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Parish Council News

·ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST·



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# parish council news

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## Chairman's Comments -

In writing a brief forward to the FIRST ISSUE of the ALDBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL NEWS, may I express the hope that its Contents may enlighten the General Public of the activities of THE PARISH COUNCIL, and also PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY for COMMENT & SUGGESTION, and thus deepen the interest of all in our Village Life.

Sincerely Yours,

Oliver Hawkins

Chairman, Aldbourne Parish Council.

### - PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS -

-1971-	-1972-
MONDAY 20th SEPT 7-30pm	MONDAY 17th JAN 7-00pm
MONDAY 15th NOV 7-00pm	MONDAY 20th MARCH 7-00pm

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:- WEDNESDAY 29th MARCH 1972 7-30pm

MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE MEMORIAL HALL. PUBLIC WELCOME

CONGRATULATIONS / FANTASTIC / FOOT - WELL DONE TO THE TEAM!

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## METHODIST YOUTH CLUB



- Senior Club - Mon & Fri - 7.30pm to 10pm (15yrs-21yrs)
- Inters Club - Tuesday - 7pm to 9pm (11yrs-14yrs)

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## PALMERS STORES

- KENNOMEAT DOG FOOD.... 9½p
- OSPREY MED. RED SALMON. 21p
- SUNCRUSH SQUASH..... 12½p
- BIRDS ANGEL DELIGHT... 7p
- KELLOGS RICE KRISPIES. 10½p

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<u>GUY BROWN</u>	*	<u>'GRANNY' PENNY</u>	*	<u>RON DEW</u>
<u>TOM ALDER</u>	*	<u>MISS PORTER</u>	*	<u>PAUL CUMBER</u>

**Vogue**

## views on life today - by the 'Younger Set'

-SEND US YOUR VIEWS- Age Range - 13 to 25

S.F. gives his views on:-

RELIGIOUS REVIVAL. "Quite possible if made more acceptable to the younger generation. Too many children forced by parents to attend Church.

FREE LOVE.

Accepted as part of modern world. TV to blame.

TRIAL 'MARRIAGE'

No. If two people cannot find out that they are compatible without living together - then they're not!

"POT" & DRUGS.

Not interested. No sympathy with addicts. Easy excuse to shed one's load in life.

MILITARY SERVICE.

Should be 3 years Conscription for National Service. Would revitalise Britain's Youth.

UNITED WORLD.

Impossible. All Nations could not 'get on' together. We should stick with Commonwealth, but help other communities as and when needed!!

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To many in the Community, the functions of the various Councils - County, Rural, and Parish, remain a bewildering mystery.

Who manages what? Who do we go to when we want to discuss this or that?

DO YOU KNOW?

Here briefly are the functions dealt with by the RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL at the moment:

All applications for plans to build, alter or add to private houses or estates.

Building, repairing, letting, and maintenance, of all Council Houses, Shops and Garages.

Collection of all rates - County Council and Parish Councils draw the money they

require (and have planned for) from the rates collected by the Rural District Council.

Refuse & Sewage disposal. Rights of Way - maintenance, closures and disputes pertaining to all Rights of Way.

Electoral Register - the up-to-date compilation of the Register which entitles you to vote in any election.

gems from the past.

Mr Collier of The Stores, was given permission to leave his Sunblind out all night, at his own risk - Saturday nights excepted, providing he paid an annual Toll of Sixpence. (1909)

Miss Glover complained to the Parish Council of 'Youths Playing Rounders on The Green' (1912)

NAUGHTY - In the 20's and 30's Stallholders were not allowed to sell Water Squirts at Aldbourne Feast.



## Parish Pump-

Recently THE PARISH COUNCIL have:

- ◆ INSTALLED DRAINAGE AT THE VILLAGE POND.
- ◆ CLEARED BROOK IN SOUTH STREET OF WEEDS ETC.
- ◆ RE-SITED FAIR EQUIPMENT AT ALDBOURNE FEAST.
- ◆ CLEANSED THE BROOK IN LOTTAGE ROAD.
- ◆ REPLACED DAMAGED POSTS AT THE POND.
- ◆ PROVIDED THE ANTI-LITTER MATERIAL FOR THE SUCCESSFUL METHODIST YOUTH CLUB 'R & L' WEEK DURING JULY.
- ◆ PREVAILED UPON THE COUNTY COUNCIL TO PROVIDE ROAD MARKINGS ON THE A419 (VILLAGE CENTRE) IN THE INTERESTS OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

### DID YOU KNOW?

PARISH GRASS MOWING IS UNDERTAKEN DURING MAY, JUNE, JULY & AUGUST, COSTING THE P.COUNCIL £56.75 PER MONTH.

PARISH ACCOUNTS ARE AUDITED EACH JULY, PARTICULARS BEING AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

PARISH LIGHTING IS CONTROLLED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL AND PAID FOR FROM PARISH FUNDS.

