centre hosted their annual Help for Heroes event.

The Mayor also enjoyed Sign2Sing, involving many Aylesbury schools and thousands of pupils in an attempt to get into the Guinness Book of Records. This initiative involved breaking the world record for the most people singing and signing at the same time. The event was organised by SignHealth, a charity working to support profoundly deaf people in the UK, whose first language is not English but British Sign Language.

Cllr Puddefoot has been happy to support local businesses in their fundraising activities for charitable organisations, most recently Alta Moda who supported the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity.

She enjoyed a cup of tea at the Avondale Care Home which adopted the theme of a Lyons Corner House. Residents, friends and staff raised money for Alzheimer's and ate far too much chocolate at the Age UK Charity Event.

Over a hundred Civic leaders and guests attended the Annual Town Mayor's Charity Dinner. Young people were the focus of the evening and Aylesbury College provided the perfect venue, the hospitality and catering students having the opportunity to learn in a real working environment.

Music was provided by Michael Rea a very talented young classical guitarist from Aylesbury Grammar School, and young people from the Mayor's charities volunteered their help for the evening.

Barry Keene entertained guests with the story behind some of the many photos he has taken over the years as a photographer on the Bucks Herald.

In this year of the Diamond Jubilee, past royal visits to the area were of particular interest. Many recognised their younger selves in the pictures of Her Majesty the Queen in the town of Aylesbury. Photographs documenting the many changes seen over the years generated some lively conversation.

There was much amusement and hilarity as pictures of Englebert Humperdinck and the Swinging Blue Jeans reminded many guests of the entertainment they enjoyed as teenagers growing up in the town.

The evening raised £1728.01 including a £200 cheque given by the Aylesbury Lions, for the Mayor's two small charities; Aylesbury Youth Concern and Aylesbury Youth Action.

The Mayor, Cllr Jenny Puddefoot, said the evening was great fun and thanks to the generosity of guests and the local businesses who donated raffle prizes, the money raised will benefit many of our young people.

This year's Mayor Cllr Jenny Puddefoot says, "Looking back at the various invitations received to the Mayor's office shows a strong commitment and community spirit amongst the residents of Aylesbury."



Aylesbury Town Grants awarded May 2012



Cllrs Pat Jamieson and Denise Summers presenting a cheque of £1500 to Rajendra Takodra for new musical instruments



Cllr Ranjula Takodra presenting a cheque for £1000 to Buckinghamshire County Museum, to go towards a 12 month activity programme in 2012

Vale Reds Girls Football Club - granted £1000

Vale Reds has been up and running for 7 years and has around 50 girls within the club. Training is held at Mandeville School every Wednesday evening and Fairford Leys every other Saturday morning. The grant will go towards new kits, equipment and training costs.

Elmhurst Youth Project - granted £2000

This project helps provide an opportunity for young people aged between 11-16 years old to have access to youth club facilities, where they can learn new things and make friends. The grant awarded will go towards activities and equipment.

Something Better - granted £500

Something Better welcomes men and women between the ages of 60-96 years old. This year's 'Holiday at Home' theme is 'Going for Gold' in conjunction with the Olympics. Throughout the day there will be crafts, activities and food available for all members and their families. The grant awarded will go towards a 'Cream Tea' outing and to fund the 'Holiday at Home' event.

Aylesbury and District CAB - granted £1667

CAB helps to provide information and advice on benefits, debt, employment, housing and a range of other issues. The grant will go towards funding community work and helping people to understand Employment Law through training event days.

Culture Sound Youth & Music Project - granted £2000

This project has been running for 7 years, set up in conjunction with Youth Music. The age is usually between 12-19 year olds, but anybody is welcome within Aylesbury Vale. They have a drop-in session every Friday night. The grant was awarded to help towards the cost of new equipment eg electronic and live instruments, PA system.

Sport Grants

Megan Sally Riley - £1000

Megan has been skiing since she was 6 years old. She is being selected for the GB squad this May. She is part of a Skiing Club in Milton Keynes and trains twice a week. She was scouted in Austria and asked to join a skiing school there, but unfortunately won't be able to go until she is 14 years old. The grant will go towards travel costs, accommodation costs and kit costs.

