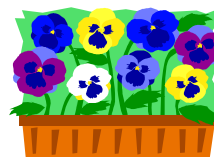


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - SEPTEMBER 2012

September			
Monday 3rd	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 4th	Working Lunch Bow Brickhill Club John the Barber	Wheatsheaf Pavilion Greenways Lay-by	12.30 p.m. 2.00 p.m. 2.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Wednesday 5th	BB History Society	Wheatsheaf	7.30 p.m.
Thursday 6th	Youth Club	Pavilion	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.
Saturday 8th	Church Open Day and Sponsored Bike Ride		
Sunday 9th	Thanksgiving Service for ASTRA work on the Church Tower	Church	3.00 p.m.
Monday 10th	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Wednesday 12th	Drop-In Afternoon Brownies	Church Hall Church Hall	2.30—4.30 p.m. 7.15 p.m.
Thursday 13th	Parish Council Meeting	Pavilion	7.30 p.m.
Monday 17th	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 18th	John the Barber	Greenways Lay-by	2.00 - 6.00 p.m.
Wednesday 19th	Brownies	Church Hall	7.15 p.m.
Thursday 20th	Youth Club	Pavilion	7.00 - 9.00 p.m.
Sunday 23rd	All Saints Lunch Club	Church Hall	12.15 for 12.30 p.m. .
Monday 24th	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Wednesday 26th	Brownies	Church Hall	7.15 p.m.
Thursday 27th	WI Competition for a violet item : Topic—"Art can Heal"	Pavilion	7.30 p.m.
October			
Monday 1st	Line Dance	Pavilion	7.00 p.m.
Tuesday 2nd	Bow Brickhill Club John the Barber	Pavilion Greenways Lay-by	2.00 p.m. 2.00 - 6.00 p.m.

Bow Brickhill Parish News



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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE — SEPTEMBER 2012

Bow Brickhill All Saints		Great Brickhill St Mary the Virgin	
<u>September</u>		<u>September</u>	
2nd	9.30a.m. Holy Communion	2nd	11.00a.m. Holy Communion
9th	3.00p.m. Service of Thanksgiving for Restoration of Tower	9th	9.30a.m. Morning Worship 6.00p.m. Evensong
16th	6.00p.m. Evensong	16th	9.30a.m. Holy Communion
23rd	8.00a.m. Holy Communion	23rd	11.00a.m. Family Service (Harvest)
30th	10.00a.m. Benefice Holy Communion at Little Brickhill		
Little Brickhill St Mary Magdalene		Stoke Hammond St Luke	
<u>September</u>		<u>September</u>	
9th	11.15a.m. Morning Worship	2nd	11.00a.m. Family Service
16th	11.15a.m. Family Service	9th	9.30a.m. Holy Communion
23rd	9.30a.m. Holy Communion	16th	8.30a.m. Holy Communion
30th	10.00a.m. Benefice Holy Communion	23rd	9.30a.m. Holy Communion (Harvest)
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CHURCH FLOWERS & CLEANING ROTA

September



Flowers

2nd
9th

S Willis
S Willis



Cleaning

J Lousada
J Lousada

16th
23rd

S & R Fox
S & R Fox

B Morris
B Morris



Parking Issues

NO SCHOOL PARKING !

Please use the car parks nearby

Dear Driver,

There have been a number of complaints relating to vehicles parking in this street at school drop off and pick up times. This has been causing some obstruction and access issues.

This is a residential street with people coming and going at all times of the day and also a need for emergency vehicle access 24hrs a day.

The **Pavilion Car Park** at the end of Rushmere Close is free and should be used by drivers who are dropping or collecting children to and from the school. Please show some consideration for residents and make use of this car park.

There is enough space for everyone.

Thank you for your cooperation.

PC 1285 Rowe : Neighbourhood Supervisor

Speeding News : 27th August

I've had a police car parked outside my house for about the last two hours. This is not because I've finally been found out but because they've been pulling over speeding motorists and bringing them into Downs View for either a) tickets or b) a compulsory enrolment on a speed awareness course.

