## DRAYTON CHRONICLE

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#### **Drayton Youth and Amenities**

Of the Christmas cards I received in 2005, my favourite has to be the one signed by many of the youth of Drayton and organised by our Youth Leader, Gary Gibbins. Our Youth gets a fair bit of bad press – some of it is deserved, but not all. What about a regular 'Youth' Column in the Chronicle?

At a meeting with Gary and more than a dozen of Drayton's youth (aged 13-20), I explained that if we were to improve relations between the Youth and the Community of Drayton in general, there had to be a free exchange of views and moans on both sides. If a resident feels that the Youth may be responsible for noise, damage or any other anti-social behaviour, I would ask them to let me know of their concerns. I will relay these to the Youth Group – in return, I will pass on their concerns. So far, I have heard plenty of moans on both sides:-

'Loitering' (bus stop), 'Loafing' (village benches), 'Littering' (the Church entrance), "I blame the parents!"; "We've spent a fortune on facilities but we still get graffiti and vandalism!"; "zero tolerance is what is needed!".

"All they do is moan"; "There's nothing to do!"; "Where are we supposed to go?"; "We get blamed for everything!"

Although I have spent many years teaching the 11-18s, I am not an expert on youth problems. I have, however, spent some time recently reading about problems and possible solutions from all over the UK. I have listened to advice from the Police, Social Workers, Youth Workers and teachers. Some of what I have heard and learnt is presented below:-

Most things that can be said on both sides already have been. Giving the young amenities does not, in itself, solve the problem of anti-social behaviour. Amenities are provided to make life more pleasant for everyone. If they reduce anti-social behaviour — that's a bonus. If the *majority* of the young say they appreciate the amenities, that justifies spending money on them.

There are more outrageous young people with model parents, brothers and sisters than there are whole families of badly brought up children. It is surely desirable to encourage the young to take responsibility for their own actions.

Anyone who has seen the facilities in Sutton Courtenay, will understand a comment made to me by one 'expert' recently that "the village of Drayton has fewer facilities for its young people than any village (of comparable size) in Oxfordshire. We are fortunate that we do not have a far greater Youth problem."

I fear that this is true, and it makes me uncomfortable. It isn't just the young who are short of facilities. Our sports facilities are woefully inadequate and our Village Hall has seen better days. There must be a case for a major fund-raising effort for improved facilities for our sporting & cultural activities. Within the Village we have the manpower and expertise to address these problems - if you would like to be involved in considering solutions, let me or the Chronicle know. *Richard Webber* 

(The rest of Richard's District Councillor column is on page 10)

#### ANITA and CLAIRE'S

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## Drayton Community Primary School Reading Support

At our recent School Governors' Meeting it was agreed with the Head Teacher to seek **assistance** from retired members of the village community to support a very important element of our children's education — namely **reading**. Not wanting to offend, I am not using the word 'elderly' but of course by using the title 'retired' it is obvious I am aiming this request at the **more mature residents** of our village.

Anyone who thinks they qualify, and who has an occasional spare hour or regular weekly time to give, listening to the children read, should please contact the school for further details. By associating yourself with this endeavour you will be in extremely good company. Her Majesty the Queen, to celebrate her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, will be inviting many hundreds of children to Buckingham Palace together with characters from children's books (Bob the Builder, Noddy, Paddington Bear, Harry Potter etc), in an endeavour to highlight the fact that reading is such an important part of our children's education.

The school currently receives welcome assistance from parents, members of the Friends of Drayton School Association and Governors in listening to the children read BUT MORE SUPPORT is always welcome.

By inviting those within our community who are retired we are attempting to achieve a 'double whammy' so to speak. Having seen this very system operating so successfully in other schools at which I have served as Governor I can honestly say that giving the very young contact with the community's 'mature' on a regular basis has so many benefits, bringing about **enormous pleasure to both sides of the generation gap**.

Please, therefore, if you do have the odd hour or regular amount of time to offer, get in touch with the school by phoning (01235) 531316. There is no upper age limit and assistance in getting to the school may be available if necessary.

<u>Thank YOU</u> in advance for supporting your local community primary school in this most important of educational elements.

Jeanette Anderton - LEA Appointed Governor

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### **COMING CHRONICLES**

The April Chronicle will be available for distribution to Area Agents on Friday, March 31st, from Helen Brasington, 1, Cheers Farm, (534045), who should be contacted by any Agents requiring copies additional to their allocation.

The Editor will be **Derek Pooley, 11, Halls Close (559454).** Contributions may be e-mailed (see below), or placed in the Chronicle letter box, outside Vickery's store on Drayton Green,

NO LATER than 5.15 pm on Monday, March 20th 2006.

<u>After this deadline</u>, only items of the utmost urgency may be <u>considered</u> for inclusion (NB No guarantees!), and only then if delivered to the Editor by the following Wednesday.

