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WELCOME

Bob Saintey, Chairman, Pitstone Parish Council

We hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer. Sport remains very important to our community, with the Ivinghoe & Pitstone United Cricket Club celebrating their 175th anniversary and now renovating a cricket square on the recreation ground. Both senior and junior football pitches at the sports pavilion have been renovated over the summer and the football season has recommenced for the three local senior sides and the numerous junior football club teams that benefit from the facilities in the village. We also commissioned two Play around the Parish sessions over the summer holidays to help keep the little ones amused in the summer holidays: if you have any feedback about these events, whether they meet your needs or whether the format is getting tired, please let us know. By the time you read this article, the clocks will have gone back and the nights drawn in.

Unfortunately, dark winter nights also tend to bring an increase in opportunist thefts so Thames Valley Police advise that you fit a burglar alarm and timer switches, keep windows/doors locked and valuables (or Christmas presents) out of sight. The twilight also brings greater dangers for our young people and it would be greatly appreciated if drivers could moderate their speeds around the village between 7.30am-9.00am and 3-5pm when youths are trying to catch school buses or walk to/from school. A couple of years ago two young people suffered traffic accidents on their way to school so **let's make sure that this school year** is accident free.

Finally, we look forward to seeing you all at the bonfire night fireworks at the sports pavilion, please do support this event organised by Pitstone & Ivinghoe Entertainments, that raises funds for local good causes. [see advert on page 22].

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COUNTY COUNCIL NEWS

Avril Davies County Councillor, Ivinghoe Division

Spurred on to achieve 10000 steps a day I've taken every chance over the summer to enjoy long walks in the Ivinghoe Hills, Ashridge Forest and on the Grand Union Canal.

A regular Active Bucks walk from the Ivinghoe old school started in late August to motivate more people to get the benefits of exercise with companionship and encouragement. At the moment these are on Mondays at 10am from The Hub. More walks are planned as more

leaders have come forward. Thank you.

Road repairs: Recently with the Local Area Technician I reviewed progress on the repair and maintenance programme for our local roads in preparation of putting forward priorities for the next financial year.

Weight limit on B488: I'm continuing to campaign for a weight limit on the B488 in response to a scheme of weight limits in

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neighbouring Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire confining heavy lorries to the M1, A4146 Leighton Buzzard bypass, and the A505 after the completion of the M1 link north of Dunstable. Vehicles using the B488 at the bridge will be counted in October (not in half term) as the first stage necessary to impose a weight limit. After I met with the deputy cabinet member for transportation the urgent necessity of county wide weight limits and strategic HGV routes has been given higher priority and will feature at the next Transport for Bucks in-house conference.

Primary school places: The provision of sufficient primary school places locally is now a concern to many, given the number of new homes proposed in the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan. I have had several meetings Bucks County Council planners and school place planners to make them aware that schools are full in this area, and Buckinghamshire has said to the Pitstone NDP that it has no plans to increase their capacity, to see what can be done.

School transport: There may also be changes to entitlement to free school travel for secondary school pupils next year, 2017, depending on the outcome of this summer's consultation. The proposals did not look easy to understand for this area, and all options for free travel would involve applying to out of county schools including those in Bedfordshire, as in many places they are the nearest schools. No decision has been made yet.

Can I remind parents of older pupils in the sixth form already paying heavy transport fares, that Arriva offer a termly pass at a lot less than the County Council, which can be used on any bus on the route. The bus timetable has to be carefully studied before buying one of these. Currently in term time the 61 leaves Ivinghoe around 07.15am and returns from Aylesbury at 15.55, although obviously there are later and earlier buses.

Railways: The outcome of the WCML rail franchise consultation has been published with only a small concession to station access and parking issues. Bucks County Council have had an apology for not being acknowledged as a contributor. I have also had some

high level meetings at Bucks about the West Coast Main Line, to stress its importance to the economy, and how access to stations, and capacity in the trains, and limits to capacity on the line affect us. Recently axed Southern trains between Milton Keynes and East Croydon have now been restored to 5 a day. Luton Airport will also be proposing changes to its aerospace this Autumn.

Council and local changes: The Parliamentary Boundary Commission has proposed that the whole

Ivinghoe Division, i.e. Ivinghoe ward and Pitstone and Cheddington wards, are moved out of the Buckingham Constituency and in to the Aylesbury Constituency. And as if all that change wasn't enough, BCC have submitted a proposal to the government for a single council for the county, with considerable revenue savings. They expect a decision by December. The Districts are also putting forward their set of proposals, which is likely to suggest two or even three councils.