They've got at least half-a-dozen, so Sunday afternoon is obviously a good time for the exercise! **So Speeders Slow Down !!!**



FREE TO EXPLORE

Events for the public all over Milton Keynes

6th-9th September 2012

Milton Keynes Council **Heritage Unit** and its partners are bringing you a wide variety of walks, talks, visits, exhibitions and activities, taking place across 4 days from 6th to 9th September.

Details of each event in your area will be on this special website from August 2012 - www.mkheritageopendays.com

Heritage Open Days takes place every year, when all over the UK, towns and cities highlight what there is to see and learn about heritage and culture in their local area. What makes HOD events different is that they are FREE.

Just a few examples of the types of events you will find:

- visit a Museum for free
- join a walking tour with a village historical society
- look inside beautiful old buildings and churches
- see photographs of how your area used to look
- watch films and find out about our archives
- enjoy fun activities for all the family

Enquiries to: heritage@milton-keynes.gov.uk or 01908 253884



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ALL SAINTS LUNCH CLUB

The September meeting of the lunch club will be on **Sunday 23rd** when we will be celebrating our **8th birthday!**

The club was formed in 2004 with the aim of providing a good lunch and fellowship in a friendly atmosphere and new guests are always welcome, particularly anyone who lives alone, to join us and enjoy some company and share a traditional Sunday lunch. **Please contact Kay or Stuart Leeming on 372032 to book in or if you would like any further information. Transport to and from the hall is available**

WEDNESDAY CHURCH HALL DROP-INS

The church hall is open on the second Wednesday of the month for anyone to call in during the afternoon for the chance to meet up with others, spend some time sewing or knitting, or just enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.



The **September** get together is on **Wednesday 12th** anytime between 2.30pm and 4.30pm. Refreshments are free.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9TH



On **Sunday 9th**, the **Bishop of Buckingham** is coming to take part in a **Thanksgiving Service in the church at 3.00pm** to acknowledge the work that has been done on the tower over the last year. We hope to have as many people from the village as possible and all those who have contributed to the tower works sharing in this service so do please come along and join us.

Please stay for refreshments afterwards.

YOUTH CLUB

Following our enjoyable outing to Wicksteed Park on 26 July we have taken a break during August. But the new term is fast approaching, and Youth Club starts again on **Thursday 6th September, from 7.00 - 9.00 p.m.** meeting in the Pavilion. As always we look forward to hearing ideas and suggestions from members and parents about the range of activities and facilities we provide at the Club.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE

→ **21st September 2012** ←

Contributions for the October issue should be sent to:

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Gill email: candishtowers@gmail.com

Editorial news

Joint Editors: Gill Cannell & Sally Robinson



Thanks to Sharon and Derek Giles for sponsoring this issue. They are celebrating their **Golden Wedding Anniversary** this month. Congratulations and best wishes for a very happy anniversary.

If you are able to help with a contribution please send it to:

Andrea Spurdle, the PCC treasurer at 42A Station Road, Bow Brickhill
Cheques should be made payable to: Bow Brickhill Parish Church

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY TO DOUGIE LOAK

Thanks also to Chris and Dougie who are sponsoring the October issue of the newsletter to retrospectively mark the occasion.



This issue is also sponsored by Trish Wilby and family in John's memory

Trish would like to thank all friends and neighbours in the village for their support during John's illness and for helping to arrange his service.

Thanks to Tim Holden for his practical help. Very special thanks to Ray & Val Bradbury for being the most wonderful neighbours and sitting up with me all night.

Thanks to Alan Preen for organisation, to Sally Robinson for marshalling the choir and to Sylvia Fox for the beautiful flowers in the church.

To everyone who has sent me such moving letters and cards.

And of course, the lovely Denise & Simon who gave up their day off and opened The Wheatsheaf for John's reception!

Thanks to you all—I'm desperately sad but your support is helping enormously.

GREEN DEAL ON THE HORIZON

The Green Deal is a government scheme which provides a framework for householders to access energy saving measures at *no up-front cost* assessing what the householders would most benefit from. If for example you wished solid wall insulation and a new high efficiency boiler to go ahead, then you'd get a low-interest loan for the costs involved. The Golden Rule is that payback of this loan should come from savings that the householder makes as a result of the improvements being made, and full payback must be made within a 25 year time period (or earlier in the case of some technologies). The loan is attached to the electricity meter at the house, so wouldn't need to be paid off when you sold your home, unless you chose to. Repayments of the loan are collected by the electricity supplier.

