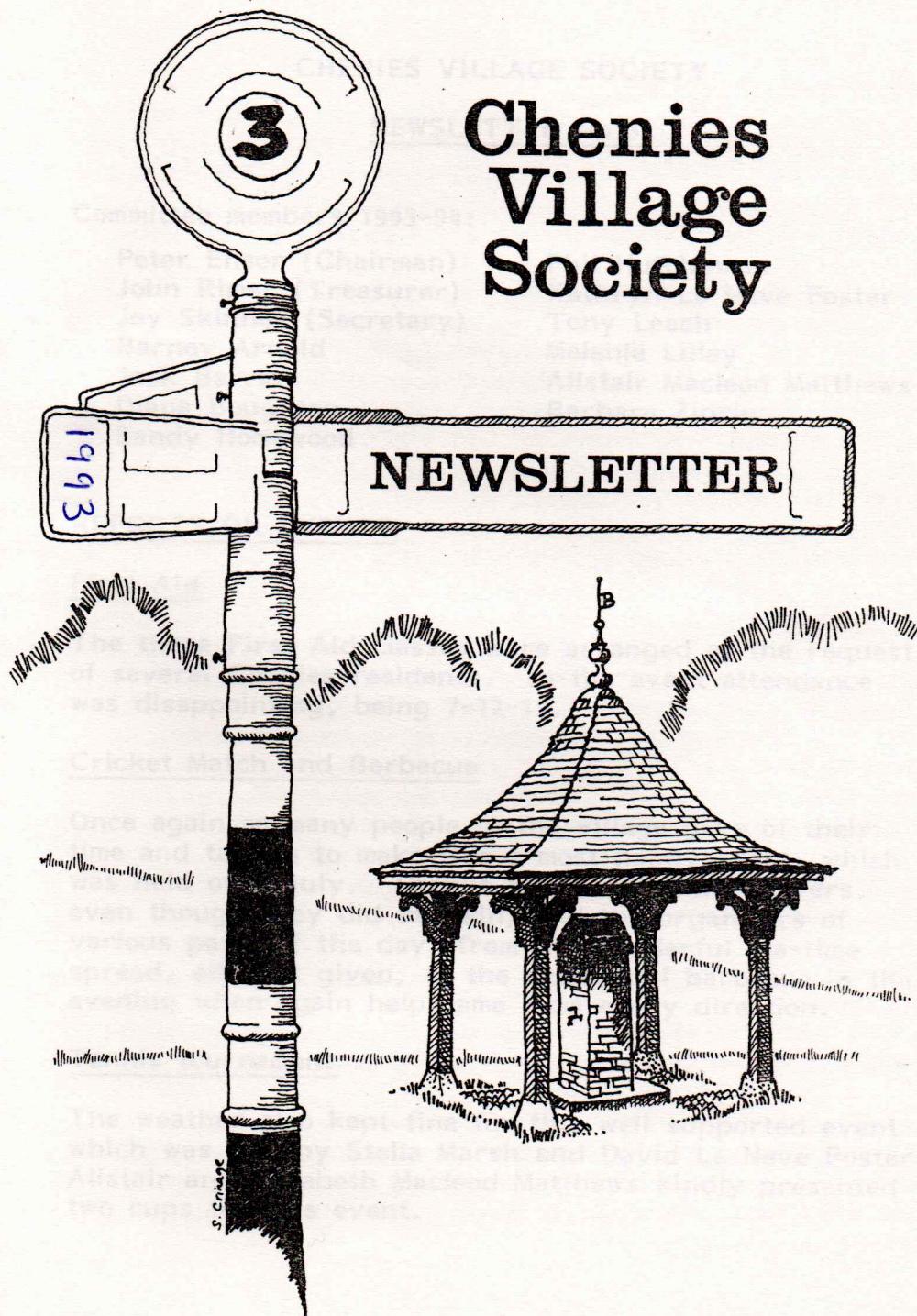


Chenies Village Society



CHENIES VILLAGE SOCIETY

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Committee members 1993-94:

Peter Ensor (Chairman)	Phil Hutchinson
John Rimer (Treasurer)	Kathryn Le Neve Foster
Joy Skinner (Secretary)	Tony Leach
Barney Arnold	Melanie Lilley
Jack Barratt	Alistair Macleod Matthews
Diana Boughton	Barbara Ziprin
Sandy Homewood	

REPORTS ON EVENTS

First Aid

The three First Aid classes were arranged at the request of several Chenies residents. In the event attendance was disappointing, being 7-12-19.

