



**SLIP END & DISTRICT PARISH NEWS**  
**NOVEMBER 2009**      **SOP WHERE SOLD**





*A very happy picture of Madelene Gains taken whilst on holiday in Barbados—in her favourite position at the organ. How cruel this world can seem at times when we lose another dear friend from the village. More details inside.*



*Esther takes the 'mike' at the recent meeting in the Village Hall and learns just how passionate its Parishioners become when under threat!*



*Stan the Man (David Stanfield) brings some joy to a young lad at one of the England qualifying matches for the World Cup at Wembley. The youngster took a shine to David's outfit of St George which he readily handed over to him. Well done Dave*

# The Parish @ Large

## SCHOOLS

Slip End Lower: 720152  
Caddington Village School: 726058  
Streetfield: 613421  
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## SPORT

Bowling Club: 412506  
Tennis: 733253  
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Village Hall: 723109  
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*'Angel of the North'*

Madelene who died recently after a very short illness was a friend to all and always had a welcome smile for anyone she met. She was born in Wakefield and grew up in the pit village of Grimethorpe. She went to a Convent School and learned to play the piano whilst growing up, travelling to her music teacher on the Moors, which held her in good stead for later life. She loved her music.

She was training to be a secretary when she first met Barrie at one of the dances at the local Mecca and several years later in March 1966, they married and set up their first business together within a week—at a fish and chip shop in South Kirby. They stayed there for four years and their first daughter Michelle was born there. When the pits started closing they decided to move South and Barrie took a job at Oaklands Agricultural College in St Albans. Their second daughter Maria was born shortly after. About 35 years ago they made the move to Slip End and into their new home in Crawley Close. Madelene settled into family life with ease, whilst doing all the secretarial work for Barrie who travelled all over the country with his tiling skills. Their family

grew as Christopher and then Gemma were born. Madelene was the ultimate multi-tasker but always had time for others. She began to work part-time at the Half Moon approximately twenty years ago and has seen many of the youngsters from the village come and go, training and helping them whilst they learned their jobs. She was great friends with Linda Stanfield and between them they would provide much laughter at the pub, and there are many who will miss the joy and warmth of the atmosphere whenever they were together. We can but imagine the two of them back together now and enjoying each others company. Madelene had a very real faith and would help anyone. She was loving and giving and a selfless mother. Her children clearly adored her. She was always there to serve and to help others in a quiet and unassuming way and we will all miss her. Madelene used her talents to play the organ and piano at St Andrew's, East Hyde Church, Farley Hill Church, Woodside Nursing Home and even at Slip End School when they needed a pianist. She was so faithful with helping at the school throughout the years whilst her children grew up that she was presented with a long service award once they had left. She was also a Verger at church and helped with the Sunday School as well as playing the organ for weddings. Her cakes were a delicious bonus and she provided them for special occasions, more recently to raise funds for the church roof. She was very generous and very giving and a real family person. When her grandchildren came along, Madelene was extremely proud of them all. Charlotte and Emily to Michelle, Daniel to Christopher and little Jack to Maria. So many people will miss this lovely lady—and here are just a few reasons why.

#### *Memories of Maddy from her friends*

‘She was one of the few people of whom you could genuinely say didn't have an enemy in the world. She never gave anyone any reason to dislike her; everything she did was for the benefit of others.

She was always cheerily willing to help somebody else; filling in when someone was ill or just didn't turn up. She was an excellent baker and gave her skills freely. She couldn't always give a lot of money, but she could bake cakes and she gladly gave her time and her talent. She will be much missed by all at St Andrews. She was always so considerate. I remember mentioning how much I liked rhubarb and the next time we met she had a big bundle of it from her garden! She never pushed herself forward or tried to get attention but contributed in lots of different areas of church life. One song that sticks with me is "Blessed Assurance". The chorus is "This is my story, this is my song, praising my Saviour all the day long". That's Maddy.

God gives all of us some gifts to be used in our daily lives. Madelene's were plain to see; she was cheerful and hardworking and very kind. The sort of person that made you feel better after you had spoken to her, even for just a few minutes. It is easy to take such people for granted; they make being good and kind look as if it were easy. How sad it is to think that Madelene, who used to light up so many lives, wherever she went, is no longer with us. How important it is to remember that we need to do our part to make the world a better place, as Madelene so clearly did, and how important it is that we never take people for granted. She was a good friend and neighbour and always had a happy smiling face. We miss her so much and will never forget her'.

**"Surely goodness and mercy will follow  
me all the days of my life and I will dwell  
in the house of the Lord forever"**

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### **JULIE & RON FLASHMAN**

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Julie and Ron celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on the 17th October with a long weekend away at Thoresby Hall Hotel and Spa in Nottingham. Their friends at St Andrew's Church also had a surprise get together after the church service on 11th October with a delicious cake and buffet.



Julie and Ron were married at Blenheim Crescent Baptist Church off Biscot Road, Luton in 1959 and settled into married life at Biscot Mill. Later they moved to Sundon Park and approximately ten years ago moved to Pepperstock in Slip End. In 1992 Julie was licensed as a Reader at Sundon and is now an emeritus Reader licensed to the Bishop. She has served St Andrew's Church for many years and Ron has been a tower of strength there also, helping out on many occasions with work inside and outside the church whilst also singing with the music group. They have two children, Michael who lives in Devon and Caroline who lives in Northampton and five lucky grandchildren. Julie and Ron make a wonderful couple and are always helping others, and nothing is too much trouble for them.