In the case of loft and cavity wall insulation, current funding which makes this available, professionally installed, for free will end when the Green Deal comes in. This means that there are only a few weeks left (likely to be until end September) to make this energy efficiency improvement. The 'Buckinghamshire Affordable Warmth Network' can help, and is supported by your local council. To get your free, no obligation survey for insulation, or for more advice on heating, keeping warm, saving money on energy bills, grants, switching supplier, and a whole host of other helpful ways to cut your bills, **call us on freephone 0800 107 0044**. Lines are open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

Submitted by Dale Hoyland, United Sustainable Energy Agency

See the website of Superhomes www.superhomes.org.uk/greendeal

Date: 23rd August 2012

Application Type: Other

Removal of Public Telephone Kiosk

At: Telephone Kiosk North of Bow Brickhill Level Crossing, Brickhill Street H10 To Caldecott Drive, Milton Keynes

I have received the above application and would be grateful for any comments you may have. You can view the application in Anite. If you have any comments, please e-mail them to me **within 21 days** using the template on the following pages. If I have not received any comments within this period the application may be decided without your comments.

Please let me know as soon as possible which member of your team will be dealing with this so that they can be contacted to discuss the proposal. If you need a hard copy of the plans for a site visit, please contact me to arrange to borrow the plans for a day. Alternatively if you want to print your own copy of the plans, it is easier to do this from Public Access (www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/publicaccess), than from Anite. It would be helpful if you could email your comments directly to me as this saves us having to scan documents.

From: **Jeremy Lee** jeremy.lee@milton-keynes.gov.uk

FORTHCOMING ASTRA EVENT

Trafalgar Night Friday 19th Oct 2012, 19.45 for 20.00

Tickets £15.00 per head to include a drink of grog and an authentic square meal.

Hear extracts from letters and other accounts of this famous Naval victory and the sights and sounds of Nelson's Navy.

Tickets will be available shortly. Nautical theme or period dress encouraged.

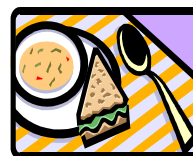


THE BOW BRICKHILL CLUB - JULY AND AUGUST MEETINGS

On Tuesday July 3rd and Tuesday August 7th, the club held their monthly meetings and both interesting and jolly times were enjoyed by all. During our July meeting one of our members, Mrs. Joan Martin kept us all interested by giving a talk on her recent holiday exploring the Mediterranean on a cruise liner. This was followed by tea, a quiz and our monthly raffle and the afternoon flew past.

Our August meeting kept us busy with a quiz, tea and our raffle before, once again, bringing our meeting to a close.

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday September 4th at 2.00** in the Pavilion when Mr Alan Preen will be talking to us about the All Saints Church Tower Restoration Appeal and the work in progress.



"1st Tuesday Working Lunch" at The Wheatsheaf

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th September

12.30 p.m. — 2.00 p.m.

For more information or to receive an emailed reminder contact sue@malleon.co.uk

WI

At July's meeting Chris Day of Buckingham Nurseries/Three Counties Radio came to talk to members on the A-Z of gardening. Members thoroughly enjoyed the first half of his talk last year when Chris reached the letter 'M' and working backwards this time, he kept us enthralled with stories, plants, problems, and advice linked to the second half of the alphabet. Z and X could have caused problems, but not for Chris and members and visitors went home, heads buzzing with new and problem-solving ideas for their own gardens. At the August meeting, members enjoyed a cold meat and salad supper, followed by strawberries and cream which were provided by the Committee.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND



If your current broadband speed doesn't meet your needs you can do something about it today by visiting www.superfastforbucks.org and backing your local county council's campaign to bring superfast broadband to Buckinghamshire.

These days it's not uncommon for households to have more than one way of accessing the internet – be it through a computer, tablet, smartphone or games console. But standard broadband cannot always cope with the requirements placed on it by modern families, who like to use the internet to do a variety of things – from watching catch up TV, streaming films, uploading photos, or enjoying online gaming.