Laura Shanagan - £500

Laura plays for a basketball team in Wellington and trains there every week. She will be hopefully going to the European Championships in July this year. She also plays for Wales and has done since she was 16 years old. The grant will go towards travel costs, new equipment etc.

Donna Trichardt

If you belong to a non-profit-making organisation which provides a service for a section of the community, or are a dedicated young sportsperson based in Aylesbury, you may qualify for a grant. Please contact Donna Trichardt on **01296 425678** or email: d.trichardt@aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk for more information. Alternatively, information and application forms are available on our website.



Aylesbury Town Council invites your comments and correspondence.

If you have thoughts about the town we'd like you to express them through this magazine. What do you think of the events that take place in the town centre? How do you feel about the town in general? Do you have fresh ideas? What bothers you? We'd like to know.

You can send an email marked 'ATM Letters' to:
info@aylesburytowncouncil.co.uk

Or write to us at:
Aylesbury Town Matters Correspondence
Aylesbury Town Council
5 Church Street
Aylesbury HP20 2QP



Photo Competition

Why not go out on a lovely, sunny day and take a snap? This simple task could win you the front cover of the next Aylesbury Town Matters magazine!

Take a fantastic, eye catching picture of an Aylesbury feature, such as a scene from the canal or a busy town centre event. It could be seen by many local people across Aylesbury. So, what are you waiting for? Get snapping! All we ask is that the photo is high resolution.

Send your photo via email marked as 'Front Cover Competition' to: info@aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk or pop in to the office and bring your photo on a memory stick or CD by **Monday 9th July 2012**.

Answers to Spot the Difference:
1. String is missing from table 2. Hanging item missing on left
3. Cross missing on flag 4. Bell missing 5. Fabric different colour
6. Circle missing on shield 7. Missing pole on tent

Aylesbury Town Correspondence



Via Email:

24 January 2012

Dear Town Council,

Further to our visit to your offices last Tuesday, I am putting in writing our comments about the courtesy shown to my sister and me at the Cemetery.

We had attended a family funeral on 16th January (for Marguerite Caudrey), with a burial in the Aylesbury Cemetery in the afternoon. The following morning, my sister and I decided to return to photograph the floral tributes and spend a few quiet moments at the graveside. As we were about to leave the grave, one of the team working close by (it was about 11.00am) came across to speak to us. He was a young man, possibly early to mid-20s, with short dark hair, very well turned out and personable – unfortunately we did not note his name, since his fleece was zipped up against the chill of the morning, obscuring his name badge.

He apologised for the state of the ground and explained that it would be levelled, re-grassed and the headstone replaced and would soon look undisturbed and back to normal. [My sister and I had already commented to each other how quickly the teams must work, in difficult conditions between the closely spaced graves, leaving hardly a mark apart from a few tracks from a mini-digger]. Indeed, the whole Cemetery is beautifully maintained.

The young man's approach was unexpected and certainly "beyond the call of duty", and his proactive attitude and kindly consideration were refreshing and should be applauded. It was quite clear he treats his workplace, and its visitors, with the greatest of care and respect.

If it is not possible to identify the young man to pass on our gratitude, I know that you intend to publish our comments in your magazine, so he will know who he is.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Helen Willis, Mrs Heather Frazier-Roberts

Tweet, Tweet! We're up to 336 twitter followers, Why not join in the fun? It's a great way to see what the Town Council is up to: [@aylesburytc](https://twitter.com/aylesburytc)

Getting in Contact:

Contacting us couldn't be easier, write to:
The Editor, Aylesbury Town Council, Town Hall,
5 Church Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP20 2QP