We wish them both a wonderful celebration of fifty years of marriage and may you have many more years together.

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**ALEY GREEN METHODIST CHURCH**

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*Services and Diary dates for November*

<b>Sunday 1st</b>	11.00am	Morning Service – Junior Mission for All All age service led by Mrs Jo Prowse. To include the blessing of our Link Romania Shoe Boxes
<b>Tuesday 3rd</b>	10.00am	‘Cakes & Company’ Coffee Morning
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	10.45am	Our Church & Sunday School will be joining the village Remembrance Service led by Rev Ruth Pike at All Saints Caddington
<b>Tuesday 10th</b>	7.30pm	Bible Study with Rev. Bob Forrest
<b>Wednesday 11th</b>	7.30pm	Coffee Evening in aid of LWPT
<b>Saturday 14th</b>	10.30am/ 1.30pm	Brunch & Browse
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	11.00am	Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner All age service with Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	11.00am 11.00am	Morning Service – Rev Bob Forrest Sunday School
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	11.00am 11.00am 3.00pm	Morning Service – Rev Raymond Garfoot Sunday School Ecumenical Service at The Baptist Church Led by Rev. Jane Gilpin
Monday 30th	7.30pm	Fellowship Meeting Led by Mike Bull followed by a Farewell Supper for Rev Jane Gilpin

Firstly we would like to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who supported our fundraising events in September & October. We brought a whole new meaning to the saying, ‘A Nine Day Wonder’, when at five events in nine days; we raised £1077.25 for our four chosen charities. The stall at the Village Show raised £162.00 for Action for Children, and the Coffee Evening & pew envelopes £121.50 for Methodist Relief & Development Fund. A bright sunny day ensured we had lots of people at our Macmillan Coffee Morning, resulting in £591.55 for a really good cause. Finally at our Harvest Auction for Water Aid, we raised £302.50. Our Autumn Fayre was well attended and we were pleased to welcome lots of village and circuit friends, £876.00 was raised to help with the running of our Church. A new venture will be ‘launched’ on Tuesday 3rd November when we begin our monthly coffee mornings - Cake & Company. Our doors will be open to young and older folk alike. There will be free drinks & biscuits, a

warm safe area for small children to play and time to chat over a cuppa. As always cakes, preserves & books will be on sale. Come and join us. This months Coffee Evening will be in aid of Leaders of Worship & Preachers Trust, there will be a selection of candles for sale, so come along and stock up for Christmas.

Saturday 14th November is the date for our second annual Brunch & Browse. Bacon Butties, Sausage Sarnies & Jacket Potatoes are on the menu. and to help you through the long Winter evenings there will be books, videos, puzzles & pictures for sale. Come along and pick up a bargain or two.

*Father make us kind and wise - so we may always  
recognise*

*The blessings that are ours to take – The friendships  
that are ours to make*

*If we but open our hearts door wide – and let the  
sunshine of love inside*

Love & prayers from all at Aley Green

*From Ann Meader*

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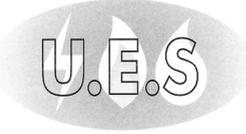
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9 Markyate Road, Slip End*

## SLIP END TAKES ON BUSHWOOD GREEN

It was good to see so many people turn out for the public meeting on the 9th October in the Village Hall. Bushwood Green is a proposed scheme to build up to 5,500 houses, a 20,000 seat stadium plus other facilities all over 800 acres of our Green Belt. Richard Stay opened the meeting and with information from Ken Crossett we learned about the devastating effect that this proposal could have on our small village. There were representatives from Luton, Qurban Hussain, Lib Dem, Nigel Huddleston, Tory Candidate and Esther Rantzen, Independent Parliamentary Candidate for Luton South. Nigel wanted more done to use brownfield sites available around Luton and Esther felt it was important that a meeting was arranged with the developers to see what they really wanted



Chair of Caddington Council Tony Hansen also spoke and told us about the meeting at Caddington recently which agreed with Slip End views. Esther seemed very 'at ease' with her interviewing skills and was obviously used to being 'in charge'.

The decision to fight the proposed Luton West development will be costly and the fighting fund has already been set up. The new Action Group has to establish with the 'powers that be' that nothing should be built

on our Green Belt which is the country's lungs and is the buffer that keeps us a rural village. This is non negotiable. The Action Group will need to be financed and as it begins its work, fund raising activities will get into full swing. The first of these is the sale of T shirts to put across the Green Belt message. The shirts are being sold at only £5 each in the shop and profits are going to the fund. Parish News fashion department was invited to the launch where they over heard it said "these designer garments will be the fashion must have around Slip End Parish this autumn". Two local residents are pictured here modelling the T shirts.



After the public meeting, a local resident was considering the task ahead and summed it up by paraphrasing as follows: The dark clouds of the Developer are gathering over Luton and soon we must rise up to meet the foe. Never before, in the history of the Parishes of Slip End and Caddington have we had to face up to such an onslaught of bricks and mortar. We will fight them in Parliament, at public inquiries and in the halls of power, on the internet and in the media. We will fight them on the roads, in the fields, ditches and hedgerows. All we can promise is toil, sweat and tears until victory is secured: and if these two great Parishes should last for a thousand years, people will say, THIS, WAS THEIR FINEST HOUR. The battle for Slip End and Caddington has begun.