With superfast broadband, multiple devices can be online at any one time and still enjoy high speed connectivity.

Unfortunately from town to town and even street to street, internet connection speeds vary significantly across Buckinghamshire. Buckinghamshire County Council and Buckinghamshire Business First have secured government funding to improve access in areas which currently have no broadband access or suffer very slow speeds.

Registering your demand for superfast broadband will only take a couple of minutes and won't cost a penny. You're simply helping Buckinghamshire County Council and Buckinghamshire Business First demonstrate to broadband providers that there is a strong demand for superfast connectivity here in the county. If you are unable to register online please call 0845 3708090 / 01296 395000.

Register by 1 September 2012 and you will be entered into a free prize draw for a chance to win an iPad kindly donated by Buckinghamshire Business First.

More information, including answers to frequently asked questions, is available on www.superfastforbucks.org. Details about which areas will benefit from our government funding and when improved broadband access will be rolled out in Buckinghamshire will be published on the website as soon as we know, so please check the website for updates.



Health and Social Care services exist for the benefit of everyone and local residents are being urged to take some time out and visit a large one day health and care event at the centre:mk.

LINK:MK (Milton Keynes Local Involvement Network) is hosting the 'LINK 2 Health & Care Event' in Middleton Hall, the centre:mk, Milton Keynes Shopping Centre on Tuesday 23rd October, a major health and social care awareness exhibition.

All of the funding and sponsorship for this event has been raised by LINK:MK,

There will be more than 60 organisations, including health and social care related community groups, local NHS Trusts, commercial and alternative health, with every effort made to take on board less known groups.

For more information about the event please contact the LINK:MK Support Office on 01908 266696.

Why, Why, Why?

- Why doesn't Tarzan have a beard?
- Why do Kamikaze pilots wear helmets?
- Whose idea was it to put an "S" in the word lisp?
- How come you never hear any father-in-law jokes?

Also

- Why do banks charge a fee on 'insufficient funds' when they already know there is not enough money?
- Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars; but have to check when you say the paint is still wet?
- Why does Superman stop bullets with his chest, but ducks when you throw a revolver at him?
- If people evolved from apes, why are there still apes?
- Why do people keep running over a string a dozen times with their vacuum cleaner, then reach down, pick it up, examine it, then put it down to give the vacuum one more chance?
- How do those dead bugs get into those enclosed light fixtures?

And finally

The statistics on sanity is that one out of every four persons is suffering from some sort of mental illness. Think of your three best friends -- if they're okay, then it's you

Have your say on new ward boundaries for Milton Keynes

The independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) is asking local people for their help to draw up a new pattern of wards for Milton Keynes Council.

This week the Commission announced that it was minded to accept Milton Keynes Council's proposal for an increase in the number of councillors who should represent the community in future. The Commission is therefore proposing that 57 councillors should represent Milton Keynes, six more than at present.

The Commission now needs information from people and groups across Milton Keynes to help it to produce a new pattern of wards to accommodate 57 councillors.

In drawing up new boundaries, the Commission aims to deliver electoral equality for voters in council elections so that each councillor represents approximately the same number of voters.

The review also aims to ensure that the new council wards reflect, as far as possible, the interests and identities of communities across Milton Keynes.

Max Caller, Chair of the Commission, said: "The starting point of an electoral review is for the Commission to take a view on the number of councillors who should represent the authority in future.

"On the evidence presented to the Commission, we are minded to recommend that Milton Keynes Council should have 57 councillors.

"We're now asking local people and organisations to help us draw up new wards for the whole area. As we develop the recommendations, we'll take into account local community identities as well as ensuring electoral equality for voters.

"Your views will make a difference.


"We will carefully consider all evidence that is provided during this phase of the review whoever it is from and whether it applies to the whole of Milton Keynes or just a small part of it.

"We will publish all the submissions on our website so that local people can see all the various proposals we receive. Residents will then have a further chance to have their say after we publish our draft recommendations in January 2013."