Cricket Match and Barbecue

Once again so many people in the village gave of their time and talents to make this a most happy event, which was held on 4 July. Thanks to you all - the players, even though they did not win, and the organisers of various parts of the day, from the wonderful tea-time spread, all of it given, to the successful barbecue in the evening when again help came from every direction.

Tennis tournament

The weather also kept fine for this well supported event which was won by Stella Marsh and David Le Neve Foster. Alistair and Elizabeth Macleod Matthews kindly presented two cups for this event.

New Rector in Chenies

In May David Lambert and his wife Jo came to the rectory in Chenies. We wish them well and we trust they have many happy years amongst us. We welcome, too, all new residents to the village.

Best Kept Village Competition

Chenies was in the final three of the Gurney Cup. Sadly, the second visit by the judges was much less good than the first but we can be pleased to have reached the finals for the second year running. We need to put in just a little bit more effort next year, so let us see even more residents playing their part. The other two villages in the final were Fulmer (1st) and Weedon (2nd), both of which have a much reduced traffic problem.

Coffee mornings

These fortnightly coffee mornings are held in the Baptist Chapel Hall on alternate Tuesdays from 10.30-12.00, the next one being on 30 November. It is an excellent opportunity, particularly for some elderly people, to get out from their homes. Transport can be arranged and if required please telephone Heather Ensor on 282660 to arrange for a lift. All ages are welcome - Sandy Homewood recently went to a coffee morning with the twins and they were all made most welcome.

Chenies & Latimer Produce Show

A new joint committee representing Chenies and Latimer arranged the show, which was well attended.

The theme of sunflowers made an unusual interest. Sadly the germination of the sunflower seeds, which were distributed to every home in the two villages, was disappointing. However, some did grow to over 5 feet and the winner was David Staughton.

Particular interest was shown in the new class of photography. There were good entries in the cooking classes and a particular effort was made by the fellows. Chenies seems to have plenty of skilled chefs! The winner was Reverend Julian Harford - maybe the next "Cooking Canon"!

The committee's thanks go to everyone who participated, whether or not they were successful, and to those who came only to view.

PLANNED FORTHCOMING EVENTS

****Please note the dates in your diaries**

- 1 Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Cricket Clubhouse on Wednesday 15 December. Please contact Julie Stepham (283685) or Felicity Crockett (285714) for further information.
- 2 New Year Party will be held at Chenies School on Saturday 8 January 1994, commencing at 8.00 pm. Do come and see what is on offer next year - we plan to have a few questions and photos about the village to see how much we see and notice around us, as well as a tombola, raffle, and exciting food and drinks.

For both events help will be needed so do please respond to requests for contributions towards the food, and the tombola, when asked.

Library Van

A reminder that the library van is at the Village Green at 3.45 pm to 4.00 pm each Friday.

PARISH NEWS

Traffic and speed: Following the County Council's proposal for the partial closure of the middle road across the Green, the Parish Council is still awaiting the detailed plans which we are advised will be available very shortly.

Kerbing and drainage opposite the Red Lion: This work has recently been carried out after some delay. It appears to have been well done and should protect the verge from further erosion whilst allowing residents and customers of the Red Lion to continue parking along the road.

Verge near the School: This has recently been repaired by Parish Councillors and other volunteers where it had been eroded by parked cars. A quantity of topsoil has been brought in and seeded; additionally, marker posts have been erected to discourage careless parkers.

Grass cutting: This has again been carried out by Mr Ray Lee through the season, and he is to be congratulated on the high standard achieved.

Pond Clearance

The whole village is grateful to Andy and Sandy Homewood for organising the clearance of the second half of the pond: thanks to all those who helped. More assistance will be required in due course to clear the pond near Claypits, and they will again be looking for a useful response from helpers.

THANKS

It is the great support and help from so many in the village in providing food, tombola prizes, help in keeping the village tidy, and in many other ways, that is so much appreciated. During the year we have also had generous gifts from the Red Lion, Bedford Arms and the Garden Centre. Thanks to all.