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## ***BUSHWOOD GREEN UPDATE***

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Following proposals to build an urban extension called Bushwood Green across 800 acres of Green Belt in the Parishes of Caddington & Slip End by a developer called Luton & Central Bedfordshire Economic Development Partnership, your Parish Council along with Cllr Ruth Gammons and myself arranged for two public meetings, one in Caddington on the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept and a second in Slip End on 9<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Over 500 residents attended those two meetings and demonstrated strong opposition to this development by an almost unanimous vote and the desire to fight it with every means at our disposal. A long list of volunteers was collected at the meetings and the Chairmen of the Parish Councils along with your Central Beds Councillors will be organising a meeting of those volunteers with a view to forming an action committee which will take the protest forward.

Since the public meetings a number of things have happened. There has been a great deal of pressure building from the developers to drop the opposition and to persuade the villagers that this is all about a new community that will enhance and protect our villages. This is probably the worst case of spin I have ever seen. Let there be no doubt that if there is any chance of this development proceeding then we will no

longer be living in a village. We will be part of an urban extension of Luton. We have over 1000 acres of Green Belt between us and Luton. We would lose that protection on over 800 acres.

It remains the case that development West of Luton would be problematic in the extreme, with a potential 5,000 – 10,000 extra vehicle movements at rush hour in an area with already over capacity roads. The scheme proposes 50% of new residents would use public transport, even the best performing towns can not get above 20%. There are 4 major issues with Bushwood Green:

1. It's unaffordable – all the bells and whistles attached to the scheme can not be paid for from the schemes houses
2. It destroys huge areas of Green Belt – therefore the principle is wrong
3. It is unworkable from a transport perspective simply because the infrastructure required is neither proposed nor affordable
4. It is not part of the emerging core strategy for the growth area

We believe we have a clear mandate from the village to fight this threat all the way, but we can only do that with your help. You need to write to the Joint Technical Unit (the people planning the overall growth area) and to the local papers.

Several supporters of Bushwood Green are going round trying to pick off individuals and get them to say that they support it by asking if they would like a new swimming pool or a rugby pitch. Those people don't come from the village and it does smack of a rather desperate and unprofessional approach when they rely on evidence such as "I spoke to a lad in Caddington who said he would love to have a new community centre"

*Richard Stay*

*(photo overleaf taken at Slip End shows the overwhelming support to fight the proposal)*

**Late News**—Charity Jumble Sale at Slip End Village Hall on Sunday 6th December

### **HARVEST GIFTS TO THE ELDERLY**

On Monday 5th October a team of helpers arrived at the church to sort and distribute the wonderful harvest goods that had been donated by Slip End School and the congregation of St Andrew's.

Gifts were packed to take to the elderly, sick and disadvantaged people in our area. A box of harvest gifts was taken to Woodside Home and some of the larger items delivered to NOAH, for the homeless. Many thanks to all who contributed gifts and to those who helped sort, deliver and clear up the church and a special thanks to 'Little Stars' who decorated the boxes.

Many thanks again to all who donated gifts—it means a lot to the villagers who receive the boxes of harvest



*some of the gifts ready to be delivered*

## **Planning for Real event**

Have your say on the future of Slip End Parish

Drop into the Village Hall, Slip Ed on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November between 3 and 7.30pm.

**All Welcome**

**Free Refreshments.**

**Free Raffle & Spot Prizes**

*Give us your ideas of what you feel needs changing or enhancing in the area.*

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**Village Hall on**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> December 7.15—8.00**



**For ages 13 and over**

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Ruth Gammons



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Richard Stay



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preferably local although some things can be posted.

## ST ANDREW'S ROOF APPEAL

"The scaffolding has gone up to start phase 1 of the repairs to the St Andrews church roof and these works will last until the end of February. Unfortunately, the cost of the works was well above the architect's estimate. So the church is continuing to raise funds for the remaining, internal works that are needed.

The church will remain fully open during the works, but parts of the graveyard will be no go areas for churchgoers and the general public, particularly in and around the scaffolding. If you are visiting St Andrews, please take additional care, especially if you have children with you. Construction sites can be dangerous places."

Chris Barnes

**Services & Events in November**

*Midweek Communion take place monthly at two venues in Slip End, details from Joy*

Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.30am	Family Communion
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Little Stars meet in the Family Room
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Woodside Home Service ( Remembrance)
	7.30pm	Remembrance Rehearsal in Church
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday Service
	6.15pm	3;16 meet in the Family Room
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Little Stars meet in the Family Room
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Footsteps meet in the Family Room
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Holy Communion Service / Shoebox Sunday & Blessing
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	PCC meet in the Family Room
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Little Stars meet in the Family Room
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Craft Evening in Family Room (For Roof Fund)
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30-3.00	Healing in the Power of the Spirit at St Marys
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30am	Morning Praise with Baptisms
	6.15pm	3;16 meet in the Family Room
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Little Stars meet in the Family Room
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	7.45 pm	Deanery Synod meeting in St Andrews Church
	8.00pm	Footsteps meet in the Family Room
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm	Woodside Home Service
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Family Christmas Event with Ploughmans Lunch
	7.30pm	Peter Scrivener Concert in St Andrews Church
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Advent Morning Praise

**Harvest Supper**

We were sorry that due to very sad circumstances, this popular event was cancelled.

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Sue Lyons Tel: 414162      *Many thanks for your support.*

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We have over the years enjoyed a good relationship with our near neighbours in the village. Recently we have instigated changes to our bus services and I wanted to write to you to share these.