New Ivinghoe Aston Venue

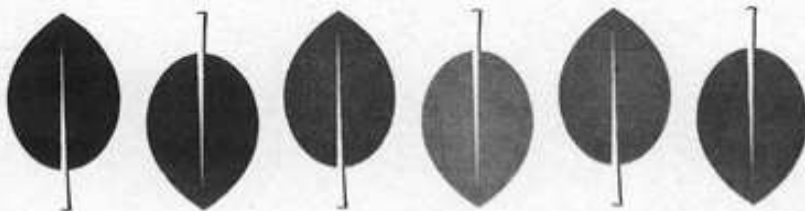
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DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS

Sandra Jenkins & Derek Town, District Councillors,
Pitstone & Cheddington Ward

VALP: The public consultation period closed on 5th September. Over 1500 individual responses have been received, but each of these contain several comments on different issues. At the moment the officers are collating these responses, which will then be passed to consultants to produce a summary report expected within 6 weeks. AVDC will need input from BCC on issues such as education and transport. The comments received will eventually be put on AVDC's website together with their replies. These comments will feed into the emerging planning policies and

eventual submission draft of VALP. This final draft will go to Cabinet and Scrutiny in December, and then to Council in January, for eventual submission to Government by March 2017 at the latest for an Examination in Public by a Planning Inspector by March 2017.

Duty to Cooperate: Meetings are continuing with our Duty to Cooperate partners. AVDC are working with the other Bucks Districts to ascertain their genuine unmet housing needs figure so that we can incorporate this in VALP. AVDC is also holding meetings with

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Milton Keynes Council, Central Beds and Luton Borough Councils, as well as Dacorum, South Oxfordshire and South Northants Councils.

East West Rail: This project has been delayed by HS2. Work is currently taking place between civil servants representing HS2 Ltd, Department for Transport and Network Rail on the HS2-East West Rail interface, and trying to reach a consensus is not easy. MPs are helping us trying to get things moving. On a more positive note, the planning application for a new station at Winslow has just been received by AVDC.

Community Chest: 2016-17 is the final year of the ten-year arrangement between the Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust and Aylesbury Vale District Council to provide £5m of funding for voluntary and community sector projects in Aylesbury Vale. Since the fund launched, to the end of July 2016, 715 grants totalling

£4,355,229 have been awarded for a huge variety of projects large and small across the Vale that will leave a lasting legacy. The final round of project grants (up to £25,000) closes on 2nd December 2016, with the final Grants Panel meeting scheduled for 9th January 2017. Micro-grant applications (up to £1,000) will be accepted until 15th December, with monthly assessment by the grants officer using a scoring system. Sarah Rothwell manages the Community Chest and other grants awards and can be contacted on SRothwell@aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk with any enquiries, but most of the information can be found online.

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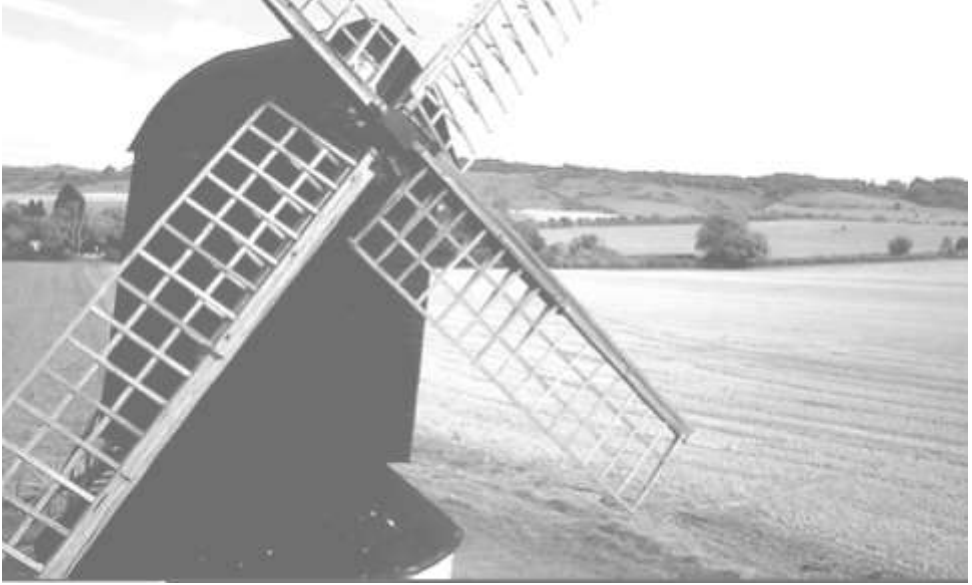
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PITSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Laurie Eagling, Parish Clerk