NB:- Can we politely remind Contributors that the above deadline is exactly that; there seems to be a trend (with increasing use of e-mail) that sending items on Tuesday, Wednesday, (or even later!) is ok. It isn't - editors are busy people, and continually receiving items through the week greatly reduces the time for editing, queries, formatting, printing etc. Is it so very difficult to note the above date, and prepare items by then – not start them?

Editors clear the box from time to time before the deadline. <u>It is a great help</u> when items can be left in the box a few days before the closing date. Some contributors are indeed doing just that, and it really does help. <u>Thank you</u>.

#### **NOTES for CONTRIBUTORS**

All contributions to the Chronicle are most welcome. Be sure to include the name, address and (in case clarification is necessary) telephone number of the author. Contributions can be made:-

1. If you've Internet access, by email to the relevant editor:

Derek Pooley	derek_pooley@talk21.com
David Lee	david_r.lee@ntlworld.com
Tony Holmes	tony-holmes@ntlworld.com

Please remember to check that you soon get a confirmation reply.

- 2. A 3½" disk, in PC format, preferably 'Saved As' WORD. *Please include hard copy* for checking the formatting and *your address* so that the disk can be easily returned. This is STILL an excellent way to receive copy since it removes much of the work necessary in 3 & 4 below, AND should help to eliminate misprints/errors.
- 3. A good, **black typescript** on white A4 paper or smaller. The scanner can read in typescripts and this is still much easier than retyping. IF you prepare text on a PC to print the output and send it to us, thanks, BUT PLEASE SEE 2 above we do return disks, honest!
- 4. Finally, hand-written items. It helps if all names of people and places are spelt out in <u>CAPITALS</u> (thanks to those who do), thus saving mistakes and possible embarrassment. You KNOW who you're writing about, but please don't assume we do too!

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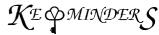
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#### **Daphne Barrand**

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#### Dates for your diary in March :-

Mon 6th 10.30 COFFEE Trudi Buckner, 52 W'horns Way Mon 20th 7.15 WHIST Caudwell D C Jean Taylor, Wed 29th 2.00 MEETING Growing Up in an Oxfordshire Village

The AGM was omitted from the Programme due to a 'Senior Moment' by the person writing this. It will take place in MAY, you will all be delighted to know.

Perhaps one or two people could be persuaded to join us on the committee. It is more of a social event than onerous and we could do with some fresh ideas. Please give it some thought.

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Jean Hager

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There is just one announcement for members. Our AGM will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7 pm in the Caudwell Day Centre and we are all asked to attend as there are some items of particular importance to discuss. Please do try to be there.

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	10.00 am	Sung Eucharist (CW) except 2nd Sunday, when
		a non-Eucharistic Family Service is held.
Mon-Fri	8.15 am	Morning Prayer (CW) in Lady Chapel
Weds	10.30 am	Parents' & Toddlers' Service - Church Room
Thursday	9.30 am	Holy Communion (CW) in Lady Chapel

#### **REGULAR ACTIVITIES**

Sunday	10.00 am	Sunday Pebbles (3rd Sunday)	Church Room
Monday	7.45 pm	Bellringing Practice	Bell Tower
Friday	7.00 pm	Choir Practice (Alt'ate Fridays)	Church Room

#### CALENDAR FOR MARCH

Weds 1st 7.30 pm Holy Communion for Ash Wednesday

Sun 5th 11.15 am Sale of Fair Trade goods

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#### PARISH REGISTER

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As long as earth endures, seedtime and harvest,

cold and heat, summer and winter,

Day and night will never cease

Since then the agricultural cycle has been fundamental to our Modern technology could however render all way of life. of that obsolete if we allow certain types of research to go ahead unchallenged. We have all heard the debates about GM (genetically modified) crops and there have been some strong feelings expressed on both side of the debate. But one aspect of the discussion has gone largely unnoticed. If companies invest millions of pounds in research then they want to protect their investment, so 'Terminator Technology' has arisen, whereby the genetic modification of plants makes them produce sterile seeds. The multinational agribusiness companies want to prevent farmers from saving seeds to replant from one harvest to the next. If farmers have no choice but to buy new seeds every year, the companies are guaranteed large profits.

Most farmers in developing countries do not buy seeds; they save and share seeds from year to year, an age-old custom with the twin benefits that their seeds are adapted to local conditions and are free. Even in developed countries the cost of seed is an issue and if one or two large companies have the patent then the farmers will have to pay the price or have no seed.

Since 2000, biotechnology companies have been prevented from rushing ahead with Terminator Technology by the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). However on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2005 Delta and Pine Land (a multinational company) and the United States Department of Agriculture were granted the first European patent on Terminator Technology. This could well be the first of many because other companies like Syngenta, Dupont BASF and Monsanto are also looking to be given similar patents on their seeds.