Opposite is our registered service timetable which we will be operating throughout the year. To make things easier for villagers we will also be collecting and dropping passengers at bus stops along our route. We will collect and drop passengers at the bus stops in Grove Road near the traffic lights in the centre of the village. We will also stop on request at the stops by the motorway bridge on Church Road and at the stops by the Holiday Inn Express at the airport.

As we now run a registered service we are required to charge passengers for this service but we have kept the fares as low as practical with a £1 adult single fare and concessionary fare of 50p for children and OAP's. This is significantly lower than fares for comparable journeys in the area and I trust the villagers will appreciate the service we can provide.

Any villager wishing to use our service should simply flag down one of our buses at these stops and we will be happy to carry them and their luggage to the airport.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if there are any further questions

*Laurence Lowery*

*Luton Location Manager, Airparks Services Limited*



IN FLANDERS FIELDS by John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place: and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die

**WE SHALL NOT SLEEP,  
THOUGH POPPIES GROW  
IN FLANDERS FIELDS.**

### Why do we wear a poppy during November?

Throughout the world the poppy is associated with the remembrance of those who died in order that we may be free, but how many of us are aware of the reason of how and why the poppy became the symbol of remembrance and an integral part of the work of the Royal British Legion?

Flanders is the name of the whole western part of Belgium. It saw some of the most concentrated and bloodiest fighting of the First World War. There was complete devastation. Buildings, roads, trees and natural life simply disappeared. Where once there were homes and farms there was now a sea of mud - a grave for the dead where men still lived and fought. Only one other living thing survived. The poppy flowering each year with the coming of the warm weather, brought life, hope, colour and reassurance to those still fighting.



# CRAFT EVENING

*Family Room, St Andrews Church*

*Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009*

*7pm - 9pm*



*Shop early for Christmas!*

Crafts on sale include - Cards, Wrapping paper

Home made candles, hand cream and  
beeswax polish

Hand made glass/fabric/wooden  
beaded necklaces

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Refreshments available.

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It was good to call in on the Chatty Club the other week with my friend Janet and see just what they get up to on a Tuesday afternoon. The ladies and gentlemen were tucking into some delicious sandwiches, sausages and cake washed down with mugs of tea or coffee and all seemed to be having a great time. There seemed to be lots to catch up on and chat about—could it have been the future musical that they are going to see soon at the Harpenden Public Hall in November or it may have been the possibility of some visiting firemen in the pipeline to talk about their work. Lily told me about the next big event at the Rising Sun which will take place on Saturday November 28th. All the village children are invited to a Christmas party which will start at 5pm. The ‘lights’ switch on will take place after tea at around 6.30pm.

Lily will be serving up Christmas dinners soon so make sure you book a table to enjoy some of her delicious cooking. On Christmas Eve Lily will be providing a finger buffet and music—if its anything like last years, it will be a great night.

Not only does the Chatty Club enjoy a mouth-watering lunch on a Tuesday they even get the chance to win a bottle of wine with a free raffle ticket. Lucky Dot Reid was the winner on the day I visited and apparently it isn't the



first time she has won either! Well done Dot and hope you and Tom enjoyed it.

We decided to pop in again recently to see how they were getting on and not only was Sarah Minnighan there showing them the details of the Chatty Club now available on the Slip End website — [www.slipend.co.uk](http://www.slipend.co.uk) our Community Police also dropped in for a visit. Claire and Wesley chatted to the members and answered queries they had whilst also enjoying a cup of tea.

*Sue Briggs*



*(Chatty Club meets on a Tuesday at 2 p.m. at The Rising Sun. If you are over 55 and keen to make new friends, why not drop in for a visit—it's well worth £2)*



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### What You Asked Us To Do

- Tackle inconsiderate parking, around Caddington Village School
  - Slip End – Speeding, Front Street & Church Road
- Neighbourhood Issue**
- Speeding - Lower Harpenden Road, East Hyde

These are the priorities that have been identified through consultations with your local neighbourhood for the period October - December.

### News Update

Overall, crime in the area has seen a reduction of 12% when compared to the same three month period last year. With regards to anti-social behaviour in Caddington on Friday/Saturday nights van crews (Operation Lead) have been out and about patrolling the area and dealing with any incidents. As a result there has been a significant drop in the amount of incidents.

Rushmore Park once again has seen signs of drug use and empty alcohol bottles left lying around. We urge those responsible for littering to be more considerate to other users of the park. With regards to the drug use, officers have attended the park and arrests have been made. Officers will continue to patrol this area and further arrests will be made if anyone is found with drugs.

The SOS (Stepping out Safely) programme in the Lower Schools will begin again for this year. This involves having a brief discussion with the Reception year about road safety. We also talk to Years 1 and 2 who takes part in an exercise walking to the roadside to discuss road safety in more detail with them. A new initiative we are hoping to start alongside the SOS, is Seatbelt Sergeant. This is an interactive programme in which we will be working with Year 4's. The idea behind this is to educate the children into ensuring that seatbelts are used at all times.

Halloween and Fireworks Night are fast approaching and we would just like to remind children to show respect for the elderly and not to go knocking on their doors, also to go trick or treating with an adult and not to go to strangers houses. The throwing of objects, i.e. eggs and flour at people or at property can be dangerous and is also a criminal offence.

With regards to fireworks, it is an offence for anyone under the age of 18 to have a firework in their possession; it is also an offence to throw fireworks. Police officers will be patrolling the area and will take action on any complaints made.

### What We Are Doing

What we are doing/have done to tackle our priorities and the results we have achieved.