Who will you nominate as your Volunteer of the Year? You are now able to submit your nominations for the Pitstone Volunteer of the Year, so if you know of someone that it giving up their time and making a difference to the lives of the people in Pitstone, then please let us know. As well as being an opportunity for you and the parish council to thank them in public, they may win a £50.00 award,

framed certificate and entry into the AVDC Volunteer of the Year award. Please email or write to the parish clerk on: parishclerk@pitstone.co.uk or at 9 Warwick Road, Pitstone, Beds, LU7 9FE providing the full name of the person you wish to nominate and the reasons why you think they deserve to win. All submissions must be received by the end of January 2017.

Please dispose of your garden waste responsibly

Fly tipping includes dumping garden waste anywhere, including in hedgerows, grass verges and woodlands. Just because it may eventually compost down, does not make dumping acceptable or permissible, the council is advised.

This summer there has been a growing problem in Pitstone with garden waste and grass cuttings being dumped in numerous places throughout the village including: all along the field side of Vicarage Road, through the Byway Open to All Traffic between Queen Street and Grange Road, in the woodland at the end of Church Road and all through the woodland walk that runs between Castlemead and Vicarage Road.

As well as causing problems for the landowners where the material has been dumped (for xample preventing grass cutting and blocking drainage ditches), Thames Valley Police advise that dumping your waste in this manner is illegal and you could be fined and ordered to pay costs.

Further information about the "Illegal Dumping Costs" campaign by Bucks County Council can be found here:

<http://>

www.recycleforbuckinghamshire.co.uk/illegal-dumping-costs/

You can report fly tipping here:

<http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/environment/waste,-recycling-and-treatment/fly-tipping/report-fly-tipping>

You can subscribe to the brown bin garden waste collection service here:

<http://www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/garden-waste-service>

Or you can take your garden waste to a recycling centre, contact details here

<http://www.aylesburyvaledc.gov.uk/household-waste-and-recycling-centres>

Curbside weeds

Bucks County Council announced that there will be no routine weed spraying across Buckinghamshire during 2016-17 and hence the visible weed growth in the roadside gutters, roundabouts and islands.

They advise that while budget considerations have played a role in making this decision, there are 2 key influencing factors:

There is a detrimental environmental impact of the widespread use of herbicides on pollinating insects.

The legal constraints that are now

imposed on the widespread use of herbicides significantly reduces the effectiveness of the application.

Transport for Bucks will continue to treat noxious and injurious weeds in line with its legal obligations. To report these concerns go to www.buckscc.gov.uk/telltfb.

In the meantime, the parish council is exploring other options. Residents are able, like in the old days, to remove the weeds from the curbside outside their properties by hand if they take sufficient care when



working by the highway, however Transport for Bucks confirm that the

widespread use of common domestic weed killers is not permitted so please do not apply weed killer.

Thank you to PRS Office Furniture

The parish council would like to thank



PRS Office Furniture, based in the Pitstone Green Business Park, for their kind donation of 5 metal benches to be installed at the pavilion sports ground off Marsworth Road. We are sure that all the football spectators will be very grateful to have somewhere to sit to watch the game.

To find more about PRS and the furniture/services they can provide, please visit their website: <http://www.prs-officefurniture.com/>

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Bus passes for young people
Please find below a link to the Arriva web site, where you can purchase bus passes for a variety of timescales. An annual pass, is approx. £540-600 depending on the one that you choose to purchase (vs approx £1000 for the school bus service into Aylesbury for the 16yrs+ age group).



The pass is valid on any bus, at any time, including weekends, evenings and school holidays. So may therefore help your 6th form student reach weekend work and leisure activities as well as school/college etc and provide a viable alternative to the dedicated school bus service. Do check bus times though. Please direct any queries re the cost of school bus travel direct to Bucks

County Council.

<https://tickets.arrivabus.co.uk/south-east>

Pitstone Awarded a Certificate of Merit in the Best Kept Village Competition

Pitstone has been awarded a Certificate of Merit in the Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village Competition 2016 for achieving a highly commended grade in the Defraire Cup.

Our thanks go to the village litter pickers, grass cutters and ground keepers along with all the residents that contribute to keeping our village looking well kept, clean and tidy.