This matter is due to be debated in the House of Commons during March under an Early Day Motion number 1300. If you have strong feelings on the subject please contact our local MP Ed Vaizey and express your views to him. If you want more information log on to www.eco-matters.org . Opinion is still divided about GM crops so we need to make sure any technology developed is only used within ethical guidelines. Seedtime and harvest are part of our God-given heritage, a heritage we need to protect for generations to come.

Yours sincerely

Josie Midwinter

### (MORE) ALL AROUND

#### Drayton TODDLER GROUP Jane Nye

First of all, a big hello to all of our new members, babies, toddlers and mums alike! There has been a big influx of new faces in recent weeks and new friendships have been formed over an orange juice or a cup of coffee. The **Village Hall** has become very lively and our **Thursday** mornings have become even more enjoyable. For those of you who are thinking of coming along, mums, dads and carers alike, we run term time between **9.30 and 11.30am**. We look forward to meeting you soon.

We are pleased to be able to tell you that we have been fortunate enough to receive two grants to enable us to buy new resources and equipment. In addition to the two hundred pounds received late last year from the Drayton Youth Charity Trust, we have been awarded another two hundred pounds from the District Liaison Panel for Early Years and Childcare Service. This service is based in Oxford. Our most sincere thanks goes to both organisations for their generousity and support.

Some of the money has already been spent and our children have been reaping the benefit in recent weeks! A big favourite has been the box role play toys and outfits. This includes everything from a fairy outfit, doctors bag to ironing board and brush and mop set. Other treats include a fairground, farm, Megabloks and construction kit. Storage boxes have also been purchased to keep all the toys safely during the week. We have all enjoyed discussing what we should buy, making recommendations from own experiences and, most importantly, seeing the fun that is being had playing with them.

Please may we **remind all members that membership fees are due**, £5 per family, to be passed to Anna as soon as you can. Members are also reminded that it would be greatly appreciated if they could volunteer to be responsible for an arts and crafts activity, anything from painting to playdough, or original ideas of your own! There is a rota on our notice board for members to sign up to say which Thursday morning they are happy to provide the mess and the fun!

Recent discussion over coffee has turned towards the planning of a Mums night out, a chance for members to let their hair down and get to know each other better. Venue and date has yet to be arranged so, for more information, call Anna on 206170, or pop in on Thursday mornings to find out more.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

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#### Letters to the Editor

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#### **DRAYTON W.I.**

#### **Doreen Buckland**

Our February meeting was held in the Caudwell Centre. After the President's report from the federation, we had a very interesting and enjoyable speaker, Mr Tom Hales from Wantage, demonstrating how to make various types of canapes and finger food from China, Indonesia, France, Japan and Italy. All members enjoyed tasting the food.

Our next meeting will be in Drayton Hall, when we will have Dr Bruce Winney from the department of Clinical Pharmacology, at the Radcliffe Infirrnary, talking about DNA testing. Anyone interested is welcome to come along to the meeting that starts at 7.30pm.

This year's Cook, Grow and Sow is in the planning stages, why not start thinking about making something for the show in September.

New members are always welcome, just come along to one of our meetings (usually) in Drayton Hall on the second Thursday of the month.



#### Drayton TWINNING SOCIETY Barbara Bell

As many of you will know, a large group of our French friends arrived in Drayton last August. The visit was a huge success.

This year we have been invited to join them in Lesparre to celebrate Bastille Day. Our visit will commence on 13 July until 18 July 2006. I am sure it will be a weekend to remember!

**If anyone is interested in joining this trip** or is just keen to know more about the twinning please do let us know.

We are holding our **AGM** at the Caudwell Centre on Thurs 16th March. Please join us to find out more about Twinning.

A **Quiz night** at Drayton School is arranged for Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April and a **Midsummer Jazz Evening** on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

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Stir in the lemon juice, nutmeg, sultanas and soured cream, and season to taste. Heat through gently. Serve immediately garnished with parsley. *Lois Rennells* 

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AND to Gini and Rob Harper and their children Isabelle (5 yrs) and Thomas (2 yrs).

Another warm welcome to Dr. Efrat Tseelon, Dr. Soren Riis, & their daughter Milette, who've moved into Binning Close.

Nadine and Ian White have made the move from Abingdon Road to their new home in South West Scotland. They send their best wishes to friends in the village.

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We the Management Committee of Drayton Hall, sadly have had to accept the retirement request of Mrs Day. Dot and her partner Mr Dunsden have been associated with the Hall for a very long time, taking over the bar, then the bookings and housekeeping; we will miss them both.

They will be a hard act to follow, but follow someone must. **Could it be you?** We need a conscientious person, with organising skills and a little time. A knowledge of the Hall and the village would be useful, but not essential, though you would need to live in the village.

WANTED - Drayton Hall is looking for a **new bookings secretary**, you will need a sense of humour, an organised mind, and a knowledge of the Hall and village would be useful. You'll be required to take bookings, send out bills, and organise the diary to keep the Hall running smoothly. Please ring (01235) 531418 for information.