**Speeding in Caddington** – Random speed checks were carried out along various roads throughout the village. The information has been collated and passed onto the Speed Reduction Officers. Posters for Wheelie Bins encouraging drivers to reduce their speed were distributed to residents along the problematic roads. In addition high visibility patrols were carried out.

**Speeding East Hyde** - Speed checks have been carried out in Hyde by both the SNT team and the mobile camera units.

**Inconsiderate Parking** - Parents are risking youngsters' safety by parking inconsiderately when dropping off/picking up children from school. Outside a school yellow zigzag markings are shown. No vehicles should park on the zigzags or even stop to set down passengers whilst the restrictions are in force. Check the times of the restrictions on the nearby yellow time plates.



### Crime Prevention

As the dark nights begin to close in, opportunist thieves will be preparing to take advantage of the fact that perhaps we are not being as security conscious as we could be. Remember Prevention is better than Cure!!!!

When you go out consider leaving a light on or a radio tuned in to a talk show to make it look as if someone is home. Make sure you double lock your doors. Please contact us if you would like any crime prevention advice.

### Parish Council Meetings

#### Caddington Parish Council Meeting Sports & Social Club

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – 7.30pm
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December – 7.30pm

#### Slip End Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – 7.30pm
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#### Hyde Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall

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Here we are with Autumn term well under way at SELS and a very big welcome to all the new children who started at the school last month. As always there is a lot happening at the village school including some upcoming events that the whole community can enjoy.

Firstly, a quick round up of the recent events from the past few weeks since term began.

**Harvest Festival:** Thank you to all of you who donated produce to our Harvest Festival celebration. A special assembly was held where each class sang their beautifully rehearsed harvest songs for the parents, family and friends who attended. All the gifts of food were passed onto St Andrew's church where, along with their own donations, ensured all the produce was distributed in the community.

**Sponsored Sports Challenge:** Planet Sport, who provide our PE coaching and after school football, held a sponsored sports challenge at SELS. The children came dressed in their favourite kit or as their favourite sports personality. During the afternoon various activities took place such as a penalty shoot out, basketball and a balancing challenge. Lots of healthy fun and a chance to raise some funds through sponsorship. Thank you to all who supported this effort.

**Pottery Classes:** A group of parents and children have been enjoying a new pottery course after school on Tuesday afternoons. Run by Sparks, the Adult Community Education Department, this 6 week course has brought out the creative talents of the adults and children alike. From clowns to dragons and pots to plaques, there have been lots of fun projects for everyone to try making. Who knows there could be a new cottage industry in the village! Thanks to Julia from Sparks for being so patient and encouraging to all her pupils. For more information on adult courses you can contact Angela Evans on 07818 576853.

**Drumming Workshop:** the older children took part in a drumming workshop recently and had the chance to try their hand at African drumming as well as seeing an inspirational demonstration of how it should be done.

**Friendship Bench:** A friendship bench has been donated by FoSELS for the playground. This is a special bench for any child who feels lonely or sad at playtime to go and sit there. The "Playground Buddies" who are assigned each week, will then go and make sure they are OK and cheer them up. It's just one of the ways the school encourages kindness and caring in the children.

**Fire Brigade Visit:** Finally in our news round up, there was also an exciting visit from the local fire brigade who came to see year 2 for a talk on fire safety. Of course no visit would have been complete without the chance to see their fire engine!

**FoSELS News** The school PTA is hard at work as usual planning events and activities for the children and wider community to enjoy. Coming up soon is a family film night and disco on the 21<sup>st</sup> November. We hope you will come along and enjoy a night out and support our efforts.

This year we are taking a break from the usual Christmas Fair but have instead planned afternoon tea with Santa. Many of you who came to last year's fair will have met Santa and this year we are having an afternoon of fun and games to allow the grown ups some extra shopping time while the children enjoy his company. See opposite for more details, and book early as he is sure to be popular.

Finally an appeal to those of you who feel they could spare some time to help with our fund raising and events. FoSELS is in need of some new members who would be willing to help with our efforts over the coming year. If you feel you could be part of FoSELS then please contact Tracey on 07767 731187.

Latest news from [www.slipend.beds.sch.uk](http://www.slipend.beds.sch.uk).



As featured on the inside front cover, Stan (David Stanfield) with his new young friend Ben pose for a group photo with some more lads from the village—Ross Horne, Liam, Paul and friend Ade (from Germany). They are all true England supporters and follow the team all over the world. The picture was taken at Wembley when England played Slovenia— in a World Cup Qualifier match which they won 2-1. Come on England!

It's nice to hear how thoughtful some supporters can be and I am sure that Stan made Ben's day with his very kind gesture of giving his outfit to him, and hope he has now managed to get himself another St George outfit.

*Editor*



*Ben and Stan*

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### **THANK YOU**

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It was good to receive the following compliment from ex-residents Dave and Angela Spurr who used to live in Claydown Way but moved quite a number of years ago. They still manage to keep in touch with friends here and have the Parish News sent to them.

'Thank you to all who contribute to the Parish News, it is very much appreciated by us ex-residents; there is still obviously a thriving village life in Slip End; so much going on and so many people contributing and helping. The Village Day seems to have grown and become very successful'

All the best to you all,

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Parish News has been asked to cover more local environment and nature matters. This seems like a good idea, so while you are out and about or walking the dog, keep your eyes open for anything interesting in the lanes, fields and hedgerows. Some months ago a Red Kite was spotted in the Parish: have there been further sightings? What about the small birds in the garden or around our buildings,? Has anyone seen badgers, foxes, deer, bats, etc. or fungi in the fields or woodlands? Do we have anything special or unusual here?