Local people have until 15 October to submit their views. Further information on the review is available on the LGBCE website at:

<http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-east/buckinghamshire/milton-keynes-fer>

David Hopkins
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Bow Brickhill Pre-School

**Places available for children aged 2 - 5
15 hrs per week free with funding for 3-5 yr olds**


Bow Brickhill Pre-School is a well established, accredited pre-school with an excellent reputation situated in the Church Hall in Bow Brickhill. Run by fully qualified staff up to Graduate level, our aim is to help children develop socially, physically, creatively, academically and emotionally within a safe, happy and secure environment.

For further information or to arrange a visit please contact the Pre-School on

07887 918834

www.bowbrickhillpreschool.co.uk

Registered Charity No. 1029890
Ofsted No. 141894



Bow Brickhill Pre-School
Church Hall
Church Road
Bow Brickhill
MK17 9LH

Annual Charity Dinner In aid of Willen Hospice



Saturday 8th September 2012

Tickets only £12.00 for a fantastic 3 course
Indian meal

A licenced bar will be available. There will also be live Bollywood entertainment, plus a charity raffle and auction during the evening where you'll have the chance to win some great prizes and can help us raise more money for Willen Hospice.

The Ridgeway Centre, Featherstone Road, Wolverton Mill South, MK12 5HT
Doors open at 6.30pm

For tickets email: willen.dinner@gmail.com or call:
Bina 07967 126722, Shivani 07812 460429 or Shobhna 07850 584507



www.willen-hospice.org.uk

Registered Charity Number 270194



21 Station Road Bow Brickhill
MK17 9JU
www.wheatsheafbowbrickhill.co.uk

What's Happening At The Wheatsheaf?!

Wine club Wednesdays!

Wed 26th September Champagne Tasting

We will be tasting 2
sparkling wines and 3
champagnes including
one vintage cham-
pagne and dining on
bread and oils followed by
Coq au Vin

£19.50 per person

**These popular evenings sell
out fast so book early to**

TAKEAWAY TUESDAY

On alternate Tuesdays we have either
Fish & Chips or Indian Takeaway (or eat
in !)

**This month starts with:
Fish and Chips on Sept 4th and 18th
with Curry on offer on 11th and 25th**

Phone your order through or pop down
and have a cheeky drink while your food
is cooked for you

Tuesday 4th Sept Working Lunch 12—2 pm

If you work from home and you
fancy a bit of company why not
join us?

Sunday 23rd Sept Folk Musicians— from 8pm

On the 4th Sunday of every
month the dining room plays
host to a group of folk musi-
cians who are always happy to
play to an audience so why not
pop along and have a listen

Wed 26th Sept Wine Tasting—(See panel)

Thursday 27th Sept—8pm ASTRA 500 Club Draw

It could be you !! Pop along
and find out ☺ ... Not got your
number ?? Fill in one of the
forms on the bar for your

**To find out more about any of
our events or to book a
table please call**

01908 374795

**“YOU MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT YOU EARN
BUT YOU MAKE A LIFE BY WHAT YOU GIVE”**

The above quote is often attributed to Winston Churchill – but does not appear in his archive and its attribution is a matter of debate.

Localgiving.com is a user friendly fundraising website designed specifically to support local community and voluntary groups.

Created especially for groups like yours, its **user friendly** website that will help to **attract donations** and **raise awareness** of the vital work that you do.

Bowls clubs, residents & allotment associations, friends of groups, mental health charities, disability sports teams, homelessness services and counselling groups are all benefitting from Localgiving.com... the list goes on!

What does **Localgiving.com** offer my group?

- An easy way to **raise money**
- **Gift Aid** on donations whether or not you are a registered charity
- **Matched funding** opportunities throughout the year
- A way to **raise the profile** of your service
- A **national and local campaign** dedicated to promoting Localgiving.com
- **Free Marketing and Fundraising workshops** led by professionals to help you gain donations

Interested? Email Shahnaz.hussain@mkcommunityfoundation.co.uk or call 01908 690276.