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#### **NOTICEBOARD 1**

#### LONDON FLORA MARATHON 2006

I am sure that many people sit in front of their television screens watching the London Marathon each year and think "I want to be there too!"

Well, we are two ordinary individuals who are hoping to turn this idle thought into reality on April 23rd when we both compete in the 2006 London Marathon.

ABOUT US:- My name is <u>Claire Soper</u> and I have lived on the edge of the village since 1976. This year I celebrate two personal milestones! 30 years of marriage and reaching half a century - neither of which seem possible!

This challenge is my way of celebrating both events and in the process I hope to raise £2,000 for 'Children with Leukaemia'.

My name is <u>Anita Hedditch</u> and I have lived in Drayton since 1996. I work as a Midwifery Sister at the John Radcliffe Hospital and I am hoping to raise £1,000 for a Midwifery Trust that supports the professional development of Midwives.

You may see me out running with our dog, who starts to trail behind me at 6 miles!

#### PLEASE SUPPORT US

We invite you to a MARATHON FUND-RAISING BRING AND BUY SALE at DRAYTON SCHOOL on Saturday APRIL 1st from 11am until 2pm.

Full details of which appear in the Page 1 advert.

If you are unable to attend and would still like to sponsor either of us (please!) we can be contacted as below:-

Claire Soper (531632) claire.soper@oxfordshire.gov.uk and Anita Hedditch (526444) - with online giving at www.bmycharity.com/iolantheanita

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I would like to introduce myself to all your readers. My name is Sue Howlett and I am the new leader of the regular Weight Watchers meeting that meets every Tuesday at the Caudwell Centre, Gravel Lane, Drayton.

The meeting is a great opportunity for all your readers who may feel they have over-indulged over the festive season, or perhaps it is their New Year resolution to be a little lighter, for them to come and join our friendly group.

They will be assured of a warm welcome and go away feeling **informed**, **involved and inspired**. Doors open at 6.30 pm, when members 'weigh in', followed by a short group discussion on the subject of successful weight loss, it is also an opportunity to share ideas and tips etc.

The meeting normally ends at about 7.20 - 7.30pm.

Registration is *normally* £13.95. But, **if you produce a copy of this newsletter** at your first meeting it will be <u>FREE</u>. A weekly fee applies of £4.95 and concessionary fees of £4.25. If readers require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 07813 832847 or feel free to email me at suehowlett7@yahoo.co.uk.

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### **NOTICEBOARD 2**

#### **ED VAIZEY** - Your Local MP

(Editor's note:- Ed sent us a lot of text for this issue, so due to space reasons it's appearing on two pages, see also page 9)

As well as concentrating on local issues it is important for MPs to have a national and international perspective. Some of the issues I intend to concentrate on in this Parliament include the **environment and climate change**.

I am therefore delighted to have been appointed to the Environmental Audit Select Committee. We will be conducting hearings over the next few months on reducing carbon emissions in transport. I would be interested to hear the views of any constituents on this issue. Given our enormous science and nuclear heritage I suspect I am one of the few MPs who can expect to receive many learned contributions.

I also expect to look closely at the Middle East and India. I am particularly pleased to have been appointed to the Conservatives' **Globalisation and Global Poverty Group**. It is chaired by Peter Lilley MP and Bob Geldof will be consulting the group.

My friend (but not necessarily political supporter!) Sjoerd Vogt has set up a **discussion group** on global poverty at http://groups.google.co.uk/groups/mphwantage to let people air their views.

Partly with this in mind I recently visited India; if you would like to hear more about the trip or have **concerns about local issues** like the reservoir, housing or community hospitals then please get in touch (contact & surgery details, page 9).

NB Editor's further note! Readers may like to skip back to page 4, if they missed it, where they are encouraged to contact Ed Vaizey if that's an issue that they feel strongly about (seems to be related to his interests as stated above).

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Please pass my email address and telephone number to any local community environmental project which is well advanced and looking for part of its funding. Applicants may be community groups, parish or town councils.

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Bob Bradshaw (Programme Manager)

#### AN IMPORTANT NEW PUBLICATION

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ABINGDON RESERVOIR AREA (by 'Vale Man') 32 pages, illustrated, price £1.50p.

Outlines the history of the area between East Hanney, Steventon and Drayton proposed for development as a giant reservoir by Thames Water. Describing from Bronze Age times to pre-Enclosure, with the Abbey holdings and royal domains, together with a list old field names which will be lost.

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#### PACE - Thanks!

Once again we must thank the people of Drayton for their very generous and ongoing support of The PACE Centre. Together you have raised a staggering £1,500 for our charity, which will really help to make a difference to the children who come here. Thanks particularly go to Geoff & Marion Dix, The Red Lion, Drayton Football Club and Drayton W.I. And not forgetting the sterling work done by Judy & Derek all year. I hope you've all bought one of Derek's fabulous bird boxes for your gardens!