We know of quite a few in the area who are interested in what happens in the world of nature here, so drop us a line from time to time and we'll report

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**SHOEBOX SUNDAY**

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St Andrew's will be making up shoeboxes with ZJB children on 15th November for Operation Christmas Child and hearing about the work of Samaritan's Purse at 10.30am. If you would like a leaflet to do your own box contact Sue Briggs, Editor or St Andrew's Church. The finished shoeboxes will be blessed by the vicar before they are collected to begin their long journey to Eastern Europe.

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*Hilary*

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**LAUGHTER**

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One Sunday, Shane walked into a church and knelt down at the altar and began to pray asking God to let him win the lottery as he owed a lot of money to people. After he had prayed he got up and walked out. The next Sunday he did the same again pleading with God to let him win the lottery. The following Sunday Shane entered the church and was very upset this time. He knelt at the altar and began to pray. "God I am desperate". He said. "Why aren't you answering my prayers. I have no food for my family, I have bills to pay and people asking for the money I owe them. I've prayed and prayed and asked you for some help by letting me win the lottery but still have nothing?"

Suddenly there came a loud bang of thunder and God spoke, "Shane, you must at least meet me halfway: Buy a ticket!"

*(taken from Norfolk village magazine)*

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## **ALLOTMENTS AND GARDENS**

Usually November means the hard frosts have started and it's time to harvest winter cabbages and cauliflowers. Sticking with the brassicas, the Brussels sprouts should be starting. You are allowed to eat them on other days as well as Christmas day!

Leeks should be about ready, just take what you need and leave the rest to stand until required. You could still be harvesting celery and celeriac, kale and kohlrabi as well as turnips, swedes and spinach. The carrots should come up for storage now, either in peat or sand or even a traditional clamp.

Parsnips will stay in the ground but if the weather turns really cold, you need to cover them or you will not be able to take them from frozen ground. Jerusalem artichokes will be available and you can start on Salsify and Scorzonera. Salsify is often called the 'vegetable oyster' and properly cooked is a wonderful vegetable.

It's worth checking any vegetables you have in store and removing anything that has started to rot before it spreads. Potatoes especially need to be checked and watch out for slugs that have emerged from a potato to go and damage another one.

### **General Jobs in the Garden**

Digging can continue, when weather allows. Particularly with clay soils, digging when the soil is wet and sticky can do more harm than good. It's also more hard work.

As ground becomes vacant, you can dig it over and spread manure over the surface. Leave the soil roughly dug in large clumps and worms will break these up as they get the manure. The freezing and thawing of water in the soil will cause it to break up finely, becoming easier to handle in the spring.

Ensure compost bins are covered to prevent excess rain leaching the nutrients and to keep some of the heat of decomposition in. The leaves will start to fall very shortly and these

are a valuable resource. Prepare for them by building a leaf mould cage. Very simple to do, you just drive four stakes into the ground and staple chicken netting around to make the cage. Pile in the leaves and leave them alone for a year. You will find the pile reduces, so keep filling the bin as more leaves fall. If you have one those marvellous garden vacuum mulchers that suck up leaves and chop them, you will find the leaves rot down much more quickly.

### **Sowing, Planting and Cultivating**

Time to plant your garlic cloves now. They actually benefit from a period of cold, which prompts growth later. Broad beans can be sowed now to gain an early crop next year. You can also sow some hardy pea varieties such as Meteor. Remember the pigeons will be on the look out for food, so net your brassicas to keep them away. It's worth removing any yellow leaves from your winter brassicas. They are doing no good and encourage diseases.

### **Fruit**

Apples and pears can still be available as are autumn fruiting raspberries. November is a good month to attend to the raspberries, blackberries etc. It's also a good time to plant new canes, adding some compost and 8oz per square yard or 250 grams per square metre of bonemeal to keep them well fed.

Check any young trees are well supported with stakes and ties. You can prune your apple and pear trees now.

Give the greenhouse a good wash down and clean up prior to insulating if you intend to use it through the winter.

*Allotments in the Autumn*



## GARDENING CLUB



*Val Church, Rosemary Wickens, Steve Lyons and Joan Duncombe—the Plant People*

I popped along to the first meeting of the Gardening Club which has been set up by the group formerly known as the Plant People. They are the people who have been responsible for organising the very successful Open Gardens event around the village and the Plant Sale which alternate each year. In the few years it has been running they have successfully raised a large amount for charity.

The main idea of the new Gardening Club is to hold approximately four meetings a year and invite guest speakers along to talk about plants, gardening, etc. There is also the possibility of visits to Gardens perhaps by coach and also smaller gardens nearby, followed by a pub lunch.

This is all in the early planning stages initially and if enough people are interested it could be a very good idea for the village. A small annual subscription may be involved (not agreed as yet) and visits to larger gardens could include friends and family depending on numbers. Help could also be available with gardening problems along with exchange of ideas by other gardeners. A further suggestion was that meetings could take place in different settings—maybe other gardens throughout the year and swap seeds for example.

More help is needed with the Plant Sale and hopefully volunteers will come forward to help grow plants to sell, be involved on the day or even sell raffle tickets.

It was good to see keen and not so keen gardeners at the meeting—folk who just are willing to learn about different plants and maybe grow some vegetables.

Another meeting is going to be planned around January so keep an eye open for the date, which will be featured in Parish News and other locations.