Free weekly stroll around the area

On page 18 you will find

some information about the weekly health walk, departing at 10am each Monday from outside Ivinghoe Old School Hub, No need to book. All abilities (or difficulties) welcome.

The parish clerk joined them on a stroll to the windmill and can thoroughly recommend it, everyone finished with their spirits raised, **looking forward to the next week's meet.**



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Ivinghoe/Pitstone walk, every Monday, departing from Ivinghoe Old School Community Hub at 10am (please arrive at 9.45am to register). A gentle walk around the local area for 30-45 minutes led by trained local volunteers **and 'back markers' so you can walk at your own pace. No booking required.** Free to attend. Refreshments available to buy afterwards in the CuriosiTEA rooms.

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Changes to Redline Bus 164

Redline tell us that these changes are designed, to match the timetable with the amount of travel actually being made, so that the bus company can develop the better-used sections of route and secure its long term future.

The new route will be Marsworth, Cheddington, Long Marston, Wilstone, Tring, Aston Clinton, Aylesbury.

The biggest change is that the section of route between Cheddington & Leighton Buzzard is withdrawn.

The Red Kite Tuesday (market day) 167 bus will still run to Leighton Buzzard as will the Monday – Friday Service 162.

A new school timed journey is introduced which will give a direct service into the Aylesbury Schools Coach Park. This means that the 07:24 & 08:45 peak time arrivals in

Aylesbury are combined into a new 08:17 arrival.

Redline will not be diverting via Brook End in Weston Turville. Service 50 runs every 30 minutes through the western end of Weston Turville and frequent buses serve London Rd (for Weston Rd) in Aston Clinton. The 167 Tuesday market day bus to Leighton Buzzard will still be running. Arriva service 61 still operates through Ivinghoe & Pitstone.

Aylesbury - Tring - Pitstone - Cheddington

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MONDAY TO FRIDAY

From: 29 August 2016

Notes:	Nsch	sch				sch	Nsch
Aylesbury, Bus Station			1004	1204	1404	1537	1545
Aylesbury, Schools Coach Park						1545	
Aston Clinton, The Bell			1018	1218	1418	1602	1602
Tring, Rose & Crown			1030	1230	1430	1615	1615
Tring, New Mill			1034	1234	1434	1619	1619
Marsworth, Vicarage Green	0710	0710	0900	1037	1237	1437	1622
Pitstone, Playing Fields	0713	0713	0903	1040	1240	1440	1625
Cheddington, Green	0717	0717	0907	1046	1246	1446	1631
Long Marston, Queens Head	0722	0722	0912	1052	1252	1452	1637
Wilstone, Post Office	0727	0727	0917	1057	1257	1457	1642
Tring, New Mill	0734	0734	0924	1104	1304	1504	1649
Tring, Rose & Crown	0742	0742	0929	1109	1309	1509	1654
Aston Clinton, The Bell	0751	0752	0937	1117	1317	1517	1702
Aylesbury, Schools Coach Park		0806					
Aylesbury, Bus Station	0813	0817	0955	1135	1335	1535	1722

SATURDAY

Aylesbury, Bus Station			1004	1204	1404	1545
Aston Clinton, The Bell			1018	1218	1418	1601
Tring, Rose & Crown			1030	1230	1430	1613
Tring, New Mill			1034	1234	1434	1617
Marsworth, Vicarage Green	0740	0900	1037	1237	1437	1620
Pitstone, Playing Fields	0743	0903	1040	1240	1440	1623
Cheddington, Green	0747	0907	1046	1246	1446	1629
Long Marston, Queens Head	0752	0912	1052	1252	1452	1635
Wilstone, Post Office	0757	0917	1057	1257	1457	1640
Tring, New Mill	0804	0924	1104	1304	1504	1647
Tring, Rose & Crown	0809	0929	1109	1309	1509	1652
Aston Clinton, The Bell	0817	0937	1117	1317	1514	1700
Aylesbury, Bus Station	0835	0955	1135	1335	1535	1718

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WHAT'S GOING ON AT COLLEGE LAKE?