PACE is a special needs school which teaches an education for life to children with cerebral palsy. Judy & Derek Henman's grand-daughter Natasha will be seven in March, and has been coming to PACE for nearly 4 years. She has been making fantastic progress this year, now able to sit and stand much taller and loves chatting about all her favourite things — one of which is horse-riding which she started earlier in the year. Natasha and her family were particularly thrilled when she won a cup for the most hard-working pupil at Christmas.

Natasha is now working very hard towards the Children's Challenge event on Friday 17th March, when she will be taking part in a fishing game. If you would like to sponsor Natasha for her big day or get involved with any other PACE events, please contact Ruth Dunkin on 01296 395136, or at PACECentre@aol.com. **Thank you again** for your support.

#### **YOUR LETTERS**

#### In Sympathy

Dear Sir,

19 Corneville Road

May we through the Chronicle send our sincere sympathy to the family of Mr Roy Mott, (New Plymouth, New Zealand).

Roy passed away on January 26th, just a few days after his sister, Mrs Nora Cook of Drayton.

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The law locks up the man or woman
Who steals the goose from off the common?
But leaves the greater felon loose
Who steals the common from the goose?

(Anon c. 1800)

This poem was written at the time of the Enclosure Act; but democratic society has come a long way since then, or has it?!

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May I, through the Chronicle, thank all my helpers and those who so generously donated items for me to sell; the grand total was £2,146 for the Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue Service Benevolent Fund.

In May a team of firefighters are travelling to Arizona to take part in the Grand Canyon's Trek, which consists of crossing Bryce Canyon, Zion Canyon and the Grand Canyon, by foot, mountain bike and raft. The funds we have raised will go towards the trip.

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Mrs Betty Krason.

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#### **ED VAIZEY - Your Local MP**

We have all read about water shortages in the south east, and the need to save water. Our part of the world is threatened by a huge reservoir precisely for that reason. So I have decided to do my bit. I recently called in Thames Water to give me some pointers. They discovered I had been wasting up to 300 litres of water a day! That's 100,000 litres a year – enough to provide water for 500 homes for a day.

Rapid action has now been taken to stem the flow. Due to the survey I have already fixed a dripping bathroom tap, saving 252 litres of water a day. Lesson: don't ignore a dripping tap! And I have installed **water-displacement devices in the cisterns of my two loos** – meaning I use less water when I flush, saving 30 litres a day.

They also alerted me to **simple water saving tips for all homes**, such as:- ensuring the dishwasher and washing machine are always fully loaded before use; turning the tap off when brushing teeth and shaving; taking a short shower, rather than a bath; rinsing fruit and vegetables in a bowl of water, rather than under a running tap; using a water butt to save rain water for the garden; and fitting a trigger to the garden hose to avoid leaking.

The savings were a real eye opener, it's sometimes easy to think that individual efforts won't make any difference, but clearly they do.

If you need to get in touch with me, write to me at the House of Commons, London SW1A OAA, e-mail me on vaizeye@parliament.uk or telephone 020 7219 6350; The Website is <a href="www.vaizey.com">www.vaizey.com</a> with up to date news and surgery details:-

There is no need to book an appointment (times are from 5.30 pm unless stated) 10 Mar:- Grove, Old Mill Hall, Old School Lane.

### YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

#### Reservoir

This is, without doubt, the big issue. We may have different views on how to treat the Youth of the Village, on how to deal with today's traffic problems, on whether or not we need shops and pubs, but we cannot avoid the fact that if we get our approach to the possibility of the largest man-made stretch of water in Europe on our doorstep wrong, we are going to be blamed by the people of Drayton for many generations to come. **Please let me, or the Chronicle, know your views**.

#### **Heating Grants**

With public funds becoming ever more squeezed by a cost conscious central government, it seems inevitable that emergency grants take some weeks to process. This is little comfort to those that really need help because in the depth of winter, their boiler / heating system has broken down. What I have discovered in my first winter as District Councillor, is that funding is indeed available and I very much hope that those who think they are eligible continue to apply for this funding.

#### **Drayton Trusts - A Directory**

Paul Knight, (Parish Council Chairman for the past 12 years – surely, some sort of honour is due!) tells me that there are a number of **Trusts in Drayton** – some with available <u>funds for all kinds of good works</u> – but there has never been an obvious way of finding out what they are, or their purpose. How about a Directory accessible via the Chronicle of all these Trusts. **If you are a trustee** of such a trust, please let me know (523374).

#### Traffic, Speed Signs and Safety

I'd say that the average speed of traffic has noticeably dropped over the past few months – no doubt thanks to the flashing signs to north and south of the village – please let me know if you agree or disagree. Any more reports of speeding commercial vehicles would be welcome. Speeding Taxis are, by all accounts, a common occurrence – let me know if you see one – so that I can let them know. We do not have to use Taxi companies that make a habit of speeding through our village!