*Sue Briggs*



# SLIP END YOUTH CLUB



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## **PARISH COUNCIL NOTES**

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While Tony Hansen, the Chairman of Caddington Council, and I were working together to arrange the Public Meetings both here and in Caddington, we spoke about the issues affecting the two Parishes. It wasn't long before we realised that while both Parishes need their own Councils none the less there are areas where it could be beneficial to work together, share costs, resources and ideas.

An example of where this could work is with the current initiative we are taking concerning speed enforcement. You will remember the Police have agreed to run a pilot scheme where the Council will pay for an Officer to attend with a radar gun. The cost of this will be £250 for a five hour shift in which we will need to allow for an hour's travel. At the moment the Council is considering setting aside £500 for a trial two visits and if successful we will look at extending the pilot. If Caddington joins with us and feels able to fund a similar amount this would allow for four visits between the two Parishes.

The advantage of the scheme is that it will be in addition to the normal camera van enforcement and we will be able to choose the time and location of the Officer's visits. So far the locations identified are: Markyate and Church Roads, Front Street, Woodside Road around the junctions of Mancroft Road and Manor Road and towards Ruchi. Half Moon Lane is also being considered.

From my point of view, the aim of the scheme is to get the message across to all motorists that it won't matter what time of day or night it is, if you speed in this Parish you are likely to be caught.

A further meeting with the Police will take place this month to finalise the arrangements and I hope Caddington Parish Council will feel able, at its next meeting to join us. I have also been approached by Robin Radford, the Chairman of Kensworth Parish

Council who has similar ideas on joint ventures. We have spoken about the pilot and again if Kensworth joined that would increase further the number of visits.

Steve Fuell and I will also be looking at the Road Safety and educational facilities the police have access to with a view to making use of them. At our last meeting there was an indication that we may be able to have access to the skid pan amongst other things.

The Council is moving into its budget setting process for the next financial year. As always we will be considering the Parish part of the Council Tax in relation to ongoing as well as new expenditure. When completed, the Parish Plan will be concentrating on residents views about new projects; however, all Councillors would like to hear your views on what you would like to see as well as your views on the current level of tax. which raised £37000 this year. Would you prefer to see a reduction in which case please tell us what you would like us to stop doing or pay a little more and if so what on?

*Ken Crossett, Chairman*

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## **VILLAGE DAY 2010**

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The first meeting for Village Day 2010 was held at Ruchi, Woodside (formally The Harrow) on Tuesday 13th October and we are pleased to report that the date for next years Village Day is **Saturday 31st July 2010.**

We are holding meetings each month and would welcome anyone to come along and join in, either to help with the organising or to volunteer their services on the day. Hopefully we will have some new features next year for young children and adults alike. Our next meeting is Tuesday 10th November 2009 at The Frog & Rhubarb at 6.30pm. If you would like to pop along and meet with us then we'd be glad to see you. Otherwise feel free to call Sarah Minnighan on 07868 742 904 for any more information.

10 Years at the Frog and Paul is still coming up with new ideas and ways to improve the place! The beginning of November sees the 10th anniversary of Paul Cooper buying the Frog & Rhubarb. Go along on Saturday 7th November to join in the celebrations. Entry is free and there will be a disco and party nibbles.

Live music at the end of September was provided by 'Banned'. Customers and staff danced until late to a huge selection of music for all ages. After their massive success at Village Day 2009, 'Banned' will be entertaining us at Village Day on 31st July 2010. The Frog's charity race night on the 10th October was a huge success raising £136 for Community Projects Group. This brings the fundraising and donations total at the pub to a massive £5835. Help boost this total further by visiting the pub's quiz night on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month. It's £1 per person donation to Macmillan Cancer Care and you could win 4 main course meals or 4 drinks.

*Photos taken from the charity Race Night*



Our October meeting was well supported and we had a number of visitors, which was very encouraging. After we had sung Jerusalem we had a moments silence in memory of Ethel Price who had been a very active member, helping for many years with the Over 60's group. After our notices and invitations we were introduced to Mr Brian Cookson speaking to us about the Royal British Legion, which was founded in 1921 and provides financial and social support to millions who have served or are still serving in the armed forces. Apparently the Poppy Factory in Richmond produces millions of poppies, as well as wreaths and the petals that fall after the Remembrance Festival at the Albert Hall.



Instead of our usual social time after tea, members gave accounts of their own experiences during the War, some amazing, some very amusing, about sleeping under tables, in cupboards under stairs, some after coming from the shelters in the morning to find their house demolished, only left with the clothes they had on.

There were a number of entries for the competition this month which of course was about poppies. The winner was Jose Marley with a beautiful tapestry.

#### FUTURE MEETINGS

Tuesday	17th Nov	Old Toys
“	15th Dec	It Takes Two

Please come and join in.

*Sheila Coleman.*

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**PASQUE HOSPICE BIRTHDAY BONUS**

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Pat Crick is one of the longer serving members at the W.I and was chosen to cut the birthday cake last month at their celebrations. Pat has been writing the notes for many years about their activities for Parish News and the Caddington Villager. She recently handed the job over to Sheila but well done Pat for all your reporting.

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**LAUGHTER**

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Three sons left home, went out on their own and prospered. Getting back together they discussed the gifts they were able to give to their elderly mother. The first son said, "I built a big house for our mother". The second son said, "I sent her a Mercedes with a driver". The third son said, "I've got you both beat. You know how Mum enjoys reading the Bible and you know she can't see very well? I sent her a large brown parrot that can recite the entire Bible. It took ten theologians ten years to teach him and I have pledged to contribute £10,000 a year to their college. Mum just has to name the chapter and verse and the parrot will recite it." Soon after, Mum sent out her letters of thanks to her sons. To the first—The house you built is lovely but too large. I live in one room but have to clean the whole house. To the second—Lovely car but I'm too old to travel and the driver is so rude. To the third—You were the only son to have the good sense to know what your mother likes. The chicken was delicious.