I have a little Satnav
It sits there in my car
A Satnav is a driver's friend
It tells you where you are
I have a little Satnav
I've had it all my life
It does more than the normal one
My Satnav is my wife
It gives me full instructions
On exactly how to drive
"It's thirty miles an hour" it says
"And you're doing thirty five"
It tells me when to stop and start
And when to use the brake
And tells me that it's never ever
Safe to overtake

It tells me when a light is red
And when it goes to green
It seems to know instinctively
Just when to intervene
It lists the vehicles just in front
It lists those to the rear
And taking this into account
It specifies my gear
I'm sure no other driver
Has so helpful a device
For when we leave and lock the car
It still gives its advice
It fills me up with counselling
Each journey's pretty fraught
So why don't I exchange it
And get a quieter sort?

CHURCH NEWS

**CHURCH OPEN DAY WITH TOWER TOURS AND TEAS
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH**



On Saturday 8th the church and tower will be open for visitors as part of the Milton Keynes Heritage Open Day and for those taking part in the Bucks Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride. **ASTRA** will be running free tower tours to see the excellent restoration work that has been completed and showing the splendid views of the surrounding countryside from the tower.

From 2.00 to 3.30 p.m. **ASTRA** is delighted to be welcoming Keith Bradbury to the church. Keith will be playing his banjo and hybrid banjo-guitar and entertaining visitors with a range of musical numbers from jazz to classical to folk to popular music. It's all free entertainment too! Come along and listen to his recital. Keith has played at Jazz on a Summer's Day at The Stables, Wavendon.

There will also be photos and old records of the village on display and tea and cakes will be on sale.



1st Prize

£125

2nd Prize £87.50

3rd Prize £37.50

50% of money raised returned in prizes!

NB. These monthly prizes will only be available when all 500 numbers have been sold.



Are you feeling lucky?

**Help conserve and renovate
All Saints Church Tower, Bow Brickhill
Call 01908 372192 or sign up on line:**

www.bowbrickhill.com/astra/astra_500_club.htm

FIVE STARS FOR THE WHEATSHEAF



Milton Keynes Council has given top marks with a five star Food Hygiene Rating to our pub, the Wheatsheaf. This means that those dining there can be assured that it maintains the highest standards of food handling and preparation.

The Council's food safety inspectors carried out a check to ensure that the food hygiene laws were being met and that Wheatsheaf was properly managing the records of the food it serves. The inspection included food handling, preparation, cooking, cooling and storage as well as condition of the building, its cleanliness, ventilation, equipment and other facilities.

Chef/patron Simon Sparrow was delighted at the news:

"It's great to have the Council's official confirmation that we meet the highest standards. Good food hygiene is the most important element of our business. All food is freshly cooked at the Wheatsheaf and all our staff are trained in food hygiene."

Chef/patron Simon Sparrow with the Council's Food Hygiene Rating Certificate



HISTORY SOCIETY

The Bow Brickhill History Society will be holding their next meeting at The Wheatsheaf on September 5th at 7.30pm to discuss future projects and activities including the agenda for the October AGM, Bow Brickhill Feast and a Christmas supper.

In the Past

Most of us appreciate living in a village surrounded by attractive woodland and fields but not so long ago the surrounding countryside was vital for providing everyday sustenance. School records show that in October 1879 school attendance was small because the children were gleaning. In June 1893 the woods were opened for huckleberrying, very few children arrived at school and so it was closed. In January 1898 the woods were opened for wooding and again attendance was affected.

Perhaps most rewarding of all was when (recorded for December 1907) many children were absent from school in order to go to Woburn to fetch gifts of venison.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Festival Weekend – Saturday October 13th to Tuesday October 16th

On **Saturday October 13th** the church will be open from 10.00am to prepare for harvest. Help with cleaning, flower arranging or tidying the churchyard would be much appreciated and any donations of produce can be brought up to the church during the morning, given to the wardens or brought to the service on Sunday.

On **Saturday evening** we will be holding our **Harvest supper** in the church hall.

On **Sunday at 11.00am** our **Harvest Festival Family Service** will be at the church. All are welcome. Further details of these will be in next month's newsletter.

Our auction of produce will take place in **The Wheatsheaf** at **8.00pm on TUESDAY October 16th**. Once again we have Alan Preen as our auctioneer and please make a note of the date (Tuesday evening) and come along for what is always an enjoyable, social evening.....

... and – a date for your diaries **Church Bazaar, 17th November**. More details to follow.