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#### **Pavements**

There are a number of Drayton pavements in urgent need of repair – particularly bad are those on the spur of Whitehorns Way. I am assured by the County that these will all be dealt with 'in due course'. Money is tight, and they have a large backlog, so we'll have to wait our turn. I will keep badgering.

#### The Environment

The road into Abingdon can be a nightmare – particularly between 8 and 9am. I wonder how much of this traffic is generated by the residents of Drayton? Is there a case for some car-sharing? 'Shared car ownership' or 'Car pool' schemes can reduce the number of cars, pollution and wasted money.

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If you have any suggestions as to how we might improve our local environment in any way – **please let me know**.

#### Monthly surgery (3rd Sat)

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#### PARISH COUNCIL (Jan 9 & Feb 6)

The public, who for the first time in my memory failed to have even one representative, missed a relatively uneventful meeting in January. Grants were agreed for the Damascus Project – the young people's bus that visits the village every few weeks, and to the Millenium Green, in the hope or expectation that there will be sufficient Friends of the Millennium Green to make up the difference.

February was a very different story. Several members of the public turned up and the question was asked whether the parish council had 'gone soft' on the reservoir. A number of councillors said that we were keeping out powder dry and that the only comment that would carry any weight would have to be informed comment. Until the proposals were published objections would be premature and could discredit our response when the details were known.

We then had a very interesting session with a helicopter pilot from Benson, who assured us that there is no need to fly over any of Drayton. There is a loop to the south of Abingdon Airfield that may look as if it is heading for the school but turns north before it reaches the village. The route to Abingdon from Benson should stay well to the east and north of the village going towards Abingdon (500ft) and back to Benson (1000ft). Any departure from this **should be reported to RAF Benson**.

We also received a presentation from Thames Water on the pipeline that will take water from near Goring to Swindon via Hagbourne reservoir, a pumping/booster station to the west of Steventon Road to the south of the village and then out to the west. This is from what was described as an inexhaustible supply but would not interfere with the planned reservoir. The pipe will be 1m diameter and 1m deep; it's proposed to use the spoil for a noise barrier between the A34 and Steventon. It will take 12 months to complete, supplying 12,500 homes.

The Parish Council are looking to solve the danger and damage being caused by the tree at the entrance to the Lockway Playground and village hall. The favourite is to root prune and lift the crown rather than remove the tree – **do you agree?** 

As usual anybody with views on any of these matters would be welcome to attend the next meeting of the Council on 6th March 2006 at 7.45pm at the Caudwell Day Centre. Remember that 3 April will be the Annual assembly when it is your turn to have your say.

\*\*Daniel Scharf\*\*



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also unveils its newly acquired grand piano. The first recital on March 12th features works by Boccherini and Paganini with guitarist David Pedder and the Bonnici String Quartet. The following Sunday baroque flautist Iva Junková performs pieces by Bach and Lully.

The new Yamaha grand piano will be officially christened on March 26th in a recital of English song with local soprano Susan Young and pianist Iain Farrington. This piano's acquisition opens up a whole new repertoire and this season will see recitals by the **Drayton-born cellist Sophie Webber (see picture)** with pianist Aleksander Szram and by violinist Sian Philipps & pianist Sophia Rahman prior to their

visit to London's Wigmore Hall.

On April 2nd Abbey Chamber Recitals presents a concert for **all the family** entitled 'The Magic Carpet to Far-Away Lands'. This features actress Kara Wilson, (the wife of Tom Conti), and string players from the Oxford Company of Musicians. The enchanting twelfth century setting of St. Nicolas' Church is ideal for a story that links music and verse in a tale involving Jack and his magic carpet ride to faraway lands. This **magical musical journey** lasts just forty-five minutes and is **designed for children aged five and upwards**.

We do hope that we will see you in 2006 to sample the delights of the local and international musical talent that will be performing. Ticket purchase details are given in the Abbey Chamber Recitals advert in this issue.

\*\*David Pedder\*\*



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### **Drayton School** Claire Soper

It's good to be able to look forward this month to longer days and to shake off some of the greyness of the Winter months. The children have been as busy as ever, working hard in all areas of the school.

The Foundation and Year 1 Class are beginning a project related to 'Water' and would love to hear from anyone with information or artefacts regarding the following: - Pirates, launderettes, sea, rivers and bridges!

Year 1/2 Class have made a floor map as part of their continued work on Islands, which they plan to use with the Roamer Robot, which sounds great fun! In Science the children have thoroughly enjoyed investigations into Forces and Motions, particularly which surfaces allow cars to run the best.