The Hospice recently received an unexpected birthday bonus. On the 3rd October, Kevin Clark from the Social Club had his head shaved, to mark his 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday and raise money by sponsorship, for the Hospice.

(It had been said in some quarters that he was beginning to go a little bit thin on top already!!) Due to the generosity of members and other locals, £686 was raised and recently sent to the Hospice. It would be an exceptional effort if that figure could be increased, for a very worthwhile cause, to £1000. Anybody who hasn't sponsored Kevin and wishes to contribute may make payment at the Social Club. Thank you.

*Steve Lyons*

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**LITTLE STARS**

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Takes place on Wednesdays at St Andrew's at 10.30am. With the increasing numbers attending Little Stars we now meet in the church - which will be heated for our use. Please don't be put off by the thought of everyone squashing into a small room. I think it may take a little while to out-grow the church! With many thanks, Mary Barker





# Crafts for Christmas

Slip End Village Hall

Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>



10.30 to 3pm



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You are invited to a  
**Family Christmas Crafts Morning**



at St Andrew's Church

Sat 28<sup>th</sup> November 2009 — 10.30 am to 12 noon

Followed by a seasonal buffet lunch 12 noon to 1 pm

Make Christmas decorations to take home and to put on  
our church Christmas tree.

Hear the Christmas story and listen to Christmas carols.

Suitable for children ages 3 to 11

Parents welcome to stay &/or join us for lunch

Under 5's welcome but must have an accompanying adult.



*A donation of £2 each to cover expenses  
would be appreciated (Please include with  
booking form)*



**Family Christmas Craft Morning 28<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

We would like to attend the Craft Morning. Our details are:

Adults' x..... Children x.....

Child's name:-..... Date of Birth .....

Child's name:-..... Date of Birth .....

Address: .....

Contact number on the day (unless a parent stays): .....

Parent's/ Guardian's full name/signature .....

I give permission for our details to be entered on the church database: yes/no

I give permission for my child to appear on group photographs: yes/no

Please indicate any special dietary requirements here so that we can try to  
accommodate them in our choice of food for the buffet. Please also indicate any  
known allergies etc Thank you

Please return this form to Mary Barker at Slip End School / Jill Sanders at  
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**Slip End Lower School**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November - 7.30pm**

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**£5.00 per Family**

**Cash Bar & Tuck Shop**



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**Prizes for the best dressed family!!**

**Go on you know you want to!!!**

**To book your place, please go to the school office with  
 your details and money.**

**Any queries call 01582 720152 or Tracey on 07767 731187**

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M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

**Put out Black Bins & glass on Fridays high-  
 lighted above. On other Fridays, put out Green  
 and Orange Bins, not Black Bins.**

## **DIARY** - *If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor*

### **November**

- 2nd Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm*
- 3rd Cakes & Company coffee morning Aley Green 10.00am*
- 7th Dance at Village Hall 8–11pm  
10th Anniversary—Frog & Rhubarb*
- 8th Remembrance Day Service St Andrew's 10.30am*
- 10th Community Projects Group -from 6.30 for Village Day & 7.30, Venue F & R*
- 14th Aley Green Brunch & Browse 10.30am*
- 15th Shoe Box Sunday with ZJB —St Andrew's blessing of the shoeboxes 10.30am*
- 16th Open Day at Hilary's Plants and gifts. 10–10*
- 17th Women's Institute: 'Old Toys Baptist Church Caddington*
- 19th Craft Evening at St Andrew's - 7- 9pm in the Family Room*
- 21st Slip End School Family Film Night 7.30pm*
- 22nd Crafts for Christmas Village Hall 10.30–3p.m.*
- 27th Planning For Real 2.30–8pm Parish Plan event - All Welcome  
Family Christmas Event at St Andrew's 10.30–12.00  
Rising Sun—Children's Party and 'turning on the Christmas lights'  
Peter Scrivener Ensemble: 'Blues, Ballads & a touch of Soul' at St Andrew's  
Pie Night—Frog & Rhubarb*

### **December**

- 2nd Rave Bus at Village Hall for 13 and over 7.15–8*
- 6th Christingle Service at St Andrew's 10.30am  
Charity Jumble Sale at Village Hall.*
- 7th Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm*
- 8th Community Projects Group - 7.30, at the Social Club*
- 12th Santa Visits Slip End School—afternoon.*
- 13th Bereavement Service at St Andrew's Church 3.00pm*
- 15th Women's Institute Baptist Church Caddington—It Takes Two*
- 20th Children's Nativity Service 10.30am  
Carols by Candlelight—St Andrew's Church 6.00pm*
- 29th Last Chatty Club of the Year at the Rising Sun 2.00pm*



*Twins Oscar and Freya pictured with their mum Emma and dad Nick on the happy occasion of their Baptism on September 27th. Many friends and family were there to join in the celebrations.*



*Julie & Ron Flashman celebrated their Golden Wedding on 17th October and had a surprise party after church on 11th October with their friends from St Andrew's.*



*(More details inside)*

*Pictures of the harvest from the children at Slip End School and St Andrew's. What a picture the Church*