Leo Keedy, College Lake Warden

As summer moves towards autumn, there is a noticeable change around the reserve. The first signs of autumn colour are showing in the trees and hedgerows. A lot of the summer migrant birds have finished breeding and will be leaving. Birds such as swift, cuckoo and hobby, face an epic journey back to Africa. Some of our winter visitors have begun



Osprey

to arrive, with the odd snipe and wintering wildfowl such as Pochard and Teal being seen on the reserve. This transitional period often seems like a quiet time of year but with our mix of habitats there is always something to see out on the reserve. Recently we have had a good number of Clouded Yellow butterflies, one of the migrant species of

butterfly which comes over from the continent. These beautiful butterflies have golden yellow upper-wings, which are noticeable while in flight. When at rest, it sits with its wings closed, showing green-yellow under-wing with silvery white spots. There are also migrating bird on passage such as Osprey and Whinchat being seen.

We take advantage in the lull in bird numbers to carry out one of the biggest regular tasks at College

Lake – cutting the islands. The three islands are an important breeding site for many ground nesting birds and we have to manage the habitat to create suitable breeding **grounds for the birds' return, next spring.** We aim to have close cut vegetation over most of the island but leave tussocks of grass and rushes for nesting and shelter. Each year

Lapwing, Redshank, Little Ringed Plover, Oystercatcher and Common Tern breed on

the islands, each of which prefer slightly different conditions.

The Lapwing like very short vegetation as the tiny chicks will leave the nest on the day they hatch to catch their own food.

Redshank tend to nest in the base of tussocks and while the adults are noticeable with their

evocative sound while flying between the islands, quite often the first we know of successful breeding is when the fluffy chicks break cover. The Little Ringed Plovers nest **on the gravel and stones near to the water's edge**, they are incredibly well camouflaged both as eggs and once hatched.

The islands may not seem all that big when observed from the trails and hides, but it is **once you're out there and standing on them**, that you realise the logistics of the task you

are faced with to cut and clear the vegetation. For several weeks our work

parties are ferried out by boat to cut the grass and scrub with brush cutters and loppers, and then all the material is raked up and removed to prevent nutrient build up which would encourage more vigorous growth.

Due to the logistics of removing the

cuttings, the only option is to throw them into the water. This works well as it has little or no effect on the water and even provides food and shelter for wildfowl.

We will still be holding our monthly walks around the reserve through autumn and winter as well as family events during the half term week and towards Christmas. Have a look at our website for details <http://www.bbowt.org.uk/reserves/college-lake> or come in and see us.



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BEACONLIT 2017

Dave Sivers

The date has been set for next year's BeaconLit festival of books and writing, which will take place in Brookmead School, Ivinghoe on Saturday July 8.

Festival Committee member and local author Dave Sivers said, **"BeaconLit 2017 will be our fifth festival. The event was conceived to support Beacon Villages Community Library, which relies on volunteers and donations to carry on serving local communities, and also to help raise local awareness of books and writing.**

"The festival is a great day out for readers and writers alike and always offers something for everyone. The committee is putting together an exciting programme for 2017 which will allow our audience to hear from a wide range of authors and writers, ask them questions and buy books from our bookseller partner. There will also be refreshments, and we are planning some workshop events too."

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1st Ivinghoe & Pitstone Scouts Group
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Charity number 104137

Friends At Brookmead raise funds by running a recycling textiles project. Items that are no longer required such as adults' and children's clothing, shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys can all be turned into money, which assists us in purchasing additional resources to enhance the children's learning at Brookmead School.

Rob Clarke of Colbree Engineering has kindly agreed to use their village based engineering site at Pitstone Green Business Park to store additional textile collections on our behalf. Donations should be placed into plastic sacks and dropped off at the signed collection point at the rear gates at Colbree Engineering on Quarry Road. Friends At Brookmead would like to thank Colbree Engineering for their support in enabling us to extend this project out to the wider community.

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Sue Jones, President

This year so far has been very busy but enjoyable. We have three new members and also a waiting list. If you are interested in being added to the waiting list please give me a ring. Our Quiz Night was a sell-out and a huge success.

The Ivinghoe Flower and Vegetable show was fantastic, with four of our ladies winning cups! We also provided cakes and tea, *See results overleaf*. All is going well with planning for our 100th celebrations next year. Some members are organising an evening of music and food as part of their £5 challenge. They are holding a Supper Cabaret Evening with The Boodlum Band on Saturday 19th December 2016 in the Pitstone Memorial Hall (7pm for 7.30pm start). The cost of a ticket is £15.00 and this includes a hot supper and dessert. Tables of eight and please call 01296 668072 for tickets.

Also, coming up on Sunday 6th November 2016 is an Autumn Lunch

(like the Valentine Lunch). Doors open at 12.30pm and tickets can be purchased in advance from the Windmill Pharmacy or Sue on 01296 660436. Tickets cost £11.00 and includes a hot meal, dessert and a tea/coffee, tables of eight.