Years 3/4 were very interested in Sister Josie's visit to their class to hear about her experiences of living in Kenya and Uganda. She even came **dressed in a traditional African dress** and also brought a huge collection of artefacts to show. All the children listened very attentively and asked good questions. As part of their continued work on Kenya they are planning a poster about African animals, and have a very effective display of pastel landscapes warming up the corridor!

Years 5/6 have been out and about during the last term. The whole class visited the John Radcliffe Hospital as part of the **Injury Minimisation Programme**, which teaches children about **First Aid, Resuscitation and Accident Prevention**. They followed up the visit with letters to the Head of Education as the project is under threat of closure due to funding issues.

An enjoyable morning was had at John Mason School when the children attended a **Drama Workshop Performance** by GCSE students on the Environment. Finally a group of children took part in a **Gymnastics display** at Larkmead School to demonstrate their work on 'Balance and Counter-Balance'.

The whole school is working towards a **Green Flag Environmental Award** and as part of this have formed an 'Energy Team' which aims to monitor and reduce the amount of Gas and Electricity used to run the school. Energy Monitors are to be recruited for each Classroom, which all sounds very impressive!

F.O.D.S.A. will be holding a **Family Bingo Evening** on **Friday 24**<sup>th</sup> **March** at 7pm in school; so don't miss this fun evening, further details of which appear elsewhere in the Chronicle.  $\rightarrow$ 

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It's always pleasing to have **an independent opinion** about our school and we are particularly grateful to our 3 new External Governors who have joined us recently, Jeanette Anderton, Andrew Bax and Sister Josie Midwinter. Jeanette has visited the Foundation Class on 2 occasions recently as part of her role as Foundation Governor, a post she has held before in other schools in the area. Her comments about what she observed are **very encouraging**.

"I was pleasantly surprised by the good attention span of all the children and especially the boys, having previously been a Foundation Governor in another school, where this was not the case. My overall first impression of the Foundation class was that it is well led and effective. The children are eager to learn, happy and industrious. The overall atmosphere is very pleasing."

On her second visit last week Jeanette was particularly pleased to see how well informed the children were on **recycling**, showing how well the whole school are involved in this from the start! "At the end of break tangerine peel was collected by the children and put into the compost bin... the children were very informative. **I was so impressed with their recycling knowledge** and ability to see recycling as part of their daily school routine."

Finally the whole school said a **very sad farewell to Mrs Sandra Latimer** on 10<sup>th</sup> February when she left her job as Playground Supervisor after 28 years!

Many of the children at school have parents who can recall being cared for by Sandra too! She was presented with flowers, chocolates and garden vouchers from staff and parents past and present with thanks for all her hard work, and was wished well in her new job which is nearer to where she now lives in Wantage.

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Admission is free but by ticket only. Contact Heather Clark tel: 01235 466363 or e.mail: Heather.Clark@ukaea.org.uk to reserve a seat.

#### FIRST TUESDAY CONNECTIONS

In spite of seasonal ills, which prevented several 'regulars' from attending, we had a good number at the February drop-in. We send best wishes to all those who were slightly under par and hope to see you at our next get together on March 7th.

If you are feeling isolated, lonely or in need of some company, for whatever reason, do come along and join us any time between 3pm and 4.30pm in St. Peter's Church Room for a cup of tea and friendly conversation. If you cannot make the March date we shall next be welcoming friends, old and new, on April 4th and look forward to seeing you then. **If you need transport, or more information**, just give me (Jean Hager) a call on 531558.



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#### **LISTINGS**

The Abingdon Touring Theatre Company is proud to present our first tour — Alan Bennett's Talking Heads — which continues at Steventon Village Hall on Saturday & Sunday 4th/5th March. Curtain up at 7.30pm (doors open at 7pm). Tickets cost £7.50 (£6.50 concessions), via Christine Ellis on 01235 848605; OR for more information, please visit www.attc.org.uk (This is a new theatre company and the production is put on by potential drama students who are currently on a gap year.)

AND The Oxfordshire Touring Theatre Company is showing UNDER MILK WOOD (Dylan Thomas) at Sutton Courtenay Village Hall on Tuesday March 7th, 7.30pm. Tickets £6 (£4 concessions), from Christine Ellis (01235) 848605 or Rita Atkinson (01235) 848694.

Later in March, Abingdon Drama Club presents MACBETH, at the Unicom Theatre, Weds 29th through to Sat April 1st, 7.30pm, tickets £7 (conc £6) Dawsons Music, Abingdon, or Ticketline (01235) 525538.

## DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Ever wondered what YOUR Parish Council does?
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7.30 pm on MONDAY 3 APRIL 2006

at the CAUDWELL DAY CENTRE

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(Followed by the Parish Council Meeting.)