LIGHTING COMPLAINTS OR SUPPLY FAILURES: CONTACT MR W.A.BROWN(CHAIRMAN, LIGHTING COMMITTEE) OR CLERK TO PARISH COUNCIL

IN JULY THE PARISH COUNCIL DECIDED BY A NARROW MAJORITY TO PUBLISH THE 'PARISH COUNCIL NEWS' ON ALTERNATE MONTHS FOLLOWING A SUGGESTION MADE BY THE CLERK. THE PUBLICATION WILL BE ON 'TRIAL' FOR A YEAR. EDITOR IS MR A.D.GILLIGAN. THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF LOCAL TRADESMEN(ADVERTISING), THE PARISH NEWS IS NOT ONLY SELF SUPPORTING, BUT PARISH FUNDS WILL BENEFIT DURING THE FIRST YEAR. COPIES WILL BE DELIVERED FREE OF CHARGE IN THE VILLAGE, AND SURPLUS COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN SHOPS FOR THOSE PERSONS LIVING OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE, ON A VERY LIMITED SCALE. CONTACT EDITOR IF UNABLE TO OBTAIN.

SEND IN YOUR COMPLAINTS, YOUR VIEWS, YOUR NEEDS.

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## Brickbats & Bouquets-

THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ARE GENUINE, NAMES WITHHELD FOR OBVIOUS REASONS

ON THE PARISH COUNCIL....."Bloody silly lot, they always act too late"...L.L.

"Sacrifice & Public Spirit of Council Members often overlooked.....tell us more of what the P.Council is doing, or unable to do".....M.C.

### IN GENERAL....

"Thank you Parish Council for arranging the clearance of the eye-sore in St.Michaels Close"....I.B.

"What are the Council doing about traffic conditions and the state of the road in Castle Street"..K.C.

"Well done Parish Council, re-siting of Fair equipment a great improvement"...S.W.

"More litter bins of robust design wanted.... New Parish Notice Board a great improvement despite various opinions on siting.....Closer co-ordination between Organisations and Societies necessary, to avoid overlapping etc".....M.C.

"Will the Parish Council please take steps to improve the appearance of the unsightly Glebe Farm Site, it is in a deplorable state"....B.M.

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## THE HELPING HAND



IN NEED OF HELP (Not Financial!)?

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NOT THE PARISH COUNCIL



## purely local-

I recall a village story of a decade ago when, whilst in a local pub, the main topic of conversation centred on the American attempt to reach the Moon. "That 'un 'll never get thur, ee 'll get half way up an' cum ass over tip back!" So spake the local sage. Which reminds me of the member of the Wiltshire Yeomanry who, having been issued with an Army Saddle, placed it upon his horse, only to be informed by a senior officer that it was on back to front. Back came the reply: "Ah!! but us dunno which way us be agoin' of yet!"

Many years ago when my grandfather first came to the village he enquired as to where a local farm could be located. " 'tis up past my place" was the reply.

"And how far past your place?" asked my grandfather.

"Oh, a main little step!" came the answer.

G.W.(contributed)

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An Open Letter

ALTHOUGH we pride ourselves that ours is a village of BEAUTY, the condition of it at times leaves very much to be desired.

For most of the year the village Pond is used as a 'dustbin', accumulating a grand collection of tins, broken bottles and the like.

To the south, the Brook in South Street, when not dry, is congested with weeds and plants which seem to multiply year by year.

Just two examples of conditions we appear content to live with, but do very little to improve.

Would it not meet the approval of the village in general if a polite request was made to THE PARISH COUNCIL asking them to -

provide suitable LITTER BINS at the Aldbourne Pond and

to keep the BROOK, BANKS AND VERGES, free of weeds and regularly mown throughout the year ?

The cost to Council Funds would surely be considered worthwhile, and be amply repaid by the satisfaction gained from taking a pride in our village appearance.

Yours etc.,

R.A.A. & J.M. Robertson.

14, The Green.

What Do You Think?



Name

Date

CONGRATULATIONS / FANTASTIC FLIGHT - WELL DONE TO THE

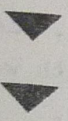
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local personalities.

1. MR OLIVER HAWKINS

'Father' of the Parish, Oliver Hawkins will complete 50 years Council service next March - a worthy achievement by any standard.  
A 'Dabchick' by birth, he was educated at the local School, leaving to work on the land when only ten and a half years of age.  
He has been connected with Agriculture most of his life, and until his retirement, farmed on his own account.  
His association with the Church has been life long, being a Methodist Lay Preacher for upwards of 60 years. His acceptance of the tenets of the Christian Faith gave the realisation that Life had a Purpose, and this acceptance gave him not only an interest in the Church, but also Public Life. A County Councillor for 18 years, he was made an Alderman prior to retirement.  
Forward looking in outlook, he is perhaps responsible more than any other man alive today for the very high standards set by the Parish in our immediate locality.  
With his brother Christopher, he fought for local amenities, and helped to ensure for the Parish Main Water and Drainage Supplies, services taken for granted today. The village also had its own Electricity Supply in 1930. Some years ago he was the Liberal Party Agent for the Devizes Constituency, but like many good men before him, later changed his Political Outlook.  
Oliver Hawkins has always keenly supported local Sporting interests and has been a Vice-President of both the Football and Cricket Clubs.  
The Parish would be a sorrier place without him.

on which to ponder \_\_\_\_\_

A N T I C I P A T I O N

A GIFT SO SORELY NEGLECTED  
SO OFTEN MISAPPLIED - SO VITAL TO LIFE



# DAILY DATES -

## ALDBOURNE CARNIVAL

THE 56th CARNIVAL KICKS OFF ON FRIDAY 27th AUGUST  
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