Or email: info@aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk





What's on in Aylesbury

JUNE

Weekly Activities throughout the Summer

Tuesday and Friday Bounce and Rhyme	Activity	FREE (Ticketed)	10.30am - 11.00am	Aylesbury Library
Thursday Music at Lunchtime	Concert		12.45pm - 1.45pm	St Mary's Church
2 Diamond Jubilee Celebrations	Family	FREE	10.00am - 5.00pm	Travelling Road Show
3 Farmers' Market	Market	FREE	10.00am - 2.00pm	Winslow
4 Jubilee Barn Dance followed by the Jubilee Beacon Laser Show (from 10.00pm)	Dance	£3 pp/u16 FREE	7.00pm	St Mary's Church
6 Reading Group with a Difference	Activity	FREE	2.30pm - 3.30pm	Aylesbury Library
6 Artist in Residence - Constantina Wood		FREE	10.00am - 2.30pm	St Mary's Church
7 Princesses and Knights (Jubilee Event)	Activity	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Town Centre
7 Meditation Class	Activity	£8	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Rickfords Hill
8 Fish & Chip Quiz Night	Activity	£10 (inc)	7.30pm	Limelight Theatre
9 Midsummer's Night Dream	Theatre	£9/£11	8.00pm	Limelight Theatre
9 Bucks Open Studios (until 24/06/2012)	Exhibition	FREE		Various
13 Artist in Residence - Constantina Wood		FREE	10.00am - 2.30pm	St Mary's Church
14 Meditation Class	Activity	£8	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Rickfords Hill
15 Larry Miller	Music	£8.50/£12	8.00pm	Limelight Theatre
16 Open Mic Night	Activity	£2/£4	8.00pm	Limelight Theatre
16 Friends of St Mary's Evening Concert Sandro Russo	Concert	£10/u18s FREE	7.30pm	St Mary's Church
17 Father's Day Fun	Family	FREE	11.00am - 4.00pm	Market Square
20 Artist in Residence - Constantina Wood		FREE	10.00am - 2.30pm	St Mary's Church
21 Meditation Class	Activity	£8	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Rickfords Hill
22 John Tams & Barry Coope	Music	£10/£12	8.00pm	Limelight Theatre
26 Farmers' Market	Market	FREE	9.00am - 2.00pm	Market Square
27 Artist in Residence - Constantina Wood		FREE	10.00am - 2.30pm	St Mary's Church
28 Meditation Class	Activity	£8	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Rickfords Hill
29 Teens Night	Activity	TBC	7.30pm	Limelight Theatre
30 Love Your Local Market	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Market Square

JULY

1 Summer Sundays	Music	FREE	11.30am - 2.00pm	Kingsbury
5 Storytime and Craft	Activity	FREE	10.00am - 11.00am	Aylesbury Library
6 Harding House	Theatre	TBC	TBC	Limelight
7 Roald Dahl Activities & BBQ	Family	FREE (Ticketed)	11.00am - 3.00pm	St Mary's Church
7 The Roald Dahl Festival	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Town Centre
7 The Roald Dahl Games	Activity	FREE	1.00pm - 4.00pm	Vale Park
7 Open Mic Night	Music	£2/£4	8.00pm	Limelight
8 Aylesbury-on-Sea	Family	FREE	11.00am - 4.00pm	Kingsbury
8 Summer Sundays	Music	FREE	11.30am - 2.00pm	Market Square
9 Olympic Torch Relay	Family	FREE	TBC	Town Centre
13 Brett Goldstein Grew up in a Strip Bar	Theatre	£8/£10	8.00pm	Limelight
14 The Legacy of Stoke Mandeville - The History of the Paralympic Games (Talk & Tour)	Adult	£10	2.00pm - 3.30pm	Museum
14 Summer Reading Challenge Launch	Family	FREE	TBC	Aylesbury Library
14 Fundraising Ceilidh	Fundraiser	£10	8.00pm	Limelight
15 Summer Sundays	Music	FREE	11.30am - 2.00pm	Market Square
21/22 Aylesbury Music Festival	Music	FREE	11.00am	Kingsbury
24 Olympic Medals	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
24 Farmers' Market	Market	FREE	9.00am - 2.00pm	Market Square
25 Olympic Torches	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
26 Flags of the Olympics	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
26 Magic Show	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Market Square
27 Summer Funtime Friday	Family	FREE	11.00am - 4.00pm	Friars Square
28 Global Street Beats (45 minute sessions)	Music	FREE	11.30am & 1.00pm	Kingsbury
29 Summer Sundays	Music	FREE	11.30am - 2.00pm	Market Square
31 Circulatory Ceramics	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum

What's on in Aylesbury



AUGUST

1	Breath Taking Mosaics	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
1	Play in the Park	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Vale Park
2	Heart Stopping Patchwork	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
2	Inflatable Fun Day	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Market Square
4	The Wizz	Theatre	TBC	2.30pm & 7.30pm	Limelight
7	Portrait Plates	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
8	Story Sacks	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
9	Landscape 'Glass' Windows	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
9	Superheroes	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Kingsbury
14	Clay Hunters Cups	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
15	Messy Mosaics	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
16	Decorative Oil Lamps	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
16	Animal Petting	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Market Square
21	Under the Sea Fossils	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
22	Jurassic Book Bags	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
23	Kop Hill Climb	Talk (adult)	£10 (adult)	5.30pm - 7.30pm	Museum
23	Salty Sea Monsters	Family	£2.50 (child)	10.00am - 12.00 & 1.00 - 3.00pm	Museum
23	Summer Speeding	Activity	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Kingsbury
28	Paralympic Flame Festival	Family	FREE	5.00pm - 10.00pm	Town Centre
28	Farmers' Market Summer Special	Market	FREE	9.00am - 2.00pm	Town Centre
30	Magic Show	Family	FREE	11.00am - 3.00pm	Market Square

Bucks County Museum Jubilee Celebrations



Come and join the celebrations at the County Museum over the Jubilee weekend and half term week, when the Museum and Roald Dahl Children's Gallery will be open every day, including Sunday, from 2nd to 9th June.

Enjoy two Jubilee Queens, a special exhibition celebrating the visits of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II to Bucks. There's plenty for families to enjoy too, with drop-in activities on 5th, 6th and 7th June, including designing commemorative plates and souvenir hankies. There will also be a trail around the Museum during the week for children to hunt the royal crowns and Jubilee goody bags containing treats and quizzes.

For further details of any of the events, please contact:

St Mary's Church - 01296 437641 • Queens Park Centre, incorporating the Limelight Theatre - 01296 424332
 Friars Square Shopping Centre - 01296 483169 • Hale Leys Shopping Centre - 01296 429800 • Aylesbury Library - 0845 2303232
 Buckinghamshire County Museum - 01296 331441 www.buckscc.gov.uk/museum
 Aylesbury Town Council - 01296 425678 www.aylesburytowncouncil.gov.uk
 Aylesbury Town Centre Partnership - 01296 585880 e: tcm@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk

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ST MARY THE VIRGIN – AYLESBURY - LETTING FEES 2012

Use of Church for Concert:

Rehearsal or set-up time £40.00 per hour
 Public time £65.00 per hour

Use of Church for Private Event or Public Meeting:

Rehearsal or set-up time £35.00 per hour
 Public time £60.00 per hour

Use of Church for Meeting:

Chapter House – Commercial £30.00 per hour
 Chapter House – Charity £20.00 per hour
 Upper rooms £15.00 per hour

Additional Facilities:

Use of grand piano or digital piano £40.00 Tuning of piano £45.00
 Use of electronic organ £35.00 Use of kitchen £15.00
 Supplying tea & coffee £0.50 per person

Caretaker extra hours for resetting, set-up and making ready for Sunday services £12.00 per hour.

St Mary's can also arrange to supply flowers, entertainment or buffets for your events.

Any additional facilities to be agreed with the Education & Events Co-ordinator, the Parish Administrator, the Director of Music and the Rector.

Please note that the fees listed do not cover subsequent PRS fees relevant to a particular event.

Contact Kim Hopping, Education & Events Co-ordinator
 St Mary the Virgin, Aylesbury 01296 437641





AYLESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

PROMS IN THE PARK

Saturday 1st September 2012
Vale Park, Aylesbury

Picnic from 6.30pm Concert starts 7.15pm

Aylesbury's answer to the world famous concert
– classic British anthems performed by Aylesbury Concert Band.

Flags, glowsticks and other merchandise available on the Aylesbury Town Council stall, with hot drinks and snacks also on offer.

The event aims to **raise money for the two Mayor's charities** for 2012-13, so please give generously!



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