We were well supported at our Beacon Group Meeting in September when Lawrence Trowbridge, Head Ranger at Ashridge, talked about proposed changes to Ashridge over the next five years.

At the September Meeting Geoff Lambert gave a fascinating talk on **Medical Detector Dog's., able to detect certain diabetic conditions.**

'Bess' was very alert to sweets in Louise's pocket! They take 18 weeks to train and cost £11,000 per dog, but a lifeline to many.

Thank you to all members who helped make the above events a success.

Please ring Sue Jones on 01296 660436 if you have any queries.

Ivinghoe Flower & Vegetable Show 2016

The organisers of the reconvened Ivinghoe Flower & Produce Show had been quietly confident that the show would be well attended but they hadn't expected the show to be quite so popular and with entries of such high quality.

Sue Jones, the current President of the Pitstone & Ivinghoe WI, decided last year that it was time to give the once incredibly popular produce and craft show another go. So she put together a small committee of local people to help with getting the show back on its feet.

The team set about contacting previous trophy winner, finding judges and putting together a list of entry categories. Hopeful that people would be enthused to enter their prize winning vegetables or delicious cakes, the organisers were overwhelmed by the warm and positive response the show has received, with entrants coming from afar as Tring!

The judges, a professional and experienced bunch, were particularly enthusiastic about the show, with the Vegetable Judge commenting, "What a really good show, I'm very impressed with the standards of the exhibits!" Of the 50 entrants into the show, 49 entrants scored points across the classes, a 98% hit rate! All the competitors who won cups, were thrilled to have done so well, and both the oldest and the youngest competitors at the show walked away with a cup. Emilia Frearson, a new resident to the village, who won the Children's Cup 6 and under, won with a beautiful artwork of 'A Sunny Garden'.

The atmosphere at the show was fun with a friendly competitive edge and once the judging was over and the winners announced and prizes presented, the fun continued with an auction of produce and crafts MC's by local Allotmenteer, Ernie Jones.

Sue Jones, said, "I'd like to thank all of the entrants for making such an effort with their entries and the judges who did such a wonderful job of judging all of the magnificent entries. I'd also like to thank the team who helped me to get the show back off the ground and Ivinghoe Parish Council for their support and last minute help from The Hub! Finally, my thanks to the WI for

making and serving tea and cakes for all the visitors to the show. We are really looking forward to the Ivinghoe Flower & Vegetable Show 2017 – so please watch this space for details of classes and dates for next year!"

So, if you are a green fingered gardener, a Bake Off fan or a creative crafter, please look out for details of next year’s show and get entering!

Ivinghoe Flower & Vegetable Show 2016 Cup Winners

Childrens Cup - Most Points	Bella Boersma
Childrens Cup 6 and under	Emilia Frearson
Childrens Cup 7 - 12	Holly and Phoebe Cusick
Vegetable Cup	Ernie Jones
Onion Cup	Keith Haynes
Flower Cup	Stella Heley
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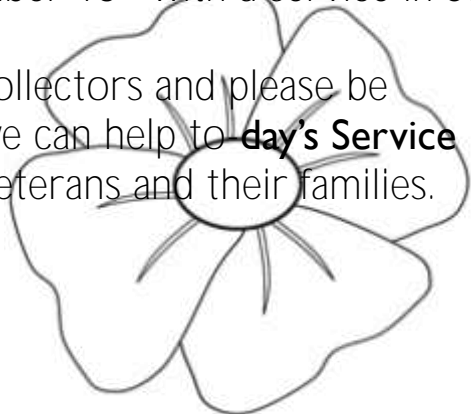
80 guests attended and our special thanks go to all those who generously contributed salads, puddings, raffle prizes and help in making this such an enjoyable and successful event.

Remembrance Time.

Next month we will start to sell the poppies, finishing on November 13th with a service in St.

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We will ensure that all cards posted by the 'last post' (5pm on Friday 16th December) will be delivered across the weekend of 17th and 18th December 2016.

Look out for our posters, check our facebook page (1st Ivinghoe & Pitstone Scout Group) and Village web sites in mid November for more information.



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St Mary's Church

Christmas Market

Sat 12th November

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This was the first time Cheddington Bowls Club had reached the final, so the win is something special. The team was drawn from bowlers from Linslade, Leighton Buzzard, Tring and Dunstable, as well as from the villages around Cheddington.



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