### **DRAYTON DIARIES**

#### **DIARY FOR MARCH**

All events held in Drayton Hall unless otherwise stated

To book Drayton Hall ring 531501 To call the Hall ring 528686 If your event isn't listed, IT COULD HAVE BEEN!!! NB Mon 6 7.45pm Parish Council Meeting (p11) Caudwell DC Tues 7 3.00pm 1st Tues Connections (p13) Church Room Twinning – AGM Thur 16 Caudwell DC 18 9.00am District Councillor 'Surgery' (p8) Lounge Private Party Sat 18 Mon 20 5.00pm **CHRONICLE DEADLINE** Vickery's 7.30pm Hall Management Committee Thur 23 7.00pm Players - AGM Caudwell DC Wedding Reception



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#### ABBEY CHAMBER RECITALS 2006

Sundays at 3pm

St. Nicolas' Church, Market Place, Abingdon March 12<sup>th</sup> - "Maestoso"

Roger Généraux, Nicola Paganini, Luigi Boccherini, The Bonnici String Quartet with David Pedder – guitar\*

March 19th - "Ballets du Roi"

Bach, Fiala, Handel, Lully, Molino

Iva Junková – records/baroque flute,

David Pedder – guitar, Jacqueline Johnson – cello \*

March 26th - "Come Sing and Dance"

Howells, Britten, Warlock

Susan Young – soprano, Iain Farrington – piano \*

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - "The Magic Carpet to Far-Away Lands"

A Family Concert \*\*

Kara Wilson - narrator, The Oxford Company of Musicans Tickets £8.00 (£ 7.00 concessions, £3.00 12 -18, free under-12)

Frugal Foods, Abingdon (522239), Dawsons, Abingdon (524316),

by reservation (01235 553380), or at the door

\* Ticket includes a cup of tea or coffee at a local hostelry

\*\* different ticket prices apply

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#### REGULARLY OCCURRING EVENTS

Weekly in Drayton Hall unless stated otherwise		
MONDAY		
8.15 am	Morning Prayer (daily to Fri) St Peter's Lady Chapel	
9.15 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg	
2.00 pm	Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)	
5.45 pm	Beavers (Boys/girls, 6–8 yrs, Tel. 512834) Steventon Hall	
7.00 pm	Scouts (Boys/girls, 8-10 yrs, Tel. 512834) Steventon Hall	
7.00 pm	Badminton (Private Group)	
7.15 pm	Drayton Wives Whist (3rd Monday) Caudwell DC	
7.30 pm	Youth Club (until 9.30) Small Hall	
7.30 pm	Senior Table Tennis, League (for 2 hours) School	
7.45 pm	Parish Council Meeting (1st Mon? – see report) CDC	
7.45 pm	Bell-ringing (for 1½ hours)  St Peter's Church	
TUESDAY		
9.15 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg	
9.30 am	Parent and Toddler Group	
1.45 pm	Drayton Art Group (until 4 pm) Caudwell Day Centre	
3.00 pm	Junior Netball (for 1 hour) School	
6.00 pm	Ladies' Netball (for 1 hour) School	
6.30pm	Weight Watchers CDC	
7.30 pm	Senior League Table Tennis School	
WEDNESI		
9.15 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg	
10.30 am	Parent and Toddler Service Church Room	
	Whist – now each week Caudwell Day Centre	
2.00 pm		
2.00 pm	Drayton Wives (Last Weds in the month) Badminton	
2.15 pm		
6.00 pm	Brownies Evening Proven	
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer St Peter's Lady Chapel	
6.15 pm	Cubs (Boys / girls, 8–9 yrs, Tel. 512834) Steventon Hall Junior Table Tennis, Age 9+ (for 1 hour) School	
7.00 pm		
7.00 pm	Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)	
7.30 pm	Bingo Session Caudwell Day Centre	
8.00 pm	Senior Table Tennis School	
THURSDA		
9.15 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg	
9.30 am	Holy Communion St Peter's Lady Chapel	
9.30 am	Parent & Toddler Group	
9.50 am	Mobile Library (Fortnightly, for 20 min) Haywards Rd	
10.15 am	Mobile Library (Fortnightly, for 20 min)  The Green Car Pk	
2.00 pm	Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)	
4.00 pm	Dancing Classes – 3 to 6 years Tel 764433	
7.45 pm	Women's Institute Meeting (2nd Thursday)	
8.00 pm	Sequence Dancing	
FRIDAYS		
9.15 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg	
11.00 am	The Friday Club (fortnightly) 202466 CDC	
7.00 pm	Choir Practice St Peter's	
SUNDAYS		
8.00 am	Holy Communion St Peter's	
10.00 am	Sung Eucharist (Family Service 2nd Sunday) St Peter's	
11.30 am	Family Time (first Sunday) Baptist Church	
6.00 pm	Evening Worship Baptist Church	

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#### OTHER LOCAL PLACES OF WORSHIP

**Methodist Chapel** High Street, Milton (near the Post Office)

Sunday Service: 10.30 am

Local contacts: Geoff or Jean Caudle, 531409